



SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item# 11.1e

Meeting Date: August 17, 2023

Subject: Approve Minutes for the June 28, 2023 Special Board of Education Meeting

- Information Item Only
- Approval on Consent Agenda
- Conference (for discussion only)
- Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated: _____)
- Conference/Action
- Action
- Public Hearing

Division: Superintendent's Office

Recommendation: Approve Minutes for the June 28, 2023, Special Board of Education Meeting.

Background/Rationale: None

Financial Considerations: None

LCAP Goal(s): Family and Community Empowerment

Documents Attached:

1. Minutes of the June 28, 2023, Special Board of Education Meeting

<p>Estimated Time of Presentation: N/A Submitted by: Lisa Allen, Interim Superintendent Approved by: Lisa Allen, Interim Superintendent</p>
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Sacramento City Unified School District BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING

Board of Education Members

Chinua Rhodes, President (Trustee Area 5)
Lavinia Grace Phillips, Vice President (Trustee Area 7)
Jasjit Singh, Second Vice President (Trustee Area 2)
Tara Jeane (Trustee Area 1)
Christina Pritchett (Trustee Area 3)
Jamee Villa (Trustee Area 4)
Taylor Kayatta (Trustee Area 6)
Blaze McGee, Student Member

Wednesday, June 28, 2023
4:00 p.m.

Serna Center
5735 47th Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95824
(See Notice to the Public Below)
Member Jeane will be attending
remotely at: 1621 NE 17th Terrace
Cape Coral, FL 33909

MINUTES 2022/23-35

1.0 OPEN SESSION / CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 4:06 p.m.

Members Present:

*President Rhodes
Member Kayatta
Member Phillips
Member Singh
Member Jeane (joined via phone)
Members Pritchett*

Members Absent:

Member Villa

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT AND DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION

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possible may be heard. By law, the Board is allowed to take action only on items on the agenda. The Board may, at its discretion, refer a matter to district staff or calendar the issue for future discussion.

3.0 CLOSED SESSION

While the Brown Act creates broad public access rights to the meetings of the Board of Education, it also recognizes the legitimate need to conduct some of its meetings outside of the public eye. Closed session meetings are specifically defined and limited in scope. They primarily involve personnel issues, pending litigation, labor negotiations, and real property matters.

3.1 Government Code 54957—Public Employee
Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Reassignment

3.2 Government Code 54957—Public Employee Performance Evaluation
(a) Superintendent

4.0 RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

The meeting was called back to order at 4:38 p.m.

President Rhodes stated that this afternoon the Board accepted the resignation of the Superintendent pursuant of terms of the resignation agreement by a vote of 5-1 with Member Pritchett voting no and Member Villa absent. The Superintendent’s resignation is effective June 30, 2023, and Deputy Superintendent, Lisa Allen, will serve as the Acting Superintendent until the Interim Superintendent is appointed.

*Public Comment:
No public comment*

*Board Comments:
Member Phillips shared that she understands that things change, and she is not happy to be losing the Superintendent, but at the same time, she hopes to channel her “inner Jorge” to be able to support our students here at the district. Member Phillips’ hope is that Superintendent Aguilar does well in the future which she has no doubt will happen. Member Phillips wanted the Superintendent to know that he has left an impression on her that she is grateful for.*

Member Pritchett shared that she is really grateful for the time that the Superintendent served in our district. When the Superintendent came to the district, she was the loner vote for the other candidate. Over and over, the Superintendent has proved to her that she was wrong for voting that way, and she is proud to say that she was wrong.

Member Pritchett shared that the Superintendent has proved to her that he was meant to be here. As the Superintendent moves on, Member Pritchett wanted him to remember all the good things that he has brought to our students and our district. Member Pritchett stated that the Superintendent has sacrificed so much of his time, and his family’s time, for our district and to make it better. Member Pritchett looks forward to seeing what will come next for the Superintendent.

Member Singh thanked the Superintendent for the work that he has done for this district, and he recognizes that his heart is in the right place. Member Singh stated that the Superintendent entered this district with his eye on equity and he is committed to

continuing that work. Member Singh thanked the Superintendent for the time that he has served at the district, and shared his thanks to the Superintendent. Member Kayatta thanked the Superintendent for the time that he had spent with Member Kayatta, and shared that the Superintendent has taught him a lot. More importantly, he shared that the Superintendent taught him how to be a better man. Member Kayatta shared that the Superintendent is one of the most honorable and professional, and personable people that he has every worked with, or interacted with on a personal level. Member Kayatta shared that they have had many difficult conversations, and no matter what we have talked about, you have never failed to be completely professional and to really always do what is best for our district, and to help Member Kayatta in his role. Member Kayatta wishes the Superintendent well, and knows that he will do amazing things wherever he lands.

Superintendent shared that after having the honor of serving as the Superintendent at Sac City Unified School District over the past 6 years, as you just learned, he and the Board have mutually agreed that it is time to come to a new leadership transition in our district. As mentioned, Superintendent Aguilar's last day will be June 30th. Superintendent shared that he was motivated to change trajectory of our students, and particularly, the nearly 70% of our youth who are from low income families, and who evidence low achievement levels, low graduation rates, and low college and career readiness rates. During his tenure, he is proud that we have made some measurable progress in increasing the college and career readiness levels of our students. The Superintendent shared some of the accomplishments during his tenure. The Superintendent thanked the Board for their leadership and wished them the best.

President Rhodes shared that he applauds the work that the Superintendent has been able to do while he was at the district, and he looks forward to the work he will do in the future.

5.0 ADJOURNMENT

President Rhodes adjourned the meeting at 4:51 p.m.

Lisa Allen, Interim Superintendent and Board Secretary

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