

**[PRESIDENT WILLIAMS STRIKES THE GAVEL ONCE TO SIGNAL THE
BEGINNING OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING]**

Williams: For the benefit of the record, this special meeting of the Orange County Board of Education is called to order. We'll go to our usual protocol. Invocation done by special counsel, Mr. Greg Rolen. You may stand if you would like.

Rolen: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Board. Dear God, I implore you to shed your grace and guidance upon this Board, upon staff and give us strength to make the right decisions during these acrimonious and difficult times. We send a special prayer for those of us who are suffering from food insecurity, rolling blackouts and anxiety related to the circumstances in which we find ourselves. Amen.

Board: Amen.

Williams: Okay. We're going to have the Pledge of Allegiance led by our good Trustee Lisa Sparks.

Sparks and Board: I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

Williams: Very good. Moving on with the Agenda. Roll call, Nina.

Boyd: Trustee Sparks?

Sparks: Here.

Boyd: Trustee Gomez has notified us that she's running late.

Williams: Very good.

Boyd: Trustee Shaw?

Shaw: Here.

Boyd: Vice President Barke?

Barke: Present.

Boyd: And President Williams?

Williams: I'm here. Okay. Moving on. Introductions. Any introductions?

Boyd: There are no introductions for this meeting.

Williams: Very good. I'll need a motion to adopt today's Agenda.

Barke: So moved.

Sparks: Second.

Williams: And a second. Any discussion? Barring none, all those in favor, say aye.

Board: Aye.

Williams: Let the record reflect four trustees who voted for, and that is Trustee Barke, myself, Sparks and Shaw. Of course, Trustee Gomez is not present. Moving on with the meeting, we have no Minutes to adopt. Nina, are there any public comments?

Boyd: There are none.

Williams: Very good. Barring none, the Board will be in closed session. We will come out probably, anywhere from 60 to 90 minutes, maybe up to two hours. We are in closed session at this time.

**[PRESIDENT WILLIAMS STRIKES THE GAVEL ONCE TO SIGNAL THE
BEGINNING OF THE CLOSED SESSION. UPON CONCLUSION, VICE PRESIDENT**

BARKE STRIKES THE GAVEL ONCE MORE TO CONTINUE THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING]

Barke: Welcome back to the special Board meeting today. We are now out of closed session and counsel Jonathan Brenner will be reporting out on our closed session.

Brenner: Thank you.

Boyd: We had some background noise. I wanted to make sure we were muted so we could hear.

Brenner: Thank you. I was about to say the same thing. Good evening, members of the Board of Education and Vice President Barke. This is the report out for the closed session from today's special meeting. The Board had a discussion with counsel, and they took three actions in today's closed session. Action number one is that the Board approved Greg Rolen's invoices dated October 7, 2020; November 9, 2020; December 3, 2020; January 15, 2020; and February 9, 2020. The vote was the same as to all of the invoices. Four in favor with one abstention. Williams, Barke, Shaw, and Sparks, trustees voting in favor, and Trustee Gomez abstaining.

The second action taken at today's closed session is as follows: after a full discussion and due consideration of the issues in terms of applicable thereto, the Board approved the terms of the settlement agreement for resolving and settling the general counsel litigation between the Superintendent and the Board. The vote was 5-0, unanimous, all trustees voting in favor. These terms of settlement that had been approved by the Board are memorialized in a written settlement agreement. At 2:13 p.m. today, the Superintendent's counsel advised the Board's counsel that they would not be present in the offices for the Board's meeting. The Board and its counsel could not discuss or share the terms of the settlement agreement with the Superintendent and his counsel during the Board's meeting.

Accordingly, the Board, through its counsel, will provide to the Superintendent tonight through its counsel, a copy of the written settlement agreement that has been approved by the Board. The third action that the Board took is it authorized and approved the Executive Committee of the Board to consummate and execute the Board-approved settlement agreement on behalf of the full Board, should the Superintendent also be in agreement to the settlement agreement terms. That vote was 5-0 as well, all trustees voting in favor so unanimous. That is the report out for the closed session. Thank you.

Barke: Any other public comments or anything?

Boyd: No. I would just like to report out that Trustee Shaw and President Williams participated in the return from closed session by Zoom and Trustee Gomez joined the Board's meeting at 2:46 and left the closed session at 3:42 PM.

Brenner: That's correct. Thank you.

Barke: May I have a motion to adjourn?

Sparks: Motion to adjourn.

Barke: Adjourned.

[VICE PRESIDENT BARKE STRIKES THE GAVEL ONCE TO SIGNAL THE CONCLUSION OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING]