

VALLEY CENTER-PAUMA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES

**Special Meeting
November 20, 2020**

Call to Order

Members Present

Guests Present

Open Session was Called to Order

Adjourned to Closed Session

Closed Session

The special meeting of the Valley Center-Pauma Unified School District was called to order by President Adams at 3:02 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.

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.

President Adams called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 3:02 p.m. and the Closed Session Agenda was read.

There were no public comments on the closed session agenda.

The Board met in Closed Session to consider:

- A. Public Employee Disciplines/dismissals/releases/non-renewals/evaluations (Government Code Section 54957)
- B. Public Employee leaves of absence (Government Code section 54957)

C. Conference with Labor Negotiators: (Government Code Section 54957.6). District negotiator, Dennis Zabinsky, Director of Human Resources

1. Employee Organizations – VCPTA and CSEA
2. Unrepresented Employees

D. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation – Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph 4 of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9

1. One matter

The special meeting of the Board of Trustees was reconvened to open session by President Adams at 4:34 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 Stroh and a second by Member Craig Adams, the Board approved the agenda.

Approval of the Agenda

The vote by each member was as follows:

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

Staff present:

Additional Staff Present

Mark Hailwood, Principal VCHS
Damon Brown, Network Systems Supervisor
Nancy Cummings, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

There were no requests to address the Board

Requests to Address the Board

F. Superintendent's Division

Superintendent McCowan updated the Board on the status of the COVID-19 pandemic and the impact on our in-person hybrid learning situation. He presented the current numbers of students and staff at home due to contact tracing requirements. A discussion ensued.

Consideration of action regarding continuation of in-person hybrid learning.

On a motion by Member Craig Adams and a second by Member Heredia, the Board approved the pivot back to Distance Learning for our district. Additionally, the Board agreed that exceptions would be made for in-person learning for moderate/severe SPED students as well as assessments

for this group. The Board also agreed that small cohorts of students identified as *at-risk* could be offered in-person learning.

The vote by each member was as follows:

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

On a motion by Member Heredia and a second by Member Stroh, the Board approved the piggyback contract extension with Apple, Inc. awarded to Glendale Unified School District. Bid number P-13 18/19. This will allow VCPUSD to acquire devices at a much better price than if we were to purchase as an individual district.

The vote by each member was as follows:

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

**Approve Piggyback Contract
Extension with Apple, Inc.**

G. Motion to Adjourn

On a motion by Member Polito and a second by Member Craig Adams, the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.

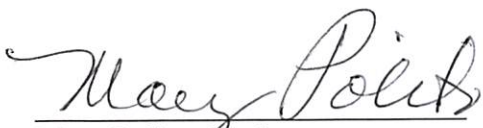
The vote by each member to adjourn the meeting was as follows:


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


Mary Polito, Clerk


Ron McCowan, Secretary