



## MEETING MINUTES

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### Voting Members

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

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

President Brooks called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

### 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Minutes:  
None.

### 3. CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to closed session at 5:02 p.m.

#### a. Public Employee Performance Evaluation [Government Code Section 54957]

The Board met with the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendents to review progress toward the Superintendent's Goals and Objectives for 2022-23 and 2023-24.

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

President Brooks reconvened the meeting at 6:33p.m.

### 5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / ROLL CALL

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

#### Members Present:

Paul Bokota  
Lauren Brooks  
Jeff Kim  
Katie McEwen  
Cyril Yu

#### Student Members Present:

Mark Kim, University High School  
Gabriel Mutsvangwa, Portola High School  
Shrinidi Sriram, Woodbridge High School  
David Pallosios, Irvine High School  
Emily Yokota, Northwood 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**

President Brooks reported on the discussion in Closed Session.

**7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**a. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - July 11, 2023**

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

July 11, 2023 - Regular Meeting

Motion made by: Paul Bokota

Motion seconded by: Katie McEwen

Voting:

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

**b. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - August 22, 2023**

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

August 22, 2023 - Regular Meeting

Motion made by: Jeff Kim

Motion seconded by: Katie McEwen

Voting:

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

**8. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Adopt agenda, as presented.

Motion made by: Paul Bokota

Motion seconded by: Katie McEwen

Voting:

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

## **9. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS / RECOGNITIONS**

### **a. Irvine Unified Council PTA**

Minutes:

Jim Leung, President of IUCPTA, announced the PTA's theme for the school year, "Making Connections". With 10,000 current members, the goal is to double this number to 20,000. Leung reviewed the mission and purpose of the PTA, expressing appreciation for their partners, which include IUSD, IPSF, and the City of Irvine. Thanks to these collaborations, IUCPTA has raised over \$3 million, along with an immeasurable amount of volunteer hours. The focus for October is on increasing staff memberships. To enhance parent education, the IUCPTA.org website has been relaunched. The PTA Presidents are also working on a canvas mural to be displayed at the District Office. In his closing remarks, Leung mentioned that IUSD has a PTA for each school, a feat potentially unique to this district within the state.

## **10. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Erin addressed the Board regarding a request for a Flag Policy.  
Debbie Kamm addressed the Board regarding in-house counsel.  
Geneva Bailey addressed the Board regarding safety concerns.

## **11. STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

Minutes:

Student Board Members Mark Kim, Gabriel Mutsvangwa, Shrinidhi Sriram, David Pallosios, and Emily Yokota reported on school activities.

## **12. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Minutes:

Superintendent Walker brought hopeful news, reporting that the California Legislature continues to explore funding for mental health and wellness – a priority initiative for the District and the Board. This focus on mental health fosters resilience in students, which subsequently aids in their academic success. He recently visited the new WellSpaces at Creekside High School, Plaza Vista, Sierra Vista, and Rancho San Joaquin middle schools. These WellSpaces were created through a partnership with CHOC and the Tsao Foundation. The goal is to establish WellSpaces in all middle and high schools in Irvine within the next three years. Superintendent Walker expressed his gratitude to the HR team for successfully conducting their first job fair that attracted potential recruits for difficult-to-fill positions. They plan to host more job fairs in the future. The Superintendent also attended the Great Park 10-year Anniversary celebration, which highlighted the park's progress to date. At a recent City/District Liaison meeting, city staff shared future plans for the Great Park, including a Cultural Terrace, museums, and abundant community resources. In conclusion, Superintendent Walker thanked the PTA for their partnership and efforts in helping community members access accurate district information.

## **13. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

Minutes:

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

## **14. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 15.a. – 20.a.

Motion made by: Paul Bokota

Motion seconded by: Jeff Kim

Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes

Lauren Brooks - Yes

Jeff Kim - Yes

Katie McEwen - Yes

Cyril Yu - Yes

**15. CONSENT CALENDAR - Business Services**

- a. Check Register Report
- b. Contract Services Action Report 2023-24/04
- c. Purchase Order Detail Report

**16. CONSENT CALENDAR - Education Services**

- a. Field Trips and Excursions

**17. CONSENT CALENDAR - Human Resources**

- a. Certificated Personnel Action Report 2023-24/04
- b. Classified Personnel Action Report 2023-24/04

**18. CONSENT CALENDAR - Information Technology**

- a. Authorize an Extension in the Utilization of California Network and Telecommunications (CALNET) Contract C4-LEG-12-10-TS-01 for the Purchase of Voice and Data Services

**19. CONSENT CALENDAR - Special Education**

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

**20. CONSENT CALENDAR - Superintendent**

- a. Conference Attendance

**21. FACILITIES CONSENT CALENDAR**

Approve Facilities Consent Calendar Item Nos. 21.a. – 21.d.

Motion made by: Katie McEwen

Motion seconded by: Jeff Kim

Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes

Lauren Brooks - Yes

Jeff Kim - Yes

Katie McEwen - Yes

Cyril Yu - Yes

- a. Authorization to Renew Lease of One (1) Relocatable Classroom Building at Jeffrey Trail Middle School to Support Districtwide Programs
- b. Receive Bids/Award Contracts - Measure E Series 3 – Expansion Projects at Greentree ES and Santiago Hills ES REBID

- c. Change Order Request for the Measure E Series 3 – Expansion Project at Culverdale ES
- d. Notice of Completion for the Measure E Series 3 – Expansion Project at Culverdale ES REBID Bid Package No. 01 – Demo, Grading & Earthwork

**22. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR**

Minutes:  
None.

**23. ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

- a. **Public Hearing: Bargaining Proposal Regarding the 2022-2025 Agreement Between the California School Employees Association Chapter #517 and the Irvine Unified School District**

After holding the public hearing and considering all comments, adopt the proposal of the California School Employees Association Chapter #517 in order to initiate the bargaining process of the identified Articles.

Minutes:

President Brooks opened the public hearing at 7:50 p.m., received no comments and closed the public hearing at 7:51 p.m.

Motion made by: Cyril Yu

Motion seconded by: Paul Bokota

Voting:

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

- b. **Public Hearing: Resolution No. 23-24-12: Statement of Assurance for PK-12 Instructional Materials Sufficiency for 2023-24 School Year - Roll Call**

After holding a public hearing and considering all public input, adopt Resolution No. 23-24-12 Statement of Assurance for PK-12 Instructional Materials Sufficiency for 2023-24 School Year.

Minutes:

President Brooks opened the public hearing at 7:52 p.m., received no comments and closed the public hearing at 7:53 p.m.

Motion made by: Jeff Kim

Motion seconded by: Katie McEwen

Voting:

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

**c. Resolution No. 23-24-13: Authorizing the Issuance of School Facilities Improvement District No. 1 of IUSD General Obligation Bonds, 2016 Election, Series 2023D - Roll Call**

Adopt Resolution No. 23-24-13, Authorizing the issuance of the School Facilities Improvement District (SFID) No. 1 of the Irvine Unified School District General Obligation Bonds, Series 2023D, in a principal amount not to exceed \$60,000,000.

Minutes:

Adam Bauer, President and CEO of Fieldman Rolapp and Associates, delivered a presentation on the proposed fourth Measure E Bond issuance, Series 2023D. He started with a municipal market update, noting the Federal Open Market Committee decided to maintain the current rates, keeping the target rate stable at 5.25% to 5.50%. The futures market is currently predicting a 52% chance of another 25-basis point increase by the end of 2023. Both the US Treasury rates and Municipal Market Data benchmark rates have risen since 2020. Rates have gone up across the yield curve, particularly in the earlier years.

He then reviewed the School Facilities Improvement District (SFID) assessed valuation history, noting that a 3.5% growth factor was previously projected. However, the actual valuation has outpaced projections, allowing the District to issue more bonds earlier than expected. Measure E is a tax rate of \$29 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation. The proposal is to issue the fourth round of bonds in 2023, totaling \$60 million. This leaves \$78 million to be authorized after the issuance based on the current assessed valuation. If approved, the Bonds would be priced on October 11 and the sale would close on October 25.

Board member Yu asked about the timing of the next Bond issuance. Bauer responded that it's projected for 2028, but this could be divided into two or more series for added flexibility. Member Bokota asked why \$60 million was chosen for the issuance, and member Brooks asked which schools would benefit from the next issuance. John Fogarty explained that the \$60 million figure was chosen to cover the projected costs for a gym at Northwood High School, improvements to the Performing Arts Center at University High School, a music classroom building at College Park, and Venado Middle School renovation. Some funds will remain for advancing projects planned for Series 5, which will be discussed in more detail in a future Facilities Study Session.

Motion made by: Cyril Yu

Motion seconded by: Paul Bokota

Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes

Lauren Brooks - Yes

Jeff Kim - Yes

Katie McEwen - Yes

Cyril Yu - Yes

**24. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Minutes:

None.

**25. CLOSED SESSION**

Minutes:

None.

## 26. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Motion made by: Katie McEwen

Motion seconded by: Cyril Yu

Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes

Lauren Brooks - Yes

Jeff Kim - Yes

Katie McEwen - Yes

Cyril Yu - Yes