

CAPISTRANO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
October 25, 2017
EDUCATION CENTER – BOARD ROOM

President McNicholas called the meeting to order at 4:12 p.m.

**Call to Order/
Adjourn to Closed
Session**

At 4:13 p.m., the Board recessed to Closed Session to discuss: Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation; Conference with Labor Negotiators.

The special meeting of the Board reconvened to open session and was called to order by President Martha McNicholas at 6:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Trustees Bullockus, Hanacek, Jones, McNicholas, Pritchard
and Reardon
ABSENT: Trustee Holloway

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Student Advisor Max Eunice.

**Pledge of
Allegiance**

A CD of the Board meeting discussion related to each of the items on the public agenda is on file in the Superintendent's office as a matter of the permanent record. An audio recording of the meeting is available on the District website: www.capousd.org

Permanent Record

It was moved by Trustee Jones and seconded by Trustee Pritchard and motion carried by a 6-0-1 vote to adopt the Special Meeting Board agenda.

**Adoption of the
Board Agenda**

Student Advisor Max Eunice voted Aye to adopt the Board agenda.

President McNicholas reported the following action taken during closed session:

**President's Report
from Closed
Session Meeting**

Agenda Item 3A Conference With Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

No reportable action.

Agenda Item 3B Conference With Labor Negotiators

No reportable action.

Agenda Item 3C Public Employment And Evaluation Of Performance

No reportable action.

Superintendent Vital thanked everyone for attending the meeting. She commented on the successful Teacher of the Year event and acknowledged three CUSD teachers who were recognized - Rob Harris, Dana Hills High School; Susan Royal, Aliso Viejo Middle School, and Julie Fong, Bergeson Elementary.

**Board and
Superintendent
Comments**

Superintendent Vital clarified information presented at the October 11, 2017 Board Meeting regarding the costs incurred by the District in relation to complaints made to the District Attorney and the FPPC about an alleged conflict of interest. She reported that \$28,530.60 was incurred by the District for analysis and conflict of interest investigations by the District Attorney and FPPC; \$11,797.50 was spent on legal representation for the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent Holliday, and \$16,500 was spent on legal

representation for Trustee Lynn Hatton-Hodson. In total, the District spent over \$56,800 on this one particular issue. At the last Board meeting these numbers presented to President McNicholas included a cost of \$12,700 to fill Trustee Hatton-Hodson's seat which was unrelated to the conflict of interest allegations.

Board members had no comments.

The following speakers addressed the Board:

- Sally White spoke regarding CUEA negotiations.

**Oral
Communications**

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

President McNicholas recognized Kirsten Vital, Superintendent and the Executive Cabinet to present information on this item and answer any questions Trustees may have.

**Presentation
Regarding
Upcoming Goals
for 2017-2018
School Year
Agenda Item 1**

This is an information item only and no Board action was necessary.

During the Spring of 2017, over 25,000 District students in grades 3 through 8 and grade 11 participated in the Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBA) computerized test as part of the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP).

**Smarter Balanced
Assessment Results
Agenda Item 2**

This item was an information item only and no Board action was necessary.

Efforts are underway statewide to expand opportunities to support a greater number of students in being able to access college programs.

**Board Presentation
– College Promise
Agenda Item 3**

This item was an information item only and no Board action was necessary.

The Services for English Learners Department provides support and services to ensure the District is in compliance with the legal obligations to serve English learners (EL).

**Board Update on
Progress of English
Learners and
Services Provided
Agenda Item 4**

This item was an information item only and no Board action was necessary.

With the construction of Esencia K-8 School now in progress and scheduled to open for the 2018-2019 school year, the official boundaries will be established for the school and existing boundaries impacted by the new boundary adjustment.

**Establishing
Esencia K-8 School
Boundary and
Associated
Boundary
Adjustments
Agenda Item 5**

Following discussion, it was moved by Trustee Reardon, seconded by Trustee Bullockus and motion carried by a 6-0-1 vote to approve the Esencia K-8 school boundary and associated boundary adjustments.

AYES: Trustee Bullockus, Hanacek, Jones, McNicholas, Pritchard,
and Reardon
NOES: None
ABSENT: Holloway

Student Advisor Max Eunice voted Aye to approve the Esencia K-8 school boundary

and associated boundary adjustments.

The Board is asked to consider adoption of a debt management policy in accordance with new law effective this year, Government Code § 8855.

**First Reading -
Board Policy 3461,
Debt Management
Policy
Agenda Item 6**

Following discussion, it was moved by Trustee Jones, seconded by Trustee Reardon and motion carried 6-0-1 to approve Board Policy 3461, Debt Management Policy, waive the second reading, and bring the policy back to Board for ratification on the consent calendar at the November 8, 2017, regular meeting.

AYES: Trustee Bullockus, Hanacek, Jones, McNicholas, Pritchard,
and Reardon
NOES: None
ABSENT: Holloway

Student Advisor Max Eunice voted to Aye to approve Board Policy 3461, Debt Management Policy.

At 8:46 p.m. the Board reconvened in Closed Session to discuss Item C – Public Employment and Evaluation of Performance.

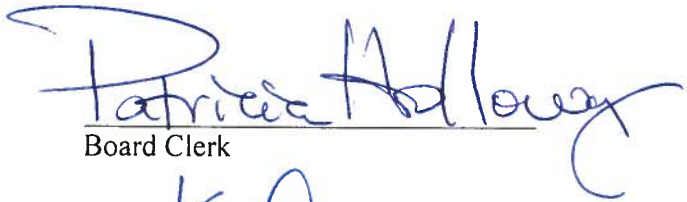
At 9:45 p.m. the Board reconvened in Open Session.
President McNicholas reported out of Closed Session no reportable action was taken.


It was moved by Trustee Reardon, seconded by Trustee Hanacek and motion carried by a 6-0-1 to adjourn the meeting. **Adjournment**

AYES: Trustee Bullockus, Hanacek, Jones, McNicholas, Pritchard,
and Reardon
NOES: None
ABSENT: Holloway

Student Advisor Max Eunice voted Aye to adjourn the meeting.

President McNicholas announced the meeting adjourned at 9:51 p.m.



Board Clerk


Secretary, Board of Trustees

Minutes submitted by Colleen Hayes, Manager II, Superintendent's Office