ROSEMEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING MINUTES

CONSENT

February 29, 2020

The Board of Trustees of the Rosemead School District met in an emergency meeting on Saturday, February 29, 2020, in the District Office – Board Room at Rosemead School District, 3907 Rosemead Blvd., Rosemead, California at 8:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER

President Quintanilla called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. Trustees present included: Mr. Ronald Esquivel, Mr. John Quintanilla, Ms. Nancy Armenta, Mrs. Veronica Peña, and Mrs. Diane Benitez.

Superintendent Mr. Alejandro Ruvalcaba was also present. Other *District personnel and guests* in attendance were:

Harold Sullins, Jennifer Fang, Christine Hsu, and Elana Rivkin-Haas.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Minutes: That the Agenda, be approved, as presented.

Motion made by:		Ms. Armenta	Seconded by:	Mrs. Benitez
Votes:	Ms. Armenta	Yes	Mrs. Peña	Yes
	Mr. Esquivel	Yes	Mr. Quintanilla	Yes
	Mrs Benitez	Yes		

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Ouintanilla requested for Mr. Harold Sullins to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

There were none.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Ruvalcaba provided a brief highlight on the following topics:

- o Shared that Janson staff and students presented at the iReady conference in Pasadena.
- o Reported that the Enrollment for the new Dual Language Immersion Mandarin Program brought in seven out of district students which have been approved with several others pending release. He also shared that with the interest in the DLI program we might already have two full classes.
- o Shared conversations have started to consider a future Dual Language Immersion Spanish Program.
- Upcoming Events and Save the Dates Trustees, RSVP to Cynthia Bracamonte:
 - o Tuesday, March 10, 2020, 6:30 p.m. Rosemead PTA Founder's Day, Rosemead High School
 - o Thursday, March 12, 2020, 6:00 p.m. Janson Founder's Day
- Review of the contents in the night folder:
 - o Action Safety Plans: Encinita, Janson, Savannah, Shuey, Muscatel corrected pages
 - o Trustee Mail (if any is received after Board packet delivery)

BOARD PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

There were none.

BOARD ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- Clerk Peña attended the Founder's Day celebration at Shuey and felt it was so beautiful and was happy to see that everyone was able to attend the event. She apologized that she was unable to attend the Encinita Founder's Day celebration due to work.
- Trustee Benitez attended the Savannah and Shuey Founder's Day celebrations and felt that they were both equally good. She shared that yesterday she attended the parent academy at the Palm's golf course and was glad to hear that a lot of Rosemead parents attended. Parents shared with her that the information shared was good. She is hoping Muscatel parents will go next year and feels that they cover a lot of the topics would be helpful to middle school parents and will help students in high school to get the college ready.
- Trustee Armenta attended both the Shuey and Savannah Founder's Day celebrations which both had great performances. She is extremely impressed with Savannah's costumes, immaculate presentations, and amazing student talents. Ms. Armenta really enjoyed the presentations.

STUDY SESSION TOPIC(S):

1. <u>Presentation on the Brown Act, Conflict of Interest, Equity, and Ethics, facilitated by Mrs.</u> Christine Hsu, Attorney and Mrs. Elana Rivkin-Haas, Attorney

Attorney Hsu provided the Board of Trustees and Cabinet a brief review of the Brown Act. See presentation attached.

President Quintanilla recessed the meeting to a brief break at 8:55 a.m.

President Quintanilla reconvened the meeting to open session at 9:04 a.m.

Attorney Hsu provided the Board of Trustees and Cabinet a brief review of Conflict of Interest and Form 700 filing requirements.

President Quintanilla recessed the meeting to a brief break at 10:43 a.m.

President Quintanilla reconvened the meeting to open session at 11:00 a.m.

Attorney Rivkin-Haas provided the Board of Trustees and Cabinet a brief review on the topic of Ethics.

President Quintanilla requested for Board consensus to table the topic of Equity to a future Board meeting. It was the Board's consensus to table this topic.

ACTION ITEM(S):

Contract with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for the STAR Program at Muscatel Middle School

Minutes: That the Contract with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for the

STAR Program at Muscatel Middle School, be approved.

Motion made by: Mr. Esquivel Seconded by: Ms. Armenta

Votes:Ms. ArmentaYesMrs. PeñaYesMr. EsquivelYesMr. QuintanillaYes

Mrs. Benitez Yes

That the Contract with the Woodcraft Rangers for the GATE Program, Districtwide

Minutes: That the Contract with the Woodcraft Rangers for the GATE Program,

Districtwide, be approved.

Motion made by: Ms. Armenta Seconded by: Mr. Esquivel

Votes:Ms. ArmentaYesMrs. PeñaNoMr. EsquivelYesMr. QuintanillaNo

Mrs. Benitez No

Nomination of a Board Member as a LACSTA, Executive Board Member

Minutes: That the Nomination for ______, a Board Member of the Los

Angeles County Board, an active Los Angeles County School Trustees Association (LACSTA) Member District, as a LACSTA Executive Board Member for the Position of (President, Vice President,

Secretary/Treasurer, Director) for a Two-Year Term, be approved.

Motion made by: Mrs. Peña Seconded by:

Motion fails due to lack of a second.

<u>Updated Comprehensive School Safety Plans for Encinita, Janson, Muscatel, Savannah, and Shuey</u> Schools

Minutes: That the Updated Comprehensive School Safety Plans for Encinita, Janson,

Muscatel, Savannah, and Shuey Schools, be approved.

Motion made by: Mr. Esquivel Seconded by: Ms. Armenta

Votes: Ms. Armenta Yes Mrs. Peña Yes

Mr. Esquivel Yes Mr. Quintanilla Yes

Mrs. Benitez Yes

NEW BUSINESS

- Trustee Armenta:
 - o Shared that she hopes that all Board Members consider that how they are voting never affects the academic services for students.
- Trustee Esquivel:
 - o Requested for the presentation on the online agenda system GAMUT Meetings and be a separate presentation from the agenda preparation process. He shared that both

- presentations should be on different days and that each topic would also be a good way for staff to learn why there are timelines associated with Board agendas.
- o Requested for staff to address the professional practices and dress code of the new security company.
- o Requested an electronic and searchable copy of the Brown Act from the Legal firm.
 - It was the Board's consensus to request the copy.
- o Requested for the Board's ipads to be upgraded.
- President Quintanilla:
 - Read a Thank you card to the Board of Trustees from Brandi Matsdorf, Jonnie Matsdorf, Leah Kilpatrick, and Roseann Magdaleno regarding their attendance to the California Distinguished Schools awards ceremony.
- Superintendent Ruvalcaba:
 - o Requested the Board's consensus to move forward on how we word the sections of the agenda where the Board takes action.
 - It was the Board's consensus to move forward with the new format.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There were none.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

President Quintanilla began Closed Session at 12:35 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

- 1. Conference with Labor Negotiators pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6:
 - Rosemead Teachers' Association, California School Employees Association and its Rosemead Chapter 9
- 2. Public Employee (Appointment, Employment, Reassignment, Evaluation, and Discipline/ Dismissal/Release – pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

ADJOURNMENT OF CLOSED SESSION

President Quintanilla adjourned closed session at 12:47 p.m.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

President Quintanilla reconvened the meeting to open session at 12:47 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ANY ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION (if any)

President Quintanilla reported that the Board of Trustees took no action.

ADJOURNMENT

Minutes: That the February 29, 2020 Board of Trustees meeting, be adjourned at 12:47

p.m.

Motion made by:

Ms. Armenta

Seconded by:

Mrs. Benitez

Votes:

Ms. Armenta Mr. Esquivel Yes Yes Mrs. Peña

Yes

Mrs. Benitez

Yes

Mr. Quintanilla

Yes

Signed,

resident

Clerk