

## **Regular Board Meeting Minutes (Wednesday, April 5, 2023)**

### **Members present**

George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

### **Members absent**

Lizeth Alvarez and Manuel Patino, Student Board Members

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

### **1.01 Call To Order**

The meeting was 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. Castro)**

The meeting was adjourned to Closed Session at 5:02 PM.

## **3. Student Recognition - 6:15 PM**

### **3.01 Pledge of Allegiance**

The student recognition began at 6:29 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **3.02 Stoneman Elementary Splash Zone Student Recognition (Dr. Megia)**

Dr. Megia presented Ms. Ashley and the Stoneman Elementary Splash Zone scholars.

Scholars performed dance choreography for the Board, staff and community.

Ms. Key taught the Board, staff, parents and the community 8-count choreography.

The Board and Superintendent commended Ms. Key and the scholars for their amazing dancing skills and thanked them for sharing their talent.

President Sims called for a 5 minute recess at 6:55 PM.

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

### **4.01 Pledge of Allegiance**

The meeting was recalled to Open Session at 7:01 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **4.02 Agenda Reorganization**

Dr. Schulze announced that agenda item 7.01 Recognition of Officer Curran, would be moved to follow the Closed Session Report.

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

### **5.01 Personnel Action Report, [Labor Negotiations - as applicable] (Ms. Castro)**

Mr. Chamberlain reported the Board approved the modified Personnel Actions as presented.

Motioned by Heliodoro Moreno, seconded by De'Shawn Woolridge.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

Mr. Chamberlain reported the Board approved the hiring of CRA Substitute, K.C., by a vote of 4 yes, 0 nos and 1 abstention.

Motioned by Heliodoro Moreno, seconded by George Miller.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 4/0/1

Mr. Chamberlain reported the retirement of David Mattingly, Marina Vista Elementary Teacher, with special commendation for 26 years of dedicated service to the staff and students of PUSD.

## **5.02 Litigation [as applicable]**

None.

## **6. Comments**

### **6.01 Public Comments: Items Not on the Agenda**

Public Comment: Angelia Nava thanked the Board for including CAPS in the salary and medical benefit contribution increase.

Public Comment: Silvia Salcedo, parent, shared concern in regard to the amount of fights at Rancho Medanos Junior High School.

Public Comment: Xitlali Lyons, scholar, shared concern in regard to fights at Rancho Medanos Junior High School.

Public Comment: Tracie Collins shared concern in regard to fights occurring at Rancho Medanos Junior High School and student safety.

### **6.02 Student Board Member Comments (Ms. Alvarez)**

Ms. Alvarez was not present.

### **6.03 Student Board Member Comments (Mr. Patino)**

Mr. Patino was not present.

### **6.04 Superintendent Comments (Dr. Schulze)**

Dr. Schulze thanked parents and scholars from Rancho Medanos for their public comments and shared that the Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services would work with them and that PUSD would work in partnership to come up with solutions. She shared a reminder of dates for Spring Break and Board Holiday. Schools would be closed and scholars would return to school on the 17<sup>th</sup>. She wished everyone a restful and fun break.

### **6.05 Board Member Comments (Trustees)**

Trustee Briscoe thanked parents who shared concerns with the Board and thanked student dance team who attended the meeting. She shared that on March 27<sup>th</sup>, she attended the Center of Human Development open house, and added that it is an organization that provides services for families. She added that she also attended the Cesar Chavez and Dolores Huerta event at the CAB where there were folklorico dancers, poems and saw Juanita Chavez.

Vice President Moreno shared that he was the MC at the Cesar Chavez and Dolores Huerta celebration and added that it was great seeing the kids and noted that it was the first year putting Dolores Huerta in the name of the celebration which also coincided with Women's History Month. He added that he attended the City of Pittsburg celebration as well

President Sims shared that she did not attend the previous Board meeting in-person. She explained that she attended the CAAASA Conference and it was an amazing experience and was shocked to see that when PUSD presented, there were many accolades from others which was interesting seeing how others were excited to see PUSD's work. She thanked Stoneman for inviting her to their Career Day and added that she was able to speak to scholars about her job. Additionally, she noted that April was College and Career Month as well and also Autism acceptance month and thanked Ms. Mattson for spreading awareness.

## **7. Recognition**

### **7.01 Recognition of Officer Curran (Dr. Schulze)**

Pittsburg Unified School District staff and Board of Education acknowledged Officer Curran for her impact while serving as a School Resource Officer in the District. Staff and Board members thanked Officer Curran for her work and commitment to the PUSD community.

## **8. Information / Reports / Discussion**

### **8.01 Superintendent's Update (Dr. Schulze)**

Dr. Schulze presented updates related to the District. She provided Legislative updates of Bills in development. She explained that AB 370 would provide more options for scholars to demonstrate their English Proficient and would positively help scholars. Universal Dyslexia Screening SB691 (Portantino) would require an annual screening for all k-2 students, using a state-approved instrument (PUSD currently does screening using Acadience/DIBELS). SB 541 (Menjivar) would require all public schools, 9-12 to make condoms available free of charge. SB 342 (Seyarto) would require financial literacy in history-social science framework revision after January 1, 2024. Finally, AB 1555 (Quirk-Silva) would extend TK teacher assignments qualifications from August 1, 2023 to August 1, 2028.

Dr. Schulze shared a Prop 28 funding update and noted that all information has been provided by School Services and have yet to receive State's guidance and requirements. The funding would be specifically to expand the arts program. She added that the LCAP season began and shared that there were community and parent meetings and encouraged everyone to complete the surveys. She noted that school site meetings would be held in March and April. Student, SuperSAC, Leadership and Black Diamond would be held in March and April. Surveys would be received through April. DAC/DELAC, CSEA, FFAST and PAACT, PEA meetings would be held in April as well as the information LCAP Board Workshop on April 26<sup>th</sup>.

Dr. Schulze announced that Ms. Eileen Chen congratulated Ms. Chen for being selected as the new Superintendent for Robla School District.

The Board congratulated Ms. Chen and thanked her for her work and dedication to the District.

### **8.02 Presentation: Services for English Learner Scholars Update (Ms. Guardado)**

Ms. Guardado shared an annual update presentation on services for English Learner Scholars. She shared terminology and data, Title III fund breakdown, highlights and next steps.

Ms. Guardado shared that the number of English Learner scholars surpasses the County's percentage and shared data of languages spoken by English Learners and noted that 91% of scholars spoke Spanish. Data of English Learners per school and by Dual-Immersion was presented. She presented information on ELs by years in program and category, Title III fund breakdown, supplemental materials, teacher development, teacher planning and collaboration, supplemental services, parent support and involvement, and highlights.

Ms. Guardado noted that the district works hard to not produce LTELs. 36% of EL fall into the category of 0-3 years Students who have been ELs for 6 years or more and are not making sufficient progress towards reclassification become LTELs. She noted that because scholars receive the EL designation, the District receives Title III funds to be able to serve them. Funds are used for supplemental materials, teacher development, and shared examples of supplemental materials purchased and noted that the majority of that goes towards software and online programs. Teacher Development included ELD facilitator meetings, DLI collaboration meetings, WestEd Contract, ACID Excel, Professional development opportunities, conferences and substitute coverage. She shared teacher planning and collaboration examples. She stated that additional funds are provided to be used towards newcomer scholars and are used to provide additional laptops and headphones, online language programs, monthly bus passes among other services.

Ms. Guardado noted that the pandemic seemed to not affect the group of scholars and a lot of that is attributed to tiered language support, EL Data Chats and targeted language support. A summary of newcomer support was shared and included Art Intervention Support, District Parent Liaison for newcomer families and PHS newcomer counselor 9th - 12th grade. She explained that there had been a renewed focus on designated ELD instruction and practices to accelerate the development of language. Integration of rich grade level instructional materials, ELD facilitators & Early Literacy Coaches and Identified 3 cornerstone practices to integrate during ELD were identified as areas of focus. She shared that the DLI Oversight Committee and DLI Sub-Committee are established to focus on refining District practices and maintaining a high level of excellence. She noted that next steps include keeping the ELD Coach for the following school year, summer language academy, establishing the 2nd annual Welcome Back for high school scholars, continuing to develop workshops for parents with the Parent Liaison designated for Latino families. Additionally, parent workshops and conferences to share reclassification criteria with parents and looking at the continued focus of EL needs at school sites.

Vice President Moreno thanked Ms. Guardado for the presentation and shared that it was impressive to see that scholars were not impacted as much from COVID in terms of reclassification. He mentioned that jr high's score much higher than the rest of the schools and asked if staff communicate the importance with scholars of testing with scholars and parents.

Ms. Guardado shared that it is an area to improve because it is left to school sites.

Vice President Moreno suggested that before giving the test, staff should emphasize the importance of testing.

### **8.03 Overnight Field Trip for Hillview JHS Band to Disneyland Anaheim, CA on May 19-22, 2023 (Ms. Klaczynski)**

Ms. Kaczynski shared her request for approval of an overnight field trip for the Hillview JHS Band to go to Disneyland where scholars would compete in a contest, go to Knotts Berry Farm, visit the Motion Picture Academy Museum and have dinner at Medieval Times.

### **8.04 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between CSEA and PUSD - 11-Pay to 12 Pay (Ms. Castro)**

Mr. Chamberlain on behalf of Ms. Castro presented the MOU between CSEA and PUSD. He shared that there currently are employees who work less than a 260 day year, but do work some time in July. Those employees were set up with 11 payments, August through June. The MOU would correct that and the employees would then be paid over a 12 month period, July through June. Per CalPERS, anybody who works in the month of July, or any month of the year, should receive a pay warrant at the end of that month. The change will take effect, beginning the 2023-2024 school year.

### **8.05 Rollover for Bread & Bakery Products and General Milk & Dairy (Ms. Nava)**

Ms. Nava presented the request for the rollover for break and bakery products and General Milk & Dairy.

### **8.06 Updated Board Policies 5111-Admission, 5131.7-Weapons and Dangerous Instrument, 5141.4-Child Abuse Prevention and Reporting, 5141.52-Suicide Prevention, 5142.2-Safe Routes to School, and 5145.12-Search and Seizure (Ms. Clark)**

Ms. Clark presented updated board policies and asked the Board if they had any comments or recommendations.

Vice President Moreno shared that he does not like ambiguous language and shared concern about language in Board Policy 5131.7. He asked to know what the definition of dangerous instruments is in the law and regulations.

Ms. Clark shared that definition is listed in the Administrative Regulation.

Dr. Schulze added that the Board Policy is separate from the Education Code and Board Policies are CSBA recommendations but Educational Code would always be used.

Vice President Moreno shared concern about the lack of language regarding triggering of students in Board Policy 5141.52.

President Sims listed each Board Policy and asked the Board if they had comments on each.

Vice President Moreno recommended that language be added to Board Policy 5141.52 to include that staff would work to avoid triggering students.

Trustee Dr. Woolridge and Trustee Miller agreed.

Dr. Schulze asked for clarification on the recommendations that would need to be made.

### **8.07 Updated Board Policy 5141.31-Immunizations (Ms. Clark)**

Ms. Clark shared the updated Board Policy 5141.31, Immunizations.

Trustee Briscoe shared that she noticed that the Board Policy draft did not mention exemptions and stated that it is important that it is included.

Ms. Clark answered that she would need to follow up in regard to what is accepted and what is not in a Board Policy. She explained that there is an additional Board Policy that is specific to immunization exemptions.

Trustee Briscoe asked that the Board Policy reference the policy that mentions exemptions.

Trustee Dr. Woolridge shared that he would like to see adding the process for sharing concerns in the Board Policy.

Vice President Moreno noted that there would need to be the majority of the Board agree to add information.

Trustee Briscoe recommended that the Board Policy cross reference the additional Board Policy mentioned by Ms. Clark.

Trustee Dr. Woolridge recommended to add the chain in command regarding concerns and who parents can go to.

Trustee Miller agree with Trustee Woolridge.

Trustee Briscoe agreed with Trustee Woolridge about adding the chain of command.

## **9. Consent Items**

### **9.01 Minutes for March 22, 2023 (Dr. Schulze)**

Approval of the March 22, 2023 board minutes.

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

Motioned by Heliodoro Moreno, seconded by De'Shawn Woolridge.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

### **9.02 Facilities Sub Committee Meeting Notes (Mr. Scott)**

Staff recommended the Board approve the March 7, 2023 Facilities Sub Committee meeting notes.

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

Motioned by Heliodoro Moreno, seconded by De'Shawn Woolridge.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

### **9.03 Budget Sub-Committee Meeting Notes (Mr. Haria)**

Staff recommended the Board approve the December 8, 2022 Budget Sub-Committee meeting notes.

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

Motioned by Heliodoro Moreno, seconded by De'Shawn Woolridge.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

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

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

Motioned by Heliodoro Moreno, seconded by De'Shawn Woolridge.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

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

### **10.01 Contract Between CatapultK12 and Pittsburg Unified School District (PUSD) (Ms. Zamora)**

Staff recommended the Board approve the 5-year contract between CatapultK12 and Pittsburg Unified School District.

Motioned by Heliodoro Moreno, second by George Miller.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

Ms. Zamora shared a presentation summarizing the vendors reviewed by staff and committee members. She shared a detailed description of the various vendors and explained that the committee recommended the Board approve a contract between CatapultK12 and the District.

Vice President Moreno noted that in evaluation results, Edlio seemed to be in 1<sup>st</sup> place and asked to know why the recommendation was for CatapultK12.

Ms. Zamora explained that CatapultK12 provided ADA compliance and remediation supports that surpassed the support other vendors could provide.

Trustee Briscoe thanked her for thoroughness in data and research as well as getting data from parents. She shared that parents have expressed frustration on how difficult it has been for them accessing information on the website.

Ms. Zamora shared the implementation process and the timeline for transitioning to the new website vendor.

Vice President Moreno shared that he received messages from committee members sharing their positive experiences while on the committee.

Dr. Schulze added that feedback was also received from students and thanked Ms. Zamora for her organization and survey.

#### **10.02 Renewal - Memorandum of Understanding between Pittsburg Education Association (PEA) and Pittsburg Unified School District (PUSD) for Resource Specialists (Ms. Castro)**

Staff recommended the Board approve the Renewal Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between PEA and PUSD regarding the Resource Specialists Caseload.

Motioned by Heliodoro Moreno, seconded by George Miller.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

#### **10.03 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Pittsburg Education Association (PEA) and Pittsburg Unified School District (PUSD) - Stipend for RSP Bargaining Unit Members (Ms. Castro)**

Staff recommended the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between PEA and PUSD regarding the annual stipend for Resource Specialists.

Motioned by De'Shawn Woolridge, seconded by Heliodoro Moreno.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

Mr. Chamberlain on behalf of Ms. Castro shared the recommendation of MOU approval.

#### **10.04 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between CSEA and Pittsburg Unified School District (PUSD) - Classroom Aide Toileting Stipend (Ms. Castro)**

Staff recommended the Board approve the Renewal Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between CSEA and PUSD regarding the Classroom Aide Toileting Stipend.

Motioned by Heliodoro Moreno, seconded by De'Shawn Woolridge.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

Mr. Chamberlain explained that the MOU would allow Classroom Aides to receive a toileting stipend.

#### **10.05 Approval for DCG Strategies, Inc. for Real Estate Asset Evaluation Services (Mr. Haria)**

Staff recommended the Board approve DCG Strategies, Inc. for Real Estate Asset Evaluation Services.

Motioned by Heliodoro Moreno, seconded by De'Shawn Woolridge.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

#### **10.06 ROLL CALL: Resolution No. 22-28 Notice of Completion for MBC Construction for the PHS North Campus Bldg ADA & Structural Upgrades Phase 2 Project (Mr. Scott)**

Staff recommended the Board approve Resolution No. 22-07, Notice of Completion for MBC Construction for the PHS North Campus Bldg ADA & Structural Upgrades Phase 2 Project.

Motioned by Heliodoro Moreno, seconded by George Miller.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

#### **10.07 Authorization to Go Out for Proposal for Food and Non-Food Items and Produce (Ms. Nava)**

Staff recommended the Board approve Child Nutrition Services Department to go out for Proposal for Food and Non-Food items and Produce items.

Motioned by Heliodoro Moreno, seconded by George Miller.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

### **11. Communications**

#### **11.01 Comments from the Public, Community Organizations, Employee Representatives**

There were no comments.

### **12. Board Requests**

#### **12.01 Information Requests**

President Sims requested a monthly calendar of events taking place at all school sites to allow the Board to know what is going on. Additionally, she asked if it was possible for Black Diamond High School scholars to attend Honors Night.

#### **12.02 Agenda Requests**

Trustee Dr. Woolridge asked for an agenda item to be placed at a future meeting to discuss the possibility of allowing graduates from the Class of 2020 to walk the stage.

### **13. Next Board Meeting / Future Events / Adjournment**

#### **13.01 Next Regular Board Meeting - April 26, 2023**

Motion to adjourn the Board Meeting

Motioned by George Miller, seconded by Heliodoro Moreno.



Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 PM.