

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

11-18-14

#901

CALL TO ORDER/MEETING PLACE

The Board of Education President, Ms. Mary Pallant, called the regular meeting to order at 5:06 p.m. at Oak Park High School Presentation Room, G9, 899 N. Kanan Road, Oak Park.

BOARD PRESENT

Ms. Mary Pallant, President, Ms. Sepideh Yeoh, Vice President, Ms. Barbara Laifman, Clerk, Mr. Drew Hazelton, Member and Mr. Allen Rosen, Member.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:07 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER/MEETING PLACE

The Board of Education President, Mary Pallant, reconvened the regular meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. at Oak Park High School Presentation Room, G9, 899 N. Kanan Road, Oak Park.

BOARD PRESENT

Ms. Mary Pallant, President, Ms. Sepideh Yeoh, Vice President, Ms. Barbara Laifman, Clerk, Mr. Drew Hazelton, Member, Mr. Allen Rosen, Member and Jake Whealen, Student Board Rep.

STAFF PRESENT

Dr. Tony Knight, Superintendent, Mr. Martin Klauss, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, Dr. Leslie Heilbron, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, and Ms. Linda Sheridan, Executive Assistant.

FLAG SALUTE

Sepideh Yeoh led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

Dr. Knight reported the Board of Education took action on Tort Claims received against the District to reject them as untimely and insufficient. The Board of Education approved the action on a vote of Aye: Hazelton, Laifman, Pallant, Rosen, Yeoh, No: 0.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

On motion of Barbara Laifman, seconded by Allen Rosen, the Board of Education adopted the agenda as presented. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Laifman, Pallant, Rosen, Yeoh, No – 0,

PUBLIC SPEAKERS

None

PRESENTATIONS

The Board of Education presented the Partners in Education Award to Irene Lyle

The Board of Education presented Award to Debi Fries, Counselor at Oak Park High School on her retirement from the District

REPORT FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Board Member Allen Rosen expressed his appreciation for the effort that Mr. Borquez and Mrs. Levine have made this year putting together the marching band. They have added to the spirit of the football games. He also thanked Ms. Yeoh for her service on the Board. Board Member Barbara Laifman also thanked Ms. Yeoh for her service. She congratulated Irene Lyle on receiving the PIE Award. Ms. Laifman reported she attended the Community Outreach Committee, the Wellness Council meetings and attended the *12 Angry Men* play at OPHS. Board Member Drew Hazelton also thanked Ms. Yeoh for her service on the Board and for giving him her guidance when he first joined the Board. He too congratulated Irene Lyle on receiving the PIE Award. Mr. Hazelton reported he attended Halloween events at the schools and has been speaking with parents and heard great comments and discussions on common core. Board Member Sepideh Yeoh stated this was her last meeting as a Board member and she wanted to congratulate Allen, Drew and Derek on their successful election results. She has been honored to serve on the Board and thanked the Board for their support over the years. Ms. Yeoh also wanted to thank the applicants who were willing to work for the good of the students in our district. And, finally, she wanted to let everyone know that she has enjoyed every single moment of being a school board member. Ms. Yeoh also reminded everyone the International Festival will be February 27, 2015 and will be a districtwide event held at OPHS with the help of MCMS and Julie John. She also attended the Safe Kids Task Force meeting. Board Member Mary Pallant also thanked Ms. Yeoh and also thanked Derek Ross for stepping up and running for the Board when he found out that she was not running for reelection. She congratulated Derek, Drew and Allen for their successful election results. Ms. Pallant reported she attended the County Committee on School District Organization and the VCSBA Dinner Meeting where they discussed the JPA.

REPORT FROM STUDENT BOARD REP

Jake Whealen thanked Ms. Yeoh. He stated that while the football team did not have a winning season, they are headed in a good direction and the band was a good addition.

REPORT FROM SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Knight congratulated the band and football team. While the Board is not as interested in games won or lost, the quality of the experience is more important and this year the experience has been reported to have been very positive. The addition of the band, which is building the program and doing a great job, has added to the positivity. Dr. Knight wanted to take this time to thank Sepideh Yeoh for her service on the Board of Education and to present her with an award for her service to the Board upon her resignation.

The Board received SSC Reports from BES, MCMS and OPHS.

Report from Facilities Planning Committee – Martin Klauss reported to the Board the continuing activities of the Facilities Planning Committee and that they are working on finalizing the Master Plan to present to the Board in January.

C.1. CONSENT AGENDA

On motion of Drew Hazelton, seconded by Sepideh Yeoh, the Board of Education approved the Consent Agenda. Motion carried Aye – Hazelton, Laifman, Pallant, Rosen, Yeoh, No – 0

- a. [Approve Minutes of Regular Board Meeting October 21, 2014](#)
- b. [Public Employee/Employment Changes 01CL22592-01CL22620 & 01CE07031-01CE07061](#)
- c. [Approve Purchase Orders –October 1 - 31, 2014](#)
- d. [Approve Overnight Trip for Oak Park High School Boys' Basketball Team – December 26-30, 2014](#)

- e. [Approve Overnight Trip for Oak Park High School Winter Athletic Teams Who Qualify for CIF Play-Offs and Post Season](#)
- f. [Approve Notice of Completion – Project 14-02R, Parking Lot and Playground Repairs at Brookside and Red Oak Elementary Schools](#)
- g. [Approve Notice of Completion – Project 14-07R, Roof Repairs at Red Oak Elementary School](#)
- h. [Approve Disposal of Obsolete Personal Property](#)
- i. [Approve Overnight Trip for Oak Park High School Future Business Leaders of American Members – November 22-23, 2014](#)
- j. [Approve Agreement for Testing and Inspection Services for Projection 14-29F, Solar Shade Structure Installation at Oak Park High School](#)

ACTION

2. BOARD

a. [Deliberate and Approve Appointment of Provisional School Board Member](#)

On motion of Allen Rosen, seconded by Barbara Laifman, the Board of Education nominated and approved Denise Helfstein as the Provisional School Board Member. Motion carried: Aye: Hazelton, Laifman, Pallant, Rosen, Yeoh, No: 0.

b. [Approve California School Boards Association - Delegate Assembly Nomination](#)

On motion of Allen Rosen, seconded by Sepideh Yeoh, the Board of Education approved the nomination of Christina Urias and John Walker to represent Subregion 11B. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Laifman, Pallant, Rosen, Yeoh, No: 0.

c. [Approve Selection of Annual Organizational Board Meeting – December 9, 2014](#)

On motion of Allen Rosen, seconded by Barbara Laifman, the Board of Education approved December 9, 2014 as the Annual Organizational Board Meeting. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Laifman, Pallant, Rosen, Yeoh, No: 0.

3. BUSINESS

a. [Approve Service Contract with Ventura County Community College District to Fund the 2014-2015 California Career Pathways Trust Grant](#)

On motion of Sepideh Yeoh, seconded by Drew Hazelton, the Board of Education approved the Service Contract with Ventura County Community College District to fund the 2014-2015 California Career Pathways Trust Grant. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Laifman, Pallant, Rosen, Yeoh, No: 0.

b. [Approve Project 14-32F, Baseball Infield Upgrade and Artificial Turf Installation at Oak Park High School](#)

On motion of Barbara Laifman, seconded by Allen Rosen, the Board of Education approved Project 14-32F, Baseball Infield Upgrade and Artificial Turf Installation, using Future Fill and the District will pay for, at Oak Park High School. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Laifman, Pallant, Rosen, Yeoh, No: 0.

c. [Approve Acceptance of Donations](#)

On motion of Sepideh Yeoh, seconded by Drew Hazelton, the Board of Education approved Acceptance of Donations. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Laifman, Pallant, Rosen, Yeoh, No: 0.

4. HUMAN RESOURCES

a. Approve Classified Holiday Calendar for 2015-2016

On motion of Barbara Laifman, seconded by Sepideh Yeoh, the Board of Education approved the Classified Holiday Calendar for 2015-2016. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Laifman, Pallant, Rosen, Yeoh, No: 0.

b. Public Disclosure and Approve Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the District and Oak Park Teachers Association

On motion of Barbara Laifman, seconded by Sepideh Yeoh, the Board of Education approved the Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the District and the Oak Park Teachers Association. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Laifman, Pallant, Rosen, Yeoh, No: 0.

c. Public Disclosure and Approve Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the District and Oak Park Classified Association

On motion of Sepideh Yeoh, seconded by Drew Hazelton, the Board of Education approved the Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the District and the Oak Park Classified Association. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Laifman, Pallant, Rosen, Yeoh, No: 0.

d. Approve Compensation Adjustment for District Administrators, Confidential and Unrepresented Employees

On motion of Allen Rosen, seconded by Drew Hazelton, the Board of Education approved Compensation Adjustment for District Administrators, Confidential and Unrepresented Employees. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Laifman, Pallant, Rosen, Yeoh, No: 0.

e. Approve Amendment to Employment Contract with Superintendent

On motion of Allen Rosen, seconded by Sepideh Yeoh, the Board of Education approved the amendment to Employment Contract with Superintendent. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Laifman, Pallant, Rosen, Yeoh, No: 0.

5. BOARD POLICIES

a. Approve Amendment to Board Policy 6154 - Homework - First Reading

On motion of Sepideh Yeoh, seconded by Drew Hazelton, the Board of Education approved the amendment to Board Policy 6152 – Homework on first reading. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Laifman, Pallant, Rosen, Yeoh, No:0.

b. Approve Amendment to Board Policy 4117.3 – Personnel Reduction – First Reading

On motion of Allen Rosen, seconded by Barbara Laifman, the Board of Education approved the amendment to Board Policy 4117.3 – Personnel Reduction on first reading. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Laifman, Pallant, Rosen, Yeoh, No: 0.

c. Approve Amendment to Board Policy 4131.1 – Teacher Support and Guidance – First Reading

On motion of Allen Rosen, seconded by Barbara Laifman, the Board of Education approved the amendment to Board Policy 4131.1 – Teacher Support and Guidance on first reading. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Laifman, Pallant, Rosen, Yeoh, No: 0.

d. Approve Amendment to Board Policy 4315 – Evaluation/Supervision – First Reading

On motion of Barbara Laifman, seconded by Allen Rosen, the Board of Education approved the amendment to Board Policy 4315 – Evaluation/Supervision on first reading. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Laifman, Pallant, Rosen, Yeoh, No: 0.

e. Approve Amendment to Board Policy 5147 – Dropout Prevention – First Reading

On motion of Barbara Laifman, seconded by Drew Hazelton, the Board of Education approved the amendment to Board Policy 5147 – Dropout Prevention on first reading. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Laifman, Pallant, Rosen, Yeoh, No: 0.

f. Approve Amendment to Board Policy 6172 – Gifted and Talented Student Program – First Reading

On motion of Allen Rosen, seconded by Drew Hazelton, the Board of Education approved the amendment to Board Policy 6172 – Gifted and Talented Student Program on first reading. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Laifman, Pallant, Rosen, Yeoh, No:0.

VII. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 1. Monthly Measure C6 Budget Report**
- 2. Monthly Measure R Budget Report**
- 3. Monthly Enrollment and Attendance Report**
- 4. Monthly Cash Flow Report**

VIII. OPEN DISCUSSION

The Board discussed options for new Board Members to get training as new Board members. The Board also discussed the concern about cell towers proximity to school sites.

There being no further business before this Board, the Regular meeting is declared adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Date _____ President of the Board

Date _____ Clerk or Secretary of the Board