

ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES

WELCOME

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Orange County Board of Education was called to order by President Shaw at 3:40 p.m., July 3, 2024, in the Board Room, 200 Kalmus Drive, Costa Mesa, CA 92626, via YouTube live stream <https://youtube.com/live/iEwdwCQA28c?feature=share>, and two alternate locations at Signora Sparks, Localita Bosco 8/9, 87022, Cetraro, Calabria, Italy and W3139 Fairview Dr., Helenville, WI 53137.

Board President Shaw announced Vice President Lisa Sparks and Trustee Mari Barke will be joining the meeting virtually. Trustee Barke will join the meeting at a later time.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Jorge Valdes, Esq.

Lisa Sparks, Ph.D. - Joined the meeting via zoom from an alternate location.

Tim Shaw

Ken L. Williams, D.O.

Absent:

Mari Barke – Joined the meeting during closed session via zoom from an alternate location.

AGENDA

Motion by Williams, seconded by Valdes and carried by a roll call vote of 4-0 (Barke Absent) to approve the agenda of the Regular meeting on July 3, 2024.

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Motion by Williams, seconded by Valdes and carried by a roll call vote of 4-0 (Barke Absent) to approve the minutes of the June 5, 2024.

The Board took a recess from 3:41 p.m. to 5:12 p.m. to go into closed session to conduct an interdistrict appeal hearing, followed by closed session items.

TIME CERTAIN

1. Inter-district Appeal Hearing (Closed) – Student #07032024001-I ABC Unified School District to Los Alamitos Unified School District.

Motion by Valdes, seconded by Williams and carried by a roll call vote of 4-0 (Barke Absent) to approve the appeal and allow the student to attend the Los Alamitos Unified School District for the period of one academic year (2024-2025).

Dr. Daniel Ochoa, Director of Integrated Student Supports, facilitated the hearing.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS (related to Closed Session) - None

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-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Potential litigation pursuant to (d) (4) of Government Code Section 54956.9

CLOSED SESSION 3 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Potential litigation pursuant to (d) (4) of Government Code Section 54956.9

Trustee Barke joined the closed session at 4:38 p.m.

INVOCATION Pastor Gale Oliver

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dr. Susan Pritchard, Trustee, La Habra City School District

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

2. Special presentation for Dr. Al Mijares
 - Video – Congressman Lou Correa
 - Board President Shaw announced that Congresswoman Michelle Steele introduced into official congressional record a statement regarding Dr. Mijares’s accomplishments as Orange County Superintendent of Schools. A framed certificate will be sent to Dr. Mijares.
 - Video of Dr. Mijares

INTRODUCTIONS None

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

3. Oath of Office - Mr. Donald Geisinger administered the oath of office to Orange County Superintendent of Schools, Stefan Bean, Ed.D.
4. Oath of Office - Austin Lumbard, Mayor of Tustin administered the oath of office to elected Board Member, Jorge Valdes, Esq., Trustee Area 1.
5. Oath of Office – Gloria Romero, former CA Senator, administered the oath of office to reelected Board Member, Ken Williams, D.O., Trustee Area 3.

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6. Oath of Office - Karen L. Shaw, Board Member, Lowell Joint School District, administered the oath of office to reelected Board Member, Tim Shaw, Trustee Area 4.
7. Election of Officers for 2024-2025 Term – President Tim Shaw, presided for the election of President of the Board, Vice President, and Clerk of the Board.

Motion by Shaw, seconded by Valdes, and carried by a roll call vote of 4-0 (Williams Abstained) to elect Trustee Williams as Board President for the 2024-2025 term.

Motion by Williams, seconded by Shaw, and carried by a roll call vote of 5-0 to elect Trustee Barke as the Board Vice President for the 2024-2025 term.

Motion by Williams, seconded by Shaw, and carried by a vote of 5-0 to elect Trustee Valdes as the new Clerk of the Board for the 2024-2025 term.

The Board took a recess from 5:51 p.m. to 6:03 p.m.

The Board meeting resume with newly elected Board President Dr. Ken Williams and Vice President Mari Barke.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Heidi
- Stella
- Michelle
- Tien
- Betty
- Cyndie
- Daphne
- Eva
- Debra
- Sonya
- Austin

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Barke, seconded by Williams and carried by a roll call vote of 5-0 to approve Consent Calendar items #8, #9, and #10.

8. Approve the granting of diplomas to the students listed from Alternative, Community, and Correctional Education Schools and Services, Alternative Education Division.
9. Approve the signing of the certificates of merit and letters of commendation for Bridget Kaub and family of Anna Piercy.
10. Approve apportionment of Federal Forest Reserve receipts in the amount of \$30,449.19.

CHARTER SCHOOLS

11. Charter submissions – Unity Middle College High withdrew their submission.
12. Charter School Public Hearing – Ednovate-OC College Prep Countywide Charter Petition
Aracely Chastain, Director, Charter Schools Unit, facilitated the public hearing.
 - Katie Hart, Chief Operating Officer, Ednovate-OC College Prep

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Item #12 Only)

- Arthur
 - Syeda
 - Jennifer
13. Motion by Valdes, seconded by Barke and carried by a roll call vote of 5-0 to approve Option I for Ednovate-OC College Prep.
 14. Charter School Public Hearing – Orange County Classical Academy material revision
Aracely Chastain, Director, Charter Schools Unit, facilitated the public hearing.
 - Skylar Chaput, Interim Assistant Headmaster, OC Classical Academy
 - Mike Davis, OC Classical Academy

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Item #14 Only)

- Kim
 - Kathy
15. Motion by Sparks, seconded by Shaw and carried by a roll call vote of 4-0 (Barke Recused) to approve the material revision for Orange County Classical Academy.

BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS

16. Motion by Shaw, seconded by Valdes and carried by a roll call vote of 4-0 (Barke Abstained) to approve disbursement of funds for Orange County Board of Education professional organization membership dues in the amount of \$5,643.00 for CSBA County Board Member Services (CBMS), 2024-2025 fiscal year.
17. Motion by Shaw, seconded by Valdes and carried by a roll call vote of 4-0 (Barke Abstained) to approve disbursement of funds for Orange County Board of Education professional organization membership dues in the amount of \$250.00 for Orange County School Boards Association (OCSBA), 2024-2025 fiscal year.

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18. Motion by Shaw, seconded by Valdes and carried by a roll call vote of 5-0 to approve disbursement of funds for Orange County Board of Education professional organization membership dues in the amount of \$50.00 for PTA, 2024-2025 fiscal year.
19. Motion by Shaw, seconded by Valdes and carried by a roll call vote of 5-0 to approve registration and travel for Board Members to attend education related events/meetings sponsored by California School Boards Association (CSBA) and CSBA County Board Member Services (CBMS) , effective July 1, 2024 for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.
20. Motion by Shaw, seconded by Valdes and carried by a roll call vote of 5-0 to approve registration and travel for Board Members to attend education related events/meetings sponsored by California Charter Schools Association (CCSA), effective July 1, 2024 for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.
21. Motion by Shaw, seconded by Valdes and carried by a roll call vote of 5-0 to approve registration and travel for Board Members to attend education related events/meetings sponsored by Orange County School Boards Association (OCSBA), effective July 1, 2024 for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.
22. Motion by Shaw, seconded by Valdes and carried by a roll call vote of 5-0 to approve registration and travel for Board Members to attend education related events/meetings sponsored by National Alliance for Public Charter Schools, effective July 1, 2024 for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.
23. Motion by Shaw, seconded by Valdes and carried by a roll call vote of 5-0 to approve Board conference attendance cash advances for the 2024-2025 fiscal year.
24. Motion by Shaw, seconded by Barke and carried by a roll call vote of 4-1 (Shaw, Barke, Williams, and Sparks voted Yes; Valdes voted No) to adopt a motion authorizing Sheehy Strategy Group to issue a public letter to the legislature and Governor's office removing opposition to SB 907 pending amendment of the bill with the agreed-upon language.

INFORMATION ITEMS

COMMUNICATION/INFORMATION/DISCUSSION

- General Counsel Recruitment – Dr. Bean

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Superintendent

- Acknowledged board on reelection
- Commitment to serving 450,000 students, 28 districts, ACCESS & CONNECTIONS programs, and Charter Schools

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Deputy Superintendent Renee Hendrick

- Next board meeting is Wednesday, August 7; submission deadline is July 24; and board packet delivery is August 2.
- Conference schedules for 2024-25
- Update Board Pictures

Deputy Superintendent Ramon Miramontes, Ed.D.

- 2024-2025 School Year
- SIS Summer Program
- Acknowledged Staff
- Connections Program
- MTSS, PLI, and Safe Schools Conference

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS


- Trustee Barke – Oath of Office ceremony, Dr. Bean
- Trustee Sparks – Dr. Bean, General Counsel, Trustee Shaw
- Trustee Valdes – Dr. Bean, Board

Report Out

Mr. Rolan reported for Closed Session #1, the Board received information on a matter of existing litigation; no action was taken. For Closed Session #2, the Board received information on a matter of anticipated litigation; no action was taken. Mr. Rolan also noted Trustee Barke joined the closed session at 4:38 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion duly made and seconded, the July 3, 2024, board meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.



Renee Hendrick
Assistant Secretary, Board of Education



Ken L. Williams, D.O.
President, Board of Education

The next Regular Board Meeting will be on Wednesday, August 7, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. All meetings will be held onsite at 200 Kalmus Drive, Costa Mesa, CA 92626 and via YouTube live stream.

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