

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education 10/06/2020 06:30 PM Irvine Unified School District Administration Center 5050 Parranea Parlaway, Invine, CA 92604

Meeting Minutes

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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Attendees

Voting Members

Betty Carroll, Board President Paul Bokota, Board Clerk Ira Glasky, Board Member Sharon Wallin, Board Member

1. CONVENE REGULAR MEETING - 6:30 PM

President Carroll called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / ROLL CALL

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

<u>Members Present:</u> Paul Bokota Betty Carroll Ira Glasky Sharon Wallin

<u>Members Absent:</u> Lauren Brooks (excused)

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 Raianna Chavez, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Adopt agenda, as presented.

<u>Motion made by:</u> Paul Bokota <u>Motion seconded by:</u> Sharon Wallin <u>Voting</u>

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

4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS / RECOGNITIONS

a. Irvine Unified Council PTA

Irvine Unified Council Parent Teacher Association (IUCPTA) President, Jackie Hitomi, introduced herself and reported the 40 school based PTAs are off to a good start despite the difficulty created by COVID-19. A focus for this year is inclusivity for all students regardless of the academic model or school they are associated. She summarized various activities planned for the year and announced the recent launching of the IUCPTA's new website. In closing, she reported on IUCPTA's active promotion of the Legislative Advocacy and Family Engagement Committees throughout all schools as they work to have a positive impact on all the lives of our children and families.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Speaking to the topic of Diversify Our Narrative: Riya Agnihotri Manasaa Meenakshi Luis Hwang Lauren Chandler Daphne Ghazizadeh

Nooshin Mazzotti addressed the Board regarding a grievance with staff. Lesley Tan addressed the Board regarding filing a complaint against the asphalt company. Debbie Kamm addressed the Board regarding transparency.

6. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Walker reported on the successful reopening of all district schools at all grade levels for families who selected an in-person academic model. He extended his appreciation to district teachers and staff who have been working tirelessly to get to the point of returning students to their campuses. That includes the Nutrition Services staff who have served nearly 18,000 breakfasts and almost 30,000 lunches to students since July. This is another example of K-12 education as an essential service and as work by essential workers. We know the distance learning environment isn't for everyone, and with SB-98's requirement to return to in-person instruction as soon as possible, we've accomplished just that. IUSD is one of the first districts in the state to return all grade levels to in-person instruction for those who selected it. This was made possible by the advanced planning by our leadership team and district staff. As mentioned previously, the District is in receipt of over \$17 million in federal CARES Act funds, which help with the safety protocols to provide HVAC system updates, HEPA air purifiers for every classroom and other areas were students and staff are. The District is prepared to spend more than that to keep everyone safe. The District has coordinated free baseline testing for staff, with the option to test again when needed. He reminded, any students,

teachers or staff members experiencing COVID-19 symptoms should stay home and get tested. Another safety protocol is the smaller class sizes. He detailed the average classes and cohort sizes for elementary, middle and high school classes. Staff continue to receive quality, customizable professional learning to help support teachers under these circumstances. He compared Irvine's positivity and daily case rates to Orange County's rates noting Irvine would be one to two tiers lower than the county if measured independently. He thanked the many people and organizations who have been vital partners during this time, including, OCDE, OCHCA, CHOC, IPD and the Orange County Superintendents group who are looking at ways to provide fine arts to students among other supports. In closing, he reported in his participation in IUCPTA's honoring of Sergeant Tom Goodbrand for his service to parents, students, and staff, and he invited the community to continue to reference the IUSD website for up to date complete information.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

Approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 9.a. – 11.d.

<u>Motion made by:</u> Paul Bokota <u>Motion seconded by:</u> Sharon Wallin <u>Voting</u> Betty Carroll - Yes Paul Bokota - Yes Ira Glasky - Yes Sharon Wallin - Yes

9. CONSENT CALENDAR - Business Services

- a. Check Register Report
- b. Contract Services Action Report 2020-21/05
- c. Purchase Order Detail Report
- d. Authorize the Utilization of California Network and Telecommunications (CALNET) Contract for the Purchase of Voice and Data Services
- e. Exercise Option to Extend the Contract for Bid No. 19/20-02TS, Individualized Transportation Services
- f. Ratification of Agreement Between the Irvine Unified School District and Sand Canyon Urgent Care Medical Center for Coronavirus (COVID-19) Testing for Employees

10. CONSENT CALENDAR - Human Resources

a. Certificated Personnel Action Report 2020-21/05

b. Classified Personnel Action Report 2020-21/05

11. CONSENT CALENDAR - Special Education

- a. Agreement with Marin County SELPA for work with California Autism Professional Training and Information Network (CAPTAIN) Grant
- b. Contract for Special Education Related Services
- c. Special Education Settlement Agreement(s)
- d. Amend Special Education Master Contract with ACES

12. CONSENT CALENDAR RESOLUTIONS - Roll Call

Approve Consent Calendar Resolution Item No. 12a.

<u>Motion made by:</u> Ira Glasky <u>Motion seconded by:</u> Paul Bokota <u>Voting</u> Betty Carroll - Yes Paul Bokota - Yes Ira Glasky - Yes Sharon Wallin - Yes

a. Resolution No. 20-21-14: Proclaim October 26-30, 2020 as Red Ribbon Week

13. FACILITIES CONSENT CALENDAR

Approve Facilities Consent Calendar Item Nos. 13.a. - 13.c.

<u>Motion made by:</u> Sharon Wallin <u>Motion seconded by:</u> Paul Bokota <u>Voting</u> Betty Carroll - Yes Paul Bokota - Yes Ira Glasky - Yes Sharon Wallin - Yes

- a. Change Order Request for the Measure E Series 2 Improvements Expansion Projects at Bonita Canyon and Turtle Rock Elementary Schools
- b. Change Order Request for the Skylight Replacements at Springbrook Elementary School Project
- c. Notice of Completion for the Woodbridge High School New Bleachers and Scoreboard Project

14. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Minutes: None.

15. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

a. Public Hearing: Resolution No. 20-21-12: Statement of Assurance for TK-12 -Instructional Materials Sufficiency for 2020-21 School Year - Roll Call

After holding a public hearing and considering all public input, adopt Resolution No. 20-21-12 Statement of Assurance for TK-12 Instructional Materials Sufficiency for 2020-21 School Year.

Minutes:

President Carroll opened the public hearing at 7:36 PM.

Executive Director of Professional Development and Curriculum, Catherine Holmes, responded to questions by Member Bokota as to having enough textbooks given the different academic models. She outlined the process taken by warehouse staff to barcode and track textbooks, and noted that digital textbooks qualify as meeting the Williams Act textbook requirements as long as the District verifies the student has internet access and a device to utilize the resource. There are some cases where the Florida Virtual curriculum used by IUSD's Virtual Academy does not meet the California State Standards, such as in 4th Grade when students learn about California's history. In that case, the District makes sure each student is provided with district resources, by way of a distribution day from students' home school.

Member Carroll pointed out that the Williams Act requires one textbook per student; however, in most cases, students have a classroom set of textbooks and a textbook for home and are therefore, over the minimum for compliance.

Received no public comments, President Carroll closed the public hearing at 7:43 PM.

<u>Motion made by:</u> Paul Bokota <u>Motion seconded by:</u> Ira Glasky <u>Voting</u> Betty Carroll - Yes Paul Bokota - Yes Ira Glasky - Yes Sharon Wallin - Yes

 Resolution No. 20-21-13: Board Decision Regarding the Petition for the Establishment of the Irvine International Academy Charter School 2021-22 - Roll Call Adoption of, Option 3, Resolution No. 20-21-13, Denying Charter Petition for Irvine International Academy Charter School.

Minutes:

Superintendent Walker provided an overview of the Charter School Act requirements and the process undertaken by the District in review of the Charter School Petition submitted by petitioners for Irvine International Academy, a proposed mandarin immersion K-6 charter school. He reported, district staff, working with district legal counsel, reviewed and analyzed all information received pertaining to the proposed charter school. Based on numerous concerns regarding the program, district staff have determined the charter petition is not consistent with sound educational practice based upon findings such as the charter petition including a number of vague or unmeasurable goals and the stated goals being internally inconsistent as to the levels of mastery.

The charter's provision of instructional services to students lacks the specificity necessary to ensure that the charter will be able to successfully implement the proposed instructional program. The proposed budget and financial information provided by the petitioners resulted in a lack of confidence in the ability of the proposed budget to meet the charter's needs and to ensure quality education to students. Lastly, the charter petition is unclear how the charter determined its projected enrollment of 384 students for the first year of operation. For the reasons provided in the Staff Report and more, staff's recommendation is to deny the petition based on the findings presented.

Speaking to the topic: David Witkin Michael Scott

<u>Motion made by:</u> Sharon Wallin <u>Motion seconded by:</u> Ira Glasky <u>Voting</u> Betty Carroll - Yes Paul Bokota - Yes Ira Glasky - Yes Sharon Wallin - Yes

16. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Minutes: None.

17. CLOSED SESSION

Minutes: None.

18. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

<u>Motion made by:</u> Paul Bokota <u>Motion seconded by:</u> Ira Glasky <u>Voting</u> Betty Carroll - Yes Paul Bokota - Yes Ira Glasky - Yes Sharon Wallin - Yes