

ANAHEIM UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES Minutes Thursday, December 17, 2015

1. CALL TO ORDER—ROLL CALL

Board President Annemarie Randle-Trejo called the special meeting of the Anaheim Union High School District Board of Trustees to order at 5:31 p.m.

Present: Annemarie Randle-Trejo, president; Anna L. Piercy, clerk; Brian O'Neal, member; Michael B. Matsuda, superintendent; Diane Poore and Jaron Fried, Ed.D., assistant superintendents; Brad Jackson, interim assistant superintendent; and Jeff Riel, District counsel.

Absent: Katherine H. Smith, assistant clerk; and Al Jabbar, member.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

On the motion of Trustee O'Neal, duly seconded and unanimously carried by those present, the Board of Trustees adopted the agenda.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS, CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There were no requests to speak.

4. CLOSED SESSION

The Board of Trustees entered closed session at 5:32 p.m. and returned to open session at 6:06 p.m. Closed session continued at the conclusion of open session, at 9:17 p.m.

Trustees Smith and Jabbar entered the meeting at 5:33 p.m.

5. RECONVENE MEETING, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, AND CLOSED SESSION REPORT OUT

5.1 Reconvene Meeting

The Board of Trustees reconvened into open session at 6:06 p.m.

5.2 Pledge of Allegiance

Board President Annemarie Randle-Trejo led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

5.3 Closed Session Report

Board Clerk Anna L. Piercy reported the following actions taken during closed session with the exception of item 5.3.3, which was reported when the Board of Trustees returned to open session at 10:00 p.m.

- 5.3.1 No reportable action taken regarding public employee performance evaluation, superintendent.
- 5.3.2 The Board of Trustees took formal action, with a 5-0 vote, to initiate an action.
- 5.3.3 The Board of Trustees took formal action, with a 5-0 vote, to demote employee HR-2015-16-10.

6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS, OPEN SESSION ITEMS**

There were no requests to speak at this time.

7. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

On the motion of Trustee Piercy, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the Board of Trustees approved all consent calendar items.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Certificated Personnel Report

Action:

The Board of Trustees approved/ratified the report as submitted.

8. **ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

RESOLUTIONS

8.1 **Resolution No. 2015/16-BOT-03 and Resolution No. 2015/16-BOT-04; Petition to Establish Vista Anaheim Charter Middle School**

Public Comments:

Dean Elder, Anaheim High School teacher, requested the Board of Trustees deny the petition to establish Vista Anaheim Charter Middle School. Additionally, he stated concerns regarding the ability to communicate with the Vista Anaheim Charter Middle School board, lack of a Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP), 47 percent truancy rate at a Los Angeles campus, and the lack of accountability in the financial area.

Tammie Hildom, Ball Junior High School teacher, asked the Board of Trustees to deny the petition to establish Vista Anaheim Charter Middle School. Additionally, she stated her concerns with the lack of accountability with Vista Anaheim Charter Middle School, continuity and experience of teachers, as well as financial transparency.

Joanne Fawley, Cypress High School teacher, requested the Board of Trustees deny the petition to establish Vista Anaheim Charter Middle School and preserve local oversight of schools. She also spoke of the dedication of AUHSD staff to the community and the fact that members of our Board of Trustees reside within the District and are elected by parents and community members.

Shannon Hoos, Ball Junior High School teacher, urged the Board of Trustees to deny the petition to establish Vista Anaheim Charter Middle School. She also spoke of AUHSD teacher

development and support, Parent Learning Walks, LCAP, course offerings and opportunities, continuum of education, as well as community support resource centers.

Adele Tagaloa, Ball Junior High School parent, spoke of the positive impact that Ball Junior High School has had on her son and family.

Matthew Mariscal, Loara High School student, shared his experience as a student at Ball Junior High School and Loara High School. He voiced his appreciation of the support, guidance, and care offered to him by teachers at these school sites.

Kimberly Ochoa, Loara High School student, also shared her experience as a student at Ball Junior High School and Loara High School. She communicated her gratitude for the support, assistance, and inspiration given by Ball Junior High School teachers.

Jessica Velazquez, Loara High School student, spoke of her meaningful experience as a student at Ball Junior High School and Loara High School. She shared her involvement in the Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) program and Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) program.

Jose Paolo Magcalas, Loara High School teacher, spoke of his experience as a student at Ball Junior High School and Loara High School. Additionally, he shared the impact teachers had in his life, which inspired him to want to help his community, and requested the Board of Trustees deny the petition to establish Vista Anaheim Charter Middle School.

Jose Moreno, community member and parent, urged the Board of Trustees to deny the petition to establish Vista Anaheim Charter Middle School. He also shared his experience with Ball Junior High School students when they participated in his college lecture at California State University, Long Beach.

Background Information:

On October 30, 2015, the District received a charter school petition from Vista Charter Public Schools, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation located in Los Angeles. The petition is seeking to open the Vista Anaheim Charter Middle School on July 1, 2016. The petition is estimating initial enrollment of 280 students with a capacity enrollment of 420 students. As required by law, on November 5, 2015, the Board of Trustees held a public hearing on the provisions of the charter school petition for the Board to consider the level of support for the petition by teachers employed by the District, other employees of the District, and parents.

Current Consideration:

California Education Code Section 47605 requires that within 60 days of receipt of a charter school petition, the Board must either grant or deny the petition. Following receipt of the charter petition, District administration convened a charter school review team comprised of personnel from the Superintendent's Office, Educational Services, Human Resources, Business Services, and school site administration. Approximately 30 District employees that included District administrators from all departments, school site administrators, curriculum specialists, and others conducted a detailed review and analysis of the petition, as well as the supporting materials. Attached for consideration are two alternative resolutions, Resolution No. 2015/16-BOT-03 that denies the petition and Resolution No. 2015/16-BOT-04 that grants the petition.

Budget Implication:

There is no known implication to the budget at this time.

Action:

On the motion of Trustee Jabbar and duly seconded, following a lengthy discussion, the Board of Trustees adopted Resolution No. 2015/16-BOT-03 to deny the petition submitted by Vista Charter Public Schools because the petition is not consistent with sound educational practice as required by Education Code Section 47605(b). The roll call vote follows.

Ayes: Trustees O'Neal, Jabbar, Smith, Piercy, and Randle-Trejo

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

8.2 **Revised Policy 8535.5R, Transfers-School of Choice/Intradistrict, First and Final Reading**

Background Information:

Home school attendance areas are established to optimize use of existing facilities and to avoid crowded conditions. However, requests for school of choice/intradistrict transfers may be made for reasons of personal preference based on the needs of the family or child. No student currently residing within a school's attendance area shall be displaced by another student as a result of the school of choice/intradistrict transfer process (Education Code Section 35160.5[b]). The recent change to the District's academic calendar has changed the application period for school of choice/intradistrict transfers, which has made it necessary to update Board Policy 8535.5R.

Current Consideration:

Board Policy 8535.5R, under the heading of "School of Choice," section B, numbers 8 and 9, has been updated to align with the District's current academic calendar. Also, language in "School of Choice," section B, number 9 has been updated to clarify procedures regarding late applications.

Budget Implication:

There is no impact to the budget.

Action:

On the motion of Trustee Piercy, duly seconded and unanimously carried, following a lengthy discussion, the Board of Trustees reviewed and approved revised Board Policy 8535.5R.

CLOSED SESSION

As noted on item 5.3, the Board of Trustees returned to closed session at 9:17 p.m., reconvened into open session at 10:00 p.m., and reported out at that time.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

On the motion of Trustee Jabbar, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the Board of Trustees adjourned the meeting at 10:01 p.m.

Approved 
Assistant Clerk, Board of Trustees