

## **Board Meeting Agenda (Wednesday, August 26, 2020)**

### **Members present**

Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

#### **1. Opening Items - 5:00 PM**

1.01 Called To Order at 5:01 PM

1.02 Public Comment On Closed Session Agenda

There were no comments.

### **2. Closed Session**

**2.01 Closed Session Agenda (Ms. Tamondong-Bradley)**

#### **3. Recall to Open Session - 6:30 PM**

**3.01 Recalled to Open Session at 6:33 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance**

**3.02 Agenda Reorganization**

None.

### **4. Closed Session Report / Action**

**4.01 Personnel Action Report, [Labor Negotiations - as applicable] (Ms. Tamondong-Bradley)**

Ms. Tamondong-Bradley reported the Personnel Actions were approved as presented.

Motion by Laura Canciamilla, second by Duane Smith.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

### **5. Comments**

**5.01 Public Comments: Items Not on the Agenda**

There were no comments.

**5.02 Student Board Member Comments (Ms. Bagga)**

Distance Learning is going well so far. I appreciate how the communication is going, this is new to all of us but the communication is great.

**5.03 Superintendent Comments (Dr. Schulze)**

Thank you everyone and thank you Ms. Bagga for your comments on distance learning, we appreciate hearing that and I know our teachers would as well. I want to thank everyone, today is our tenth day of school in distance learning and beyond distance learning we dealt with beyond our control bad air quality, some internet issues due to that as well. I want to thank everyone for all of your patience and communication as we open schools in this unique situation. A couple of things that I will give you more of an update on in the information item coming up is as a District we have distributed over one half million meals during this time to give some perspective and I want to thank our Child Nutrition staff for that too. We have distributed almost 7,000 Chromebooks to our students and again, thank you to everyone and all of our families who were patient with the distribution and our staff, our team from Ed. Services and IT and everyone who worked together to make sure we could distribute materials to our families. You may see a couple of our buses going around town as we are doing some of our distributions for our families who aren't able to make it as well. I want to thank everyone for all of their patience and commitment from our teachers, students, families and all of our wonderful staff and team Pitt who has pulled together to open up in distance learning.

**5.04 Board Member Comments (Trustees)**

Dr. Canciamilla – Thank you everyone for their hard work in getting distance learning started this term. When you think about all the smoke and all the challenges we've had, this has been heroic on behalf of the staff, and on the parts of the families working together to make this happen, so I want to thank everyone for that. Also, I was intrigued in hearing the

issue of the buses delivering materials to families who are unable to get to the school to pick them up, I think it answers some of the issues brought up on social media and I am pleased that it was such a positive reason to why they were out and I think people will keep that in mind that when we are out on the road it is usually that we are trying to help our community and to definitely check in with the district to find out why they are there, but don't assume the worst. I was to remind everyone that when you think back to last Christmas when we got hit by the malware maybe there was a silver lining in that because we got our security fixed and we got to a better level of protection because I am not teaching grad students from all of California and they are telling me that several districts have been hit with malware and they are having issues with their Zoom learning. Hopefully the steps we took when we were under the malware are going to put us in a better position to better serve our community through distance learning, our technology and our buses.

Mr. Smith – I want to thank staff for sharing the District bond ratings, it is good to look at that, hopefully we can share that with the public in the District website to show we have great ratings on our bonds. I want to thank staff for their hard work, and don't be afraid to post that to show the community how we are doing on our ratings.

Mr. Arenivar – I want to thank the parents and guardians of the students, they are working hard and we really need your help. You're going to see some problems that teachers have seen so please work with us. Teachers are doing their best and you are also doing your best.

Mr. Miller – I want to thank the teachers and students who signed up on their classes online. I know it's very difficult, this is the first time I've been in a pandemic. I want to thank for all of the hard work that the Superintendent put in and the teachers put in. There are still a lot of things that we are learning. What I want to say is that we have the Zoom classes and we have the teachers teaching the Zoom classes, and usually before our board meeting we have presentations from the schools. I was wondering if some sort of presentation could be done on the Zoom conference for those schools that would like to participate if they have something they would like to show the Board.

## **6. Information / Reports / Discussion**

### **6.01 Presentation and Discussion on Starting School in Distance Learning (Dr. Schulze)**

Dr. Schulze shared a detailed presentation updating the Board and the community on the health conditions in Contra Costa County, the process for Elementary Waivers and requirements, meal services, Parent and Family supports, Enrollment and Attendance, and the Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan (LCP).

Dr. Schulze shared that Contra County remains in the State's monitoring list. Pittsburg shows a concerning rise in cases showing 568 cases per 100k people which is much higher than the County's overall high number. Pittsburg has the third highest number of cases in the County. Although the County overall has a decline in cases, Pittsburg has a higher rate.

The governor has allowed exemptions for counties to apply for Elementary waivers. Contra Costa County was not allowing the waivers but are now accepting them. The District will not apply at this time due to the high number of cases in the city of Pittsburg. The requirements set for the waivers are some that cannot be met at this time as well. In order to apply, the District must have a plan to test staff and students with COVID symptoms and also a plan to periodically test asymptomatic staff members which presents many issues at this time. Each school is also required to identify a person to help Contra Costa Health Services with contact tracing efforts if there is a positive case. If the District decides to apply for small cohorts, the submission would take approximately ten days, the request would be submitted to the County, County Health Department and finally the State for review.

Dr. Schulze stated that she understands this can be frustrating but the District will consider the health of students to make sure things are done safely. She shared her appreciation for everyone during this situation.

The State has provided guidance for small groups and 1:1 assessments and the District will connect with the union groups for discussion.

Ms. Nava provided data on the meals provided to families during the months of March through June, the summer break and the beginning of the school year. She stated that the District is working on making changes to the meal distribution times and dates to allow families who aren't able to pick up meals during the current times to pick up meals.

Dr. Schulze thanked the Child Nutrition staff for their hard work and for distributing over half a million meals during this time.

Mr. Molina shared information on the workshops made available to parents and guardians. Workshops provide information on how parents and guardians can support their students during distance learning, supporting a positive mental health, reducing stress and anxiety among other workshops.

Dr. Schulze added that the workshops have been recorded and added to the District website for parents to access.

Mr. Haria and Ms. Chen provided detailed data on the current enrollment and attendance.

#### **6.02 Memorandum of Understanding between Blueprint Schools and Pittsburg Unified School District / After School Programs (Ms. Barbee)**

Ms. Barbee presented the MOU between Blueprint Schools and PUSD. She shared that the District was selected to participate in an incredible opportunity to receive services through Blueprint Schools. She added that with the unused funds from the last school year, she would like to continue the contract to provide math tutors to students in the after school program and for students who are interested.

Mr. Matthew Spengler, Founder of Blueprint Schools, provided information on the tutoring services provided to students in the District.

Sarah Kirker, Program Director of Blueprint Schools, shared information on the services provided and added that many of the staff speak Spanish and are able to provide tutoring to students who need a Spanish

Mr. Spengler shared that it is the 10<sup>th</sup> year of the non-profit organization. It will take years to address the students learning gaps created by the pandemic.

Ms. Barbee shared that students who qualify for the after school program are welcome to receive these services and also students who are not in the after school program can also receive the services.

Dr. Schulze stated that PUSD was one of the top Districts who participated in the program this summer. She thanked Blueprint Schools for the opportunity. Students were able to interact with other students from Oakland and Colorado virtually this summer. The District will reach out to Foster and Homeless youth and Spanish speaking students first for these services.

#### **6.03 CAPS, PASA, and Cabinet Salary Schedules (Mr. Haria)**

Mr. Haria shared the salary schedules for CAPS, PASA and Cabinet. He stated that the salary schedules were reviewed by multiple departments for accuracy per a review process in the District.

#### **6.04 PE Waivers for Seniors at Pittsburg High School (Mr. Whitmire)**

Mr. Whitmire presented four PE waivers and shared that the waivers are for medical reasons. Due to the conversations in prior Board meetings, there is now a different process for Band students.

Dr. Canciamilla shared that the process has been hard work, especially by the previous Board member, Alexa Gonzales, who requested the process be cleaned up.

#### **6.05 Community Service Waiver for Seniors at Pittsburg High School (Mr. Whitmire)**

Mr. Whitmire shared the recommendation to waive community service for current Seniors at Pittsburg High School due to the pandemic.

Ms. Bagga asked if the waiver would apply to PUENTE and AVID students as well.

Dr. Schulze thanked Ms. Bagga for her questions and added that AVID and PUENTE would be added to the waiver request when it returns for action.

#### **6.06 SB 359 California Mathematics Placement Act of 2015 (Ms. Pettric)**

Ms. Pettric shared the California Mathematics Placement Act of 2015. She shared that because students will not take math courses until the second quarter, instructional time will be more precious and the District will instead do a counseling check where the counselors will gather a variety of data including iReady math test scores from the previous year, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter grades, and current grades to be able to meet the expectations of SB 359. This will be done to protect instructional time and factor in those students who are not taking math the first quarter.

### **7. Consent Items**

#### **7.01 Minutes for August 12, 2020 - (Dr. Schulze)**

Resolution: Approval of the August 12, 2020 board minutes.

Motion by Duane Smith, second by Laura Canciamilla.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 4/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla

Not Present at Vote: Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

#### **7.02 Acceptance of Contra Costa County Office of Education's (CCCOE) Career Technical Education Incentive Grant (CTEIG) – K12 Strong Workforce Program grants MOU (Ms. Sasser)**

Resolution: Staff recommends the Board approve the acceptance of the MOU to receive funds through CCCOE to continue funding ROP classes.

Motion by Duane Smith, second by Laura Canciamilla.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 4/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla

Not Present at Vote: Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

#### **7.03 Agreement between Terra Verde Energy, LLC. and PUSD for Solar Consulting Services (Mr. Belasco)**

Resolution: Staff recommends the Board approve the consulting services agreement with Terra Verde Energy LLC for the Pittsburg Unified School District solar systems

Motion by Duane Smith, second by Laura Canciamilla.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 4/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla

Not Present at Vote: Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

#### **7.04 Agreement between Procure America Business Intelligence Services and PUSD for Utility Cost Avoidance Consultation (Mr. Belasco)**

Resolution: Staff recommends the Board approve the consulting services contract with Procure America Business Intelligence Services.

Motion by Duane Smith, second by Laura Canciamilla.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 4/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla

Not Present at Vote: Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

#### **7.05 Disposal of Obsolete and/or Surplus Equipment (Mr. Belasco)**

Resolution: Staff recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the disposal of obsolete and/or surplus equipment that is no longer functional for use.

Motion by Duane Smith, second by Laura Canciamilla.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 4/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla

Not Present at Vote: Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

#### **7.06 Acceptance of Pre-Qualified Contractors for Calendar Year 2020, updated August 2020 (Mr. Scott)**

Resolution: Staff recommends the Board accept the list of General, Mechanical, Electrical, and Plumbing contractors that have submitted pre-qualification packages and have been qualified by the Facilities Department to do work for Pittsburg Unified School District, updated list as of August 2020.

Motion by Duane Smith, second by Laura Canciamilla.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 4/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla

Not Present at Vote: Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

#### **7.07 Acceptance of Pre-Qualified Contractors for California Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act (CUPCAA) Contracts August 2020 (Mr. Scott)**

Resolution: Staff recommends the Board accept the list of contractors that have submitted a pre-qualification application and have been qualified by the Facilities Department to do work for Pittsburg Unified School District for projects under \$1 Million, updated list as of August 2020.

Motion by Duane Smith, second by Laura Canciamilla.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 4/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla

Not Present at Vote: Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

#### **7.08 Rejection of bid for Electric Refrigerated Delivery Truck -- Non-Responsive (Ms. Nava)**

Resolution: Staff recommends the Board allow the Child Nutrition Department to Reject the previous bid and go out to bid for an Electric Refrigerated Delivery Truck with revised specifications. A grant has been awarded in the amount of \$86,000.00 for this purchase.

Motion by Duane Smith, second by Laura Canciamilla.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 4/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla

Not Present at Vote: Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

#### **7.09 PROCEDURAL: Approval of Consent Agenda**

Resolution: Motion to approve the consent agenda in accordance with the Recommended Action of each item.

Motion by Duane Smith, second by Laura Canciamilla.

Motion to approve the consent agenda in accordance with the Recommended Action of each item.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 4/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla

Not Present at Vote: Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

### **8. Action Items (Most action items have previously come before the Board as information and discussed at a previous meeting).**

#### **8.01 Updated Agreement between Contra Costa County Office of Education (CCCOE) and Pittsburg Unified School District (PUSD) (Dr.Schulze)**

Administration recommend the Board approve the updated Interdistrict Attendance Agreement between CCCOE and PUSD.

Motion by Duane Smith, second by Joseph Arenivar.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

#### **8.02 CSEA COVID-19 2020-2021 School Year MOU (Ms. Tamondong-Bradley)**

Administration recommends the Board approve the MOU between CSEA and PUSD.

Motion by Joseph Arenivar, second by Duane Smith.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

#### **8.03 Consolidated Application 2020 - 2021 for State and Federal Funding (Ms. Chen)**

Staff recommends Board approval of the 2020-2021 Consolidated Funding Application.

Motion by Joseph Arenivar, second by Duane Smith.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

#### **8.04 Renewal - Contract between The Speech Pathology Group, Inc. (SPG) and Pittsburg Unified School District for the 2020-21 School Year (Ms. Ha)**

Staff recommends the Board approve the renewal contract with The Speech Pathology Group, Inc. for the 2020-2021 school year.

Motion by Joseph Arenivar, second by Duane Smith.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 4/1

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Joseph Arenivar

Nay: Laura Canciamilla

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

Dr. Canciamilla stated that she would vote no on this item due to the statement that said the agency has done a stellar job. She shared that the statement was a personal opinion and not a fact which cannot be factored in when bringing items to the Board.

#### **8.05 Change Order No. 1 - Kerex Engineering for the Rancho Medanos JHS Soil Settlement Mitigation Project (Mr. Scott)**

Staff recommends the Board approve Change Order No. 1 to Kerex Engineering's contract for the Rancho Medanos JHS Soil Settlement Mitigation Project.

Motion by De'Shawn Woolridge, second by Joseph Arenivar.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

#### **8.06 ROLL CALL: Resolution Number 20-06 Notice of Completion for Kerex Engineering, Inc. for the Rancho Medanos JHS Soil Settlement Mitigation Project (Mr. Scott)**

Staff recommends the Board approve Resolution Number 20-06, Notice of Completion for Kerex Engineering, Inc. for the Rancho Medanos JHS Soil Settlement Mitigation Project.

Motion by Joseph Arenivar, second by Duane Smith.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

**8.07 Approve Change Order No. 2 to Alvaka Networks contract for additional services and staff training (Mr. Scott)**

Staff recommends the Board approved Alvaka Networks Change Order No. 2 for additional services and training District staff.

Motion by Duane Smith, second by Joseph Arenivar.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

**8.08 Purchase of additional tablets for Preschool (PK) and Transitional Kindergarten (TK) (Ms. Chen)**

Staff recommends Board approval to purchase additional tablets for the Preschool (PK) and Transitional Kindergarten (TK) classes.

Motion by Joseph Arenivar, second by De'Shawn Woolridge.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

**8.09 Updated Board Policy (BP) and Administrative Regulations (AR) 1312.3 Uniform Complaint Procedures (Mr. Molina)**

Staff recommends the Board approve Updated Board Policy (BP) and Administrative Regulations (AR) 1312.3 Uniform Complaint Procedures.

Motion by Joseph Arenivar, second by Duane Smith.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

**8.10 Acceptance of Grant from Contra Costa County Nutrition Education Obesity Prevention Grant to Child Nutrition Department (Ms. Nava)**

Staff recommends the Board accept the grant from Contra Costa County Nutrition Education Obesity Prevention Grant to Child Nutrition Services Department.

Motion by De'Shawn Woolridge, second by Laura Canciamilla.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

**8.11 Acceptance of Donation from several vendors for Digital Divide Distance Learning (Mr. Haria)**

Staff recommends the Board accept the several donations from vendors for the Digital Divide for Distance Learning.

Motion by Joseph Arenivar, second by De'Shawn Woolridge.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

**8.12 Acceptance of Donation from the Church of the Nazarene to Hillview Junior High School (Ms. Leber)**

Staff recommends the Board accept the donation in the amount of \$100.00 from the Church of the Nazarene.

Motion by Laura Canciamilla, second by De'Shawn Woolridge.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

**8.13 Acceptance of Donation from Church of the Nazarene to Stoneman Elementary School (Ms. Clark)**

Staff recommends the Board accept the donation from Church of the Nazarene.

Motion by Srishti Bagga, Supported by Laura Canciamilla, second by Joseph Arenivar.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

**8.14 Acceptance of Grant from Leader.Org to Stoneman Elementary School (Ms. Clark)**

Staff recommends the Board accept the grant from Leader.Org for Leader in Me program for Stoneman Elementary School.

Motion by Srishti Bagga, supported by De'Shawn Woolridge, second by Laura Canciamilla.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

**8.15 Acceptance of Donations from Donor's Choose to Stoneman Elementary (Mrs. Clark)**

Staff recommends that the Board accept the donation from Donor's Choose of classroom supplies to Stoneman Elementary.

Motion by Srishti Bagga, supported by De'Shawn Woolridge, second by Laura Canciamilla.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Srishti Bagga, Student Board Member

**9. Communications**

**9.01 Comments from the Public, Community Organizations, Employee Representatives**

There were no comments.

**10. Board Requests**

**10.01 Information Requests.**

There were none.

**10.02 Agenda Requests**

Mr. Woolridge asked that a Board item be added to discuss a resolution for Ethnic Studies which he has shared with the Board, the Superintendent and PEA Black caucus.

Dr. Canciamilla asked that the presentation from the counselors on the comprehensive counseling plan be added to a future agenda along with a presentation from the Tax Oversight Committee.

**11. Next Board Meeting / Future Events / Adjournment**

**11.01 Next Regular Board Meeting - September 9, 2020**

The meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM