



Study Session Meeting

03/17/2022 06:30 PM

**6:30 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER/OPEN/PUBLIC
SESSION (ZOOM) / IN-PERSON**

**After the Completion of Open Session -
CLOSED SESSION**

MEETING MINUTES

AGENDA FOR THE **STUDY SESSION** MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ROSEMEAD SCHOOL DISTRICT
6:30 P.M. - CALL TO ORDER/OPEN/PUBLIC SESSION (ZOOM) / IN-PERSON
After the Completion of Open Session Agenda Items - CLOSED SESSION

This meeting will be held electronically via Zoom Meetings with limited in-person capacity.

PARTICIPATION IN-PERSON: adherence to current Los Angeles County Department of
Public Health, health order mandates:

Rosemead School District

District Office - Board Room

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PARTICIPATION VIA TELECONFERENCE/ELECTRONIC:

Zoom Meeting ID# 811 8501 3924

Passcode: 334411

Attendees

Voting Members

Ms. Nancy Armenta, President

Mr. Ronald Esquivel, Clerk

Mrs. Veronica Pena, Trustee

Mr. John Quintanilla, Trustee

Mrs. Diane Benitez, Trustee

Non-Voting Members

Mr. Alejandro Ruvalcaba, Superintendent

Dr. Maria Rios, Assistant Superintendent, Administrative Services

Dr. Jennifer Fang, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services

Mr. Alejandro Gaeta, Network Administrator

I. NOTICES - Public Comments / Speaker's Requests

II. NOTICES

III. Call to Order by _____ at _____ p.m.

President Armenta called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

President Armenta made the following statement:

Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order for the modification of public gatherings, the Rosemead School District Board of Trustees must conduct their public meetings virtually. In order to ensure the board's business is heard clearly, we would like to respectfully request for all attendees to mute their microphones unless you are requested by the Board President to address the Board.

IV. Members Present _____ Members Absent _____

Audience members participated both in-person and electronically via Zoom.

President Armenta read the following statement:

As a result of the ongoing state of emergency and the COVID-19 pandemic and pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order #N-15-21, Assembly Bill 361, and Government Code Section 54953, as amended, as local legislative body is authorized to hold public meetings via teleconferencing and make public meeting accessible telephonically, or otherwise electronically, to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the local legislative body.

In accordance with the Governor's Executive Order, the Rosemead School District Board of Trustees will conduct this meeting with all participation via Zoom Meeting which is accessible to the public.

V. MEETING RECORDED

This meeting was audio recorded. Trustees have received background information regarding each agenda item prior to the meeting thus ensuring thorough review of each item.

VI. REGULAR MEETING - 6:30 P.M.

VII. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

That the Agenda, be Approved.

Motion made by: Mrs. Diane Benitez

Motion seconded by: Mr. Ronald Esquivel

Voting:

Ms. Nancy Armenta - Yes

Mr. Ronald Esquivel - Yes

Mrs. Veronica Pena - Yes

Mr. John Quintanilla - Yes

Mrs. Diane Benitez - Yes

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

VIII. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE by: _____

President Armenta requested for Dr. Fang to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 minutes per person or 20 minutes per topic)

Pursuant to Board Bylaw No. 9323, we would like to encourage members of the public to present their views to the Board regarding matters listed in the agenda. At regular meetings of the Board, members of the public may address the Board on agenda items, as well as any other items of concern that fall within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board of Trustees. If you want to address an agenda item, you have the option of speaking at this time, or at the time the item is being discussed by the Board.

Individual speakers shall be allowed three (3) minutes total to address the Board on each agenda or non-agenda item. The Board shall limit the total time for public input on each item to 20 minutes. Please state your name, make your presentation as brief as possible and understand that the Board will not engage in a debate with visitors, but you may be given an opportunity for further questions and answers when a specific item is presented in the agenda.

Mr. Ruvalcaba checked the board@rosemead.k12.ca.us email account for submissions of public comment. There were none submitted.

X. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Ruvalcaba provided the following report:

- Welcomed everyone in attendance.
- Provided a brief update on the transition of masking from mandated to strongly recommended. Well over 90% of the students are masking and a significant amount of our adults are masking as well. It appears that most of our students, staff, and community continue to see masking as a viable layer of protection. The district has continued to support students and staff who elect to continue masking.
- Shared that the Board is looking forward to the self-evaluation report that will be reviewed tonight.
- Lastly, he offered congratulations to Mr. Esquivel's family on the huge milestone being reached this weekend.

XI. BOARD PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

President Armenta shared the following:

- Shared that she attended the Janson Founder's Day event and that it was really nice to relive the exciting moment when the school was being celebrated for their Legacy School award.
- Looking forward to the Board's self-evaluation.
- Congratulated the father of the bride, Mr. Esquivel.

XII. BOARD ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- Trustee Pena shared the following:
 - Wished everyone a Happy St. Patty's Day to everyone.

- Shared that she enjoyed the Janson Founder's Day video Legacy celebration.
- Lastly, congratulated Janson on being named a Legacy School.
- Trustee Quintanilla shared the following:
 - Wished everyone a Happy St. Patrick's Day.
 - Congratulated Clerk Esquivel.
- Trustee Benitez shared the following:
 - Shared that she also saw the Janson Founder's Day presentation and expressed that it was awesome to relive the Legacy celebration.
 - Congratulated Mr. Esquivel as father of the bride.
 - Lastly, she thanked all the staff, Principals, and administrators for all their hard work and dedication to the students.

XIII. CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda, be Approved, as Corrected.

Motion made by: Mr. John Quintanilla

Motion seconded by: Mr. Ronald Esquivel

Voting:

Ms. Nancy Armenta - Yes

Mr. Ronald Esquivel - Yes

Mrs. Veronica Pena - Yes

Mr. John Quintanilla - Yes

Mrs. Diane Benitez - Yes

The motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

A. CONSENT - Personnel Status Report - Certificated and Classified

XIV. FOCUS TOPIC

A. Review of the Board of Trustees California School Boards Association (CSBA) Self-Evaluation Tool Results and Discussion of Board Goals

Superintendent Ruvalcaba led the review of the Board of Trustees California School Boards Association (CSBA) Self-Evaluation Tool results and discussion of Board Goals. See the presentation attached.

XV. NEW BUSINESS

- Superintendent Ruvalcaba shared the following:
 - Muscatel has developed a club that is girls' leadership club at Muscatel, and they've started working with Educational Services to develop a Women's Day event, similar to a Leadership Summit. They are brainstorming and started reaching out. They will reach out individually to each Trustee to see what opportunities are available.
 - Dr. Fang shared that this idea is to really empower our girls, and we will also work on an event to empower our boys. The idea of this event is to host it on a Saturday with speakers and break-out sessions. The District will reach out to vendors to help support this event. The event will target 6th-grade students to help transition them to middle school.
 - April 14 Study Session be canceled and schedule an update on the Facilities Master Plan projects during the April 7, 2022 board meeting.

XVI. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (3 minutes per person or 20 minutes per topic)

There were no public comments submissions.

XVII. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION at ____ p.m.

President Armenta recessed the meeting to closed session at 7:03 p.m.

XVIII. CLOSED SESSION

- A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE (APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, REASSIGNMENT, EVALUATION, AND DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE) - pursuant to Government Code Section 54957**
- B. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS - pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6**

XIX. ADJOURNMENT OF CLOSED SESSION at ____ p.m.

President Armenta adjourned closed session at 8:00 p.m. Mr. Esquivel excused himself from the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

XX. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION at ____ p.m.

President Armenta reconvened the meeting to open session at 8:02 p.m.

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

President Armenta announced that the Board of Trustees took no action in closed session.

XXII. ADJOURNMENT The meeting (be) adjourned at ____ p.m.

President Armenta adjourned the March 17, 2022, Board of Trustees meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Motion made by: Mr. John Quintanilla

Motion seconded by: Mrs. Diane Benitez

Voting:

Ms. Nancy Armenta - Yes

Mr. Ronald Esquivel - Not Present

Mrs. Veronica Pena - Yes

Mr. John Quintanilla - Yes

Mrs. Diane Benitez - Yes

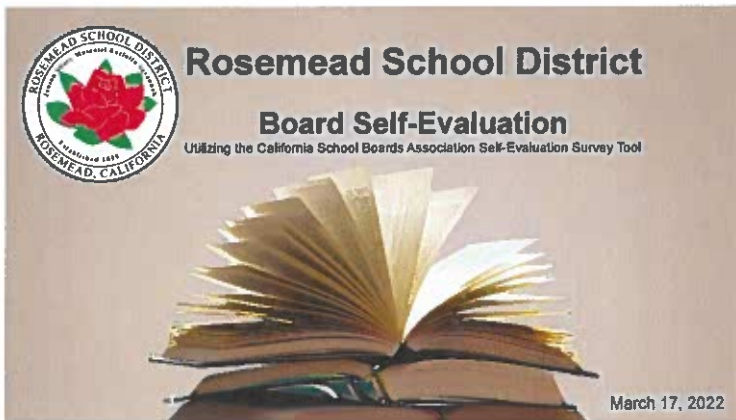
The motion passed by a 4-0 vote.

XXIII. NEXT MEETING DATES



Nancy Armenta, President

Ronald Esquivel, Clerk



	Number of members responded				
	Almost Always	Often	Less Often	Rarely	Not sure
7. Board members agree on the role and responsibilities of the board and the superintendent.	2	3	1	0	0
8. Board members follow board agreements regarding speaking for the board.	3	1	1	0	0
9. Board members keep confidential matters confidential.	1	2	2	0	0
10. The board gives direction to the superintendent only at board meetings.	3	2	0	0	0
11. Individual board members do not attempt to direct the superintendent.	1	2	2	0	0

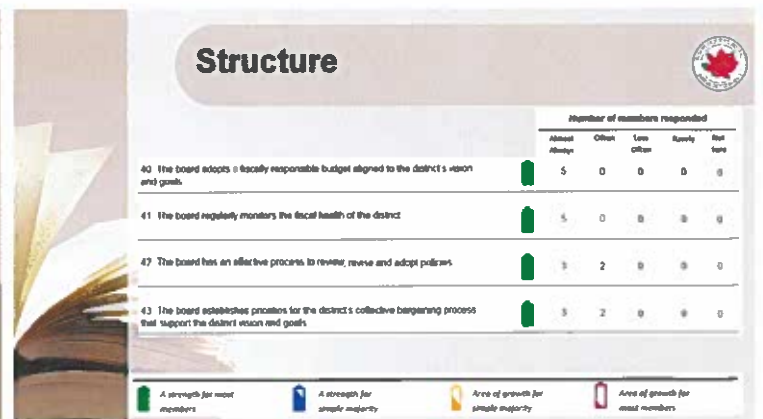
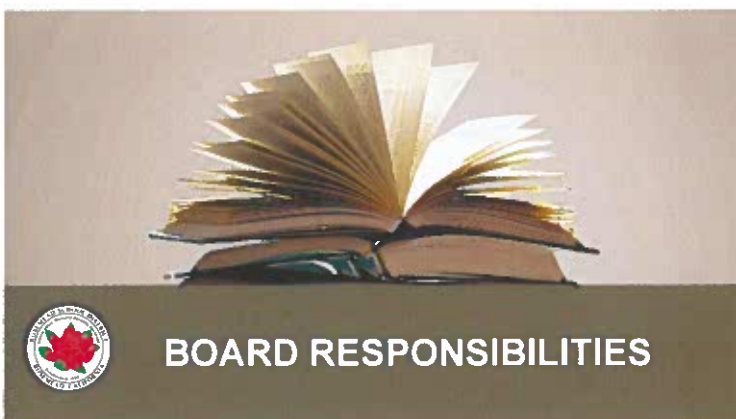
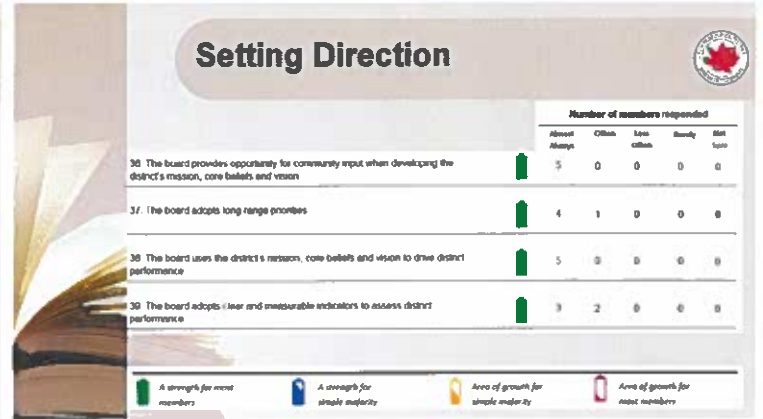
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 ■ A strength for simple majority
 ■ Area of growth for simple majority
 ■ Area of growth for most members

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	Almost Always	Often	Less Often	Rarely	Not sure
1. The board is focused on achievement for all students.	1	0	0	0	0
2. The board is committed to a common vision.	1	0	1	0	0
3. The board stays focused on district priorities.	3	2	0	0	0
4. The board works well together.	1	2	0	0	0
5. The board respects the time to become informed.	3	2	0	0	0
6. Individual board members do not undermine board decisions.	1	3	1	0	0

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REFLECTION

Highlights

- Fiscal and Financial departments are doing a great job.

Opportunities

Accountability



		Number of members responded				
		Almost Always	Often	Less Often	Rarely	Not sure
48	The board monitors student progress against established benchmarks	4	1	0	0	0
49	The board monitors progress towards district goals based on established success indicators	3	2	0	0	0
50	The board monitors the implementation of the adopted budget	3	2	0	0	0
51	The board monitors the implementation of board policies	3	2	0	0	0
52	The board evaluates the performance of the board	3	1	0	4	0
53	The board evaluates the performance of the superintendent based on established expectations	4	1	0	0	0

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Area of growth for simple majority

Area of growth for most members

Support



		Number of members responded				
		Almost Always	Often	Less Often	Rarely	Not sure
44	The board demonstrates commitment to district priorities and goals	4	1	0	0	0
45	The board demonstrates support for the superintendent in carrying out board directives	4	1	0	0	0
46	The board is represented at key district events	5	0	0	0	0
47	The board celebrates district accomplishments	5	0	0	0	0

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Area of growth for simple majority

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REFLECTION

Highlights

- Superintendent eval is tough and challenges him

Opportunities

- Look at other tools other than CSBA
- Explore more often evals

REFLECTION

Highlights

- Board supports the work
- Board has pride in every accomplishment at site and student level
- All board members are at all events

Opportunities

Community Leadership



		Number of members responded				
		Almost Always	Often	Less Often	Rarely	Not sure
54	The board uses extensive messages to communicate district priorities, goals and needs	3	1	1	0	0
55	The board provides community leadership on educational issues	4	1	0	0	0
56	The board pursues partnerships to support district efforts	4	1	0	0	0
57	The board advocates on behalf of students and public education at the local, state and federal levels	3	2	0	0	0
58	The board informs the community on district priorities, progress, needs and opportunities for involvement	4	1	0	0	0

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Area of growth for simple majority

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REFLECTION



Highlights

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Opportunities

- Notice to public, do other ways of communication to reach more
- We need to market ourselves better

Next Steps



Actions

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Timeline

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NEXT STEPS

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