

Meeting Minutes

Organizational/Regular Meeting of the Board of Education 12/15/2020 05:15 PM

Irvine Unified School District Administration Center 5050 Barranca Parkway, Irvine, CA 92604 5:15 PM Closed Session / 6:30 PM Regular Meeting

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Attendees

Voting Members

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

Acting President Bokota called the meeting to order at 5:16 PM.

2. ORAL COMMUNICATION

Minutes:

None.

3. CLOSED SESSION

- a. Threat to Public Services or Facilities [Government Code Section 54957 and 54956.5(e)] The Board discussed matters concerning Threat to Public Services or Facilities.
- Public Employee Performance Evaluation [Government Code Section 54957]
 The Board met with the Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents and Chief
 Technology Officer to discuss the Superintendent's Goals and Objectives for 2020-21.

4. RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING - 6:30 PM

Acting President Bokota reconvened the meeting at 6:30 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 student Noel Bascon.

Members Present:

Paul Bokota

Lauren Brooks (attended via video conference)

Ira Glasky

Sharon Wallin

Cyril Yu (attended via video conference)

Staff Present:

Terry L. Walker, Superintendent of Schools

John Fogarty, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

Eamonn O'Donovan, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources (attended via video conference)

Cassie Parham, Assistant Superintendent, Education Services (attended via video conference)

Brianne Ford, Chief Technology Officer (attended via video conference)

Raianna Chavez, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

6. OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS

Minutes:

Superintendent Walker administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Board Members Paul Bokota, Lauren Brooks and Cyril Yu.

7. BOARD ORGANIZATION - 2021

a. Board Organization - Election of Officers

Nominate Paul Bokota as Board President and appoint Ira Glasky as Board Clerk.

Minutes:

Acting President Bokota opened nominations for Board President. Member Brooks nominated Member Bokota to serve as Board President, seconded by Member Wallin. Member Bokota was unanimously elected to serve as Board President for 2021.

President Bokota appointed Member Glasky as Board Clerk.

Motion made by: Lauren Brooks Motion seconded by: Sharon Wallin

Voting

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

b. Board Organization - Responsibilities

Approve Board member responsibilities/committee appointments.

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

Voting

Lauren Brooks - Yes Paul Bokota - Yes Ira Glasky - Yes Sharon Wallin - Yes Cvril Yu - Yes c. Board Organization - School Site Liaison Assignments Approve School Site Liaison assignments for 2021.

Motion made by: Ira Glasky

Motion seconded by: Lauren Brooks

Voting

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

d. Board Organization - Appointment of Representatives to District Committees
Appoint representatives to the Education Advisory and Health Advisory Committees.

Motion made by: Ira Glasky

Motion seconded by: Lauren Brooks

Voting

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

e. Board Organization - Establishment of Meeting Dates Approve School Board meeting dates for 2021.

Motion made by: Sharon Wallin Motion seconded by: Lauren Brooks

Voting

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

8. REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION DISCUSSION / ACTION

President Bokota reported on the discussion in Closed Session.

9. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

June 23, 2020 - Regular Meeting June 26, 2020 - Special Meeting June 30, 2020 - Special Meeting July 9, 2020 - Special Meeting Motion made by: Lauren Brooks

Motion seconded by: Ira Glasky

Voting

Lauren Brooks - Yes

Paul Bokota - Yes

Ira Glasky - Yes

Sharon Wallin - Yes

Cyril Yu - Abstain

10. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Adopt agenda, as presented.

Motion made by: Sharon Wallin

Motion seconded by: Ira Glasky

Voting

Lauren Brooks - Yes

Paul Bokota - Yes

Ira Glasky - Yes

Sharon Wallin - Yes

Cyril Yu - Yes

11. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS / RECOGNITIONS

a. Classified Employees of the Year - 2020

In a video showcase, California School Employees Association (CSEA) Chapter President, Janelle Cranch, outlined the rigorous selection process undertaken to determine the Classified Employees of the Year. She and members of the Board extended their sincere appreciation to the 2020 Classified Employees of the Year: Kristine Arebalo, Office Assistant at Woodbridge High School; Susan Cortez, Media Technician at Deerfield Elementary; Cheryl Deason, Specialist in Software Application Support; Spencer Hoover, Electrician; and Judith Salazar, Behavior Interventionist at Eastwood Elementary.

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Speaking to the topic of maintaining open schools/temporarily closing schools:

Robin Cowan

Derek Pfister

Teri Sorey

Sonia Kearney

Matt Trujillo

JoAnn and Drew Motta

Erica Kim

Julie Gaines

Krysti Jacobs

Anonymous Resident

A Worried Employee

Johnathan Farris

Irvine Parent

Constantly Unheard addressed the Board regarding District Leadership.

13. STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

A video showcase of Student Board Member reports on school activities was provided by Jasmine Sinchai, Michelle Kim, and Olga Barbashova.

14. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Walker commenced his report by first welcoming new Board Member Cyril Yu. Next, he congratulated the Classified Employees of the Year, noting they are just a few examples of the dedicated staff and emergency workers in the District. The dedication by IUSD staff has been enormous; the depth and complexity required this school year warrants contestant reflection and adaptation to be able to obtain IUSD vision to provide the highest quality education we can envision. The District continues to consider many plans including returning to distance learning as needed; however, the data indicates the safety investments made by the District are working. Students and staff have been on campus for 12 weeks now and while campuses look different with some students on campus for only two days a week, we have had only a few cases of transmission staff to staff only, when they were not able to maintain physical distancing. As for the IUSD COVID-19 Dashboard, it includes presume positive cases and will continue to be updated over the Winter Break. The District continues to have immediate and constant interaction with Dr. Chau and staff from the Orange County Health Care Agency, which has been a tremendous resource. There have been no outbreaks, meaning the cases are not interconnected at school sites. Cases in Irvine are continuing to rise, but continue to be among the lowest in the County. He reminded all to continue to abide by the safety protocols, and noted distancing learning has consequences, not just learning loss, but other adverse consequences. In closing, he wished staff, students and their families a relaxing and safe holiday.

15. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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

16. CONSENT CALENDAR

Approve Consent Calendar Item Nos. 17.a. - 19.c.

Motion made by: Lauren Brooks Motion seconded by: Ira Glasky Voting

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

17. CONSENT CALENDAR - Business Services

- a. Check Register Report
- b. Purchase Order Detail Report
- c. Contract Services Action Report 2020-21/08

- d. 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
- e. Authorize the Utilization of California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS) Contract for the Purchase and Warranty of Hardware and Related Accessories
- f. Authorize the Utilization of Education Technology Joint Powers Authority (Ed Tech JPA)

 Master Contract for the Purchase of an Assessment Platform
- g. Authorize the Utilization of NASPO ValuePoint Contract in Order to Enter into a 60-Month Lease with Pitney Bowes, Inc.
- h. Contract Renewal Authorization 2021 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
- i. Exercise Option to Extend the Education Technology Joint Powers Authority (Ed Tech JPA) Master Contract for the Purchase of a Notification System

18. CONSENT CALENDAR - Human Resources

- a. Certificated Personnel Action Report 2020-21/08
- b. Classified Personnel Action Report 2020-21/08

19. CONSENT CALENDAR - Special Education

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

20. FACILITIES CONSENT CALENDAR

Approve Facilities Consent Calendar Item Nos. 20.a. - 20.d.

Motion made by: Ira Glasky Motion seconded by: Lauren Brooks Voting

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

a. Receive Bids/Award Contract - Measure E Series 2 Improvements – Expansion Projects at University Park and Northwood Elementary Schools – Rebid Bid Package 4 – Steel

- b. Review of Public Information Meetings Held for Measure E Augmented Funds to Accelerate Projects (AFAP) Irvine High School
- c. Change Order Requests for the Measure E Series 1 Improvements Performing Arts Complex at Woodbridge High School Re-Bid
- d. Notices of Completion for the Measure E Series 1 Improvements Performing Arts Complex at Woodbridge High School Re-Bid

21. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Minutes:

None.

22. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

a. Measure E Independent Citizens' Oversight Committee Member Replacement Appoint Juneu Kim as a member of the Measure E Independent Citizens Oversight Committee as presented.

<u>Motion made by:</u> Sharon Wallin <u>Motion seconded by:</u> Ira Glasky Voting

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

b. First Interim Report of 2020-21 (AB 1200, Chapter 1213, Statutes of 1991)

Certify the First Interim Report of 2020-21 as "Positive" based on information presented.

Minutes:

John Fogarty, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, presented the First Interim Report starting with a review of the financial reporting cycle, the purpose of the First Interim Report and the Legislative Analysts Office (LAO) fiscal outlook, which provided a single, main projection with several caveats, given the unprecedented times. Other remarks provided by the LAO noted that there has never been the level of uncertainty impacting fiscal forecasts and that the state's economy is experiencing a quicker rebound than anticipated. The 2020-21 budget assumptions were too pessimistic leading to a one-time windfall. However, the recovery has been uneven, with many low-income Californians remaining out of work and with most high-income workers being spared. The LAO projects multiple years of the state operating in a deficit with revenues projecting to grow at 1% annually, while expenditures grow by 4.4%. Previously economists described an "L" or "U" shaped recovery, but now they are indicating a "K" shaped recovery where some sectors are doing well and others are not.

He shared graphs depicting state revenues higher than expected, General Fund Revenue forecasts with a variance between \$200 billion and \$120 billion by 2024-25,

and a long-term state operating deficits chart over multiple years depicting an anticipated operating deficit of more than \$15 billion by 2024-25.

Specific to education funding, the LAO forecasts the Proposition 98 guarantee to increase by \$13.1 billion in the current year, and by \$1.6 billion for the 2019-20 fiscal year, based on the stronger than anticipated revenues for 2020-21. Proposition 98 is expected to grow by an additional \$595 million in 2021-22. In recognition of the cuts to Proposition 98 in 2020-21, the final state budget included language to augment Proposition 98 in the future through supplemental payments. Assuming supplemental payments are maintained, Proposition 98 will yield approximately \$13.7 billion in one-time funds and \$4.2 billion in ongoing funds in 2021-22. The LAO is also projecting a modest Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) of 1.14%; for IUSD that equals \$3.8 million. Most of the one-time funding is anticipated to be used to "payback" the one-time deferrals included in the 2020-21 State Budget, which would provide an opportunity to implement deferrals again in the future if needed, since they can only be utilized once.

John cautioned that while the budget outlook is more positive than anticipated there remain uncertainties and challenges. The 2021-22 projected 1.14% COLA is insufficient to cover ongoing cost increases for special education, step and column movement, healthcare, legal fees, utilities, etc., which typically increase 2-3% annually. Additionally, state revenues continue to be volatile making long term projections uncertain. The Local Control Funding Formula represents 94% of unrestricted revenue for IUSD, yet the funding disproportionately benefits districts with high concentrations of disadvantaged students, whereby IUSD is funded \$1,769 per ADA below the statewide average for Unified School Districts, for a total annual impact of at least \$62 million ongoing.

Furthermore, the COVID-19 pandemic has had a profound impact on two District programs: Nutrition Services and the Early Childhood Learning Center (ECLC). Nutrition Services' budget has been self-sustaining and very efficient. Nutrition Services ended the 2019-20 fiscal year with a reserve of approximately \$1.7 million, down from \$2.3 million in 2018-19. However, current projections indicate the Nutrition Services budget will need a general fund contribution in the 2020-21 year; which can be funded by federal stimulus funds. The ECLC program is largely a feebased program and is also anticipated to require a general fund contribution; however, funding is expected to return once pandemic conditions normalize.

In closing, John reviewed the 2020-21 budget and multiyear projections of the unrestricted general fund, which showed a projected \$30 million ending fund balance or more through 2022-23, and provided the breakdown of the reserve funds, which may allow for vital investments necessary in the upcoming year. Based on the information provided, staff recommends a positive certification of the First Interim Report.

Board Members inquired regarding the STRS and PERS contribution levels, usage of federal stimulus funds, and expressed their appreciation for staff's conservatism with the budget.

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

Voting

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

c. Adoption of the IUSD 2020-21 Budget Overview for Parents

Adopt the Irvine Unified School District 2020-21 Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) Budget Overview for Parents.

Minutes:

Laurie Serich-Lunquist, Director of Fiscal Services, reviewed the LCFF Budget Overview for Parents, noting the summary report consists of three main components; the Total Projected Revenue by Fund Source for major fiscal categories, the Budgeted Expenditure in the Learning Continuity Plan, and the 2019-20 annual Update of Services for High Needs Students. She also noted the format provided had been specified by the state and that much of the information is repetitive and had already been provided in other presentations and financial documents.

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

Voting

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

23. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Minutes:

None.

24. CLOSED SESSION

Minutes:

None.

25. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 PM.

Motion made by: Ira Glasky

Motion seconded by: Sharon Wallin

<u>Voting</u>

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