

LOS BANOS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
April 8, 2021

Via ZOOM

Mr. Martinez called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Call to Order

PRESENT: Ms. Benton, Mr. Martinez, Ms. Moran, Mr. Parreira, Ms. Smith  
ABSENT: Mr. Munoz.

Roll Call

Board President Ray Martinez led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. After the Pledge, Mr. Martinez asked that everyone remain standing and asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of retired teachers Ann Margain , Jim Clarke, and Mercey Springs Health Assistant Edward Spencer.

Pledge of  
Allegiance

On a motion by Member Benton, seconded by Member Smith, the agenda was approved as stated. Ayes: Benton, Martinez, Moran, Parreira, Smith; Noes: 0; Absent: Munoz. Motion carried.

Approval of  
Agenda

There were no public comments received.

Public Forum

There was no report from CSEA.

CSEA Report

Board President Ray Martinez read the report from Jennifer Wilkin, LBTA President. The report started by stating that March and April have been busy months for their members and the community. She said that many students have returned to LBUSD campuses for Hybrid instruction and teachers are adjusting and working harder than ever. She wrote that LBTA wants LBUSD to be a Lighthouse District, to be the leaders that other districts look up to. She stated that she believes the district made the right decision in not rushing to fully open. Even though many teachers have been vaccinated, students are still not able to receive the vaccine. She stated that the COVID Safety Plan and MOU regarding Hybrid Instruction put many things in place to help ensure the safety of staff, students and the community. She said that they were extremely grateful to all district staff for the work everyone is doing to make the best of the Hybrid schedule for the kids.

LBTA Report

Dr. Marshall began his report by thanking the Los Banos School community for another smooth return to in-person learning with the return of the secondary students this week. He said that in his observation, the students are excited to be back in school and that this sentiment is shared by staff and parents that he has had the opportunity to speak with. He thanked the labor partners for working with the District to make this happen. He stated that there are many districts in the state and nation that are still working through this. LBUSD was able to figure it out and that he was proud of that. He stated he would be posting information regarding Return to In-Person Learning FAQ's to the district social media sites and blog on Friday the 9<sup>th</sup>. He finished his report by sharing a chart that showed the projects that have recently been completed and took a moment to highlight them.

Superintendent's  
Report:

Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services, Amer Iqbal presented the facilities report. The traffic light at B Street and Place Rd has been installed and they are working on the electrical and underground wiring. The Pacheco High School additional wing is being put out to bid and that they are at the initial phase of the Loftin Stadium project.

Facilities Report

Margaret Benton said that LBUSD has the best staff and that she appreciated everyone pulling together to get students back in classrooms. She is getting great feedback on Facebook and emails. Jessica Moran attended the Parent Institute and was able to speak to the parents about being on the School Board. She received a lot of positive feedback from the Spanish speaking parents, and that they were happy that students were returning to school. She participated in a texting campaign to spread information regarding access to vaccines. She commended the Teachers, Administration, classified staff, parents, and students for all that they have done. Marlene Smith said that she has been advocating in the community about vaccines. She was happy to hear that the Governor wanted to have everything opened up by June 15<sup>th</sup>. She attended the Virtual Challenge Day at Creekside Junior High. She said that many of the students wanted to know when they could go back to school. Anthony Parreira said thank you and that he appreciated the certificated and classified staff for getting us through the past year. He said that he truly appreciated all that was done as it was uncharted territory for everyone. He hopes that we are able to get back to some sense of normalcy in August and is looking forward to it. He wanted to also thank the parents and students who have done all that they could do to make it work at home. Ray Martinez stated that it is amazing to come through tough times. It was a team effort and that even though we are not out of the woods yet, we have turned a corner. He said it is great hearing the happy chatter of children at the parks and school sites again. He also participated in Challenge Day at Creekside Junior High and that enjoyed interacting with the students,

Trustee Reports

On a motion by Member Parreira seconded by Member Benton, Trustees declared their intent to adopt the following new courses: Geology Rocks and Ag Food Sciences 1. ROLL CALL VOTE Ayes: Benton, Martinez, Moran, Parreira, Smith; Noes: 0; Absent: Munoz. Motion carried.

Course Adoptions  
(First Reading)

On a motion by Member Benton seconded by Member Parreira, Trustees declared their intent to adopt the following revised course: Success 101. ROLL CALL VOTE Ayes: Benton, Martinez, Moran, Parreira, Smith; Noes: 0; Absent: Munoz. Motion carried.

Course Revisions  
(First Reading)

On a motion by Member Smith seconded by Member Benton, Trustees approved the revised 2020-21 School Plans for Student Achievement (SPSA) for Los Banos High School and Creekside Junior High School. ROLL CALL VOTE Ayes: Benton, Martinez, Moran, Parreira, Smith; Noes: 0; Absent: Munoz. Motion carried.

2020-21 School  
Plans for Student  
Achievement

On a motion by Member Benton seconded by Member Moran, Trustees approved Change Order No. 03 from TBS Contractors for work on the B Street and Place Road Intersection Improvements. ROLL CALL VOTE Ayes: Benton, Martinez, Moran, Parreira, Smith; Noes: 0; Absent: Munoz. Motion carried.

Change Order –  
TBS Contractors

On a motion by Member Smith seconded by Member Parreira, Trustees approved a notice of intent to award the contract to TBS Construction for the LBHS Restroom Remodel, Associated Site Work, and authorized the Superintendent or Designee to sign contract documents and issue the Notice to Proceed. ROLL CALL VOTE Ayes: Benton, Martinez, Moran, Parreira, Smith; Noes: 0; Absent: Munoz. Motion carried.	Bid Award Recommendation
A Public Hearing was opened at 7:39 and no since comments were received the Public Hearing closed at 7:39. On a motion by Member Smith seconded by Member Parreira, Trustees accepted the initial bargaining proposal submitted by the Los Banos Unified School District. ROLL CALL VOTE Ayes: Benton, Martinez, Moran, Parreira, Smith; Noes: 0; Absent: Munoz. Motion carried	Initial Bargaining Proposal LBUSD/LBTA
Consent calendar item A. #4, Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the School Board March 11, 2021, was pulled by Member Parreira. On a motion by Member Benton and seconded by Member Parreira, Trustees approved the Consent Calendar as amended. ROLL CALL VOTE Ayes: Benton, Martinez, Moran, Parreira, Smith; Noes: 0; Absent: Munoz. Motion carried.	CONSENT CALENDAR
Trustees approved the minutes of the: Special Board Meeting Closed Session, March 4, 2021, Special Board Meeting Open Session, March 4, 2021, Special Board Meeting Closed Session, March 11, 2021, Special Board Meeting, March 16, 2021, Special Board Meeting, Closed Session, March 22, 2021.	Minutes
Certificated Report: Appointments: Munoz-Salazar, Jennifer – Kindergarten Teacher, Grasslands Elementary – effective 3/08/2021, Garcia, Santana – 3rd Grade Teacher, Grasslands Elementary – effective 03/08/2021, Mercado, Guadalupe – Wellness Counselor, LBJHS/PHS – effective 7/1/2021, Cascia, Breanna – 2nd Grade Teacher, Grasslands Elementary – effective 8/10/2021, Haworth, Kara – STEM Teacher, Creekside Junior High – effective 8/10/2021, Kline, Sarah – Band/Music Teacher, Pacheco High School – effective 8/10/2021. Resigned: Covarrubias-Hernandez, Maria – Education Specialist, LBHS- effective 6/30/2021, Clark, Brian – Band/Music Teacher – LBJHS – effective 6/30/2021, Cortopassi, Alexi - Science Teacher, LBJHS - effective 6/30/2021. Retired: None. Extra Duty Appointments: Jeffery Christensen, Varsity Golf Coach, Boys - PHS; Lorinda Sanchez - Head Frosh Softball Coach - LBHS; Kathy Bartlett - Pentathlon Coach - CJHS; Lorinda Sanchez - Head Varsity Basketball Coach, Girls - LBHS; Kevin Coleman - Head Varsity Basketball Coach, Boys - LBHS; Jose Castro II- Head Varsity Wrestling Coach - LBHS; Jackson Barcellos - Head Varsity Volleyball Coach, Boys - LBHS; Greg Soliz - Head Varsity Volleyball Coach, Girls - LBHS; Peter Costello - Head JV Basketball Coach, Girls - LBHS; Gonzalo Rodriguez - Head JV Basketball Coach, Boys-LBHS; Jalen Bourbon - Head FROSH Basketball Coach, Boys - LBHS; Earnest Willhite - Head FROSH Basketball Coach, Girls - LBHS; Tracey Alvarez - Head FROSH Volleyball Coach - LBHS; Christopher Ramirez - Asst. Wrestling Coach - LBHS; Esteban Mendoza Asst. Wrestling Coach - LBHS; Lerissa Mendoza - Asst. Wrestling Coach - LBHS; Charles Pikas Jr. - Head Varsity Basketball Coach, Girls - PHS; Tyrell Jenkins - Head Varsity Basketball Coach, Boys - PHS; Charles Castaneda - Head Varsity Wrestling Coach - PHS; Cassandra Voelcker - Head Varsity Volleyball Coach, Boys - PHS; Daniel Maldonado - Head Varsity Volleyball Coach, Girls - PHS; Priscilla Gutierrez - Head JV Basketball Coach, Girls - PHS; Laurence Mitchell - Head JV Basketball Coach, Boys - PHS; Brittnie Cooksey - Head FROSH Basketball Coach, Girls - PHS; Carlos Rodriguez - Head FROSH Basketball Coach, Boys - PHS; Cassandra Voelcker - Head FROSH Volleyball	Personnel Actions

Coach, Girls - PHS; Daniel Maldonado - Head FROSH Volleyball Coach, Boys - PHS; Jennifer Eagleton - Head JV Volleyball Coach, Girls - PHS; Ruben Reyes - Head JV Volleyball Coach, Boys – PHS.

Classified Report: New Hires: Asevedo, Ashley - SS, Behavior Support Assistant Lopez, Christina - FS, Child Nutrition Worker Perez, Erika - TK, Paraprofessional Puentes, Gabrielle - FS, Child Nutrition Worker. Appointments – None. Promotional: Raspberry, Cecilla - FOT, Accounting Assistant. Retired: Pritsch, Mark -TR, Bus Driver - Effective 3/16/2021. Terminations: None. Resignations: None. Leave of Absence: Keena, Nichol - 39 Month Rehire - Effective 3/15/2021

The monthly Fiscal Report was submitted for Board information.	Monthly Fiscal Report
Trustees approved the list of certificated staff to be offered contracts for 2021-22.	Certificated Contracts 2021-22
Trustees approved permanent status be granted to eligible staff as submitted.	Permanent Employee Status
Trustees approved the January-March Williams Complaint Summary as submitted.	Williams Quarterly Report
Trustees adopted Board Policy BB 9270 Conflict of Interest; and E 9270 Conflict of Interest.	Board Policy Update (Second Reading)
Trustees approved the following Contracts/Agreements: Agreement, K-9 Contraband Detection Services, Canine Drug Searches Agreement, Tulare County Office of Ed., College Ready Services, Agreement, Sierra Vista Child and Family Services, NPS services	Contracts/ Agreements
Trustee approved the removal, disposal or sale of Obsolete Equipment.	Obsolete Equipment
Trustee approved the removal, disposal or sale of Obsolete Vehicles	Obsolete Vehicles
Trustees approved the warrants for payment.	Warrants
On a motion by Member Parreira seconded by Member Benton the minutes for the regular meeting on March 11, 2021 were approved as corrected. ROLL CALL VOTE Ayes: Benton, Martinez, Moran, Parreira, Smith; Noes: 0; Absent: Munoz. Motion carried.	Minutes for Regular Meeting, March 11, 2021
Board President Ray Martinez stated that future public comments received by the deadline would be read during the meetings.	Future Agenda/ Discussion Items
On a motion by Member Smith seconded by Member Parreira, trustees approved the Leave Extension Request, classified Employee (Section 54957). ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Benton, Martinez, Moran, Parreira, Smith; Noes: 0; Absent: Munoz. Motion carried.	Closed Session

On a motion by Member Parreira seconded by Member Benton, trustees approved the Leave Request, unrepresented employee. ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Benton, Martinez, Moran, Parreira, Smith; Noes: 0; Absent: Munoz. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned by Mr. Martinez at 7:47 PM

Adjournment

  
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SECRETARY