

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION –**

12-21-2020 #1014

CALL TO ORDER/MEETING PLACE

The Board of Education President, Mr. Allen Rosen, called the Special meeting to order at 6:04 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 December 21st. Members of the public were able to observe the open session of the meeting using a published live stream link. Members of the public were able to submit public comments via an online form which opened at 5:30 pm on the day of the meeting and remained open for submission of comments until the end of the meeting.

BOARD PRESENT

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

BOARD ABSENT

Charlotte Robertson, Student Board Member

STAFF PRESENT

Mrs. Ragini Aggarwal, Executive Assistant

FLAG SALUTE

Allen Rosen led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

OPEN SESSION

A. BUSINESS SESSION

1. Discussion, Selection, and Approve Contract of a Search Firms for Recruitment of a New Superintendent

On motion of Derek Ross, seconded by Denise Helfstein, the Board of Education voted to select Leadership Associates to assist the Oak Park Unified School District in the search for a new Superintendent. Motion carried Aye: Hazelton, Helfstein, Rosen, Ross, Wang. No - 0.

The Board discussed the next steps in the process, and all agreed that the District's Legal Counsel would review and recommend revision to the draft service agreement with Leadership Associates. The Board will meet on January 7, 2021 for a special meeting to

approve the Contract, and Ragini will reach out to the firms to notify the firm that was selected and notify the firms that were not selected. Ragini will also gather information from District's Legal Counsel and Leadership Associates regarding the next steps in the search process and share that information with the Board.

On motion of Drew Hazelton, seconded by Allen Rosen, there being no further business before this Board, the special meeting is declared adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Date

President of the Board

Date

Clerk or Secretary of the Board