Irvine Unified School District Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

October 15, 2019 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 5:14 PM:

Present:
Lauren Brooks
Betty Carroll
Ira Glasky
Sharon Wallin

Absent:

Paul Bokota

Updated Attendance:

Paul Bokota was updated to present at: 5:19 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Minutes:

President Brooks called the meeting to order at 5:14 PM.

2. ORAL COMMUNICATION

Minutes:

None.

3. CLOSED SESSION

Minutes:

The Board adjourned to closed session at 5:15 PM.

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

Minutes:

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

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

Minutes:

The Board met with the Superintendent to review progress toward the Superintendent's Goals and Objectives for 2018-19.

4. RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING - 6:30 PM

Minutes:

President Brooks reconvened the meeting at 6:42 PM.

5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / ROLL CALL

Minutes:

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

Members Present:

Paul Bokota Lauren Brooks Betty Carroll Ira Glasky Sharon Wallin

Student Members Present:

Benjamin Kim Jenna Makarem Jahnvi Mehta Kyler Mogari

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 Brooks reported on the discussions in Closed Session, including the action on item 3.a. Public Employee Discipline taken in Closed Session. It was reported the Board approved the disciplinary action and last chance agreement for employee 52893. Pursuant to the agreement, the employee accepts disciplinary action and waives all claims against the District, the Board's vote was (5-0) unanimous.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion Passed: Approve the minutes of the following meeting(s), as presented: September 17, 2019 - Regular Meeting.

Passed with a motion by Paul Bokota and a second by Betty Carroll.

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 Ira Glasky and a second by Paul Bokota.

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

9. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS / RECOGNITIONS

9.a. Irvine Public Schools Foundation

Minutes:

Connie Cheung, Michelle Luna and Stephanie Bynon, Program Managers for Irvine Public Schools Foundation (IPSF) presented an update regarding the programs offered by IPSF. IPSF provides after school and summer programs for over 20,000 students each year. They highlighted programs from the 2018-19 school year and shared upcoming programs including Esports for elementary students. They also highlighted the Innovative Grants Program, with a new student grant opportunity open to high school students. In closing, they invited the Board and community members to attend the Irvine Talks: Chapter 3 event on November 23rd and thanked the Board for their continued support.

9.b. 2020 Census Update

Minutes:

Annie Brown, Public Information Officer for IUSD, provided a brief history and purpose for the National Census. IUSD is teaming up with city and county organizations to provide educational awareness of the Census and its purpose, along with providing a communication toolkit of informational resources to IUSD schools. In closing, Census day is April 1, 2020.

10. ORAL COMMUNICATION

Minutes:

Speaking to the topic of a proposal for a Youth Entrepreneurs Program at Woodbridge High School:

Rithrij Pochampally, WHS Student Michael Camacho, WHS Student Micah Pacis, WHS Student Benjamin Yazdanpanah, WHS Student Aditya Aggarwal, WHS Student Ian Roy, with Youth Entrepreneurs Speaking to the topic of Northwood High School's Integrated Science Curriculum:

Cindy Han Marle Chen Anu Brian Chrastil

11. STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Minutes:

Student Board Members Benjamin Kim, Jenna Makarem, Jahnvi Mehta, and Skylar Mogari reported on school activities.

12. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Minutes:

Superintendent Walker reported on his attendance at a UCI Esports competition, and shared that IUSD high school students and even Woodbury Elementary students have created esports teams. He also reported on his attendance at the Mental Health and Wellbeing Exchange in Fullerton, where he made connections to explore partnership options, which could help IUSD further support students. Additionally, the District officially dedicated Loma Ridge Elementary School; staff continue to create impressive facilities, including updating facilities like Meadow Park Elementary School, which will be re-dedicated tomorrow to showcase the Measure E improvements the school received. Superintendent Walker with the Board, attended the IPSF Gala, which was an extravagant event in support of raising funds for students and the event provided an opportunity to connect with members of the community. In closing, he and members of the Board wished Executive Assistant, Raianna Chavez, a Happy Birthday as she was spending her birthday at the Board Meeting.

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Minutes:

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

Member Brooks requested Assistant Superintendent, John Fogarty, to provide the Board with a summary of legislative bills recently enacted and how they might impact IUSD.

14. CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion Passed: Approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 15.a. - 19.a.

Passed with a motion by Paul Bokota and a second by Betty Carroll.

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.b. Contract Services Action Report 2019-20/06
- 15.c. Purchase Order Detail Report
- 15.d. Authorize the Utilization of Education Technology Joint Powers Authority (Ed Tech JPA) Master Contract for the Purchase of a Classroom Management and Student Online Safety System
- 15.e. Authorize the Utilization of NASPO ValuePoint Contract for Wireless Voice Service, Wireless Broadband Service, Accessories and Equipment
- 15.f. Emergency Chiller Replacement at Irvine High School

16. CONSENT CALENDAR - Education Services

- 16.a. LCFF Local Indicators CA Dashboard
- 16.b. Request to Operate Cadence Park and Eastshore as School-wide Title I Programs Beginning with the 2019-20 School Year
- 16.c. Quarterly Report on Complaints Pursuant to Ed. Code 35186(d)
- 16.d. Field Trips and Excursions
- 16.e. Participation in Outdoor Education Science Camps for the 2019-20 School Year

17. CONSENT CALENDAR - Human Resources

- 17.a. Certificated Personnel Action Report 2019-20/06
- 17.b. Classified Personnel Action Report 2019-20/06
- 17.c. Student Nursing Agreement for 2019-20

18. CONSENT CALENDAR - Special Education

- 18.a. Orange County Alliance for Special Education
- 18.b. Special Education Settlement Agreement(s)
- 18.c. Special Education Master Contract(s)
- 18.d. Contract for Special Education Related Services

19. CONSENT CALENDAR - Superintendent

19.a. Conference Attendance

20. FACILITIES CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion Passed: Approve Facilities Consent Calendar Item Nos. 20.a. - 20.j.

Passed with a motion by Paul Bokota and a second by Betty Carroll.

- Yes Paul Bokota
 Yes Lauren Brooks
 Yes Betty Carroll
 Yes Ira Glasky
 Yes Sharon Wallin
 - 20.a. Authorization to Extend Lease of One (1) Restroom Building and Four (4) Relocatable Classroom Buildings at Creekside Education Center / Harvard and Barranca Site
 - 20.b. Authorize the Utilization of the Fullerton Joint Union High School District, Districtwide Shade Structures, Bid No. 1819-11
 - 20.c. Change Order Requests for Loma Ridge Elementary School Project
 - 20.d. Change Order Requests for Measure E Series 1 Improvements Classroom Building Expansion Projects at Brywood, Meadow Park, and Springbrook Elementary Schools
 - 20.e. Change Order Requests for Measure E Series 1 Improvements Expansion Projects at Eastshore Elementary School, Venado Middle School, and Creekside High School
 - 20.f. Change Order Requests for Measure E Series 1 Improvements Modernization and New Construction Projects at Brywood and Meadow Park Elementary Schools
 - 20.g. Change Order Requests for Measure E Series 1 Improvements Modernization Projects at Springbrook and Westpark Elementary Schools
 - 20.h. Change Order Request for Measure E Series 1 Improvements Performing Arts Complex at Woodbridge High School Re-Bid
 - 20.i. Notice of Completion for Cadence Park School Project
 - 20.j. Notices of Completion for Loma Ridge Elementary School Project

21. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Minutes:

None.

22. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

22.a. Resolution No. 19-20-23: Board Decision Regarding the Petition for the Establishment of the Irvine International Academy Charter School

Motion Passed: Adoption of Option 3, Resolution No. 19-20-23, Denying Charter Petition for Irvine International Academy Charter School.

Passed with a motion by Ira Glasky and a second by Sharon Wallin.

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

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 dual immersion mandarin K-8 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 inadequate description of how the charter would support high achieving and low achieving students. The charter did not provide a clear, cohesive, viable, and educationally sound plan to serve students with disabilities or English Learners. 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.

Further, Irvine International Academy submitted teacher signatures in order to meet the prerequisite in submittal of its Charter for Board consideration; however, the teachers were found to be not qualified and/or not meaningfully interested in teaching at the proposed charter; therefore, the Petition does not comply with the mandatory signature requirement.

Additionally, the Executive Director's duties include coordinating the work of all school and departments, along with assisting in the selection and recommendation to the Board of the best-qualified and most competent candidates for employment. However, Dr. Scott, the Executive Director does not speak Mandarin and does not plan to attempt to learn. It is unclear how he will fulfill the dual role of Executive Director/Principal without the ability to understand instruction and supervise staff during 90% of the instructional time. Dr. Scott further fails to have an administrative credential and lacks experience in formally evaluating teachers.

For these reasons and more, staff's recommendation is to deny the petition based on the findings presented.

Speaking to the topic:

Michael Scott, of Corona, with Irvine International Academy Janelle Cranch, IUSD CSEA Region Chapter President Stephanie Ouyang, Irvine parent Octavio Calvo-Canseco, of Irvine Xiangming Zhang, of Irvine Esther Lau, former IUSD educator and resident of Irvine

Member Wallin communicated the requirement for Board's the decision to be based on the original charter petition documents presented, which have been found to contain numerous flaws and to not be compliant with Education Code. She shared her appreciation for the Irvine Chinese Cultural Center as an educational partner and stated her understanding that there are parents that want an immersion program; however, after reviewing the petition she cannot recommend the Irvine International Academy program.

Member Brooks thanked the community members who attended and spoke regarding the charter, and shared her appreciation for attaining multiple languages. However, based on the review of the provided petition, she finds it does not provide a sound educational background for students and agrees with staff on their recommendation to deny the petition.

22.b. Ratification of Memorandum of Understanding between the Irvine Unified School District and the California School Employees Association Chapter 517 for 2019-20

Motion Passed: Approve the MOU between the Irvine Unified School District and the California School Employees Association Chapter 517 on release time for Chapter President.

Passed with a motion by Sharon Wallin and a second by Betty Carroll.

Yes Paul Bokota

Yes Lauren Brooks

Yes Betty Carroll

Yes Ira Glasky

Yes Sharon Wallin

Minutes:

Board Members and Superintendent Walker extended their appreciation for CSEA Chapter 517 President, Janelle Cranch, and thanked her for her service and advocacy for classified staff in support of IUSD students and staff.

22.c. Ratification of Memorandum of Understanding between the Irvine Unified School District and the California School Employees Association Chapter 517 regarding Article 9 for 2019-20

Motion Passed: Approve the MOU between the Irvine Unified School District and the

California School Employees Association Chapter 517 on the contractual deadline extension to Article 9.2.2 of the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

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

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

22.d. Ratification of Memorandum of Understanding between the Irvine Unified School District and the Irvine Teachers Association regarding Article 18 for 2019-20

Motion Passed: Approve the MOU between the Irvine Unified School District and the Irvine Teachers Association on the contractual deadline extension to Article 18.2.1 of the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Passed with a motion by Paul Bokota and a second by Ira Glasky.

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

22.e. Public Employee Contract Approval - Superintendent of Schools

Motion Passed: After orally reporting a summary of recommendation for the final action on the salary, compensation and benefits paid, approve contract extension for Superintendent of Schools Terry L. Walker, effective July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022.

Passed with a motion by Paul Bokota and a second by Betty Carroll.

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

23. ORAL COMMUNICATION

Minutes: None.

24. CLOSED SESSION

Minutes: None.

25. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Passed: Meeting adjourned at 8:37 PM.

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

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