

WEAVER UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
1240 "D" Street
Merced, California 95341

MINUTES
05-20-21

(Email jlinden@weaverusd.org for Zoom Meeting Information)

BOARD MEETING
WEB CONFERENCE VIA ZOOM

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2020
5:30 P.M.

1. Call to Order

Board President Wallace called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

A. Roll Call of Trustees

The following Trustees were present at Roll Call:

Jennifer Bertuccio; Harry Hose; Jesse Ornelas; and Karen Wallace

The following Trustee arrived at 5:43 p.m.

Rodrigo Flores

2. Approval of Agenda

On a motion by Trustee Bertuccio, seconded by Trustee Ornelas and carried by a vote of 4 – 0 - 1; the Board Trustees approved the Agenda as presented.

3. Flag Salute

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board President Wallace.

4. Guests

A. Welcome and Sign In

Board President Wallace welcomed the guests and the following names are noted in attendance:

LaRee Low; Danielle Johnson; Julia Robertson; Jackie Spielman; Jodi Ellison; Mayra Garcia; Lisa Camp; Jackie Brummell; Cathy McAuley; Teresa Sanchez; Brenda Jones; Mary Piniol; Mila Hoban Munden; Ashley Shine; Stacy Criswell; Sarah Smith; Crissy Nicholas; Rachel Neff Bracey; Nancy Moreno; Sabrina Butler; Teresa Strube; Charles Bennett; Pamela Merritt-Bennett; Elias Villa; Michelle Joyner; Michal Lomeli; Nina Blakely; Kelly Hammit-Nanez; Madason Miller; Jennifer Davey; Lisa Weber; Andrea Hogue; Angela Reyes; Sandra Lee; Zuleika Quiralte-Reyes; Eli Gong; Zaragoza Esmeralda; Michelle Garcia; mark Mendez; Ed Regalado; Shelly Ferriera; Noreen Bianchi; Chris Easley; Linda Barbour; Sophia Curiel; Kimberly Wood; Jenny Hidalgo; Brittany Hausmann; Mishia Rivas; Jessica Nelson; Amber S.; Travis Jackson; Gorett Griego; Deja Mitchell; Esperanza Flores; Marisol Zaragoza; Deena

Combs-Flores; Mike Weber; Dorothy Calvino; Kristy Hughes; Jay Johnson; Amy McCoy; Amy McCoy; Patricia Morales; and Janae Day

B. Request to Address Items on the Agenda

The following requested the opportunity to address Agenda Items 8, 9 and 10:

Certificated Employees Teresa Strube, Eddie Regalado, Julia Robertson, Mishia Rivas Wakefield, Cathy McAuley and Phil Fierro.

Classified Employee Chris Easley also requested the opportunity to address Agenda Items 8, 9, and 10.

Ismael Munoz requested the opportunity to address Agenda Items 8, 9, and 10.

C. Future Agenda Items Requested by the Public

There were no requests made from the public for future Agenda items.

5. Public Comment

- A. Members of the Public may address the Board on Non-Agenda or Agenda Items. Individuals are limited to three (3) minutes with no more than fifteen (15) minutes per single item. The Board of Trustees will take no action, but may refer the issue for further consideration.

Certificated Employee Joseph de los Reyes addressed the Board of Trustees regarding Agenda Item 8.C.1. - Board Policy 4113.5 (Working Remotely) - asking that this item be removed from the Agenda. Mr. de los Reyes stated that the best way for all concerned is to work with the Collective Bargaining Unit regarding guideline for working remotely.

Certificated Employee Cathy McAuley addressed the Board of Trustees regarding Agenda Item 10.A.3.e. – Board Policy 5141.5 (Mental Health) – asking for the hire of a Clinical Psychologist due to the staff is not trained to meet the guidelines stated in the Board Policy.

Ismael Munoz stated that Distance Learning decisions should be shared with parents for their input regarding Distance Learning.

6. Minutes

A. Board Meeting of September 9, 2020

On a motion by Trustee Ornelas, seconded by Trustee Bertuccio and carried by a vote of 5 – 0; the Board of Trustees approved the Minutes as presented.

B. Special Board Meeting of September 23, 2020

On a motion by Trustee Hose, seconded by Trustee Ornelas and carried by a vote of 4 – 0 – 1 with Trustee Flores abstaining; the Board of Trustees approved the Minutes as presented.

7. Special Items

- A. California Junior Scholarship Federation (CJSF) – Jackie Brummell

Certificated Employee Jackie Brummell presented to the Board of Trustees a new recognition program that the students of the California Junior Scholarship Federation at Weaver Middle School started, "Teacher of the Month". The students of CJSF at Weaver Middle School will recognize one teacher monthly from any of the schools sites in the Weaver Union School District.

For the month of August, the students of CJSF recognized Certificated Employee Kamalpreet Rai as "Teacher of the Month". And, for the month of September, Certificated Employee Ashley Shine was recognized as "Teacher of the Month" by the students of CJSF.

B. Food Services Report - Danielle Johnson, Director of Food Services

Mrs. Johnson presented to the Board of Trustees the Food Services Report for end of year 2019 – 2020; and, a report detailing the summer food program.

C. Excellence Report – Michal Lomeli, Principal of Pioneer Elementary School

Mrs. Lomeli presented to the Board of Trustees a video regarding:

- i. an update on Distance Learning for Pioneer
- ii. Pioneer's Friday Flag Pole presentation
- iii. Teacher of the Year, Lisa Weber
- iv. Employee of the Year, Dorothy Calvino

8. Consent Action Items

On a motion by Trustee Bertuccio, seconded by Trustee Ornelas and carried by a vote of 5 – 0; the Board of Trustees approved the following Consent Action Items with Item 8.C.1. being tabled:

- A. Quarterly Williams / Valenzuela Uniform Complaint Report (July 2020 – September 2020)
- B. Administrative Regulations
 1. 6173 - Education for Homeless Children
- C. Board Policy
 1. 4113.5/4213.5/4313.5 – Working Remotely
 2. 6157 – Distance Learning
 3. 6173 – Education for Homeless Children
- D. Exhibits
 1. 6173 – Education for Homeless Children
- E. Employee - Certificated
 1. Leave of Absence
 - a. Deepa Radhakrishnan
Position: Teacher – Weaver Middle School
Effective Dates: 9-28-2020 – 10-30-2020

F. Employee – Classified

1. Promotion

- a. Michele Lepe
From: Alternative Academic Placement Assistant – Pioneer Elementary School
To: Business Assistant – Business Department / District Office
Effective: October 1, 2020
- b. Rebecca Ybarra
From: Alternative Academic Placement Assistant – Weaver Middle School
To: Community Liaison – Weaver Middle School
Effective: October 1, 2020
- c. Aba Espinoza
From: Instructional Aide – Weaver Middle School
To: Instructional Aide – Special Education, Weaver Middle School
Effective: October 12, 2020

2. Resignations

- a. Dante Garza
Position: Yard Duty – Weaver Middle School
Effective: September 2, 2020
- b. Belinda Garcia
Position: Yard Duty – Weaver Middle School
Effective: September 11, 2020

G. Discards

1. The Music Department is requesting to discard the following instruments:

#001548WUSD	Baritone Horn	1-1-1998	\$600.00
#001539WUSD	Baritone Saxophone	1-1-1998	\$800.00
#Unknown WUSD	Sousaphone	7-1-2005	\$2,800.00
#001534WUSD	Xylophone	7-1-2005	\$3,000
#001535WUSD	Marimba	1-1-1998	\$3,000
#001543WUSD	Tenor Saxophone	1-1-1998	\$800.00
#001544WUSD	Keyboard	1-1-1998	\$3,000
#003671WUSD	Quad Drum Set	10-7-2010	\$654.00
#003675WUSD	Bass Drum	1-17-2011	\$918.00
#005108WUSD	French Horn	10-13-15	\$3,152.52
#002751WUSD	Piano Upright	7-1-2001	\$500.00

H. Warrants – September 2020

General Fund – 3430	\$ 543,652.62
Insurance	\$ 302,545.21
Child Development – 3436	\$ 1,759.76
Cafeteria – 3431	\$ 10,193.68
Building Fund / Bond Proceeds – 3442	\$ 36,602.42
Capital Facilities – 3433	\$ 3,046.20
Special Reserve / Cap Outlay – 3437	\$ <u>383,148.10</u>

Total \$1,280,947.99

9. Board Action Items

- A. Public Hearing – Administration is presenting the Weaver Union School District Preschool “Closure of Early Learning and Childcare Programs” for the 2020 – 2021 school year for public review and input.

1. Summary for Review
2. Public Hearing / Public Comment

Commenced: 6:23 p.m. Adjourned: 6:27 p.m.

- B. Administration is requesting Board approval of the Weaver Union School District Preschool “Closure of Early Learning and Childcare Programs” for the 2020 – 2021 school year.

On a motion by Trustee Bertuccio, seconded by Trustee Flores and carried by a vote of 4 – 1 with Trustee Ornelas with a “nay” vote; the Board of Trustees approved the Weaver Union School District Preschool “Closure of Early Learning and Childcare Programs” for the 2020 – 2021 school year as presented.

- C. Administration is recommending Board approval of the Weaver Union School District Task Force recommendations for a return to in-person learning.

After much discussion and public comment, on a motion by Trustee Hose, seconded by Trustee Ornelas and carried by a vote of 4 – 1 with Trustee Flores with a “nay” vote; the Board of Trustees approved the Weaver Union School District Task Force recommendations for a return to in-person learning as presented.

- D. Administration is requesting Board approval for annual dues to the Merced County School Board Association in the amount of \$150 which is based on the current P-Annual figure for Weaver Union School District.

On a motion by Trustee Hose, seconded by Trustee Flores and carried by a vote of 5 – 0; the Board of Trustees approved the payment of the annual dues to the Merced County School Board Association as presented.

- E. Administration is requesting Board approval of Resolution Number 07-20-21 certifying that Trustee Flores was absent from the Special Board Meeting of September 23, 2020 due to work related obligations; and, Board Policy section 9250.1 allows Board members to receive monthly stipend as outlined in Board Policy section 9250.1.

On a motion by Trustee Hose, seconded by Trustee Bertuccio and carried by a vote of 4 – 0 – 1 with Trustee Flores abstaining; the Board of Trustee approved Resolution Number 07-20-21 as presented.

10. Non-Action Items

- A. Board Study

The Board of Trustees agreed to study the following:

1. WUSD Academic Calendar for 2021 – 2022

- a. Draft A
 - b. Draft B
2. Administrative Regulations
 - a. 0430 – Comprehensive Local Plan for Special Education
 - b. 1312.3 – Uniform Complaint Procedures
 - c. 1312.4 – Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures
 - d. 4119.42/4219.42/4319.42 – Exposure Control Plan for Bloodborne Pathogens
 - e. 4119.43/4219.43/4319.43 – Universal Precautions
 - f. 5145.3 – Nondiscrimination / Harassment
 - g. 6020 – Parent Involvement
 - h. 6171 – Title 1 Programs
 - i. 6174 – Education for English Learners
 3. Board Policies
 - a. 0430 – Comprehensive Local Plan for Special Education
 - b. 1312.3 – Uniform Complaint Procedures
 - c. 4119.42/4219.42/4319.42 – Exposure Control Plan for Bloodborne Pathogens
 - d. 4119.43/4219.43/4319.43 – Universal Precautions
 - e. 5141.5 – Mental Health
 - f. 5145.3 – Nondiscrimination / Harassment
 - g. 6020 – Parent Involvement
 - h. 6171 – Title I Programs
 - i. 6174 – Education for English Learners
 4. Exhibits
 - a. 1312.3 – Uniform Complaint Procedures
 - b. 1312.4 – Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures
 - c. 4119.42/4219.42/4319.42 – Exposure Control Plan for Bloodborne Pathogens

B. Reports

1. Weaver Educational Teacher's Association (WETA)

a. Teresa Strube, President

Mrs. Strube reported to the Board of Trustees the diligence and commitment of the staff regarding distance learning and meeting the needs of the students to everyone's best ability. In addition Mrs. Strube shared a quote from one of her students, "When are we coming back to school because I am losing my patience".

2. Principal's Report

a. Michal Lomeli – Principal, Pioneer Elementary School

Mrs. Lomeli presented to the Board of Trustees an update regarding:

- i. Student of the Month
- ii. 12 virtual clubs available to students
- iii. PAWS Awards
- iv. Drive through "trick or treat" for students
- v. Report cards out next week
- vi. Shout out to the classified staff for their support during distance learning
- vii. Current student enrollment

b. Jackie Spielman – Principal, Farmdale Elementary School

Mrs. Spielman presented to the Board of Trustees an update regarding:

- i. "Trunk or Treat" drive through and the car decorating contest
- ii. Shout out to Hunter Farms for delivering pumpkins
- iii. 500 students participated in "Picture Day"
- iv. Current student enrollment

c. Elias Villa – Principal, Weaver Middle School

- i. Thanked everyone for their participation in tonight's board meeting
- ii. Complimented the "Reopening Committee"
- iii. Commented on the importance to provide equitable education for all students
- iv. 2nd Trimester kickoff when students return in November
- v. Current student enrollment

11. Identification of Future Agenda Items by the Board

The Board of Trustees did not request any future Agenda items.

12. Establishment of the Next Board Meeting Date and Location

A. Monthly Board Meeting

- 1. November 10, 2020 (Tuesday)

B. Special Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees did not request a Special Board Meeting.

13. The Public is invited to address identified Closed Session Agenda Items prior to Adjournment into Closed Session

There were no comments from the public regarding Closed Session Agenda items.

14. Closed Session: Commenced: 7:55 p.m. Adjourned: 8:34 p.m.

A. Personnel

1. Public Employee Discipline / Dismissal / Release
2. Leave of Absence Request
3. Updates

15. Report Out on Closed Session

A. Personnel

1. Public Employee Discipline / Dismissal / Release

In Closed Session, the Board of Trustees approved Resolution Number 08-20-21 and took action to place Certificated Employee #237 on Compulsory Unpaid Leave pursuant to Education Code section 44940 and directed administration to send any necessary legal notices.

On a motion by Trustee Bertuccio, seconded by Trustee Hose and carried by a vote of 5 – 0; the Board of Trustees agreed to place Certificated Employee #237 on Compulsory Unpaid Leave pursuant to Education Code section 44940 and directed administration to send any necessary legal notices.

2. Leave of Absence Request

In Closed Session, the Board of Trustees took action regarding the Leave of Absence request from Classified Employee #1177 as presented.

On a motion by Trustee Hose, seconded by Trustee Flores and carried by a vote of 5 – 0; the Board of Trustees approved the Leave of Absence request from Classified Employee #1177 as presented.

3. Updates

The Board of Trustees took no action.

16. Adjournment

On a motion by Trustee Hose, seconded by Trustee Ornelas and carried by a vote of 5 – 0; the Board of Trustees adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Certification of Minutes:

John Curry, Superintendent / Secretary
Board of Trustees
Weaver Union School District

Jesse Ornelas, Clerk
Board of Trustees
Weaver Union School District

Date

Date