



VALLEY CENTER-PAUMA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES

Special Meeting
October 12, 2020

Call to Order

The special meeting of the Valley Center-Pauma Unified School District was called to order by President Adams at 4:30 p.m. at the Valley Center High School Multi-Media Center. This meeting was held pursuant to Executive Order N-25-20 issued by California Governor Gavin Newsom on March 12, 2020 and in compliance with subsequent Executive Order N-33-20 issued March 19, 2020. Any or all board members may attend the meeting via teleconference.

Members Present

The following members were present:

President: Mike Adams
Vice President: Craig Adams
Clerk: Wendy Heredia
Member: Mary Polito
Member: Julie Stroh

Staff present were:

Ron McCowan, Superintendent
The following staff members were in attendance via teleconference:
Dr. Mel Robertson, Assistant Superintendent
Jon Petersen, Chief Business Officer
Dennis Zabinsky, Director of Human Resources
Doyan Howard, Director of Student Support Services
Maria Cordero, Director of Special Projects

This meeting was held virtually due to COVID pandemic restrictions, no guests were present.

Guests Present

President Adams called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 4:30 p.m. and the Closed Session Agenda was read.

Open Session was Called to Order

There were no public comments on the closed session agenda.

Adjourned to Closed Session

The Board met in Closed Session to consider:

Closed Session

- A. Conference with Labor Negotiators: (Government Code Section 54957.6) District negotiator, Dennis Zabinsky, Director of Human Resources
 - 1. Employee Organizations – VCPUTA and CSEA
 - 2. Unrepresented Employees

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was reconvened to open session by President Adams at 6:04 p.m.

Open Session Reconvened

Superintendent Ron McCowan led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Adams noted that there was nothing to report out of closed session.

Closed Session Report

On a motion by Member Heredia and a second by Member Polito, the Board approved the agenda with the noted corrections.

Approval of the Agenda

The vote by each member was as follows:

Adams, C. – aye, Heredia –aye, Polito –aye, Stroh –aye, Adams, M. – aye

Additional Staff Present

Staff present:

- Matt Evans, Director of Educational Technology
- Damon Brown, Network Systems Supervisor
- Nancy Cummings, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

There were 15 emailed requests to address the Board. All emailed addresses were read aloud by the superintendent’s designee, Nancy Cummings.

Requests to Address the Board

F. Superintendent’s Division

Superintendent McCowan updated the Board on the planned safe return to in-person instruction and recommended the Board reconsider the date for a return to on-campus learning. The following items were discussed:

Consideration of Postponement of Return to In-Person learning.

1. Update on Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Recommendation for Reconsidering of the Reopening Dates for School.

At its Special Meeting on September 22, 2020 the Board created a timeline and dates for reopening school campuses for in-person instruction under a hybrid model.

This agenda item will include a review of the following items as part of the planning process for reopening schools, and consideration of the timeline for doing so:

- Reopening timeline in light of negotiations status with employee bargaining units

- Update on status of implementation of recommendations from public health agencies and consultants for safe return to work/school

On a motion by Member Craig Adams and a second by Member Heredia, the Board agreed to postpone the previously approved dates for a phased-in reopening. The Board agreed to hold a special meeting on or before October 22, 2020 to re-evaluate and establish a new date for the return to in-person learning.

The vote by each member was as follows:

Adams, C. – aye, Heredia – aye, Polito – aye, Stroh – aye, Adams, M. – aye

The Board decided to return to closed session at 6:41 pm. The Board returned to open session at 7:37 pm.

G. Motion to Adjourn

On a motion by Member Stroh and a second by Member Craig Adams, the meeting was adjourned at 7:37 pm.


The vote by each member to adjourn the meeting was as follows:

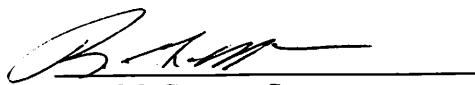
Adams, C. – aye, Heredia – aye, Polito – aye, Stroh – aye, Adams, M. – aye

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct copy of the actions of the Board of Education at a regular meeting, as recorded in these minutes.

Adjournment

Certification


Wendy Heredia, Clerk


Ron McCowan, Secretary