

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
July 7, 2021

ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
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WELCOME

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Orange County Board of Education was called to order by Board President Williams at 2:30 p.m., July 7, 2021 in the Board Room, 200 Kalmus Drive, Costa Mesa, California and via YouTube live stream.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Rebecca “Beckie” Gomez
Tim Shaw
Mari Barke
Ken L. Williams, D.O.

Absent:

Lisa Sparks, Ph.D.

(*)AGENDA

Motion by Williams, seconded by Barke, and carried by a vote of 4-0 (Sparks Absent) to approve the agenda of the Regular meeting of July 7, 2021 with the following amendments:
-Remove item #9 regarding ISSAC from the agenda
-Move item #15 to follow item #8

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

TIME CERTAIN

1. Inter-district Appeal Hearing (open) – 07072021001I – Placentia-Yorba Linda School District to Fullerton Joint Union High School District

Motion by Barke, seconded by Shaw, and carried by a vote of 3-1 (Barke, Williams, and Shaw voted Yes; Gomez voted No; Sparks Absent) to approve the appeal and allow the student to attend the Fullerton Joint Union High School District for the period of one academic year (2021-22).

Jami Parsons, Director, Educational Services facilitated the hearing.

The Board took a recess from 3:01 p.m. to 5:09 p.m. to go into closed session.

2. Inter-district Appeal Hearing (closed) - 07072021002I – Irvine Unified School District to Tustin Unified School District

Motion by Williams, seconded by Gomez, and carried by a vote of 3-1 (Gomez, Williams, and Shaw voted Yes; Barke voted No; Sparks Absent) to deny the appeal and uphold the decision of the Irvine Unified School District.

Jami Parsons, Director, Educational Services facilitated the hearing.

3. Inter-district Appeal Hearing (closed) - 07072021004I – Capistrano Unified School District to Laguna Beach Unified School District

Motion by Barke, seconded by Williams, and carried by a vote of 4-0 (Sparks Absent) to approve the appeal and allow the student to attend the Laguna Beach Unified School District for the period of one academic year (2021-22).

Jami Parsons, Director, Educational Services facilitated the hearing.

4. Inter-district Appeal Hearing (closed) - 07072021005I – Capistrano Unified School District to Laguna Beach Unified School District

Motion by Barke, seconded by Shaw, and carried by a vote of 4-0 (Sparks Absent) to approve the appeal and allow the student to attend the Laguna Beach Unified School District for the period of one academic year (2021-22).

Jami Parsons, Director, Educational Services facilitated the hearing.

Trustee Sparks joined the board meeting during closed session via zoom at approximately 4:20 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION 1

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Orange County Board of Education v. Orange County Superintendent of Schools, Case No. 30-2018-01023385-CU-MC-CJC

Government Code Section 54956.9(a) and (d)(1)

CLOSED SESSION 2

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION

Orange County Board of Education v. OC Superintendent of Schools, Al Mijares, and State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Tony Thurmond Case No 30-2019-

01112665-CU-WM-CJC -Government Code §§ 54956.9(a) and (d)(1)

CLOSED SESSION 3

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(2) of Section 54956.9

INVOCATION

Pastor Sam Pullen
Community Congregational United Church of Christ, Los Alamitos

PLEDGE

Trustee Barke

INTRODUCTIONS

None

Closed Sessions Report Out

Mr. Brenner reported, for Closed Session 1, 2, and 3, the Board received an update from counsel. No action was taken with the exception of approval of Epstein, Green & Becker invoices 1053957 and 1053958 for Closed Sessions 1 & 2, dated June 30, 2021, by a vote of 3-1-1 (Barke, Shaw, and Williams voted Yes; Gomez voted No; Sparks Abstained).

CHARTER SCHOOLS

5. Charter Schools Submissions
 - Explore Academy
 - Scholarship Prep
6. Charter School Public Hearing – Samueli Academy charter school material revisions – Aracely Chastain, Director, Charter Schools, facilitated the public hearing.
 - Anthony Saba, Samueli Academy
7. Motion by Barke, seconded by Williams, and carried by a roll call vote of 5-0 to approve the Samueli Academy material revision request to revise the school enrollment preferences and updates to the charter petition.
8. ISSAC Update facilitated by Aracely Chastain, Director, Charter Schools

PUBLIC COMMENTS (ISSAC Only)

- Jay
- Brittany
- Miles Durfee
- Martha Fluor
- Fernando

- Melanie
- Tho
- Belem
- Maia
- Carmen

Presentation by ISSAC representatives:

- Padmini Srinivasan, Executive Director
- Arturo Garcia, ICON
- Kimberly Saglian, Principal
- Janelle Ruley, Legal Counsel
- Michelle Anderson, Consultant
- Thu Nguyen, Board Member

Items #8 & #15

Motion by Barke, seconded by Williams, and carried by a roll call vote of 4-1 (Barke, Williams, Shaw, and Sparks voted Yes; Gomez voted No) to table items #8 and #15 to the August board meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Michael Scott, Irvine International Academy
- Brenda Lebsack

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

10. Election of Officers

Motion by Williams, seconded by Shaw, and carried by a vote of 4-0-1 (Williams, Barke, Shaw, and Sparks voted Yes; Gomez Abstained) to elect Trustee Barke as Board President.

Board President Barke presided over the election of a new Vice President of the Board.

Motion by Sparks, seconded by Shaw, and carried by a vote of 3-0-2 (Barke, Sparks, and Shaw voted Yes; Williams and Gomez Abstained) to elect Trustee Williams as Board Vice President.

11. Motion by Barke, seconded by Williams, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to nominate and approve board member assignments for the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

12. Motion by Williams, seconded by Shaw, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve Board meeting dates for July 2021 through July 2022.

INFORMATION ITEMS

BOARD DISCUSSIONS
-State Budget Update

-Harbor Learning Center North Update

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Superintendent

- Dr. Steve McLaughlin, Superintendent, Fullerton Joint Union HSD
- Dr. Jeff Hittenberger, Contribution to the Mendez Project
 - Westminster HS Learning Center in honor of the Mendez family
- Irvine Middle School –top honor Virtual National History Day finals
- Lowell Joint School District moving from Los Angeles County Office of Education to Orange County Office of Education

Associate Superintendent

- Forum on July 27th is a Special Meeting
- Next board meeting is August 4th, submission deadline is July 21st

Legislative Update

- Trustee Gomez - Delegate Assembly meeting end of July

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTSS

- Trustee Gomez – Graduations at College and Career Prep (ACCESS), Rancho Alamitos and Pacifica high schools in Garden Grove USD; acknowledgment - Jeff Hittenberger
- Trustee Shaw – Adjournment in memory of Lowell Joint Trustee Fred Shambeck
- Trustee Williams – FAQs regarding the Forum

BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS

18. Motion by Williams, seconded by Barke, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the August 24, 2021 Board Meeting – Ethnic Studies Forum Change of Venue.

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13. Motion by Williams, seconded by Barke, and carried by a roll call vote of 5-0 to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2021 Regular Board Meeting, amending language on page 7 under closed session #2, item #1 to reflect Gomez voted No.

CONSENT CALENDAR

14. Motion by Williams, seconded by Gomez, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the granting of diplomas to the students listed from Alternative, Community, and Correctional Education Schools and Services, Alternative Education Division.

BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS

- 16. Approve disbursement of funds for Orange County Board of Education professional organizations membership dues for 2021-2022 fiscal year.

Motion by Williams, seconded by Barke, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to table the item to the August board meeting.

- 17. Approve registration and travel for Board Members to attend education related events/meetings sponsored by ACSA, CCBE, CCSA, CSBA, NSBA, OCSBA, CUBE, and National Alliance for Public Charter Schools, effective July 1, 2021 for the 2021-22 fiscal year.

Motion by Barke, seconded by Williams, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to table the item to the August board meeting.

- 19. Motion by Barke, seconded by Williams, and carried by a vote of 4-1 (Barke, Williams, Shaw, and Sparks voted Yes; Gomez voted No) to approve Resolution #12-21, Orange County Board of Education Resolution on Healthy Children.

Trustee Williams departed the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

TIME CERTAIN

- 20. Public Hearing - Renee Hendrick, Associate Superintendent conducted a public hearing on CSEA's initial proposal to Superintendent. The hearing was opened at 8:01 p.m. There being no input from the public, the hearing was closed at 8:02 p.m.
- 21. Public Hearing - Renee Hendrick, Associate Superintendent conducted a public hearing on Superintendent's initial proposal to CSEA. The hearing was opened at 8:03 p.m. There being no input from the public, the hearing was closed at 8:04 p.m.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

- 22. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Shaw, and carried by a vote of 4-0 (Williams Absent) to approve submission of the College and Career Preparatory Academy into the DASS program.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion duly made, and seconded, the Board meeting of July 7, 2021 adjourned in memory of Lowell Joint trustee Fred Schambeck at 8:12 p.m.



Nina Boyd
Assistant Secretary, Board of Education



Mari Barke
President, Board of Education

Next Regular Board Meeting, Wednesday, August 4, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. - The meeting will be in the Board Room at 200 Kalmus Drive, Costa Mesa, CA and via virtual conference.

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