

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

1-12-2021 #1016

CALL TO ORDER/MEETING PLACE

The Board of Education President, Mr. Allen Rosen, called the Special meeting to order at 5:02 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 January 12th. 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 4:30 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

None

STAFF PRESENT

Mrs. Ragini Aggarwal, Executive Assistant, Dr. Peggy Lynch, Search Consultant, Dr. Fred Van Leuven, Search Consultant

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Board President, Allen Rosen reported that in Closed Session the Board would be discussing:

A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT / DISCUSSION

Position: Superintendent (Government Code Section 54957)

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:04 p.m.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Board of Education President, Mr. Allen Rosen, called the special meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

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, Dr. Peggy Lynch, Search Consultant, Dr. Fred Van Leuven, Search Consultant

FLAG SALUTE

Allen Rosen led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

Board President, Allen Rosen reported that the Board took no action in closed session.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

On motion of Derek Ross, seconded by Denise Helfstein, 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. Superintendent Search Process - Discussion

The Board held a discussion with search consultants, Dr. Peggy Lynch and Dr. Fred Van Leuven from Leadership Associates, and finalized the selection process and schedule, began identifying the desired characteristics for a new superintendent, identified the groups whose input they will seek to help shape the candidate profile and finalized the online survey through which any stakeholder or interested parties can let the Board know what they would like to see in a new superintendent.

On motion of Drew Hazelton, seconded by Denise Helfstein, there being no further business before this Board, the special meeting is declared adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Date

President of the Board

Date

Clerk or Secretary of the Board