



**Regular Board Meeting Agenda**  
**via Zoom Teleconference**  
**9/14/2021 06:00 PM**  
Newhall School District  
25375 Orchard Village Rd.  
Valencia, CA 91355

**Meeting Minutes**

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**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Board President Walters called the Regular meeting of the Governing Board to order at 6:05 PM.

**B. ROLL CALL**

**1. Donna Rose, Ernesto Smith, Suzan Solomon, Isaiah Talley, Brian Walters**

All Board Members were present.

All Cabinet Members were present.

**C. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

There were no public comments.

**D. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

Adjourned to Closed Session at 6:05 PM.

1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee- Possible Employment/Discipline/Dismissal/Release of an Employee

2. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6: Labor Negotiations - Negotiator for the District  
Amanda Montemayor, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources

**E. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION**

Board members returned to Public Session at 7:12 PM.

**F. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

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

**G. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services Dee Jamison led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**H. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Agenda approved with amended Personnel Report #21/22-04 and removal of Item N.2.v.  
M/S/C- (Talley/Solomon)

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 August 24, 2021**

Minutes approved.

M/S/C- (Rose/Solomon)

Vote: 5-0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

Walters - Aye

**J. GOVERNING BOARD AND EXECUTIVE CABINET ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Board Member Solomon announced the Raising the Curtain Foundation will be hosting a free student and family return engagement on October 16, 2021 from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM and 2:00-4:00 PM at the Newhall Family Theater;
- The next SCV Trustees Association meeting is scheduled for September 27, 2021. Board Member Solomon is looking for a speaker that can share the relevant work accomplished throughout Districts;
- Superintendent Pelzel shared that COVID-19 student data numbers have dropped by .1% each week. Student quarantine rates have also dropped significantly;
- Superintendent Pelzel along with other SCV area Superintendents composed a letter to Dr. Ferrer, Director for the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health addressing the updated COVID-19 positive case numbers versus those quarantined, and the inconsistencies throughout the State. The letter calls for Dr. Ferrer to reconsider L.A. County's quarantine guidance requirements and align them with the CDC and the requirements.

**K. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- Parent Patrick Neville submitted a comment addressing the Board regarding his concerns over bullying issues at Stevenson Ranch Elementary;
- Parents Lynn Bates, Kevin Yuan and Felipe Gallo submitted comments addressing the Board on vaccination status, concerns and mandates for students 12 years and older.

**L. CORRESPONDENCE****1. LACOE LCAP and Adopted Budget Approval Letter**

Letter from LACOE confirming the approval of the District's Local Control Accountability Plan and Adopted Budget.

Superintendent Pelzel thanked Assistant Superintendent of Business Services Sheri Staszewski and Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services Dee Jamison and teams for the work involved in completing both reports.

**M. 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 amended Personnel Report #21/22-04.

M/S/C- (Talley/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 Recurring Contracts
- ii. Consideration of Approving Purchase Orders, B Warrants and Payroll Warrants
- iii. Consideration of Approving Gift Report #21/22-3
- iv. Consideration of Approving the Salvage Report

**4. Consent Calendar- Human Resources**

- i. Consideration of Approving Personnel Report #21/22-04

**5. Consent Calendar - Curriculum/Instructional Services**

- i. Consideration of Approving UniverSoul Dance Residency for Grade 6 and David Prather Theatrical Residency for Grade 2 for the 21-22 Academic Year
- ii. Consideration of Approving School-wide Information System (SWIS) Suite License Agreement with University of Oregon
- iii. Consideration of Approving CORE Professional Development for Additional Certificated Attendees
- iv. Consideration of Approving PPE Equipment from LHP Music, Inc. for Additional Instrumental Musical Students

**6. Consent Calendar - Student Support Services**

- i. Consideration of Approving 2021-2022 Personal Services Contract with Hollar Speech and Language Services

**N. STAFF REPORTS**

**1. Staff Reports-Administrative Services**

- i. **Presentation Regarding 2020/2021 District Marketing Campaign and Consideration of Approving 2021/2022 Campaign**

Jill Mellady of Mellady Marketing provided an overview of the District's 2020-21 marketing and advertising campaign. A proposal for the 2021-22 year's campaign was also reviewed. The 2021-22 campaign will encompass the following theme: New Ideas, New Friendships, New Beginnings. #WhereWeAllBelong

Board members were pleased and commended Ms. Mellady for sharing NSD's story through well thought-out campaigns.

Superintendent Pelzel shared the benefits and positive financial impacts generated through Mellady's marketing and advertising campaigns over the past 7 years.

Board members provided input on the marketing/advertising proposals for the 2021-22 year, including highlighting the Districts facilities and technology.

Item approved with suggested adjustments.

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 Superintendent's Goals for 2021-2022 School Year**

Superintendent Pelzel presented his set of goals and tasks for the 2021-2022 school year tied to newest 4 dimensions of instructional leadership from Center for Educational Leadership.

Board members recognized the presentation included many moving parts, including the goals and tasks that connect all integral parts of the District as a whole. Board members also appreciated Mr. Pelzel's willingness to embrace suggestions and ensure the District continues to move in the right direction.

Item approved.

M/S/C- (Solomon/Talley)

Vote: 5-0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

Walters - Aye

**iii. Consideration of Approving Governing Board Resolution #21/22-06: Many People One Nation**

In alignment with the theme for 2021-2022 "Where We All Belong" and in an effort to continue to be inclusive of all families, students and staff, the NSD Governing Board created a Board Resolution calling out the historical journey of our Country and the various monthly designations that are recognized throughout the year.

Board members thanked fellow member Solomon for the efforts in composing an excellent resolution.

Item approved with recommended revisions.

M/S/C- (Rose/Solomon)

Vote: 5-0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

Walters - Aye

**iv. Approval of ESSER III Safe Return to School and ESSER III Expenditure Plan**

**Item approved.**

M/S/C- (Smith/Talley)

Vote: 5-0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

Walters - Aye

**v. Consideration of Approving Administrative Regulation 1250: Community Relations- First Reading**

Policy approved with revisions and waived additional readings.

Item approved.

M/S/C- (Solomon/Smith)

Vote: 5-0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

Walters - Aye

**vi. Discussion on Hosting a 2021-2022 State of the District or District Summit Event**

Due to current COVID-19 restrictions, Board members unanimously agreed to postpone October's State of the District until 2022 and tentatively schedule a District Summit event on March 3, 2022.

**vii. Expiration of "Virtual" Brown Act Meetings on September 30, 2021**

Board members unanimously agreed to move forward with in-person Governing Board meetings beginning with its first scheduled October meeting on the 12th.

**2. Staff Reports- Business Services**

- i. Consideration of Approving the 2021-2022 Comprehensive School Safety Plans for McGrath, Oak Hills, Peachland and Valencia Valley Elementary Schools**  
Board members positively commented on the easy-to-read formatting.

Approved 2021-2022 Comprehensive School Safety Plans for McGrath, Oak Hills, Peachland and Valencia Valley Elementary Schools.

M/S/C- (Talley/Rose)

Vote: 5-0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

Walters - Aye

**ii. Consideration of Approving Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Unaudited Actuals Report  
Approved Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Unaudited Actuals Report**

M/S/C- (Rose/Solomon)

Vote: 5-0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

Walters - Aye

**iii. Consideration of Approving Resolution 20/21-5 Establishing District Appropriation Limits  
for FY 2021-2022**

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 Participation in and Receipt of the Epidemiology and  
Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Disease (ELC) Grant Administered through LACOE  
Item approved.**

M/S/C- (Solomon/Talley)

Vote: 5-0

Roll call vote:

Rose - Aye

Smith - Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

Walters - Aye

**v. Consideration of Approving Contract with COVID Testing Appointments, LLC  
Item removed from the Agenda.**

- O. **AGENDA ITEMS FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNING BOARD**
  - Overview of new LCAP document and processes, and LCAP Parent Advisory Council

- P. **ADJOURN TO CONTINUATION OF CLOSED SESSION**

There was no continuation of Closed Session.

- S. **ADJOURNMENT**

Board President Walters adjourned the meeting at 9:34 PM.

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for September 28, 2021. Closed Session begins at 6:00 PM Open Session begins at 7:00 PM via Zoom teleconference.



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Board Clerk



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Secretary