Irvine Unified School District
Minutes
Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
March 17, 2020 6:30 PM
IRVINE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Administration Center
5050 Barranca Parkway
Irvine, CA 92604
5:00 p.m. Closed Session / 6:30 p.m. Regular Meeting

Attendance Taken at 5:01 PM:

Present:
Paul Bokota
Lauren Brooks
Betty Carroll
Ira Glasky
Sharon Wallin

1. CALL TO ORDER

Minutes:
President Carroll called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM.

2. ORAL COMMUNICATION

Minutes:
None.

3. CLOSED SESSION

Minutes:
The Board adjourned to closed session at 5:02 PM.

3.a. Student Discipline Issues (1 case) [Education Code Sections 35146 and 48918(c)]

Minutes:
The Board discussed one student discipline issue.


Minutes:
The Board met with the Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents and Chief Technology Officer to review progress toward the Superintendent's Goals and Objectives for 2019-20.
4. RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING - 6:30 PM

Minutes:
President Carroll reconvened the meeting at 6:30PM.

5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / ROLL CALL

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

Members Present:
Paul Bokota
Lauren Brooks
Betty Carroll
Ira Glasky (attended via conference call)
Sharon Wallin (attended via conference call)

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
Brianne Ford, Chief Technology Officer
Raianna Chavez, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

6. REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION DISCUSSION / ACTION

Minutes:
President Carroll reported on the discussion in Closed Session.

7. STUDENT DISCIPLINE

7.a. Case No. 04H-1920

Motion Passed: Approve the staff recommendation to expel Case No. 04H-1920 for the remainder of the second semester of the 2019-20 school year and for the first semester of the 2020-21 school year.

Passed with a motion by Lauren Brooks and a second by Paul Bokota.

Yes Paul Bokota
Yes Lauren Brooks
Yes Betty Carroll
Yes Ira Glasky
Yes Sharon Wallin
8. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion Passed: Adopt agenda, as presented.

Passed with a motion by Lauren Brooks and a second by Paul Bokota.

Yes Paul Bokota
Yes Lauren Brooks
Yes Betty Carroll
Yes Ira Glasky
Yes Sharon Wallin

9. SPECIAL REPORT

9.a. Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

Minutes:
Superintendent Walker reported on the extraordinary efforts by the IUSD staff in dealing with effects of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). Our community has demonstrated incredible Adaptability Quotient (AQ) in working tirelessly around the clock in service of our students. After closing District facilities to our students and the public on March 13th, teachers and support staff have spent Monday and Tuesday preparing for our Emergency Distance Learning (EDL), which is in alignment with Governor Newsom’s order to provide continuity of learning. Additionally, in just two days the District has already distributed more than 2,000 Chromebooks and over 5,000 meals to students.

On March 13th, in an Emergency Closed Session, the Irvine Unified School District Board of Education adopted a resolution authorizing the necessary actions to protect students and staff and to do whatever it takes to support our students and their families. He extended his appreciation to the Board for their trust in staff.

The IUSD staff are closely monitoring the situation with every agency imaginable and collaborating with other school districts. He invited the community to visit the IUSD website for resources and the most up-to-date information.

Member Bokota inquired on supports for special needs students. Superintendent Walker responded that IUSD anticipates guidelines from the state and are continuing to work with expert agencies to support students. He stated, IUSD’s intention is to serve all students to the best of our ability during this time.

Member Brooks discussed the need to be socially distant but still have a sense of connectedness. Information about the District’s Say Something platform and Speak Up, We Care campaign was shared.

Member Carroll thanked staff on behalf of Board and urged parents, students, teachers, staff and community members to have patience and stay safe.
10. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS / RECOGNITIONS

10.a. Financing Plan Introduction - CFD Nos. 06-1 and 09-1

Minutes:
Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, John Fogarty, introduced Adam Bauer, President of Fieldman Rolapp and Associates, who reviewed the history of IUSD Community Facilities District (CFD) bond issuances and provided an update on the stock market and tax-exempt rates. Since the beginning of 2020, municipal interest rates have fallen by over 50 basis points (0.50%) to all-time new historic lows amid concerns of the effects of the coronavirus epidemic could have on the global economy.

From March 2012 to March 2016, the District issued six series of adjustable rate bonds in the amount of $392.4 million to be repaid by special taxes from the development of CFD No. 09-1. Beginning in 2017, the District has taken advantage of historically low long-term interest rates to amend its adjustable rate bonds to fix rate bonds. As a result from continued development in CFD No. 09-1, since June 30, 2019 and all-time historically low rates, the District is preparing to amend the final outstanding adjustable rate Series 2014B bonds to fixed rate mode.

Additionally, the CFD No. 09-1 (Portola Springs) was established on July 19, 2006, currently $13,075,000 in principal remains outstanding, with current interest rates ranging from 5.75% - 6.70%. The District could achieve significant taxpayer savings by issuing tax-exempt refunding bonds in June 2020 to achieve a current refunding. Until now, the District could not refund the bond.

Board Members asked if there were concerns regarding the volatile market; Adam explaining that he is expecting stability in the market at the expected sale.

11. ORAL COMMUNICATION

Minutes:
None.

12. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Minutes:
Superintendent Walker passed on providing his Superintendent's Report in an effort to conserve time and since important information was already shared in the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update earlier in the meeting.

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Minutes:
Board Members Bokota, Brooks, Carroll, Glasky and Wallin provided their reports on recent activities in support of the District.
14. CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion Passed: Approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 15.a. - 18.c.

Passed with a motion by Paul Bokota and a second by Sharon Wallin.

Yes  Paul Bokota
Yes  Lauren Brooks
Yes  Betty Carroll
Yes  Ira Glasky
Yes  Sharon Wallin

15. CONSENT CALENDAR - Business Services

15.a. Check Register Report


15.c. Purchase Order Detail Report


15.e. Memorandum of Understanding for the Access of Video Camera Live Feed Between the Orange County Fire Authority and the Irvine Unified School District

15.f. Notice of Completion for the Irvine High School Emergency Chiller Replacement Project

16. CONSENT CALENDAR - Education Services

16.a. Temporary Athletic Team Coach Certification 2019-20

16.b. Participation in Outdoor Education Science Camps for the 2020-21 School Year

17. CONSENT CALENDAR - Human Resources


18. CONSENT CALENDAR - Special Education

18.a. Special Education Settlement Agreement(s)

18.b. Special Education Master Contract(s)

18.c. Contract for Special Education Related Services
19. FACILITIES CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion Passed: Approve Facilities Consent Calendar Item Nos. 19.a. - 19.l.

Passed with a motion by Lauren Brooks and a second by Paul Bokota.

Yes Paul Bokota
Yes Lauren Brooks
Yes Betty Carroll
Yes Ira Glasky
Yes Sharon Wallin

19.a. Additional Construction Management Services for the Measure E Series 1 - New Performing Arts Complex at Woodbridge High School

19.b. Annual Renewal/Award Contract for Relocation (Moving) Services, Bid No. 2016/17-1FA

19.c. Annual Renewal/Award Contract for Waste Diversion Services, RFP No. 2015/16-4FA


19.e. Authorization for the Lease of Two (2) Relocatable Buildings at the District Office

19.f. Review of Public Information Meeting Held for Measure E Series 2 Improvements - Northwood Elementary School

19.g. Additional Architectural Services for Measure E Series 2 Improvements at Northwood Elementary School

19.h. Authorization for the Purchase of Five (5) Relocatable Classroom Buildings at Northwood Elementary School

19.i. Declare the Surplus of Relocatable Buildings at Northwood Elementary School

19.j. Change Order Request for the Measure E Series 1 Improvements - Classroom Building Expansion Projects at Brywood, Meadow Park, and Springbrook Elementary Schools

19.k. Change Order Requests for the Measure E Series 1 Improvements - Modernization Projects at Springbrook and Westpark Elementary Schools

19.l. Change Order Requests for the Measure E Series 1 Improvements - Performing Arts Complex at Woodbridge High School Re-Bid
20. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Minutes:
None.

21. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

21.a. Secondary Course of Study Grades 7-12 for the 2020-21 School Year

Motion Passed: Approve the Secondary Course of Study Grades 7-12 for the 2020-21 school year.

Passed with a motion by Lauren Brooks and a second by Paul Bokota.

Yes  Paul Bokota
Yes  Lauren Brooks
Yes  Betty Carroll
Yes  Ira Glasky
Yes  Sharon Wallin


Motion Passed: Certify the Second Interim Report of 2019-20 as "Positive" based on information presented.

Passed with a motion by Paul Bokota and a second by Lauren Brooks.

Yes  Paul Bokota
Yes  Lauren Brooks
Yes  Betty Carroll
Yes  Ira Glasky
Yes  Sharon Wallin

Minutes:
John Fogarty, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, presented the Second Interim Report, which is the District’s second official revision to the final adopted budget and includes actual financial data through January 31, 2020.

He reviewed the Governor’s 2020-21 proposed state budget, which includes funding of the projected statutory Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) only, with funding priorities outside of the LCFF proposed for Special Education and educator recruitment and development. There are no proposals to increase LCFF targets, payments to reduce CalSTRS and CalPERS costs or other one-time discretionary grants as in years past.

The Governor’s budget proposal includes a proposal for a projected COLA at 2.29%, which is 30% or $3.3 million lower than in 2019-20. The proposed COLA will be insufficient to maintain ongoing commitments for Districts in declining or flat enrollment. IUSD’s growth is projected to slow considerably in the coming years. An average district will be short $82 per ADA per year based on the proposed budget, because of
the additional STRS/PERS increases, Special Education Growth, Step and Column and Health and Welfare increases.

The proposed 2.29% COLA is anticipated to have an impact of $7.4 million to IUSD with an additional $4.6 million in LCFF funding from projected growth; however, again noting IUSD’s projected growth may be less than expected which would reduce the LCFF funding amount as it is based on enrollment, for a total projected LCFF increase of $12 million.

In closing, he reviewed the General Fund Unrestricted balance noting it was tracking as planned and presented the positive second interim certification. John cautioned that while the economy continues to grow there continue to be significant signs that a slowdown may be on the horizon.

22. ORAL COMMUNICATION

Minutes:
None.

23. CLOSED SESSION

Minutes:
None.

24. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion Passed:** Meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM.

Passed with a motion by Paul Bokota and a second by Lauren Brooks.

- Yes Paul Bokota
- Yes Lauren Brooks
- Yes Betty Carroll
- Yes Ira Glasky
- Yes Sharon Wallin