



## SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item# 12.11

**Meeting Date:** December 14, 2023

**Subject:** Approve Minutes for the October 5, 2023 Regular 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 October 5, 2023, Regular Board of Education Meeting.

**Background/Rationale:** None

**Financial Considerations:** None

**LCAP Goal(s):** Family and Community Empowerment

**Documents Attached:**

1. Minutes of the October 5, 2023, Regular Board of Education Meeting

<p><b>Estimated Time of Presentation:</b> N/A <b>Submitted by:</b> Lisa Allen, Interim Superintendent <b>Approved by:</b> Lisa Allen, Interim Superintendent</p>
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# BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING AND WORKSHOP

**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)  
Liliana Miller Segura, Student Member*

**Thursday, October 5, 2023**

**4:30 p.m. Closed Session**

**6:30 p.m. Open Session**

**Serna Center**

**Community Conference Rooms**

**5735 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue**

**Sacramento, CA 95824**

## **MINUTES**

**2023/24-9**

*Allotted Time*

**1.0 OPEN SESSION / CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL**

*The meeting was called to order at 4:32 p.m.*

*Members Present:*

*Member Phillips*

*Member Singh*

*Member Kayatta*

*Member Pritchett*

*Member Villa*

*Member Jeane*

*Members Absent:*

*Member Rhodes*

*Student Member Segura*

**2.0 ANNOUNCEMENT AND PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS TO BE  
DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION**

*No public comment*

**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 54956.9 - Conference with Legal Counsel:**

- a) Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(2) of Government Code section 54956.9 (One Potential Case)
- b) Existing litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(1) of Government Code section 54956.9 (OAH Case No. 2023080243)

3.2 Government Code 54957.6 (a) and (b) Negotiations/Collective Bargaining SCTA SEIU, TCS, Teamsters, UPE, Non-Represented/Confidential Management (Cancy McArn)

3.3 Government Code 54957 – Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint

3.4 Government Code 54957- Public Employee Appointment  
a) Approve – School of Engineering and Sciences, Principal

#### **4.0 CALL BACK TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

*The meeting was called back to order at 6:32 p.m.*

4.1 The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Superintendent Allen

4.2 Broadcast Statement by Vice President Phillips

4.3 Stellar Student introduced by Board Member Christina Pritchett

#### **5.0 ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

*There were two announcements that came out of closed session.*

- The Board approved a settlement agreement for Special Education services by a vote of 4-1 with Member Kayatta voting against the item, and President Rhodes and Member Singh absent.
- The Board approved by a vote of 5-0 with President Rhodes and Member Singh absent, the approval appointment of Rinaldo Shackelford as the Principal for the School of Engineering and Sciences.

#### **6.0 AGENDA ADOPTION**

*The Board voted unanimously to adopt the agenda.*

#### **7.0 PUBLIC COMMENT**

*15 minutes*

*Members of the public may address the Board on non-agenda items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. Public comment may be (1) emailed to [publiccomment@scusd.edu](mailto:publiccomment@scusd.edu); (2) submitted in writing through the district's website at <https://www.scusd.edu/submit-public-comment>; or (3) provided in-person at the meeting. The submission deadline for written public comments shall be no later than noon on the day of the meeting. If you intend to address the Board in-person, please fill out a yellow card available at the entrance. Speakers may be called in the order that requests are received, or grouped by subject area. We ask that comments are limited to two (2) minutes with no more than 15 minutes per single topic so that as many people as 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.*

*Veronica Aleman  
Arthur Aleman*

Michael Madden  
Bridgett Madden  
Isreal Madden  
Prince Moreno  
Sofia I. Navarro  
Angelica Moreno  
Elizabeth Moreno

## 8.0 COMMUNICATIONS

### 8.1 Employee Organization Reports:

- *SCTA- Nikki Milevsky shared that although there are a backlog of problems left over from Jorge Aguilar's regime, SCTA does appreciate the new spirit of collaboration with the new administration. The new contract agreement is on its way to being fully implemented. Teachers saw increases in their checks last Friday which is great for morale. The Community Schools MOU is moving along. SCTA had a follow up meeting with Iris Taylor and Mary Hardin Young to work on developing a job description, collaborating on a timeline, and pointing members to the district-wide committee. SCTA met with the Recruitment and Retention team this morning, and had a really productive meeting. SCTA is having regular meetings with Cancy McArn, Dan Schallock, and the HR team which has been very useful in problem solving. SCTA hopes that things get settled really soon with SEIU, so we can move forward with other things, and new negotiations, and solve a bunch of these problems together. Ms. Milevsky yielded her remaining time to SEIU.*
- *SEIU- Jim Riffle shared a message from Karla Faucett that covered how many regions are elevating their minimum wage standards. She would like to share her sincere gratitude for the opportunity to participate in negotiations with the SCUSD team. The district team has been and continues to move forward in a positive and passionate manner. There is open and constructive dialogue, and everyone at the negotiation table is treated with respect, and given opportunities to voice their opinions, and ask questions when necessary. They collectively recognize that when achieving an agreement that pleases everyone, it necessitates a generous amount of time and patience. SEIU holds the belief that through collaborative efforts towards shared objectives, they are advancing, and hold optimism that they will soon reach an agreement. The second message is from a bargaining team member. SCUSD works to provide an education that ensures equality to its students. Will the district work to provide equality to all of*

*its employees? Some of the classified workers, are some of the lowest paid employees in the district.*

- *TCS- No update*
- *Teamsters- No update*
- *UPE- No update*

## 8.2 *District Advisory Committees:*

- *Student Advisory Council- Students shared that SAC represents students from Burbank, Kennedy, School of Engineering and Sciences, C.K. McClatchy, and West Campus. SAC is actively recruiting from school sites that are not being represented at the moment. This year, SAC will be following a youth participatory action-research model to critically research and analyze problems that SCUSD youth are currently facing to organize, and take action on these problems.*
- *Community Advisory Committee- No update*
- *District English Learner Advisory Committee- No update*
- *Local Control Accountability Plan/Parent Advisory Committee- No update*
- *Black/African American Advisory Board- Terrence Gladney shared that B/AAAB recently had an Executive Committee Meeting. On October 9<sup>th</sup>, there is a Parent and Community Engagement Meeting scheduled to be held. On October 9<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, there is a District Accountability Meeting. Collectively, those two sub committees as well as the executive committee drive the Board's work to push the implementation of their Board adopted recommendations. They recognize that there is a tremendous opportunity with the new climate within the district and the current leadership, and hope to build on the momentum and leverage it, so they can accelerate the implementation of their recommendations which are core to the improved outcomes for Black and African American students in the district. B/AAAB has been partnering with the Board liaison, Daniel Rolleri, and they truly believe his work at Oak Ridge and in the community of need that have been impacted by the historical failures of this district, will be an asset and they look forward to partnering with him collaboratively, and leveraging his leadership to get the outcomes that they seek, and they need.*

## 9.0 **SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

- 9.1 *Approve Resolution No. 3351 : Recognition of Filipino American History Month (Board Member Jasjit Singh)*

*Member Singh presented the Filipino American History month resolution language to share the impact that the Filipino American community has had, and wanted to recognize the students, faculty, staff, and community members who hail from this diverse community.*

*Public Comment:  
None*

*Board Comment:  
None*

*Member Pritchett made a motion to move with a second from Member Jeane. The Board voted 6-0 with President Rhodes absent.*

- 9.2 *Approve Resolution No. 3352: Recognition of the Week of the School Administrator (Yvonne Wright, Tuan Duong, Aprille Shafto, Jerad Hyden, Enrique Flores)*

*Yvonne Wright shared that School Administrators Week is an opportunity to recognize and acknowledge the administrators who support the students, staff, and community, in support of students' success. Tuan Duong and Aprille Shafto shared articles from the resolution.*

*Public Comment:  
None*

*Board Comment:  
Member Jeane shared as a teacher, she can wholeheartedly say that a strong, solid administrator is one of the most important and effective parts of a thriving school. Member Pritchett agreed with what Member Jeane stated, and shared that SCUSD has some of the best administrators in the region.*

*Member Pritchett made a motion to move with a second from Member Villa. The Board voted 6-0 with President Rhodes absent.*

- 9.3 *Approve Resolution No. 3353: Recognition of National School Lunch Week (Eric Dela Cruz)*

*Eric Dela Cruz shared National School Lunch history and shared some of the articles stated in the resolution.*

*Public Comment:  
None*

*Board Comment:*

*Member Singh shared that there is a piece of history that hasn't been mentioned. Member Singh shared history on the impact that the Black Panthers have had on the community by starting a food program. The Black Panthers started the Free Breakfast Program, because hunger and poverty made it difficult for Black children to succeed in schools. Member Singh wanted to share this history and acknowledge the work that the Panthers did, so that we could actually get these types of services for all of our children in our schools. Member Pritchett shared that we should really be celebrating School Lunch Year, and that food should be the first lesson of academics. Students need food in order to learn. Member Pritchett shared that she gets emotional about these types of things, because she looks at where we used to be and where we are at now, and she appreciates where we are at now.*

*Member Jeane took time to raise up all the people that work in our food industry at the district. Member Jeane shared that during Covid, the one thing that did not shut down was school food. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services praised our schools, and the incredible system that they have.*

*Member Villa thanked staff for being here to present.*

*Member Villa is beyond proud of the SCUSD food program. In the first paragraph in the resolution, seeing the amount of work that goes into the individual packaged meals to serve our students, is no small feat, and she can't imagine all the work that goes into this, especially during Covid. Member Villa's daughter enjoys meeting her friends in the morning for breakfast, and has shared how SCUSD lunch staff ask about how she's doing.*

*Member Kayatta shared that a lot of effort is put into preparing these meals for our students, and the amount of pride that our team takes in getting great meals to our kids, given the limited resources we have to do so. We don't have a lot of money to make these meals, and we are able to turn this limited amount of money into great food. Member Kayatta shared that his daughter enjoys the meals. Member Kayatta touched on the impact that nutritional workers have on our kids.*

*Member Phillips shared that food is love, and if you really think about it, how much does someone who makes under \$18/hr. love your child to feed them what they eat every day? Member Phillips mirrored what Member Kayatta shared in taking into consideration the love that is put into these folks.*

*Member Villa made a motion to move with a second from Member Pritchett. The Board voted 6-0 with President*

*Rhodes absent.*

- 9.4 *Approve Resolution No. 3348 Adopting Carbon Neutral Goals and Guidelines for SCUSD Buildings (Nathaniel Browning and Chamberlain Segrest)*

*Chamberlain Segrest shared that at the previous meeting she presented on carbon neutral goals and guidelines, and today, she is here to receive official approval via a Board resolution. Ms. Segrest shared that there have been some revisions made, and went over those revisions.*

*Public Comment:*

*Rosie Yacoub*

*Mo Kashmiri*

*Juliette Allayaud*

*Arianne McCullough*

*Siri Alturi*

*Board Comment:*

*Member Singh thanked everyone for commenting, and shared that the Board has received the emails and appreciates that people reached out to comment as well. Member Singh shared that if we are going to look at the changes and the disparities, he is also looking at the folks who are signing on from our city, county, and state leadership, and shared that a lot of this power is in their hands, too. Member Singh asked what the process was around installing new equipment and wanted to know more about SCUSD bus electrification. Member Singh wanted to know if there is an equity piece around the schools that we are choosing to prioritize.*

*Member Kayatta thanked staff, and shared that it is very important to him that we recognize the impact that climate change has on our students who are in school today. They are the ones that are experiencing climate change now, and if we don't take care of the planet for them, we will be in a terrible situation when they are adults. Member Kayatta shared an amendment, and wanted to recognize what we can do as a school district. We want to do as much as we can to be carbon neutral as soon as possible. The one revision states that the Board will hear an update on this every year with actual plans, and actively looking for opportunities to move the 2045 date forward. Member Kayatta made a motion with the following amendments made to the resolution. Member Kayatta would add to that the annual update be an appearance item at a Board meeting. Member Kayatta just wants to make sure that we are committing to that. The other amendment will state, "Be*



*it further resolved, that the Sacramento City Unified School District Board directs staff to limit the purchase or repair, if the cost or repair exceeds 50% of the current value of the equipment of carbon emitting equipment (i.e. vehicles, heating and cooling elements, and maintenance tools) when possible.”*

*Member Phillips asked if there are any conflicts between the power companies and solar like, SMUD versus PG&E. Are we paying them more? Member Phillips shared that improving the planet has to be for everyone. Member Singh asked to hear Mr. Browning’s thoughts on Member Kayatta’s proposed amendments.*

*Member Pritchett made a move on Member Kayatta’s amendments with a second from a second from Member Phillips. The Board voted 6-0 with President Rhodes absent.*

## **10.0 BOARD WORKSHOP/STRATEGIC INITIATIVE**

### **10.1 Bond Oversight Committee Measures Q and R Annual Report 2022-2023 (Jesse Castillo)**

*Marcia Fritz shared that Prop 39 requires to conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the funds have been expended only on the specific projects listed, and to conduct an annual, independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for the school facilities projects. Chris Ralston confirmed that the bond meeting report today is for the fiscal year that we just completed (ending June 30<sup>th</sup>). Chris Ralston shared an overview of completed and upcoming projects.*

*Public Comment:  
No public comment*

*Board Comment:  
Member Pritchett shared that one of the things that she is really proud of is the work that has been done at Hiram Johnson. Member Pritchett wanted to know if the Rosemont HS field was covered by insurance at all. Member Pritchett wanted to know where we are at with Q&R.  
Member Villa praised the whole team for their work. Member Villa wanted to know at what sites do we have or are planning to implement security fencing. Member Kayatta thanked staff for implementing these bonds past the expectations of our community. Member Kayatta wanted to give a shoutout to the Oversight Committee, and appreciates the committee for giving the*

*oversight that we need. Member Kayatta stated that we are spending this money so well, and wanted to thank staff for confirming that.*

## **11.0 COMMUNICATIONS**

- 11.1 Interim Superintendent's Report (Lisa Allen)- Superintendent Allen thanked Chris Ralston, Nathaniel Browning, and the Facilities staff, and wanted to share that this week, she learned that SCUSD will be receiving a Golden Bell Award from the California School Board Association for their Equity and Access based on the our Facilities Master Plan and Index. Another celebration of facility improvements happened at Woodbine Elementary this past weekend, where the community created an outdoor classroom. Jennifer Kretschman and the Student and Attendance Engagement team hosted a successful Attendance Awareness Month Community Fair at Serna Center on Saturday as well. Superintendent Allen wanted to give a huge shoutout to the College and Career Readiness team for their successful College and Career Fair that was held at Hiram Johnson High School last month. Christina Espinosa, Jackie Nevarez, and the entire team put together a fabulous event that allowed students to meet college and trade skills representatives from across the country. Superintendent Allen thanked the HR team for attending this event to openly recruit staff. Superintendent Allen highlighted the Special Education Town Hall series that just wrapped last week regarding the joint improvement plan with the Black Parallel School Board. The Food Literacy Center at Floyd Farms will be hosting a Harvest Festival on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. Superintendent Allen welcomed the new SCUSD CBO, Janea Marking.*
- 11.2 President's Report (Chinua Rhodes)- No update*
- 11.3 Student Member Report (Liliana Miller Segura)- No updated*
- 11.4 Information Sharing by Board Members-Member Phillips thanked everyone for their patience while she stepped in on behalf of President Rhodes for this Board meeting. Member Phillips shared that on behalf of the Executive Board, she wants everyone on the Board to have the opportunity to get comfortable in sitting in this chair.*
- Member Singh shared a statement and asked the community to listen and understand the plight of what individuals in the Sikh community go through as well as individuals that come from refugee and asylum seeking communities.*
- Member Villa wanted to thank Vice President Phillips for sitting in on behalf of President Rhodes, and shared that she did a great job.*
- Member Phillips shared that today was the day that we saw out Mother Oak on the Oak Ridge Elementary school grounds. With the new construction going on at the school site, the tree had to be removed, but will live on in our buildings.*

## 12.0 CONSENT AGENDA

*Generally routine items are approved by one motion without discussion. The Superintendent or a Board member may request an item be pulled from the consent agenda and voted upon separately.*

### 12.1 Items Subject or Not Subject to Closed Session:

*12.1a Approve Grants, Entitlements and Other Income Agreements, Ratification of Other Agreements, Approval of Bid Awards, Approval of Declared Surplus Materials and Equipment, Change Notices and Notices of Completion  
(Jesse Castillo)*

*12.1b Approve Personnel Transactions (Cancy McArn)*

*12.1c Approve Business and Financial Report: Warrants, Checks and Electronic Transfers issued for the Period of July 1-31, 2023 and August 1-31, 2023  
(Jesse Castillo)*

*12.1d Approve Donations to the District for the Period of July 1-31, 2023  
(Jesse Castillo)*

*12.1e Approve Donations to the District for the Period of August 1-31, 2023  
(Jesse Castillo)*

*12.1f Approve Resolution No. 3349 Authorizing the District to Apply For and Sign Applications for Local, State and Federal Programs and Grants Pertaining to Lower Emission Vehicle Incentive Programs (Nathaniel Browning)*

*12.1g Approve Resolution No. 3350: Resolution Regarding Board Stipends (Lisa Allen)*

*12.1h Approve Minutes for the September 10, 2023 Special Board of Education Meeting  
(Lisa Allen)*

*12.1i Approve Minutes for the September 12, 2023 Special Board of Education Meeting  
(Lisa Allen)*

*12.1j Approve Agreement to Reimburse for Board Member Leave (Lisa Allen)*

*12.1k Approve Resolution No. 3355: Resolution Regarding Board Stipends (Lisa Allen)*

*12.1l Approve Resolution No. 3356: Resolution Regarding Board Stipends (Lisa Allen)*

*12.1m Approve Minutes for the September 26, 2023 Special Board of Education Meeting  
(Lisa Allen)*

*Public Comment:  
Terrence Gladney*

*Member Phillips pulled agenda item 12.1a for discussion. Member Phillips pulled a specific contract within agenda item 12.1a which pertains to ESSER funds being used to*

*purchase portable projector screens to provide educational technology for special education students.*

*Member Pritchett made a motion to move and approve the consent agenda with the contract within 12.1a pulled with a second from Member Villa. The Board voted 6-0 with President Rhodes absent.*

*Member Singh asked if the portable projectors are deemed the most effective items that would be needed for the students, and asked who would be the best person to answer this question. Superintendent Allen asked if this item can wait, and go to the Board on October 19<sup>th</sup>, so additional information can be provided. Member Villa shared that when the Board makes choices on the dais, because we are not educators in the classroom, this impacts students and their needs in an everyday situation. Member Villa shared that we don't know the delays off the top of our head, but what if there is a major impact, and she is not ok with pushing something back that impacts our students who need it the most. Member Jeane shared that as a teacher, she uses TVs on carts daily, and that some kind of projection ability is vital in the classroom. Member Pritchett thinks that we should approve this contract, and moving forward, the Board can have conversations with our Special Education Department to see what these projectors are being used for. Member Kayatta is glad that the Board had the conversation, especially, after they just had a conversation around climate change. Member Kayatta thinks that the Board should move forward with approving this item. Member Singh shared that he knows that it is tedious to pull something off of consent, but that's the purpose of the conversation, and he thinks that it is important to at least bring the item up for discussion.*

*Member Phillips made a motion to approve the item with a second from Member Villa. The Board voted 6-0 with President Rhodes absent.*

**13.0 BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION/REPORTS** **Receive Information**

*13.1 Business and Financial Report: Enrollment Report Month 9 & 10 (Jesse Castillo)*

**14.0 FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES / LOCATIONS**

- ✓ *October 19, 2023, 5:00 p.m. Closed Session, 6:30 p.m. Open Session, Serna Center, 5735 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Community Room, Regular Workshop Meeting*
- ✓ *November 2, 2023, 5:00 p.m. Closed Session, 6:30 p.m. Open Session, Serna Center, 5735 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Community Room, Regular Workshop Meeting*

**15.0 ADJOURNMENT**

*The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m.*

  
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*Lisa Allen, Interim Superintendent and Board Secretary*

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