



**Organizational/Regular Meeting of the Board of Education  
12/13/2022 06:30 PM**

Irvine Unified School District Administration Center  
5050 Barranca Parkway, Irvine, CA 92604  
5:00 PM Closed Session / 6:30 PM Regular Meeting

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**MEETING MINUTES**

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**Voting Members**

Paul Bokota, Board Member  
Lauren Brooks, Board President  
Cyril Yu, Board Clerk  
Jeff Kim, Board Member  
Katie McEwen, Board Member

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Acting President Brooks called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Minutes:  
None.

**3. CLOSED SESSION**

The Board adjourned to closed session at 5:03 p.m.

**a. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation [Government Code Section 54956.9(a)]**

The Board discussed one case of existing litigation.

**b. Public Employees Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Resignation [Government Code Section 54957]**

The Board met with staff to discuss two public employee discipline/dismissal/release/resignation matters.

**4. RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING - 6:30 PM**

Acting President Brooks reconvened the meeting at 6:31 p.m.

**5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / ROLL CALL**

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Member Bokota.

Members Present:

Paul Bokota (updated to present at 5:30 p.m.)  
Lauren Brooks  
Jeff Kim  
Katie McEwen  
Cyril Yu

Student Members Present:

Ida Ahola, Northwood High School  
Mannat Bawa, Irvine High School  
Madyson Chung-Lee, Portola High School  
Elise Feuerborn, University High School  
Shrinidi Sriram, Woodbridge High School

Staff Present:

Terry L. Walker, Superintendent of Schools  
John Fogarty, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services  
Eamonn O'Donovan, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources  
Cassie Parham, Assistant Superintendent, Education Services  
Brienne Ford, Assistant Superintendent, Information Technology  
Raianna Chavez, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

**6. REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION DISCUSSION / ACTION**

Minutes:

Acting President Brooks reported on the discussion in Closed Session, including the motion by Member Bokota and second by Member Yu, carried 5-0 with Members Bokota, Brooks, Kim, McEwen and Yu voting to approve the Retirement Agreement and General Release between the District and certificated employee No. 54328.

And the motion by Member Bokota and second by Member Yu, carried 5-0 with Members Bokota, Brooks, Kim, McEwen and Yu voting to approve the Resignation Agreement and General Release between the District and classified employee No. 57443.

**7. OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS**

Minutes:

Superintendent Walker administered the Oath of Office to new Board members Jeff Kim and Katie McEwen.

**8. BOARD ORGANIZATION - 2023**

**a. Board Organization - Election of Officers**

Nominate Lauren Brooks as Board President and appoint Cyril Yu as Board Clerk.

Minutes:

Acting President Brooks opened nominations for Board President. Member Bokota nominated Member Brooks to serve as Board President, seconded by Member Yu. Member Brooks was unanimously elected to serve as Board President for 2023.

President Brooks appointed Member Yu as Board Clerk.

Motion made by: Paul Bokota

Motion seconded by: Cyril Yu

Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes  
Lauren Brooks - Yes  
Cyril Yu - Yes  
Jeff Kim - Yes  
Katie McEwen - Yes

**b. Board Organization - Responsibilities**

Approve Board member responsibilities/committee appointments for 2023.

Motion made by: Paul Bokota

Motion seconded by: Cyril Yu

Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes  
Lauren Brooks - Yes  
Cyril Yu - Yes  
Jeff Kim - Yes  
Katie McEwen - Yes

**c. Board Organization - School Site Liaison Assignments**

Approve School Site Liaison assignments for 2023.

Motion made by: Paul Bokota

Motion seconded by: Cyril Yu

Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes  
Lauren Brooks - Yes  
Cyril Yu - Yes  
Jeff Kim - Yes  
Katie McEwen - Yes

**d. Board Organization - Appointment of Representatives to District Committees**

Appoint representatives to the Education Advisory and Health Advisory Committees.

Motion made by: Cyril Yu

Motion seconded by: Paul Bokota

Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes  
Lauren Brooks - Yes  
Cyril Yu - Yes  
Jeff Kim - Yes  
Katie McEwen - Yes

**e. Board Organization - Establishment of Meeting Dates**

Approve School Board meeting dates for 2023.

Motion made by: Paul Bokota

Motion seconded by: Cyril Yu

Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes  
Lauren Brooks - Yes  
Cyril Yu - Yes  
Jeff Kim - Yes  
Katie McEwen - Yes

**9. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approve the minutes of the following meeting(s), as presented:

June 28, 2022 - Regular Meeting

July 12, 2022 - Regular Meeting

Motion made by: Paul Bokota

Motion seconded by: Cyril Yu

Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes

Lauren Brooks - Yes

Cyril Yu - Yes

Jeff Kim - Abstain

Katie McEwen - Abstain

## **10. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Adopt agenda, as presented.

Motion made by: Paul Bokota

Motion seconded by: Cyril Yu

Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes

Lauren Brooks - Yes

Cyril Yu - Yes

Jeff Kim - Yes

Katie McEwen - Yes

## **11. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Minutes:

Tiffany Craft addressed the Board regarding curriculum.

## **12. STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

Minutes:

Student Board Members Ida Ahola, Mannat Bawa, Madyson Chung-Lee, Elise Feuerborn, and Shrinidhi Sriram reported on school activities.

## **13. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Minutes:

Superintendent Walker reported on the Board and his attendance at the CSBA Annual Education Conference, which provided an opportunity to compare district practices with other school districts from across the state. He extended his appreciation to the efforts by staff and District families, which have enabled the COVID-19 case numbers to remain relatively low. He encouraged staff and students to rest and enjoy the upcoming winter break. In closing, he welcomed Gus Talamantes, CSEA Chapter 517 President, and thanked Janelle Cranch for her decades of service and dedication to IUSD staff, students and families.

## **14. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

Minutes:

Board members Bokota, Brooks, Kim, McEwen, and Yu reported on school visits, conference attendance and meeting participation.

## **15. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 16.a. – 21.a.

Motion made by: Paul Bokota

Motion seconded by: Cyril Yu

Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes  
Lauren Brooks - Yes  
Cyril Yu - Yes  
Jeff Kim - Yes  
Katie McEwen - Yes

**16. CONSENT CALENDAR - Business Services**

- a. Check Register Report
- b. Contract Services Action Report 2022-23/08
- c. Purchase Order Detail Report
- d. Claim for Damages #03-2022
- e. Claim for Damages #04-2022
- f. Exercise Option to Extend the Contract for Bid No. 19/20-01MO, Unit Cost Pricing for Concrete
- g. Exercise Option to Extend and Amend the Contract for Bid No. 19/20-02TS, Individualized Transportation Services
- h. Receive Bids/Award Contract for Bid No. 22/23-02TS, Overflow Transportation Services

**17. CONSENT CALENDAR - Education Services**

- a. Field Trips and Excursions

**18. CONSENT CALENDAR - Human Resources**

- a. Certificated Personnel Action Report 2022-23/08
- b. Classified Personnel Action Report 2022-23/08
- c. Approve the Observance of June 19, "Juneteenth" for the 2022-23 and 2023-24 Calendars

**19. CONSENT CALENDAR - Information Technology**

- a. Amend Contract/Award - Technology Equipment and Peripherals
- b. Data Privacy Agreement Report 2022/23-02
- c. Exercise Option to Extend the Education Technology Joint Powers Authority (Ed Tech JPA) Master Contract for the Purchase of an Identity Management Solution
- d. Exercise Option to Extend the Education Technology Joint Powers Authority (Ed Tech JPA) Master Contract for the Purchase of a Notification System

**20. CONSENT CALENDAR - Special Education**

- a. Special Education Reimbursement(s)
- b. Special Education Settlement Agreement(s)
- c. Special Education Master Contract(s)

## **21. CONSENT CALENDAR - Superintendent**

- a. Conference Attendance

## **22. FACILITIES CONSENT CALENDAR**

Approve Facilities Consent Calendar Item Nos. 22.a. – 22.h.

Motion made by: Paul Bokota

Motion seconded by: Cyril Yu

Voting:

- Paul Bokota - Yes
  - Lauren Brooks - Yes
  - Cyril Yu - Yes
  - Jeff Kim - Yes
  - Katie McEwen - Yes
- a. Authorization to Lease One (1) Relocatable Classroom Building at Jeffrey Trail Middle School for the Vision Impaired Program
  - b. Authorization for the Purchase of Two (2) Relocatable Classroom Buildings - Measure E Series 3 - Culverdale Elementary School
  - c. Receive Bids/Award Contract for Bid No. 2022/23-1FA, Construction Security Services at Various Sites
  - d. Receive Bids/Award Contracts for Bid No. 2022/23-2FA, Music Instrument Equipment
  - e. Receive Bids/Award Contract - Measure E Series 3 - Irvine High School PAC - Increment 01 - Site Improvements
  - f. Change Order Request for the Measure E Augmented Funds to Accelerate Projects – Expansion Projects at Canyon View and Oak Creek Elementary Schools
  - g. Change Order Requests for the Measure E Augmented Funds to Accelerate Projects – Expansion Projects at Deerfield Elementary School and Plaza Vista School
  - h. Change Order Requests for the Measure E Series 3 Improvements – South Lake Middle School Modernization and Expansion Project

## **23. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR**

Minutes:

None.

## **24. ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

- a. **Public Hearing: Irvine Chinese Immersion Academy Charter Petition 2023-24**

Minutes:

Yulan Chung, Founding Team Member for the Irvine Chinese Immersion Academy Charter, introduced herself and the proposed charter petition. She noted that the Charter has received 683 signatures in less than one month from interested parents. She provided information on the South Coast Chinese Cultural Association, which has provided language and cultural education for 46 years and is the driving force behind the petition. The charter petition seeks to open a school for students in grades TK to 5<sup>th</sup>; offering a high quality Mandarin dual language education. Depending on the student demographics, the school will offer either two-way immersion (preferred) or one-way immersion if the students are primarily native speakers, with a focus on the

instruction provided through a progressive immersion model, with 90% of the instruction time in the first two years taught in Mandarin, then gradually increasing the implementation of English until each are used equally.

Daniel Lee, Chief Operating Officer, ICON School Management, reviewed the projected 5-year enrollment and staffing projections, and the multi-year budget projections.

President Brooks opened the public hearing at 7:28 p.m.

Speaking in support of the charter petition:

Eileen Hsuan, Irvine Parent

Mimi Anderson, Irvine Parent

Shin Lin, Founding ICIA Team member and Chancellor at UCI

Beatrice Tseng, Founding ICIA Team member, IVC Language Department Chair

Lea Kim, Irvine student and resident

Jeff Wilson, Costa Mesa Parent with students in Mandarin Immersion

Brooke Bui, Irvine Parent, Resident, and Educator

Jason Reiher, Irvine Parent and Resident

Randy Chang, Irvine Parent and Resident

Steven Chuang, Former Mandarin Immersion Principal

Patrick McNally, Irvine Parent and Resident

Riona Gilbert, Irvine Parent and Resident

Ryan Spalding, Irvine Parent and Resident

Board members inquired regarding measuring student outcomes, recruiting bilingual teachers, parent involvement, lottery enrollment model, student supports, identification of a principal, and dealing with student enrollment attrition.

President Brooks closed the public hearing at 9:22 PM.

**b. First Interim Report of 2022-23 (AB 1200, Chapter 1213, Statutes of 1991)**

Certify the First Interim Report of 2022-23 as “Positive” based on information presented.

Minutes:

John Fogarty, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, presented the 2022-23 First Interim Report commencing with a review of the financial reporting cycle and the purpose of the Interim Report. The First Interim Report takes into consideration the fiscal outlook as provided by the Legislative Analysts Office (LAO), which provided one main projection with several caveats due to the volatility surrounding economic projections due to the COVID-19 pandemic, war in Ukraine, and extremely high inflation. While the LAO is not predicting a recession, they are forecasting a “downturn” which negatively impacts state revenue projections. School district funding is expected to remain under Test 1. The LAO expects Proposition 98 funding to decrease by \$5.5 billion in 2022-23; however, there are no projections for reductions to the K-12 allocation at this time, because of anticipated savings of \$2 billion from the Local Control Funding Formula allocations due to the reduction in enrollment across the state, and the elimination of the requirement to deposit reserves into Prop 98.

However, the Proposition 98 Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) for 2023-24 is currently estimated at 8.71% at an estimated cost of \$7.9 billion, which represents the largest COLA since 1979, driven by inflation over 2022 and 2023. The LAO projects that approximately \$7.6 billion will be available under Prop 98. The difference in ongoing funding could be made up, for one year, with the elimination of approximately \$5.7 billion in one-time allocation funding and \$2.7 billion in pre-pandemic LCFF attendance funding adjustments.

He reviewed the ongoing challenges including the Local Control Funding Formula disproportionately benefiting districts with high concentrations of disadvantaged students, resulting in IUSD receiving \$2,141 per Average Daily Attendance (ADA) below the statewide average, in comparison to other unified school districts, for an ongoing impact of \$77 million in less funding. Additionally, there has been a large influx of state one-time funding, flattening districtwide enrollment, volatile state revenues, and ongoing pension cost increases.

IUSD received over \$61 million in one-time funding from the state and federal government related to the pandemic, requiring an exit strategy as one-time funds cannot be used to fund ongoing programs and/or costs. To date, IUSD has spent \$34.5 million of those stimulus funds, with a plan for \$26.2 million in expenditures in 2022-23, leaving \$0.8 million for 2023-24.

The final State Budget included an Arts, Music and Instructional Materials Block Grant, which is estimated to provide \$23 million in one-time funds to IUSD. The funds are not completely unrestricted, so they will be included in the restricted General Fund. Additionally, the grant requires a Board approved expenditure plan and for the funds to be spent by 2025-26. There is also a Learning Recovery Emergency Block Grant, which is estimated to provide \$26 million in one-time funding to IUSD. These funds are to be used to increase instructional learning time and close learning gaps, and also has reporting requirements. These funds will also be included in the restricted General Fund and must be spent by 2027-28.

In closing, he reviewed the 2022-23 budget and multiyear projections for the unrestricted general fund which indicated a positive First Interim Report certification.

Motion made by: Cyril Yu

Motion seconded by: Paul Bokota

Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes

Lauren Brooks - Yes

Cyril Yu - Yes

Jeff Kim - Yes

Katie McEwen - Yes

**c. CSBA Delegate Assembly Nominations 2022 (Region 15)**

Appointed member Bokota to complete former Board member Ira Glasky's two-year term as the Irvine Unified School District appointed Delegate Assembly member, through March 31, 2024.

Motion made by: Cyril Yu

Motion seconded by: Katie McEwen



Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes  
Lauren Brooks - Yes  
Cyril Yu - Yes  
Jeff Kim - Yes  
Katie McEwen - Yes

**25. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Minutes:  
None.

**26. CLOSED SESSION**

Minutes:  
None.

**27. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:02 p.m.

Motion made by: Paul Bokota

Motion seconded by: Katie McEwen

Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes  
Lauren Brooks - Yes  
Cyril Yu - Yes  
Jeff Kim - Yes  
Katie McEwen - Yes