

SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item# 11.1f

Meeting Date: April 22, 2021
<u>Subject</u> : Approve Minutes of the March 25, 2021, 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
<u>Division</u> : Superintendent's Office
Recommendation: Approve Minutes of the March 25, 2021, Special Board of Education Meeting.
Background/Rationale: None
Financial Considerations: None
LCAP Goal(s): Family and Community Empowerment
<u>Documents Attached:</u> 1. Minutes of the March 25, 2021, Special Board of Education Regular Meeting

Estimated Time of Presentation: N/A

Submitted by: Jorge A. Aguilar, Superintendent

Approved by: N/A



Sacramento City Unified School District BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING

Board of Education Members

Christina Pritchett, President (Trustee Area 3)
Lisa Murawski, Vice President (Trustee Area 1)
Darrel Woo, Second Vice President (Trustee Area 6)
Leticia Garcia (Trustee Area 2)
Jamee Villa (Trustee Area 4)
Chinua Rhodes (Trustee Area 5)
Leticia Phillips (Trustee Area 7)
Isa Sheikh, Student Member

<u>Thursday, March 25, 2021</u> 5:00 p.m.

Serna Center

Washington Conference Room 5735 47th Avenue Sacramento, CA 95824 (See Notice to the Public Below)

MINUTES 2020/21-29

- 1.0 OPEN SESSION / CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL
- 2.0 ANNOUNCEMENT AND PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT AND DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION:
Public comment may be (1) emailed to publiccomment@scusd.edu; or (2) submitted in writing, identifying the matter number and the name of the public member at the URL https://tinyurl.com/SCUSDcommentspecialMarch25; or (3) using the same URL, submitting a request for oral comment. Regardless of the method by which public comment is submitted, the submission deadline shall be no later than noon, March
25. Individual public comment shall be presented to the Board orally for no more than two minutes, or other time determined by the Board on each agenda item. Public comments submitted in writing will not be read aloud, but will be provided to the Board in advance of the meeting and posted on the District's website. The Board shall limit the total time for public comment on each agenda item, including communications and organizational reports, to 15 minutes in length. With Board consent, the President may increase or decrease the length of time allowed for public comment, depending on the agenda item and the number of public comments.

The meeting was called to order at 5:07 p.m.

Members Present: President Pritchett, Vice President Murawski, Second Vice President Woo, Member Garcia, Member Phillips, Member Rhodes, Member Villa, and Student Member Sheikh

Members Absent: None

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 54957.6 (a) and (b) Negotiations/Collective Bargaining SCTA SEIU, TCS, Teamsters, UPE, Non-Represented/Confidential Management (District Representative Pam Manwiller)

Public Comment:
John Meyers
Eric Schranz
Jonathan Hayes
Maria Luisa Embile
Mo Kashmiri
Amanda Connolly
Sarah Allred
Lisa Lindberg
Julia Obrien

4.0 RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

5.0 DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND SACRAMENTO CITY TEACHERS ASSOCIATION, DATED MARCH 20, 2021, TO SAFELY REOPEN SCHOOLS TO IN-PERSON INSTRUCTION AND AB 1200 DISCLOSURE

Action Item
15 minute presentation
15 minute public comment
30 minute discussion
(Roll Call Vote)

In House Counsel Raoul Bozio went through the memorandum of understanding that the District reached with SCTA on March 25 regarding safe reopening of schools. Chief Business Officer Rose Ramos discussed the fiscal impacts of the AB 1200 disclosure that is required prior to Board approval and ratification.

Public Comment:

Chris Hurd

Marco Martinez

Maria Hayes

Karen Rice

Jill Olmstead

Kimberly Buchholz.

Janessa Stewart

David Rice

Cindi Brosemer

Amanda Panton

John Buchholz

Jennifer Pierre

Erik Hofmann

Asheena Archambault

Evelyn Woodman

Angela Asch

Jill Olmstead

Alison French-Tubo

Rowena Gray

Board Comment:

Student Member Sheikh asked if the three feet distancing stipulation can be adjusted without having to completely renegotiate. Mr. Bozio said that upon ratification of the MOU the parties can have further discussions about potential changes. Student Member Sheikh asked if the District is looking to come back to discussions before summer regarding the three feet spacing. Mr. Bozio said his response would be the same as already given. Student Member Sheikh said that he is grateful for the MOU, however the agreement leaves out those that need it the most, and therefore he will be voting no.

Member Phillips stated that she would speak for those that want a plain explanation. She said parties cannot meet and confer until there is an MOU. Once there is an agreement, it can be talk about. For example, working out five days a week, more hours, less spacing between desks, etc. She hopes that the Board will vote to ratify.

Member Villa thanked Member Phillips for making clear what is happening tonight. She also thanked all the families and the community for speaking up.

President Pritchett also thanked all the families that have reached out. She asked how long it took to get the model. Mr. Bozio said the parties first met and exchanged proposals on February 26. They had been in negotiations for months leading up to that to agree upon specific in-person services. President Pritchett mentioned that we all want to work toward five day per week instruction. She asked what would happen if the Board did not ratify this agreement tonight. Mr. Bozio said he could not say exactly, but they would have to go back to the bargaining table to come up with an agreement. President Pritchett noted that it took about a month to finalize this agreement.

Member Garcia thanked everyone that helped get us to this point. She shares the goal of five a week instruction when it is safe to do so. She noted that the virus is constantly changing, and therefore she does not expect a subsequent agreement to be the final one. She wants to ensure that they hear back from the negotiation team whether or not additional days will be available for the remainder of the school year. Member Garcia moved to ratify the agreement with direction for staff to go back to meet and confer on the issues that are still in conflict based on the latest guidance. Also to make sure there is a date, in two or three weeks. Superintendent Aguilar said they can look to either a Board meeting with an update or have as a standing item. Member Phillips seconded the motion. Member Garcia retracted her motion for purposes of allowing continued Board discussion. Member Phillips retracted her second. Member Garcia asked about a March 22^{nd} meeting regarding child care that was in the agreement. Mr. Bozio said that meeting did occur. Details around the schedule and other details were discussed.

Vice President Murawski thanked those that worked on both sides of the table as well as all staff. She is prepared to support the MOU. She said that we need to make sure we can be flexible. It is her expectation that all parties will return to the table to address the recent changes in guidance from state and federal. She requested that a plan come back to the Board at some point on how technology will be keep current. Superintendent Aguilar reported that an infusion of one-time funds have allowed the District to fill some technology gaps.

Student Member Sheikh thanked the Superintendent and Mr. Bozio for the presentation. He

hopes that more information can be brought to the public after Spring break. He clarified his stance on this item. He knew that the MOU would be ratified. He wants the return to school, but will be voting no because he feels there is a lot that needs to be changed.

President Pritchett said her understanding is that the recommendation is to approve and then meet and confer with the intention to plan for five days a week in the classroom and three-foot classroom desks. Member Garcia also asked for a timeline. Superintendent Aguilar said that there will be a standing item included at the next Board meeting. President Pritchett asked to clarify that the Board is ratifying this MOU tonight and then SCTA also ratifies it with their board. Mr. Bozio said that is correct.

Member Garcia put her motion back on the table. Second Vice President Woo seconded. The motion passed 7-0. Student Member Sheikh gave a preferential vote of no.

6.0 ADJOURNMENT

President Pritchett asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting; a motion was made by Student Member Sheikh and seconded by Second Vice President Woo. The motion was passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Jorge A. Aguilar, Superintendent and Board Secretary

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