

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
September 1, 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 Barke at 2:33 p.m., September 1, 2021 in the Board Room, 200 Kalmus Drive, Costa Mesa, California and via YouTube live stream.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Lisa Sparks, Ph.D.
Ken L. Williams, D.O.
Mari Barke
Tim Shaw
Rebecca "Beckie" Gomez

AGENDA

Motion by Barke, seconded by Sparks, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to approve the agenda of the Regular meeting of September 1, 2021, with the following amendments:

- Remove item #1- the appeal was withdrawn
- Remove item #4- presentation to Christina Selter postponed to October 6

PUBLIC COMMENTS (related to Closed Session) None

The Board took a recess to go into closed session from 2:36 p.m. to 5:08 p.m.

TIME CERTAIN

2. Inter-district Appeal Hearing (closed) – 09012021002I – Capistrano Unified School District to Newport-Mesa Unified School District.

Motion by Barke, seconded by Williams, and carried by a vote of 4-1 (Sparks, Barke, Williams, and Shaw voted Yes; Gomez voted No) to approve the appeal and allow the student to attend the Newport-Mesa Unified School District for the period of one academic year (2021-22).

Spencer Gooch, Manager, Educational Services facilitated the hearing.

3. Inter-district Appeal Hearing (closed) – 09012021003I – Centralia School District to Cypress School District.

Motion by Gomez, seconded by Williams, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to deny the appeal and uphold the decision of the Cypress School District.

Spencer Gooch, Manager, Educational Services facilitated the hearing.

CLOSED SESSION 1

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 2

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION- Orange County Board of Education v. Newsom Case Number S270319 - Government Code §§ 54956.9(a) and (d)(1)

INVOCATION

Ronnie Guyer, Vietnam Veteran

PLEDGE

Lori Kaylor

Closed Session Report Out

Mr. Brenner reported, for Closed Session 1, the Board received an update from counsel. No action was taken with the exception of approval of the Epstein, Green & Becker invoices 1056887 and 1059612. For Closed Session 2, the Board approved legal counsel to draft a letter to Governor Newsom, by a vote of 4-1 (Williams, Barke, Sparks, and Shaw voted Yes; Gomez voted No). If a response is not received by September 10, the board will proceed with litigation.

Board Vice President Williams departed the meeting at 5:17 p.m.

INTRODUCTIONS

Vern Burton, Assistant Superintendent, ACCESS

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Motion by Shaw, seconded by Sparks, and carried by a vote of 4-0 (Williams Absent) to approve the minutes of the August 3, 2021 Special Board Meeting, amending the time Trustee Gomez departed to reflect 4:35 p.m. instead of 4:30 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Kelly
- Lynne
- Love

INFORMATION ITEMS

COMMUNICATION/INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

- FCMAT – tabled to the October 6th meeting
- Ethnic Studies and Critical Race Theory Forum
- Notification of salary changes in accordance of education Code 1302 (a) and Board Policy 100-10.
- Board Webpage

BOARD DISCUSSIONS

- Redistricting

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Superintendent

- Back to school – all districts will be in session after Labor Day

- ACCESS – independent study support to six Orange County districts
- Parent resources website
- Heritage Science Academy
- Lisa Gonzales-Solomon – community engagement hero of the week

Deputy Superintendent

- Next board meeting is October 6th, submission deadline is September 22nd
- Suncoast Prep

Legislative Update

- Trustee Gomez – Regional meeting on August 27, 2021

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

- Trustee Sparks – ISSAC Open House
- Trustee Barke - Vista Condor Ribbon Cutting

The Board took a recess from 5:54 p.m. to 5:56 p.m. to conduct the meeting of the Facilities Corporation.

5. Special Presentation – Orange County’s Red Ribbon Week Campaign - Christine Olmstead, Ed.D., Associate Superintendent, Educational Services

Dr. Olmstead gave an overview of the Orange County’s Red Ribbon Week Campaign and acknowledged special guests from the Orange County Sheriff’s Department and Drug Use is Life Abuse. Don Barnes, Orange County Sheriff; Brian Gunsolley, Sergeant, Orange County Sheriff’s Department; Heather Fisher, Board Member, Drug Use is Life Abuse; Maribel Marroquin-Waldram, Executive Director, Drug Use is Life Abuse.

6. Motion by Barke, seconded by Sparks, and carried by a vote of 4-0 (Williams Absent) to adopt Resolution #15-21 in support of October 24 – October 30, 2021, as Orange County’s Red Ribbon Week campaign, and encourage all community members to promote alcohol, tobacco, and other drug prevention education programs and activities, and send copies of this resolution to school districts in Orange County.

The Board took a recess from 6:03 p.m. to 6:06 p.m.

CONSENT CALENDAR

7. Motion by Barke, seconded by Sparks, and carried by a vote of 4-0 (Williams Absent) to approve the granting of diplomas to the students listed from Alternative, Community, and Correctional Education Schools and Services, Alternative Education Division.
8. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Shaw, and carried by a vote of 4-0 (Williams Absent) to approve the recommended changes to Board Policy 400-1, amending language in the policy to reflect County Superintendent in place of Superintendent.

CHARTER SCHOOLS

9. Charter submissions - None
10. Charter School Public Hearing – Scholarship Prep Charter School Material Revision. Aracely Chastain, Director, Charter Schools, facilitated the public hearing.
 - Jason Watts
 - Kristen Crowe

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Scholarship Prep)

- Miles Durfee, CCSA

BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS

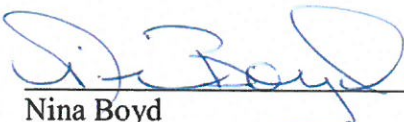
11. Motion by Sparks, seconded by Shaw, and carried by a vote of 4-0 (Williams Absent) to approve additional funds to cover expenditures for the Ethnic Studies Forum not to exceed \$35,000.00.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

12. Motion by Gomez, seconded by Sparks, and carried by a vote of 4-0 (Williams Absent) to adopt Resolution #16-21 identifying the Gann actual appropriations limit for 2020-21 and the Gann estimated appropriations limit for 2021-22.

PUBLIC COMMENTS None

ADJOURNMENT On a motion duly made, and seconded, the board meeting of September 1, 2021 adjourned at 6:39 p.m.



Nina Boyd
Assistant Secretary, Board of Education



Mari Barke
President, Board of Education

Next Regular Board Meeting: Wednesday, October 6, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. The meeting will be held onsite at 200 Kalmus Drive, Costa Mesa, CA 92626 with limited seating and via YouTube live stream.

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