BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

June 27, 2023

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education 2263 Santa Clara Avenue Alameda, California 94501

UNADOPTED MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING: The regular meeting of the Board of Education was held at the date and location mentioned above.

A. CALL TO ORDER

1. Public Comment on Closed Session Topics:

The Board did not receive any public comments related to this agenda.

2. Adjourn to Closed Session - 5:30 PM

Board of Education Members present: Board President Heather Little, Board Vice President Megan Sweet, Board Clerk Gary K. Lym, Board Trustee Jennifer Williams (*participated remotely*), and Board Trustee Ryan LaLonde.

Items discussed in Closed Session:

Conference with Labor Negotiators – (Govt. Code, §54957.6, subd. (a)) Agency designated representative: Heather Little, President, Board of Education.

Unrepresented Employee: Superintendent

3. Reconvene to Public Session - 6:30PM

Board President Little reconvened the meeting at 6:30PM.

4. Call to Order - Pledge of Allegiance

Board of Education President Heather Little led the Pledge of Allegiance

5. Introduction of Board Members and Staff:

Board of Education Members present: Board President Heather Little, Board Vice President Megan Sweet, Board Clerk Gary K. Lym, and Board Trustee Ryan LaLonde.

Board of Education Members absent: Board Trustee Jennifer Williams

AUSD staff members present: Superintendent Pasquale Scuderi, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, Timothy Erwin; Assistant Superintendent, Business Services Shariq Khan; Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services, Kirsten Zazo; Senior Manager of Community Affairs, Susan Davis and Senior Executive Assistant to the Superintendent, Kerri Lonergan.

6. <u>Closed Session Action Report:</u>

The Board did not take any action in Closed Session:

B. MODIFICATION(S) OF THE AGENDA:

There were no modifications of the agenda.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the May 31st Special Board meeting were considered for approval.

Motion to approve the minutes from the May 31st Special Board of Education meeting.

MOTION: Member Lym SECONDED: Member Sweet

AYES: Members Little, Sweet, Lym, and LaLonde

NOES:

ABSENT: Member Williams

MOTION APPROVED

D. COMMUNICATIONS

1. <u>Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items:</u>

There were no public comments during this agenda item.

2. Written Correspondence:

The Board did not receive any emails related to tonight's agenda.

3. Report from Employee Organizations:

Nancy Read Incoming Co-President of AEA: Ms. Read introduced herself as one of the two incoming co-President's of AEA. Ms. Read stated she and Martha Zenk are excited to be in their new roles, and they look forward to working with the Board and staff.

4. Report from PTA Council:

Gabriella Badilla, PTA Council President: Ms. Badilla announced most schools will have social events over the summer. Ms. Badilla stated the members of PTAC are very excited to get to work on the Parcel Tax renewal campaign.

5. <u>Board Members' Report:</u>

Board Vice President Megan Sweet: Board Vice President Sweet thanked the teachers and staff of AUSD for a terrific school year. Board Vice President Sweet wished everyone a wonderful summer.

Board Clerk Gary Lym: Board Clerk Lym thanked his colleagues on the Board for their work over the last school year Board Clerk Lym stated he knows how much work it is to balance this work, along with day jobs and they work they do to support their families. Board Clerk Lym also thanked Superintendent Scuderi and Senior Executive Assistant Kerri Lonergan for their work and support this year.

Board President Heather Little: Board President Little seconded Board Clerk Lym's comments and she wished the AUSD community a wonderful summer. Board President Little stated she is looking forward to seeing everyone back in August.

6. <u>Superintendent's Report:</u>

Superintendent Pasquale Scuderi: Superintendent Scuderi stated his comments will come during the first General Business agenda item.

E. ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1) Certificated Personnel Actions
- 2) Classified Personnel Actions
- 3) Approval and Acceptance of Donations
- 4) Approval of 2023-24 Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Programs
- Approval of 2023-24 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Federal Addendum
- 6) Approval of Bill Warrants and Payroll Registers
- Approval of Facilities Bond Measure I and Measure B Contracts (Standing Item)
- 8) Approval of Single Plans for Student Achievement (SPSAs) for 2023-24 School Year
- 9) Approval of Special Education Local Plan Area Master Contracts
- 10) Approval of the Formation of a Qualified Contractor Pool to Perform Measure B Lease-Leaseback Construction Services
- 11) Pre-approval of Out-of-State Field Trip Request: EJSHS's Radio Broadcast Program to Orlando, Florida
- 12) Ratification of Contracts Executed Pursuant to Board Policy 3300
- 13) Resolution No. 2022-2023.62 Annual Signature Authorization for the State of California Department of Rehabilitation Grant Documentation for FY 2023-2024
- 14) Resolution No. 2022-2023.63 Approval of Budget Transfers, Increases, Decreases
- 15) Resolution No. 2022-2023.64 Approval of Participation in Bids/Contracts of Other Public Agencies (Piggyback Contracts) and Authority to Award Piggyback Contracts for FY 2023-2024
- 16) Resolution No. 2022-2023.65 Annual Authorization of the Superintendent and/or Assistant Superintendent of Business Services to Sign Orders Drawn on the District Funds During the Summer until August 8, 2023
- 17) Resolution No. 2022-2023.66 Annual Authorization for Superintendent and/or Assistant Superintendent of Business Services to Accept Low Apparent Bid Awards During the Summer Until August 8, 2023

- 18) Resolution No. 2022-2023.67 Annual Delegation of Authority to Approve Year-End Budget Transfers
- 19) Resolution No. 2022-2023.68 Approval to Establish Temporary Interfund Transfers
- 20) Resolution No. 2022-2023.69 Appointment of Authorized Agents to Sign Warrants & Disbursements on District's Non-County Treasury Bank Accounts
- 21) Resolution No. 2022-2023.70 Delegation of Authority to Purchase and Contract
- 22) Resolution No. 2022-2023.71 Appointment of Authorized Agents to Sign Official Documents and Reports
- 23) Resolution No. 2022-2023.75 Authorization for Superintendent and/or Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources to Extend Offers of Employment During the Summer Until August 8, 2023

Motion to adopt the Consent Calendar.

MOTION: Member Sweet SECONDED: Member Lym

AYES: Members Little, Sweet, Lym, and LaLonde

NOES:

ABSENT: Member Williams

MOTION APPROVED

F. GENERAL BUSINESS

1. <u>Year-End Review: Celebrating Progress and Sustaining Focus on Challenges</u> Superintendent Scuderi shared an update on the progress made on priority projects during the 2022-2023 school year.

Superintendent Scuderi stated there are reasons to celebrate and articulate areas of progress, but there are also challenges ahead. He reminded the audience of the need to be persistent so that we can replicate positive outcomes, while being mindful of fiscal realities.

Superintendent Scuderi reviewed major progress and successes of this past year, including in the areas of instruction, student supports, African American achievement, special education, assessments, HR, business, and communications.

Public Comments:

Caroline Brossard, parent of AUSD student: Ms. Brossard asks how AUSD ensures maximum participation in teacher Professional Development. Ms. Brossard also stated she appreciates the Superintendent's honesty about African American students' math outcomes.

2. Update on Exploration of Potential Parcel Tax Renewal

Superintendent Scuderi introduced Jeremy Hauser and Sarah LaBlatt from TeamCivX, LLC and EMC Research, Inc. to give the Board information on the exploration of a potential Parcel Tax as Measures B1 (approved in 2016) and A (approved in 2020) expire in the coming year. The combined taxes provide more than \$22 million per year to AUSD's budget and are crucial to maintaining core programs for students and competitive salaries for staff. Measure B1 expires in 2025; Measure A expires in 2027.

It is a shared interest of the District and the community to maintain both programs funded by Measure B1 and salaries that will attract and retain excellent employees. To measure public support for a renewal of these local revenue measures, the District contracted with to conduct and analyze an opinion survey of likely voters in the District to assess the feasibility of renewing the parcel taxes: Measure B1 and Measure A.

Between May 24 and June 1, 600 Alameda residents were surveyed about their support for the District and the possibility of renewing the two measures. Mr. Hauser and Ms. LaBlatt gave the Board an update on the work done to explore a potential parcel tax and will discuss initial polling results.

Mr. Hauser and Ms. LaBlatt reviewed the results of a recent poll designed to gauge voter support of a potential combination and renewal of parcel tax Measures B1 and A, which sunset in 2016 and 2020, respectively. Several different rate structures were tested. Mr. Hauser and Ms. LaBlatt recommended AUSD move toward placing a measure to combine and renew the two parcel taxes on the ballot next year. They explained that if the Board agreed and wanted to place a parcel tax measure on the ballot, the Board would vote to do this later this fall.

Public Comments:

Caroline Brossard, parent of AUSD student: Ms. Brossard asked about flat rate taxes.

The Board discussed the various options presented by the consultants. All the options presented would raise the same amount of money as the current parcel taxes bring in. As with the current parcel taxes, exemptions would be available for senior citizens and people who receive social security disability insurance (SSDI).

3. Approval of Measure B Wood Middle School Schematic Design

Mark Quattrocchi, of Quattrocchi Kwok Architects (QKA) presented the Wood Middle School Campus Modernization project for Board approval. The schematic design for the Wood Middle School Campus Modernization Measure B project follows the District's updated Facilities Master Plan, the Measure B approved project list, the critical facility needs identified per Measure I, as well as established priorities as acknowledged at site committee meetings held on December 8, 2022, January 12, 2023, February 2, 2023, March 2, 2023, April 5, 2023, and April 25, 2023.

The Wood Middle School campus transformation replaces all but the existing multi-purpose building and provides a new two-story classroom building, a new administration/library building and a new gymnasium.

The campus layout provides a new access road with a drop-off for improved student safety and a more efficient entrance. The drop-off connects to a new access road and parking for the future Alameda High School athletic stadium. The project also provides a temporary campus of portable buildings at the demolished Lum campus for temporary housing during construction - this temporary campus will also be used by Otis Elementary School during their Measure B construction project.

The current design includes the creation of a safe drop-off zone for students. Portions of the new drop-off and parking lot are on the City of Alameda's property. The District is working with the City of Alameda to gain an easement for the portion of the City's property.

If the Board approves tonight, QKA will prepare detailed designs for submission to the Division of the State Architect. Construction on this project is estimated to begin in October 2024 and it is estimated to cost approximately\$81 million.

The Board discussed:

- Enrollment capacity of school, which is currently projected to be 675 students based on demographic projections;
- What would happen if enrollment numbers are more than the projected number? (More classrooms could be built if needed);
- Student safety during construction (temporary campus away from WMS).
- Renovation versus new construction, and when this decision was made?
- The feasibility of portables on the former Lum campus?
- Plans for more family/student engagement in Fall;

Motion to Approve Demolition and Site Prep and Come Back to Review Schematic Design at Another Time?

MOTION: Member Sweet SECONDED: Member Lym

AYES: Members Sweet

NOES: Members Little, Lym, and LaLonde

ABSENT: Member Williams

MOTION FAILS

Superintendent Scuderi reminded the Board that that any changes to the schedule for the Wood Project would make it nearly impossible to meet the target completion date.

Motion to approve the Schematic Design and Budget for the Wood Middle School Project

MOTION: Member Lym **SECONDED:** Member Williams

AYES: Members Little, Lym, and LaLonde

NOES: Member Sweet

ABSENT: Member Williams

MOTION APPROVED

4. <u>Approval of Measure B Emma Hood Swim Center at Alameda High School</u> Schematic Design

Quattrocchi Kwok Architects (QKA) and AUSD's Construction staff will present the Alameda High School Swim Center Project for Board approval. The schematic design for the Alameda High School Swim Center Measure B project follows the district's updated Facilities Master Plan, Measure B approved project list, critical facility needs identified per Measure I, as well as established priorities as acknowledged at site committee and user group meetings held on February 22, 2023, April 6, 2023, and May 2, 2023.

The replacement Alameda High School Swim Center (previously Emma Hood Swim Center) provides vastly improved aquatic facilities for AUSD students and the City of Alameda including a new 12-lane x 30-meter competition pool for swim and water polo, a 4-lane practice pool, new pool deck with lighting, all new non-climbable fencing, and other aquatic amenities. The project also provides a new tennis court to replace a demolished court as needed for the enlarged pools.

Following Board approval, QKA will prepare detailed designs for submission to the Division of the State Architect. Construction on this project is estimated to begin in the Summer of 2024.

This project is jointly funded by AUSD and the City of Alameda, with both parties contributing \$7.5M for a total project budget of \$15M.

also presented by architect Mark Quattrocchi. Background: Measure B also provides funds for replacing the long-beleaguered Emma Hood pool with a modern swim center for use of both AUSD and City including a 12-lane competition pool, a 4-lane practice pool, new bleachers, pool deck, & scoreboard.

Construction expected to be complete in June 2025. Board discussion: 1-meter diving board & pool depth will allow for AHS diving program. Board votes 4-0 to approve

Motion to approve the Schematic Design and Budget for the Emma Hood Swim Center at Alameda High School Project.

MOTION: Member Lym **SECONDED:** Member Sweet

AYES: Members Little, Sweet, Lym, and LaLonde

NOES:

ABSENT: Member Williams

MOTION APPROVED

5. Approval of 2023-24 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP)

Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services Kirsten Zazo presented the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) for the Board's approval. The LCAP is a three-year plan that describes the goals, actions, services, and expenditures to support positive student outcomes that address state and local priorities. The LCAP provides an opportunity for local educational agencies (LEAs) to share their stories of how, what, and why programs and services are selected to meet their local needs.

Alameda Unified's LCAP was presented for public hearing at the June 13, 2023 Board of Education meeting. Staff asked for the Board's approval of the LCAP. If approved, AUSD's Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) will be submitted to the Alameda County Office of Education (ACOE) for county approval.

The LCAP is a three-year budget blueprint that details the actions a district will take to reach specific state and local goals.

Motion to Approve 2023-24 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP).

MOTION: Member Sweet **SECONDED:** Member Lym

AYES: Members Little, Sweet, Lym, and LaLonde

NOES:

ABSENT: Member Williams

MOTION APPROVED

6. Presentation of 2022-2023 Local Indicators

California's Accountability System is based on multiple measures that assess how Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) and schools are meeting the needs of their students. Performance on these measures is reported on the California School Dashboard (Dashboard). For Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) priorities where data is not collected at the state level, an LEA will measure and report its progress through the Dashboard based on locally collected data called Local Indicators.

This item will include a presentation of the Local Indicators as required by Education Code during the same meeting as the LCAP adoption. The Local Indicators are subsequently submitted to the state in the fall of the following year for publication via the Dashboard.

presented by Senior Manager of Data, Assessment, and Research Lindsey Jenkins-Stark. Background: School districts are required to report the annual results of local LCAP indicators and also highlight one of those indicators. Tonight staff will report on results of the Family Relationships & Trust survey provided to all families this year. High level summary: Average score on all

questions was 4 ("agree"), but families of non-binary students express less trust. AUSD currently hiring LGBTQ+ liaison; planning PD for teachers/staff to support non-binary students and families starting in August. Board discussion: About 20 percent of families responded to the survey; appreciation for LGBTQ+ supports, especially teacher PD, and also for tracking of responses of families of LGBTQ+ students.

7. Adoption of Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 and Approval of Resolution No. 2022-2023.72 Designating Certain General Funds as Committed Fund Balance

Assistant Superintendent of Business Services Shariq Khan gave the Board information on the Adoption of the Budget for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year.

Education Code 42127(a) and (b) require that school districts file an adopted operating budget for all funds with the County Superintendent of Schools by July 1 of each fiscal year and that a Public Hearing be held prior to the adoption of the budget. A Public Hearing on the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 was held on June 13, 2023. The Board of Education heard public comments and did not request any changes.

Further, to maintain a prudent level of financial resources to protect against the need to reduce service levels, and to comply with the requirements of the Government Standards Accounting Board (GASB) statement number 54, staff also recommends that the Board adopt Resolution No. 2022-2023.72 Designating Certain General Funds as Committed Fund Balances.

Tonight, staff is recommending that the Board adopt the Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

Motion to approve the Adoption of the Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 and Approval of Resolution No. 2022-2023.72 Designating Certain General Funds as Committed Fund Balance?

MOTION: Member Sweet SECONDED: Member LaLonde

AYES: Members Little, Sweet, Lym, and LaLonde

NOES:

ABSENT: Member Williams

MOTION APPROVED

8. Approval of Resolution No. 2022-2023.73 Education Protection Account (EPA) Spending Plan for 2023-2024

Assistant Superintendent of Business Services Shariq Khan gave the Board information on the Educational Protection Account (EPA) Spending Plan for 2023-2024. Pursuant to Article XIII, Section 36 of the California Constitution, school districts, county offices of education, and community college districts are required to determine how the money received from the Education Protection Account will be spent in the schools within its jurisdiction. The language in the constitutional amendment requires that funds shall not be used for the salaries and benefits of administrators or any other administrative costs.

Before June 30th of each year, the District estimates the total amount of additional revenues that will be available for transfer into the Education Protection Account.

The Education Protection Account proposed spending plan was presented to the Board at its June 13 meeting and staff asked the Board to approve the proposed 2023-2024 Education Protection Account Spending Plan by adopting Resolution No. 2022-2023.73.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 2022-2023.73 Education Protection Account (EPA) Spending Plan for 2023-2024?

MOTION: Member Lym SECONDED: Member Sweet

AYES: Members Little, Sweet, Lym, and LaLonde

NOES:

ABSENT: Member Williams

MOTION APPROVED

9. Approval of 2023-2024 Contracts between Alameda Unified School District and Alameda Family Services

Prior to the presentation of this agenda item, Board President Heather Little disclosed she is contracted by Alameda Family Services to assist them with securing their CARF accreditation. President Little explained she does not have a direct or non-remote interest in the outcome of the contracts being reviewed but she is recusing herself from participating in the discussion and vote of this agenda item. President Little announced Board Vice President Megan Sweet will chair the remainder of the meeting.

First, the Professional Services Agreement for \$115,000 to place an additional therapist, supported by a 3-year Student Behavioral Health Incentive Program (SBHIP) grant, at Alameda High School and Encinal Junior & Senior High School's School Based Health Centers (SBHC) for the 2023-24 school year.

SBHIP is an incentive program, with funding contingent on achievement of the intervention measures and outcomes. SBHIP funding flows from the State to the Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans (Alameda Alliance for Health and Anthem Blue Cross) who then will allocate to the LEAs or other partners, as appropriate, to implement the interventions.

Second, staff asked for approval of the annual Food Services Agreement with AFS/Head Start with meal pricing payable to AUSD at \$2.75 per breakfast, \$3.75 per lunch, and \$2.25 per snack.

Motion to Approve the 2023-2024 Contracts between Alameda Unified School District and Alameda Family Services?

MOTION: Member Lym SECONDED: Member LaLonde

AYES: Members Sweet, Lym, and LaLonde

NOES:

ABSENT: Members Little and Williams

MOTION APPROVED

G. ADJOURNMENT – Board Vice President Megan Sweet adjourned the meeting at 9:46pm

Respectively Submitted,

Kerri Lonergan Senior Executive Assistant Alameda Unified School