

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education 08/17/2021 06:30 PM

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

Voting Members

Paul Bokota, Board President Lauren Brooks, Board Member Ira Glasky, Board Clerk Sharon Wallin, Board Member Cyril Yu, Board Member

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Bokota called the meeting to order at 5:34 PM.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Minutes:

None.

3. CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to closed session at 5:35 PM.

a. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Resignation [Government Code Section 54957]

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

b. Public Employee Performance Evaluation [Government Code Section 54957]

The Board met with the Superintendent to discuss the Superintendent's evaluation and Goals and Objectives for 2020-21.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING - 6:30 PM

President Bokota reconvened the meeting at 6:35 PM.

5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / MOMENT OF SILENCE / ROLL CALL

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Member Glasky and was followed by a moment of silence in memory of Irvine High School Education Specialist and Coach, Casey Dumont.

Members Present:

Paul Bokota

Lauren Brooks

Ira Glasky

Sharon Wallin

Cyril Yu

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 Bokota reported on the discussion in Closed Session, including the motion by Member Wallin, second by Member Brooks, carrying 5-0, to dismiss classified employee No. 56126 from employment and directing the Superintendent or designee to send out appropriate legal notices.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

June 8, 2021 - Regular Meeting

Motion made by: Cyril Yu

Motion seconded by: Sharon Wallin

Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes Lauren Brooks - Yes Ira Glasky - Yes Sharon Wallin - Yes Cvril Yu - Yes

8. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Adopt agenda, as presented.

Motion made by: Cyril Yu

Motion seconded by: Lauren Brooks

Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes Lauren Brooks - Yes Ira Glasky - Yes Sharon Wallin - Yes Cyril Yu - Yes

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Minutes:

Sonia Kearney, ITA President, introduced herself to the Board and discussed the beginning of the school year.

Ben Kramer addressed the Board regarding teacher political bias.

Speaking to the topic of masks and COVID-19 testing for students:

Tiffany Craft
Corinne Schneider-Jones
Sandip Pawar
Laurie Gruscha
Chuan-Kai Lin
JB Rowberry
Jazmin Cancino
Tressa Anne Rowe
Tina Sardayani

Betty Rennick Manjula Swaminathan

Kristin Wu Marcela Reyes

Renee Raphael Dawn Sepideh Mortazavi

Joy de la RosaBecky LinConnie StoneMahsa Torabi

Kimberly Guevarra
Lora Mjolsness
Tonya Bradford
Daniela Ben-David
Christopher Fan
Tim Davidson

Lily Lee addressed the Board regarding Irvine International Academy. Margaret Waltz addressed the Board regarding diversity.

10. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Minutes:

Superintendent Walker reported on preparations for the start of school, noting there continues to be an incredible showing of dedication and commitment with too many departments to name and staff who are going above and beyond to prepare for the return of students and are making sure our schools are safe and at the highest quality. He welcomed Sonia Kearney, ITA's new President. IUSD continues to shift and adapt to the ongoing changes, adjusting the Professional Development is just one example of this.

We ask our families to continue to visit our website as it has valuable resources and important information that we also send out; we continue to see misinformation shared on social media and urge our community to read our communications, visit our website, and connect with us when they have questions. We received some updated CDPH guidelines. The CDPH and the CDC realize most schools can't have both five days a week of in-person instruction and distancing, therefore, masking is necessary. If the mask mandate was eliminated we would have to switch back to hybrid. We will continue to maximize our outdoor spaces for instruction when possible. All students and staff will be expected to continue to abide by the mask requirement when indoors. The CDPH will re-evaluate the mask mandate by November 1, 2021; however, we are required to adopt and implement the CDPH guidelines, otherwise the District risks significant liability and the ability to offer full day in-person instruction.

IUSD is still offering our IUSD Virtual Academy, which has some options for students to attend some classes in-person. The vaccination rate, for those eligible, is over 80%, and over 95% for those over age 65 in Irvine. Since July 1, there have only been 14 cases of Orange County children who have been hospitalized with COVID-19. Governor Newsom has required all school personnel to provide proof of vaccination status, or test weekly. While school districts have until October 15 to be in compliance, IUSD is already well underway in the planning and will have the mandate implemented before October.

Thanks to the state and federal stimulus funds, IUSD has hired over 200 new teachers; some are for growth, and some replacements for retirements, but most are for new positions. We have also hired more than 120 classified new staff members. The majority of our families want in-person instruction, with these new hires we have done everything we can to reduce class sizes based on available classroom space. We will continue to utilize staff to maximize all available spaces. In closing, we need our IUSD staff, parents, and students to be vigilant about symptoms. If you or your student is sick, stay home. Stay informed and review our communications. We will do the best we can to accommodate everyone. We will continue to evolve and adapt.

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Board Members Bokota, Brooks, Glasky, Wallin and Yu reported on school, conference and meeting participation.

Member Yu appointed Dr. Tracy Kuo as his representative to the Health Advisory Committee to fill a vacancy.

12. CONSENT CALENDAR

Approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 13.a. - 17.a. with the exception of Item No. 13.e. Authorization to Enter into a MOU Between the City of Irvine, IUSD and Irvine Public Schools

Foundation for the Challenge Match Grant Benefiting Public Schools in the City of Irvine, pulled by Members Yu and Glasky for separate approval.

Motion made by: Cyril Yu Motion seconded by: Ira Glasky Voting:

> Paul Bokota - Yes Lauren Brooks - Yes Ira Glasky - Yes Sharon Wallin - Yes Cyril Yu - Yes

13. CONSENT CALENDAR - Business Services

- a. Check Register Report
- b. Contract Services Action Report 2021-22/02
- c. Purchase Order Detail Report
- d. Approval of the Service Agreement Between the Irvine Unified School District and HR Simplified for Flexible Spending, Cobra, and Retiree Benefit Administration
- e. Authorization to Enter into a MOU Between the City of Irvine, IUSD, and Irvine Public Schools Foundation for the Challenge Match Grant Benefiting Public Schools in the City of Irvine
- f. Authorize the Utilization of California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS) Contract for the Purchase and Warranty of Hardware Store Products, and Maintenance and Repair Shop Equipment
- g. Authorize the Utilization of California Network and Telecommunications (CALNET) Contract C4-LEG-12-10-TS-01 for the Purchase of Voice and Data Services
- h. Authorize the Utilization of California Network and Telecommunications (CALNET) Contract C4-DNCS-19-001-40 for the Purchase of Voice and Data Services
- i. Award Cooperative RFP No. 2021-04, Paper Products and Cleaning Supplies
- j. Contract Renewal Authorization 2022 Blue Shield of California PPO/HMO, Express Scripts, Inc., Alameda County Schools Insurance Group (ACSIG) Delta Dental PPO, Medical Eye Services (MES), Vision Service Plan (VSP), Discovery Benefits, and Lincoln Financial for Life/Long - Term Disability Insurance
- k. Ratification of Agreement Between the Irvine Unified School District and Sand Canyon Urgent Care Medical Center for Coronavirus (COVID-19) for Employees

14. CONSENT CALENDAR - Education Services

- a. Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Aid Programs
- b. Educational Partnership Fund 2021-2022

15. CONSENT CALENDAR - Human Resources

- a. Certificated Personnel Action Report 2021-22/02
- b. Classified Personnel Action Report 2021-22/02

16. CONSENT CALENDAR - Special Education

- a. Contract for Special Education Related Services
- b. Special Education Settlement Agreement(s)

17. CONSENT CALENDAR - Superintendent

a. Conference Attendance

18. CONSENT CALENDAR RESOLUTIONS - Roll Call

Approve Consent Calendar Resolution Item Nos. 18.a. – 18.d.

<u>Motion made by:</u> Lauren Brooks <u>Motion seconded by:</u> Ira Glasky

Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes Lauren Brooks - Yes Ira Glasky - Yes Sharon Wallin - Yes Cyril Yu - Yes

- Resolution No. 21-22-10: Non-Reelection of Temporary Certificated Employees -Summer Session
- Resolution No. 21-22-11: Giving Notice of Intent to Grant Easement to Irvine Ranch Water District - Measure E Series 2 Improvements - University Park Elementary School
- c. Resolution No. 21-22-12: Giving Notice of Intent to Grant Easement to Irvine Ranch Water District Measure E Series 2 Improvements Bonita Canyon Elementary School
- d. Resolution No. 21-22-13: Employment of Short-term Employees

19. FACILITIES CONSENT CALENDAR

Approve Facilities Consent Calendar Item Nos. 19.a. – 19.k.

Motion made by: Cyril Yu

Motion seconded by: Sharon Wallin

Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes Lauren Brooks - Yes Ira Glasky - Yes Sharon Wallin - Yes Cyril Yu - Yes

- a. Additional Architectural Design Services for Irvine High School Replacement Parking Lot
- b. Architectural Design Services for the Placement of One (1) Relocatable Classroom Building at the Early Childhood Learning Center
- c. Architectural Design Services for Measure E Series 3 Expansion Project at Culverdale Elementary School
- d. Architectural Design Services for Measure E Series 3 Expansion Project at Greentree Elementary School
- e. Architectural Design Services for Measure E Series 3 Expansion Project at Santiago Hills Elementary School
- f. Augmentation to Class Leasing Contract for the Lease of Relocatable Buildings at Cadence Park School
- g. Authorization for the Placement and Lease of Two (2) Relocatable Classroom Buildings at Woodbury Elementary School
- h. Change Order Request for the Measure E Augmented Funds to Accelerate Projects Expansion Projects at Deerfield Elementary School and Plaza Vista School
- i. Change Order Requests for the Measure E Series 2 Improvements Expansion Projects at Bonita Canyon and Turtle Rock Elementary Schools
- j. Change Order Requests for the Measure E Series 2 Improvements Expansion Projects at University Park and Northwood Elementary Schools

k. Notice of Completion for the Measure E Series 2 Improvements – Expansion Projects at Bonita Canyon and Turtle Rock Elementary Schools

20. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Approve Item No. 13. e. Authorization to Enter into a MOU Between the City of Irvine, IUSD and Irvine Public Schools Foundation for the Challenge Match Grant Benefiting Public Schools in the City of Irvine.

Authorize the Assistant Superintendent of Business Services to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Irvine, Irvine Unified School District, and Irvine Public Schools Foundation for the Challenge Match Grant program to assist the Irvine Unified School District, the four Irvine schools in the Tustin Unified School District, and Irvine students enrolled in the Santa Ana Unified School District.

Minutes:

Members Yu, Glasky and other members of the Board took a moment to thank the City of Irvine and the Irvine Public Schools Foundation for their continued support of IUSD with the Challenge Match Grant program serving students in Irvine, Tustin and Santa Ana USDs.

Motion made by: Sharon Wallin Motion seconded by: Cyril Yu Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes Lauren Brooks - Yes Ira Glasky - Yes Sharon Wallin - Yes Cyril Yu – Yes

21. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

a. Measure E Appointment of Independent Citizens Oversight Committee Members
Appoint members of the Measure E Independent Citizens Oversight Committee as presented.

Minutes:

Board members extended their appreciation for the Citizens Oversight Committee members and welcomed new members.

<u>Motion made by:</u> Lauren Brooks <u>Motion seconded by:</u> Sharon Wallin

Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes Lauren Brooks - Yes Ira Glasky - Yes Sharon Wallin - Yes Cyril Yu - Yes

b. Public Hearing: First Reading - Proposed Revision to Board Policy 6158: Independent Study

Approve for second and final reading, proposed revisions to Board Policy 6158: Independent Study.

Minutes:

Cassie Parham, Assistant Superintendent of Education Services, advised that per direction from the California Department of Education all school districts are required to revise their Independent Study Board Policy, prior to the beginning of instruction, to be in compliance with recent changes in law; however, the changes in law were provided in July with clarifications provided as recent as early August. The proposed policy is aligned to the new changes in law.

Member Wallin asked what school will issue a student's diploma if the student is attending San Joaquin High School in their senior year. Natalie Hamilton, Coordinator for Creekside and San Joaquin Schools, responded that both last and this year, students will be invited to attend the graduation ceremony and senior events with their home school and will receive their diploma from their home school; however, San Joaquin High School is its own independent school.

President Bokota opened the public hearing at 8:05 PM, received no comments and closed the public hearing at 8:11 PM.

The Board waived the second reading and approved the proposed revisions to Board Policy 6158 - Independent Study.

<u>Motion made by:</u> Sharon Wallin <u>Motion seconded by:</u> Lauren Brooks <u>Voting:</u>

> Paul Bokota - Yes Lauren Brooks - Yes Ira Glasky - Yes Sharon Wallin - Yes Cyril Yu - Yes

c. Course-based Certification for All San Joaquin Schools

Certify independent study courses provided through San Joaquin Schools as equivalent in hours and rigor to the corresponding in-person District courses, and as aligned to the same local and state standards and approve instructional materials submitted for adoption as presented.

Minutes:

Cassie Parham, Assistant Superintendent of Education Services, introduced and extended her thanks to Natalie Hamilton, Coordinator for Creekside and San Joaquin Schools, who presented the course-based certification for all San Joaquin Schools, as required annually per Education Code. Natalie provided an overview of the offerings provided through IUSD Virtual Academy (IVA) Elementary School and IUSD Virtual Academy (IVA) Secondary which is grades 7-12 and is under San Joaquin Schools. For middle and high school, IVA is virtual only; however, some students can choose to participate in a blended program, where they attend some classes in-person and some through IVA. Additionally, there are some students who attend San Joaquin schools inperson only. The curriculum provided through IVA Secondary is mostly created by IUSD by teams of educators throughout the District. Currently, 33 out of 37 middle school courses are IUSD created, and 86 out of 109 high school course are IUSD created. We continue to reduce the number of courses provided through outside course providers.

Kris Linville, Director of IUSD Virtual Academy Elementary School, outlined the courses provided through IVA Elementary, noting the IVA Elementary is its own school this year. This year, teachers are not using Florida Virtual curriculum, but are using their own IUSD teacher curriculum and other supplemental products such as Raz-Kids, ST Math, and i-Ready for both English and Math. Additionally, students in grades 4-6 have the option to attend school in-person, at IVA Elementary, twice a week for PE, Music, and Science Lab.

Motion made by: Cyril Yu

Motion seconded by: Lauren Brooks

Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes Lauren Brooks - Yes Ira Glasky - Yes Sharon Wallin - Yes Cyril Yu - Yes

d. First Reading - Proposed Revision to Board Policy 1312.3: Uniform Complaint Policy Approve for second and final reading, proposed revisions to Board Policy 1312.3: Uniform Complaint Policy.

Minutes:

The Board waived the second reading and approved the proposed revisions to Board Policy 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Policy.

Motion made by: Lauren Brooks Motion seconded by: Cyril Yu Voting:

> Paul Bokota - Yes Lauren Brooks - Yes Ira Glasky - Yes Sharon Wallin - Yes Cyril Yu - Yes

22. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Minutes: None.

23. CLOSED SESSION

Minutes: None.

24. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:22 PM.

Motion made by: Cyril Yu

Motion seconded by: Sharon Wallin

Voting:

Paul Bokota - Yes Lauren Brooks - Yes Ira Glasky - Yes Sharon Wallin - Yes Cyril Yu - Yes