



**Regular Board Meeting Agenda
via Zoom Teleconference
8/10/2021 06:00 PM
Newhall School District
25375 Orchard Village Rd., #200
Valencia, CA 91355**

Meeting Minutes

A. CALL TO ORDER

Board President Walters called the Regular meeting of the Governing Board to order at 6:02 PM.

B. ROLL CALL

1. **Donna Rose, Ernesto Smith, Suzan Solomon, Isaiah Talley, Brian Walters**
Board Members Rose, Solomon, Talley and Walters were present.
Board Member Smith was absent.
All Cabinet Members were present.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There were no public comments.

Board Member Smith arrived at 6:03 PM.

D. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Adjourned to Closed Session at 6:03 PM.

1. **Conference With Legal Counsel—Anticipated Litigation**
2. **Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9: Potential Litigation - Case #18/19-04, Conference with Legal Counsel**
3. **Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee- Possible Employment/Discipline/Dismissal/Release of an Employee**
4. **Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6: Labor Negotiations - Negotiator for the District Amanda Montemayor, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources**
5. **Superintendent Evaluation: First Review of 2021-2022 Goals**

E. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION

Board members returned to Public Session at 7:04 P.M.

F. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

In closed session, the Board approved two settlement agreements to resolve a potential special education due process filing, pursuant to which the District, without admission of fault, has agreed to provide to a student an independent educational assessment in consideration of a release of certain claims against the District. The roll call vote was as follows:

M/S/C- (Rose/Talley)

Vote: 5-0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye
Walters - Aye

G. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pico Canyon Elementary Principal Tammi Rainville led the Pledge of Allegiance.

H. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

President Walters proposed to add the following item to the agenda of this regular meeting pursuant to California Government Code section 54954.2(b)(2) because: (1) There is a need for immediate action which (2) came to the attention of the Board after the agenda was prepared.

Agenda approved with action to approve/renew the District's contract with The Masters University for the placement of student teachers for the 2021-2022 school year with the following terms:

Term of Contract: 8/9/2021 - 7/1/2023

Type of Service: Student teaching placements for fall and spring semester.

Additional Terms: \$400 per university student for 7-week placement for the fall and \$500 per university student for 8-week placement for the spring.

M/S/C- (Talley/Rose)

Vote: 5-0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

Walters - Aye

Agenda approved with removal of Item M.1.v: Consideration of Approving Contract with YMCA for their PLAY Program

M/S/C- (Solomon/Rose)

Vote: 5-0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

Walters - Aye

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Consideration of Approving the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 20, 2021

Minutes approved.

M/S/C- (Solomon/Talley)

Vote: 5 - 0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

Walters - Aye

2. Consideration of Approving the Minutes of the Special Meeting of July 23, 2021

Minutes approved.

M/S/C- (Talley/Rose)

Vote: 5 – 0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

Walters - Aye

3. Consideration of Approving the Minutes of the Special Meeting of July 29, 2021

Minutes approved.

M/S/C- (Solomon/Smith)

Vote: 5 – 0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

Walters - Aye

J. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Board and Cabinet members are looking forward to the start of the 2021-2022 school year, and wished staff and families a safe, happy, healthy year;
- Board members Rose and Solomon attended the Admin Retreat at Valencia Valley and wished administrators all the best for the 2021-2022 school year;
- Board members Rose and Solomon, and Cabinet members Pelzel and Staszewski traveled to Irvine and Ontario to tour school sites as part of the architect selection process;
- Back to School Night will be hosted in-person at all District sites tomorrow night;
- The SCV Trustees Association will be scheduling the second welcome back video for local school districts. Board member Solomon requested fellow board members email her if available to participate;
- Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Montemayor thanked administrators and staff for helping welcome new staff on campuses;
- Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services Jamison congratulated the 10 District sites for the work and dedication to the PBIS program. As a result, all sites were awarded the Silver Level Designation Award;
- Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services Jamison acknowledged the teachers engaged in core reading cohorts and shared the wonderful complement from training staff;
- Cabinet members visited the staff kick-off meetings hosted by the administrators. It was exciting to see teachers back together;
- Board and Cabinet members thanked and commended outgoing Director of Student Support Services Kim Howe as she moves into a new leadership role outside of the District;
- Board member Solomon shared the passing of original Measure E Citizens' Oversight Committee Member Adele MacPherson.

K. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

L. CONSENT CALENDAR**1. Removal of Items From the Consent Calendar**

No items removed.

2. Consideration of Approving Items on the Consent Calendar

Consent Calendar approved with the following ADDED agenda item:

Approve/renew the District's contract with The Masters University for the placement of student teachers for the 2021-2022 school year.

M/S/C- (Solomon/Smith)

Vote: 5-0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

Walters - Aye

3. Consent Calendar- Business Services**i. Consideration of Approving Purchase Orders, B Warrants and Payroll Warrants****ii. Consideration of Approving Salvage Report****4. Consent Calendar- Human Resources****i. Consideration of Approving Personnel Report #21/22-02****5. Consent Calendar- Student Support Services****i. Consideration of Approving Amended 2021-2022 Master Contract with Behavioral Learning Center, Inc.****ii. Consideration of Approving 2021-2022 Master Contract with McRory Pediatric Services, Inc.****M. STAFF REPORTS****1. Staff Reports- Curriculum/Instructional Services****i. Consideration of Approving the Pico Canyon Elementary Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA)**

Board members requested follow-up on the reintegration PTAs/PTOs back on campuses.

Approved the 2021-2022 Single Plan for Student Achievement for Pico Canyon Elementary School

M/S/C- (Solomon/Talley)

Vote: 5 - 0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

Walters - Aye

- ii. **Consideration of Approving Valencia Valley Elementary Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA)**
Approved the 2021-2022 Single Plan for Student Achievement for Valencia Valley Elementary School
M/S/C- (Solomon/Rose)
Vote: 5 - 0
Roll call vote:
Rose - Aye
Smith - Aye
Solomon - Aye
Talley - Aye
Walters - Aye
- iii. **Consideration of Approving First Reading of Board Policy 6158 and Administrative Regulation 6158: Independent Study**
Superintendent Pelzel thanked Learning Recovery & Instructional Tech Support Administrator Chad Rose for the work involved in finalizing these policies.

Policies approved and waived additional readings.
M/S/C- (Solomon/Talley)
Vote: 5 - 0
Roll call vote:
Rose - Aye
Smith - Aye
Solomon - Aye
Talley - Aye
Walters - Aye
- iv. **Consideration of Approving Benchmark Spanish Intervention Programs in Support of Spanish Dual Language Classes at Old Orchard Elementary School**
Item approved.
M/S/C- (Rose/Solomon)
Vote: 5 - 0
Roll call vote:
Rose - Aye
Smith - Aye
Solomon - Aye
Talley - Aye
Walters - Aye
- v. **Consideration of Approving Contract With YMCA for their PLAY Program**
Item removed from agenda.
- vi. **Consideration of Approving Purchase of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) from LHP Music, Inc. for the Music Department for the 2021-2022 year**
Item approved.
M/S/C- (Smith/Talley)
Vote: 5 - 0
Roll call vote:
Rose - Aye
Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye
 Talley - Aye
 Walters - Aye

2. Staff Reports- Student Support Services

i. 2021 Summer Programming Reflection - LEAP to Learning and Extended School Year

At the Board's request, Director of Student Support Services Kim Howe, Director of Instruction, Assessment, and Accountability Kate Peattie, and District Lead Counselor, Liaison Libby Carson provided an overview of the LEAP to Learning extended school year program offered to targeted student populations who experienced learning loss because of the COVID-19 pandemic. The presentation reflected on the staffing process, student participation, an overview of academics and the social emotional component included.

Staff also shared lessons learned, suggestions and processes that worked best in this first year.

ii. Consideration of Approving CSU Dominguez Hills Occupational Therapy Field Work Site Agreement

Item approved.

M/S/C- (Talley/Smith)

Vote: 5 - 0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

Walters - Aye

3. Staff Reports- Business Services

i. Consideration of Approving Cooperative Strategies Contract for Redistricting Services

Justin Rich of Cooperative Strategies shared an overview of the services for the District's redistricting process.

Item approved.

M/S/C- (Solomon/Rose)

Vote: 5 - 0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

Walters - Aye

ii. Consideration of Approving Contract with Fagen Friedman & Fulfroost, LLP for Legal Services Related to Redistricting

Jonathan Salt of Fagen Friedman & Fulfroost shared an overview of the services for the District's redistricting process.

Item approved.

M/S/C- (Solomon/Rose)

Vote: 5 - 0

Roll call vote:
 Rose - Aye
 Smith - Aye
 Solomon - Aye
 Talley - Aye
 Walters - Aye

iii. Consideration of Approving the Budget 45-Day Revision

Item approved.
 M/S/C- (Smith/Talley)
 Vote: 5 - 0
 Roll call vote:
 Rose - Aye
 Smith - Aye
 Solomon - Aye
 Talley - Aye
 Walters - Aye

iv. Consideration of Approving the 2021-22 Consolidated Application (ConApp)

Board members held discussions on how the District can better expend Title III funds. Board President Walters requested fellow Board members email both he and Superintendent Pelzel ideas on how to best allocate funds.

Item approved.
 M/S/C- (Solomon/Smith)
 Vote: 5 - 0
 Roll call vote:
 Rose - Aye
 Smith - Aye
 Solomon - Aye
 Talley - Aye
 Walters - Aye

v. Consideration of Approving Century Paving, Inc. Charge Order #1 for NSD 2021-2

Item approved.
 M/S/C- (Rose/Smith)
 Vote: 5 - 0
 Roll call vote:
 Rose - Aye
 Smith - Aye
 Solomon - Aye
 Talley - Aye
 Walters - Aye

4. Staff Reports-Administrative Services

i. Newhall School District COVID-19 Safety and Prevention Program

Superintendent Pelzel provided an overview of the updated language, plans, and teams included in the Plan. Members of the District's Safety Committee also had an opportunity to review updates on provide feedback. A final, approved version will be updated on the District and site websites.

Item approved with suggested revisions made by Board members.

M/S/C- (Rose/Talley)

Vote: 5 - 0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

Walters - Aye

ii. Consideration of Approving Revised NSD Mask Exemption and Enforcement Protocols for 2021-2022 School Year per Legal and Risk Management Guidance

At the direction of the Board, Superintendent Pelzel provided an overview of the updated protocols draft, based on feedback from District's counsel and risk management partner.

District parent Naela Saras expressed concerns if the Board moves forward with relaxing masking protocols and requested Board members allow parent feedback should school protocols change.

District Parent Randy Davis requested the Board remove the masking mandate and not contemplate closing schools so that children can return to a normal school setting.

Item approved with suggested revisions from District counsel.

M/S/C- (Solomon/Smith)

Vote: 5 - 0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

Walters - Aye

iii. Consideration of Approving Resolution No. 21/22-04 in Support of Keeping the Entire Santa Clarita Valley in One Legislative and Supervisorial District

Item approved.

M/S/C- (Solomon/Smith)

Vote: 5 - 0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

Walters - Aye

5. Staff Reports- Human Resources

i. Consideration of Approving New Classified Job Description and New Salary Schedule for Data and Attendance Technician

Item approved.

M/S/C- (Talley/Smith)

Vote: 5 - 0

Roll call vote:
Rose - Aye
Smith - Aye
Solomon - Aye
Talley - Aye
Walters - Aye

ii. **Consideration of Approving Memorandum of Understanding with California State University, Northridge**

Item approved.
M/S/C- (Talley/Solomon)
Vote: 5 - 0
Roll call vote:
Rose - Aye
Smith - Aye
Solomon - Aye
Talley - Aye
Walters - Aye

N. AGENDA ITEMS FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

- State of the District discussions
- LA County Public Safety and Security Services Presentation

O. ADJOURN TO CONTINUATION OF CLOSED SESSION

Board members resumed Closed Session at 10:04 PM to discuss previously stated closed session items.

P. RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

Board Members returned to Public Session at 10:44 P.M.

Q. REPORT OUT OF SECOND CLOSED SESSION

Board President Walters announced that the Board took no further in Closed Session.

R. ADJOURNMENT

Board President Walters adjourned the meeting at 10:45 PM.

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for August 24, 2021. Closed Session begins at 6:00 P.M. Open Session begins at 7:00 P.M. via Zoom teleconference.



Board Clerk



Secretary