BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

September 24, 2024 Regular Meeting of the Board of Education 2263 Santa Clara Avenue Alameda, California 94501

ADOPTED 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. <u>Public Comment on Closed Session Topics</u>:

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 Jennifer Williams, Board Vice President Gary K. Lym, Board Clerk Ryan LaLonde, Board Trustee Heather Little, and Board Trustee Margie Sherratt.

Staff present for Closed Session: Superintendent Pasquale Scuderi and Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, Shariq Khan.

Items discussed in Closed Session:

Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Govt. Code §54956.8) Agency designated representative: Shariq Khan, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services (one case):

- 1) Property address: 210 Central Avenue, Alameda, California 94501
- 3. Reconvene to Public Session 6:30PM

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

4. Call to Order - Pledge of Allegiance

Board of Education President Jennifer Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. Introduction of Board Members and Staff:

Board of Education Members present: Board President Jennifer Williams, Board Vice President Gary Lym, Board Clerk Ryan LaLonde, Board Trustee Heather Little, and Board Trustee Margie Sherratt.

Student Board Members Lianna Lau from ASTI, Eugene Kruger from Encinal Jr. & Sr. High School, and Tabitha Kim from Alameda High School were present.

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>:

There was no action taken during Closed Session.

B. MODIFICATION(S) OF THE AGENDA:

There were no modifications to the agenda.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the August 27th Regular Board of Education meeting were considered for approval.

Motion to approve the minutes from the August 27th Board of Education meeting.

MOTION: Member Little SECONDED: Member LaLonde

STUDENT BOARD MEMBER VOTES

AYES: NOES:

ABSTAIN: Student Board Members Lau, Kruger, and Kim

BOARD MEMBER VOTES

AYES: Members Williams, Lym, LaLonde, Little, and Sherratt

NOES: ABSENT:

MOTION APPROVED

D. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items:

Joyce Boyd, parent of AUSD student and candidate for Board Trustee: Ms. Boyd let the audience, and the Board know about upcoming election forums. Ms. Boyd stated the forums are sponsored by the League of Women Voters and the Alameda Post.

2. Written Correspondence:

The Board received one email regarding General Business item #4, the Resolution for Certification of Textbooks and Instructional Materials for grades K-12 for the 2024-2025 School Year.

3. Report from Employee Organizations:

Nancy Read and Martha Zenk, co-presidents, Alameda Education Association (AEA): AEA Co-President Nancy Read commented on the recent heat wave, she also thanked Alameda Education Foundation's Executive Director, Vicki Sedlack for all her work to put on the recent Back-to-School BBQ. Ms. Read

also thanked Governor Newsom for signing the Phone Free School Act that will come into effect in the coming years.

Amy Keegan, president, California School Employees Association, Chapter 27 (CSEA 27): Ms. Keegan announced that CSEA 27 has ratified an MOU for a new job description, which is technology assistant. Ms. Keegan also announced their bargaining group is looking to update the language in the MOU related to administering anti-seizure medication. Ms. Keegan explained this change reflects a shift from the use of a specific treatment to any applicable treatment. Ms. Keegan also explained that the provision regarding voluntary participation in this training remains unchanged, and CSEA 27 leadership anticipates having the updated MOU hopefully ready for a vote by the members at the October 7th chapter meeting.

4. Report from PTA Council:

Katie Honegger President, PTA Council: Ms. Honegger introduced Jessica Bailey, the Vice President of at Otis Elementary School.

Ms. Bailey stated the Otis PTA had 132 members last year and they are hoping to surpass that this year. Ms. Bailey also talked about what the PTA buys with the money they raise at Otis. She explained the biggest things the money goes to are the STEAM instructor and all the supplies for the Beth Aney STEAM lab.

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

Board Clerk Ryan LaLonde: Board Clerk LaLonde thanked Alameda Education Foundation for putting on their Back to School BBQ. Board Clerk LaLonde said it was a fun event and he saw a lot of AUSD administrators there.

Board Member Heather Little: Board Member Little to the community that she has recently been diagnosed with cancer and she will be undergoing treatments starting tomorrow. Board Member Little stated she will probably miss a few meetings over the next several months, and she is going to change physically.

Board Member Little stated she is going to have to miss some of the school site events since she will be immunocompromised due to the treatments she will be receiving, but she wanted to make sure that the audience and community know that she has been receiving excellent support from her medical team, her family, friends, and colleagues, and she fully expects to be able to carry out her duties as a Board member in this district over the coming months.

Board Member Little stated she is looking forward to maintaining this normalcy. Board Member Little thanked the Board and the other members of the community and AUSD district leadership, who've known about this for a bit and who've been supporting her through this process so far.

Board Member Little stated the community has been so wonderfully compassionate and generous, and she wants everyone to know that right now she is really being taken care of. Board Member Little stated the best thing that the community members can do for her is to focus on the work at hand in AUSD and not on her illness.

Board Member Little stated that she knows people like to feel as though they are helping and so she has created something called a Caring Bridge, which is how she communicates about her health. Board Member Little asked that people please not reach out to her for updates, but instead join her Caring Bridge where she will be posting very transparent updates. Board Member Little stated people can reach out to Kerri Lonergan at the District Office if they need help finding the Caring Bridge link.

Board Member Margie Sherratt: Board Member Sherratt stated the full Board is in support of Board Member Little, and they are all there for her should she need anything.

Board President Jennifer Williams: Board President Jennifer Williams stated she is here for anything Board Member Little needs, and the full Board will support her however she needs support. Board President Williams closed her report by telling Board Member Little that the Board has her back.

6. Superintendent's Report:

Superintendent Pasquale Scuderi: Superintendent Scuderi also shared his support of Board Member Little as she undergoes treatment. Superintendent Scuderi thanked the administrators and staff at Lincoln, Earhart, and Alameda High for welcoming him on his recent visits. Superintendent Scuderi gave the Board information about the following topics:

- Congratulations to ASTI on being one of 32 schools in the state to receive a Blue Ribbon by the US Department of Education
- Thank you to Island's new principal, Mr. Melgoza for hosting a very well attended student assembly
- Thank you to our Elementary principals for being very candid as we discuss program and position sustainability
- Thank you to Governor Newsom for signing the Phone Free Schools Act. We will have more information on what this will mean for AUSD in the coming weeks and months.

7. Student Board Member Report:

Student Board Member Lianna Lau (ASTI): Student Board Member Lau announced ASTI had a very successful Club Day which was last Friday. They where we welcomed 7 new clubs, which comes out to a total of 16 clubs at ASTI. Now, which is a pretty big number for our school. Student Board Member Lau stated the second Annual College Fair Night is tonight, where all district students are welcome to attend and learn more about potential colleges, and that is held at the college of Alameda in the gymnasium. Student Board Member Lau ended her report by expressing her support for Board Member Heather Little and she stated that she admired Board Member Little's courage.

Student Board Member Eugene Kruger (EJSHS): Student Board Member Kruger stated Encinal's Voter Registration Event was held last week and it was a tremendous success. Staff from the League of Women Voter's complimented Encinal students, saying, they were welcoming, organized, and incredibly respectful. Student Board Member Kruger also stated there is a new Filipino American display at the school library which was held courtesy of Cynthia Bonta. The display will also be shown at the upcoming Filipino Island festival. Student Board Member Kruger ended his report by letting Board Member Heather Little know he is wishing her a very successful recovery from the illness she announced at the beginning of the meeting.

Student Board Member Tabitha Kim (AHS): Student Board Member Kim stated that similar to Encinal, they held a Voter Registration Event that was attended by 500 students. Student Board Member Kim also announced the upcoming Black History Month and Hispanic and Latinx Festivals that will be held at the school. Student Board Member Kim announced the senior class is selling tickets to the upcoming Senior Banquet, and they are also selling a Breast Cancer Awareness Month hoodie at the school.

E. ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1. Classified Personnel Actions
- 2. Certificated Personnel Actions
- 3. Approval and Acceptance of Donations
- 4. Approval of Bill Warrants and Payroll Registers
- 5. Approval of Board Policy/Administrative Regulation 5145.9 Hate-Motivated Behavior
- 6. Approval of Board Policy/Administrative Regulation 6115 Ceremonies and Observances
- 7. Approval of CSBA Recommended Updates to Board Policies Reviewed at the September 12th Board Policy Subcommittee Meeting
- 8. Approval of Facilities Bond Measure I and Measure B Contracts (Standing Item)
- 9. Approval of Individual Service Agreements (ISAs) with Non-Public Schools and Non-Public Agencies
- 10. Approval of New Job Descriptions: Environmental Health and Safety Technician and Technology Assistant
- 11. Proclamation: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer/Questioning History Month October
- 12. Proclamation: National Domestic Violence Awareness Month October
- 13. Proclamation: World Teachers' Day October 5, 2023
- 14. Ratification of Contracts Executed Pursuant to Board Policy 3300
- 15. Resolution No. 2024-2025.13 Approval of Budget Transfers, Increases, Decreases
- 16. Resolution No. 2024-2025.14 Authorization to Dispose of Surplus Property

Motion to adopt the Consent Calendar.

Prior to the Board voting on this item, Board Clerk LaLonde called attention to the fact that the Board Policy Subcommittee put some more energy and robustness to Board Policy/Administrative Regulation 5145.9 Hate-Motivated Behavior. Board Clerk LaLonde stated specifically the Subcommittee beefed up the part around retaliation, due to the Board and staff hearing from students that stronger language was needed.

MOTION: Member LaLonde SECONDED: Member Little

STUDENT BOARD MEMBER VOTES

AYES: Student Board Members Lau, Kruger, and Kim

NOES: ABSTAIN:

BOARD MEMBER VOTES

AYES: Members Williams, Lym, LaLonde, Little, and Sherratt

NOES: ABSENT:

MOTION APPROVED

F. GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Approval of Measure B Otis Elementary School Schematic Design

Shariq Khan, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, and Mark Quattrocchi, of Quattrocchi Kwok Architects (QKA) presented the Measure B Otis Elementary School Project for Board approval. The schematic design follows the district's updated Facilities Master Plan, Measure B approved project list, critical facility needs identified per Measure I (prior Bond measure), as well as established priorities as acknowledged in 10 overall programming and design meetings, including six (6) site design committee meetings held on:

- January 31, 2024
- April 3, 2024
- April 16, 2024
- May 16, 2024
- May 23, 2024
- September 4, 2024

The Otis Elementary School project includes a new classroom building, a new administration/media center building, an academic quad, secure perimeter fencing, and minor upgrades to the remaining buildings (multi-purpose, existing classroom building), such as paint and fire alarm upgrades.

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 2026.

Public Comments:

Katie Honegger, PTAC president and parent of AUSD student: Ms. Honegger thanked the architects and staff for the many meetings held for the Otis community and she also appreciated the team for taking into consideration the thoughts and ideas the Otis community came up with.

William Wood, parent of AUSD student: Mr. Wood asked about the design of the fence around the school, and he mentioned that he didn't think the fence allowed for students to have full access to Krusi Park. Mr. Wood also asked what the backup plan was if the timeline isn't met for construction.

A Board member asked Mark Quattrocchi to talk about the fence design and access to Krusi Park. You could do this for a living. This was part of the conversation during design with this includes parents, staff, principal and district staff.

Mark Quattrocchi stated the design of the fence follows district safety and security standards. He continued by saying the biggest issue was the lack of access currently to the playground and play equipment, and, as you can see, there are two places on the schematic that represent the different grade level play equipment that will be available. Mr. Quattrocchi continued by saying even though we will have school play areas, we are maintaining access to Krusi, although we are providing a fence around the campus to maintain the safety and security that the AUSD Board, staff, and community expect.

Mr. Quattrocchi also stated that this was not a closed process. There were 10 public design meetings with administration, teachers, and families.

Motion to Approve the Measure B Otis Elementary School Schematic Design.

MOTION: Member Lym SECONDED: Member Sherratt

STUDENT BOARD MEMBER VOTES

AYES: Student Board Members Lau, Kruger, and Kim

NOES: ABSTAIN:

BOARD MEMBER VOTES

AYES: Members Williams, Lym, LaLonde, Little, and Sherratt

NOES: ABSENT:

MOTION APPROVED

2. Enrollment Report: 20th Day of School

Kirsten Zazo, Assistant Superintendent – Educational Services, presented enrollment data for elementary, middle, and high schools. Enrollment is monitored daily for the first 10 days of school. Classes must be balanced by the 20th day to meet class size maximums per the Alameda Education Association contract.

Ms. Zazo stated AUSD is up by 223 students compared to last year. Ms. Zazo showed the Board where we have increases in enrollment - Love is a place that has seen a large increase in enrollment as compared to last year. In addition, there is a large increase at Otis, primarily due to the addition of two TK classes.

Ms. Zazo explained that we also have an increase at Lincoln that's primarily due to the last year of our Bay Farm program. And staff are also seeing quite an increase in Junior Jets. Ms. Zazo reminded the Board that we redrew boundary lines so that Paden and Ruby Bridges students attend Junior Jets, and we've been adding class loads each year since we did that boundary shift. Ms. Zazo also mentioned the uptick in student attendance at ASTI as they were able to recruit many more 9th graders into their program this year.

3. <u>2024-25 Three-Year Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Goal 1</u>
Assistant Superintendent, Kirsten Zazo presented the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP). 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.

AUSD's 2024-25 Three-Year Local Control and Accountability Plan was approved by the Board on June 25, 2024. Tonight's presentation will be focused around LCAP Goal 1 which is to:

Create and improve the foundational education program where student's daily learning experiences are engaging, utilize multiple ways of learning, and feature lots of student talk. Student learning is driven by grade-level standards and tasks that support critical thinking, connections to real world concepts and developing healthy relationships.

4. Resolution for Certification of Requirement of Education Code Section 60119
for Pupil Textbooks and Instructional Materials for Grades K-12 for the 24-25
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This Public Hearing and Board Resolution are a required routine annual review of textbook sufficiency in AUSD schools. School districts must ensure that they have fully complied with the requirements of Education Code Section 60119. In order to be eligible to receive funds available for the purposes of this article, districts must conduct an annual public hearing to determine whether each pupil in the district has sufficient textbooks or instructional materials, or both, that are aligned to the content standards adopted pursuant to Section 60605 in each of the following subjects, as appropriate, that are consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum framework adopted by the state board:

- Mathematics
- Science
- History-social science
- English/language arts, including the English language development component of an adopted program

Resolution No. 2024-2025.xx certifies that the District has adhered to all laws and to all State Board of Education rules, regulations, and policies regarding the purchase of instructional materials.

Public Hearing Opened: 8:18pm

No public comments

Public Hearing Closed: 8:19pm

Staff will seek final approval of this Resolution at the October 8, 2024 Board of Education Meeting.

5. Resolution No. 2024-2025.12 Providing Authorization to Hire on Provisional Internship Permits (PIP)

Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, Timothy Erwin presented information on the Provisional Internship Permit process. The California Commission on Teacher Credentialing created Provisional Internship Permit (PIP) to allow an employing agency to fill an immediate staffing need by hiring an individual who has not yet met the subject matter competence requirement needed to enter in an intern program. A District may request a PIP only after a diligent search has been conducted. The PIP is issued for one year, and all requests for a PIP must be presented to the Governing Board of a public school district for approval. Every PIP request that is submitted to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing must include verification that a notice of intent to employ the named applicant has been made public.

Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2024-2025.12 Providing Authorization to Hire on Provisional Internship Permits (PIP).

MOTION: Member LaLonde SECONDED: Member Sherratt

STUDENT BOARD MEMBER VOTES

AYES: Student Board Members Lau, Kruger, and Kim

NOES: ABSTAIN:

BOARD MEMBER VOTES

AYES: Members Williams, Lym, LaLonde, Little, and Sherratt

NOES: ABSENT:

MOTION APPROVED

G. ADJOURNMENT – Board President Jennifer Williams adjourned the meeting at 8:27pm.

Respectively Submitted,

Kerri Lonergan

Senior Executive Assistant Alameda Unified School District