

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD STUDY SESSION MEETING 10-28-2020 #1008
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

CALL TO ORDER/MEETING PLACE

The Board of Education President, Mrs. Barbara Laifman, called the special meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. On March 17, 2020, Gov. Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20 that, in part, authorized governing boards to hold public meetings via teleconference. Governing boards must still provide advance notice of each public meeting in accordance with the Brown Act and make public meetings accessible telephonically or otherwise electronically to all members of the public seeking to observe the meeting and/or to address the governing board.

Based on these guidelines, the OPUSD Board of Education held a video conference/teleconference special meeting on October 28th. Members of the public were able to observe the meeting using a published live stream link. Members of the public were able to submit comments via an online form which opened at 4:30 pm on the day of the meeting and remained open for submission of comments until the end of the meeting.

BOARD PRESENT

Mrs. Barbara Laifman, President, Mr. Allen Rosen, Vice President, Mr. Drew Hazelton (joined the meeting at 5:13 pm), Clerk, Mr. Derek Ross, Member, and Mrs. Denise Helfstein, Member

BOARD ABSENT

Charlotte Robertson, Student Board Member

STAFF PRESENT

Dr. Tony Knight, Superintendent, Mr. Adam Rauch, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, Mr. Stew McGugan, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, and Mrs. Ragini Aggarwal, Executive Assistant.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Board President, Barbara Laifman reported that in Closed Session the Board would be discussing:

A. SUPERINTENDENT'S GOALS

B. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS: Government Code 54957.6

Agency designated representatives: Adam Rauch and Stewart McGugan

Employee organizations: Oak Park Classified Association

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:06 p.m.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Board of Education President, Mrs. Barbara Laifman, called the special meeting to order at 6:14 p.m.

BOARD PRESENT

Mrs. Barbara Laifman, President, Mr. Allen Rosen, Vice President, Mr. Drew Hazelton, Clerk, Mr. Derek Ross, Member, and Mrs. Denise Helfstein, Member

BOARD ABSENT

None

STAFF PRESENT

Dr. Tony Knight, Superintendent, Mr. Adam Rauch, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, Mr. Stew McGugan, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, Dr. Jay Greenlinger, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Mr. Enoch Kwok, Director of Information Technology, Mrs. Sara Ahl, Director of Extended Care Program, and Mrs. Ragini Aggarwal, Executive Assistant.

FLAG SALUTE

Barbara Laifman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

Board President, Barbara Laifman reported that the Board took no action in closed session.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

On motion of Derek Ross, seconded by Barbara Laifman, the Board of Education adopted the agenda as presented. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Helfstein, Laifman, Rosen, Ross. No - 0. Absent – 0.

OPEN SESSION

A. BUSINESS SESSION

1. BUSINESS SERVICES

a. [Approve Renewal of Agreement with Developing Outdoors for General Staffing Services for the Extended Care Program for 2020-2021](#)

On motion of Barbara Laifman, seconded by Allen Rosen, the Board of Education approved the Renewal of Agreement with Developing Outdoors for General Staffing Services for the Extended Care Program for 2020-2021. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Helfstein, Laifman, Rosen, Ross. No – 0. Absent – 0.

2. HUMAN RESOURCES

a. [Approve the District's Initial Proposal for Collective Bargaining Negotiations with Oak Park Classified Association](#)

Board President opened the Public Hearing at 6:33 pm. No public comments. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:33 pm.

On motion of Derek Ross, seconded by Drew Hazelton, the Board of Education approved the District's Initial Proposal for Collective Bargaining Negotiations with Oak Park Classified Association. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Helfstein, Laifman, Rosen, Ross. No – 0. Absent – 0.

3. BOARD

a. [Approve Board Goals for 2020-2021](#)

On motion of Allen Rosen, seconded by Denise Helfstein, the Board of Education approved the Board Goals for 2020-2021. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Helfstein, Laifman, Rosen, Ross. No – 0. Absent – 0.

b. [Approve Revised 2020 Governance Handbook](#)

On motion of Drew Hazelton, seconded by Derek Ross, the Board of Education approved the Revised 2020 Governance Handbook. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Helfstein, Laifman, Rosen, Ross. No – 0. Absent – 0.

c. Review and Approve 2020-2021 Moral Imperatives and District Goals

On motion of Allen Rosen, seconded by Denise Helfstein, the Board of Education approved the 2020-2021 Moral Imperatives and District Goals with the recommended revision for District Goal 2.a. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Helfstein, Laifman, Rosen, Ross. No – 0. Absent – 0.

d. Discussion on Holding In-Person Meetings During COVID-19 Restrictions

Staff provided a proposal for holding hybrid board meetings where some members of the board and staff attend in person while others attend remotely. Board requested that staff test holding meetings where board members attending in person would not need to be on zoom and the meetings could still be interactive and be livestreamed for the members of the public. It was discussed that the November 17, 2020 meeting would be a hybrid board meeting. Since Governor Newsom’s executive order N-29-20 is still in place, members of the public will not be able to participate in person but will continue to be able to watch the meetings on livestream and submit comments via the public comment form.

4. BOARD POLICIES

a. Approve Amendment to Board Policy and Exhibit 3555 Nutritional Program Compliance – First Reading

On motion of Derek Ross, seconded by Allen Rosen, the Board of Education approved the Amendment to Board Policy and Exhibit 3555 Nutritional Program Compliance as First and Final Reading. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Helfstein, Laifman, Rosen, Ross. No – 0. Absent – 0.

b. Approve Amendment to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5144.1 Suspension and Expulsion Due Process – First Reading

On motion of Allen Rosen, seconded by Drew Hazelton, the Board of Education approved the Amendment to Board Policy Administrative Regulation 5144.1 Suspension and Expulsion Due Process as First and Final Reading. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Helfstein, Laifman, Rosen, Ross. No – 0. Absent – 0.

c. Approve Amendment to Board Policy and Exhibit 5145.6 Parental Notifications – First Reading

On motion of Drew Hazelton, seconded by Derek Ross, the Board of Education approved the Amendment to Board Policy and Exhibit 5145.6 Parental Notifications as First and Final Reading. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Helfstein, Laifman, Rosen, Ross. No – 0. Absent – 0.

d. Annual Review of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5116.1 Intradistrict Open Enrollment – First Reading

On motion of Derek Ross, seconded by Allen Rosen, the Board of Education approved the annual review of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5116.1 Intradistrict Open Enrollment as First and Final Reading. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Helfstein, Laifman, Rosen, Ross. No – 0. Absent – 0.

e. Annual Review of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6145 Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities – First Reading

On motion of Barbara Laifman, seconded by Allen Rosen, the Board of Education approved the annual review of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6145 Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities as First and Final Reading. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Helfstein, Laifman, Rosen, Ross. No – 0. Absent – 0.

On motion of Derek Ross, seconded by Denise Helfstein, there being no further business before this Board, the special meeting is declared adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

Date

President of the Board

Date

Clerk or Secretary of the Board