





# BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING AND WORKSHOP

## **Board of Education Members**

Jessie Ryan, President (Trustee Area 7)  
Christina Pritchett, Vice President (Trustee Area 3)  
Michael Minnick, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President (Trustee Area 4)  
Lisa Murawski (Trustee Area 1)  
Leticia Garcia (Trustee Area 2)  
Mai Vang (Trustee Area 5)  
Darrel Woo (Trustee Area 6)  
Olivia Ang-Olson, Student Member

**Thursday, May 21, 2020**

**4:30 p.m. Closed Session**

**6:00 p.m. Open Session**

## **Serna Center**

Community Conference Rooms  
5735 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Sacramento, CA 95824  
(See Notice to the Public Below)

# MINUTES

2019/20-26

## **1.0 OPEN SESSION / CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL**

### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC ATTENDANCE BY LIVESTREAM**

**Members of the public who wish to attend the meeting may do so by livestream at: <https://www.scusd.edu/post/watch-meeting-live>. No physical location of the meeting will be provided to the public.**

*The meeting was called to order at 4:35 p.m. by President Ryan, and roll was taken.*

#### *Members Present:*

*President Jessie Ryan  
Vice President Christina Pritchett  
Second Vice President Michael Minnick  
Leticia Garcia  
Lisa Murawski  
Mai Vang  
Darrel Woo*

#### *Members Absent:*

*Student Member Olivia Ang-Olson (arrived at 6:00 p.m.)*

## **2.0 ANNOUNCEMENT AND PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION**

*None*

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT AND DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION:**

***Public comment will only be submitted in writing, identifying the matter number and the name of the public member through <https://tinyurl.com/SCUSDCCommentMay21> or e-mailed to [publiccomment@scusd.edu](mailto:publiccomment@scusd.edu). The submission deadline for closed session items shall be no later than 3:30 p.m., May 21. The submission deadline for all***



*Second Vice President Minnick said he appreciates staff and noted that parents are on*

7.3 2020-2021 Teacher of the Year (Cancy McArn and Tiffany Smith Simmons)

*Human Resources Director Tiffany Smith Simmons announced that the District Teachers of the Year are April Braun of Rosemont High School (Advanced Placement and English Language Development) and Kaunsausha Monterio of the School of Engineering and Science (Resource Specialist).*

*Public Comment:*

*Alison French-Tubo  
Jeremy Webster-Hawkins*

*Board Comments:*

*None*

7.4 Approve Resolution No. 3138: In Recognition of Classified School Employees Week, May 17-23, 2020 (Cancy McArn, Tiffany Smith Simmons and Christina Villegas)

**ACTION  
(Roll Call Vote)**

*Director of Human Resources Christina Villegas presented.*

*Public Comment:*

*None*

*Board Comments:*

*Vice President Pritchett motioned to approve this item. Member Woo seconded and the motion was unanimously passed.*

7.5 Approve Resolution No. 3139: Requesting Federal Funding to Support Public Schools in Response to COVID-19 Economic Impacts and Resolution No. 3140: To Prioritize Public School Funding in the 2020-21 State Budget in Response to COVID-19 Economic Impacts (Raoul Bozio)

**ACTION  
(Roll Call Vote)**

*President Ryan spoke about the efforts being made on the Federal and State fronts and In House Counsel Raoul Bozio presented key provisions of the resolutions.*

*Public Comment:*

*None*

*Board Comments:*

*Member Woo shared, on behalf of the California School Board Association*



*contract expires June 2020; what will be bargained in negotiations will be for the 2020-2023 successor contract.*

*Public Comment:*

*None*

*Board Comments:*

*None*

*Second Vice President Minnick motioned to approve, and Member Woo seconded. The motion passed 6-1 with President Ryan away from the dais.*

9.2 *Hearing to Receive Public Comment and Approval of the District's Initial Proposals Regarding Teamsters Union, Local 150 Collective Bargaining Agreement Negotiations for 2020-2023 (Cancy McArn) [No preferential vote.]*

**Action  
(Roll Call Vote)**

*Chief Human Resources Officer Cancy McArn presented. She explained that the reason for the public hearing is to share intent to bargain proposals that relate to matters within the scope of negotiations and that the District's initial proposals (sunshines) are being presented. The current Teamsters contract expires June 2020; what will be bargained in negotiations will be for the 2020-2023 successor contract.*

*Public Comment:*

*None*

*Board Comments:*

*Second Vice President Minnick motioned to approve, and Member Woo seconded. The motion passed unanimously.*

9.3 *Hearing to Receive Public Comment and Approval of the District's Initial Proposals Regarding Teamsters Classified Supervisors (TCS), Collective Bargaining Agreement Negotiations for 2020-2023 (Cancy McArn) [No preferential vote.]*

**Action  
(Roll Call Vote)**

*Chief Human Resources Officer Cancy McArn presented. She explained that the reason for the public hearing is to share intent to bargain proposals that relate to matters within the scope of negotiations and that the District's initial proposals (sunshines) are being presented. The current TCS contract expires June 2020; what will be bargained in negotiations will be for the 2020-2023 successor contract.*



*Public Comment:*

*None*

*Board Comments:*

*Vice President Pritchett motioned to pass the Item. Member Woo seconded, and the Item passed unanimously.*

**10.0 BOARD WORKSHOP/STRATEGIC PLAN AND OTHER INITIATIVES**

*10.1*

percent, which is formidable seeing that the District is a half a billion dollar organization.

Second Vice President Minnick motioned to approve this Item. Vice President Pritchett seconded, and the Item passed unanimously.

10.2 Update on Progress Toward State Auditor and FCMAT Recommendations to Revise Board Policy (BP) 3100: Business and Noninstructional Operations (Budget Reserves and Use of One-Time Funds) (Rose F. Ramos)

**First Reading  
(Information)**

Chief Business Officer Rose Ramos presented and explained that the current required percentage by law and Board policy is two percent. BP 3100 would increase that to five percent. Ms. Ramos went over the benefits of an increase to the reserve percentage and the dollar amounts such an increase would represent. She also went over the proposed use of one-time funds and the benefits of a Board policy and clear guidance on one-time funds.

Public Comment:

None

Board Comments:

Member Garcia asked what will be the plan to get the reserve to five percent. Ms. Ramos answered that this is a goal; first the deficit will need to be met. This, however, puts a policy in place which sets what the District wants to achieve. Member Garcia said that she feels it still is important to have a plan in place to meet the goal once we are out of the deficit situation.

Member Murawski thanked Ms. Ramos for her focus on this issue. She spoke about the state budget reserve, how within education other Districts have reserved around 15 percent on average, and the importance of having adequate reserves. She feels five percent is a very reasonable number for the size of this district. She suggested a delayed implementation be included in the policy language as she feels this cannot be implemented within the next two years. She made suggestions on language for the one-time funds: as to what funds they are, what we fund with them, and when they run out. She also suggested that we create a process with a form that shows this information.

President Ryan thanked Ms. Ramos for bringing this matter back before the Board. She does not want us to lose sight of this because of the fiscal crisis we are in currently.

10.3 *May Revise Budget Update and District's Fiscal Recovery Plan*  
(Rose F. Ramos)

**Information**

*Chief Business Officer Rose Ramos, Leilani Aguinaldo from School Services of California, and Chief Continuous Improvement and Accountability Officer Vince Harris presented. They gave an update from School Services of California on the State budget and presented the impact of that on the District's projected multi-year projections. They also reported on District cash in 2020-21 and 2021-22 and the fiscal recovery plan. Tammy Sanchez, Chief Business Officer from the Sacramento County Office of Education, presented as well.*

*Public Comment:*

*None*

*Board Comments:*

*President Ryan asked Ms. Sanchez if there are steps that the District can take to avoid receivership. Ms. Sanchez said that yes, it is not too late and that the District can still make cuts in time to put off or maybe completely eliminate the need for a State loan. Hopefully there will be more federal money; however certainly what the District gets from the federal government is not enough to solve the problem. It might push it out a few months. Ms. Sanchez said to start with the \$27 million that we know about and then add on the amounts that the District will get next month when we get the adopted budget, as there will then be a new number to try and reach with the cuts from the May Revision.*

*President Ryan asked, as we have very little room for cuts and seeing the challenging May Revision numbers, what is our timeline to be able to arrive at the negotiated saving necessary to prevent us from being pushed over the fiscal cliff. Ms. Sanchez said that there is enough time until the District runs out of cash; the county administrator does not get assigned until the loan is funded. Therefore, there is a short period of time to make these cuts and get them implemented in time to avoid this, but once the loan is funded there is nothing more that can be done to avoid receivership.*

*Member Garcia asked about tools that are available for school districts, including the exemption from deferrals for hardship reasons. Ms. Aguinaldo replied that this is a flexibility that is proposed at this point in trailer bill language and is for the 2021 fiscal year.*

*Ms. Sanchez said if the District could use this exemption in its best case scenario, cash would be depleted in July instead of April. Member Garcia asked if the \$57 million deficit number includes STRS and PERS projected savings of \$6 million and \$5.6 million. Ms. Ramos said that it does not because the details were not yet available.*

*Member Garcia also asked if there are other opportunities within interfund borrowing on a short term basis. Ms. Ramos said it is just*

*like a short term loan and generally has to be paid back within the same fiscal year. Member Garcia said it would be helpful going*



*or resolved in some way. Where we sit now is that, per FCMAT and the state auditor, the District is in trouble. To deliver a full suite of high quality services to every child in the District will continue to be a struggle because that will take a healthy organization where all leaders of the organization are on the same page with what they are doing and how they perceive when budget should help or hinder reaching that goal. Superintendent Gordon said that the County is here to stay alongside the District to help keep verifying the numbers and see what the District's options are, but he feels it is the collective will of everyone involved in the organization that will make it happen.*

*President Ryan said this will be the source of much discussion within the coming weeks and months, and we will do everything in our power to make sure we are keeping the public informed. She said we are in the process of trying to put in place a couple different formats of town hall in order to do a deeper dive into the budget decisions.*

**11.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

**(Roll Call Vote)\* [(hal)-2(l)-2.4 415.68g.aA arlrl d. Sho8g.aA arlg**

