MINUTES Regular Meeting January 5, 2022



# ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

**WELCOME** 

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u> The Regular Meeting of the Orange County Board of Education was called to

order by Board President Barke at 3:39 p.m., January 5, 2022 in the Board Room.

200 Kalmus Drive, Costa Mesa, California and via YouTube live stream.

**ROLL CALL** 

Present:

Rebecca "Beckie" Gomez

Tim Shaw

Ken L. Williams, D.O.

Mari Barke

Absent:

Lisa Sparks, Ph.D.

**AGENDA** 

Motion by Williams, seconded by Gomez, and carried by a vote of 4-0 (Sparks Absent) to approve the agenda of the Regular meeting of January 5, 2022 with an amendment, moving items #4 and #5 off the consent calendar to be voted on separately.

**MINUTES** 

Motion by Williams, seconded by Gomez, and carried by a vote of 3-0-1 (Shaw Abstained, Sparks Absent) to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2021 Regular Board Meeting and the December 8, 2021 Special Board Meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (related to Closed Session) - None

The Board took a recess to conduct a closed hearing, followed by closed sessions from 3:42 p.m. to 5:25 p.m.

TIME CERTAIN

 Inter-district Appeal Hearing (closed) – 01052022001I – Santa Ana Unified School District to Tustin Unified School District.

Motion by Barke, seconded by Williams, and carried by a vote of 4-0 (Sparks Absent) to approve the appeal and allow the student to attend the Tustin Unified School District for the period of one academic year (2021-22).

Spencer Gooch, Manager, Educational Services facilitated the hearing.

**CLOSED SESSION 1** 

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION Orange County Board of Education v. OC Superintendent of Schools, Al Mijares, and

State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Tony Thurmond Case No 30-2019-01112665-CU-WM-CJC - Government Code §§ 54956.9(a) and (d)(1)

CLOSED SESSION 2 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION- Orange

County Board of Education v. Newsom Case Number S270319 - Government

Code §§ 54956.9(a) and (d)(1)

CLOSED SESSION 3 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9:

(1 case)

CLOSED SESSION 4 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9:

(1 case)

<u>INVOCATION</u> Jordan Hansen, Lead Pastor

Mesa Church, Irvine CA http://www.mesa.church

PLEDGE Tim Shaw

INTRODUCTIONS None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** 

Laura

Denise

Eddie

Laura

Stacy

Harumi

Marie

Lorrie

Claire

Closed Session Report Out Mr. Rolen reported the following:

<u>Closed Session 1</u>: The Board approved Epstein, Green & Becker's invoices by a vote of 3-1 (Shaw, Williams, and Barke voted Yes; Gomez voted No; Sparks

Absent).

Closed Session 2: No action was taken.

<u>Closed Session 3</u>: The Board voted 3-1 (Barke, Williams, and Shaw voted Yes; Gomez voted No; Sparks Absent) in favor of retaining the law firms of Epstein, Becker, and Green and Nielsen Merksamer. The Board further approved and directed counsels to initiate litigation against the Orange County Commission on

School District Organization should such litigation become necessary.

Closed Session 4: Deferred - no action was taken.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Williams, seconded by Shaw, and carried by a vote of 4-0 (Sparks

Absent) to approve consent calendar items #2 and #3.

- 2. Approve the granting of diplomas to the students listed from Alternative, Community, and Correctional Education Schools and Services, Alternative Education Division.
- 3. Approve new Board Meeting dates for August 2022 through June 2023.

# CONSENT CALENDAR (continue)

- 4. Motion by Williams, seconded by Shaw, and carried by a vote of 3-1 (Williams, Shaw, and Barke voted Yes; Gomez voted No; Sparks Absent) to approve invoice #3249277 in the amount of \$2,252.76 for Haight, Brown & Bonesteel LLP.
- Motion by Williams, seconded by Shaw, and carried by a vote of 3-1 (Williams, Shaw, and Barke voted Yes; Gomez voted No; Sparks Absent) to approve invoices #9742 in the amount of 21,924.50 (October) and #9771 in the amount of \$5,673.75 (November) for the Law Offices of Margaret A. Chidester & Associates.

### CHARTER SCHOOLS

- 6. Charter submissions None
- Suncoast Preparatory Academy Update facilitated by Aracely Chastain, Director, Charter Schools Unit.
  - Shawna MacDonald
  - Delano Jones

#### **BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 8. Motion by Williams, seconded by Barke, and carried by a vote of 3-1 (Williams, Barke, and Shaw voted Yes; Gomez voted No; Sparks Absent) to adopt the White Paper-California Ethnic Study Model Curriculum with the following corrections:

  -Joe Nalven has a Ph.D., not an Ed.D.
  - -Add social worker for Dr. Shufutinsky's occupational and vocational skill sets, as well as her employment in a private school.

The Board took a recess from 6:30 p.m. to 6:39 p.m.

- 9. Superintendent Salary 2022-2026 Term Greg Rolen.
- 10. Legal Opinion Presentation Health Contracts- Margaret A. Chidester

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Superintendent

- Blue Ribbon Awards 7 schools in Newport-Mesa, Orange Unified,
   Saddleback Valley, Los Alamitos, Centralia, and Fountain Valley
- Covid Test Kits from the State Department of Public Health
- Villa Park High School Science Center

California Department of Public Health Mask Mandate

## Deputy Superintendent

- Next board meeting is on February 2nd, 5:00 p.m., submission deadline is January 19th, packet delivery is January 28th
- Board website live, ocbe.us

### COMMUNICATION/INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

Vacancy 4<sup>th</sup> District Update

### COMMITTEE REPORT

■ Website - ocbe.us

## **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

- Trustee Gomez –Delegate Assembly dates being finalized
- Trustee Shaw Provisional Appointment

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** 

None

**ADJOURNMENT** 

On a motion duly made, and seconded, the board meeting of December 1, 2021 adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Nina Boyd

Assistant Secretary, Board of Education

Mari Barke

President, Board of Education

Next Regular Board Meeting: Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. All meetings will be held onsite at 200 Kalmus Drive, Costa Mesa, CA 92626 with limited seating and via YouTube live stream.

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