

MEETING MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

Board President Smith called the Regular meeting of the Governing Board to order at 6:01 PM.

B. ROLL CALL

1. **Rachelle Haddoak, Donna Robert, Ernesto Smith, Suzan Solomon, Isaiah Talley**
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 6:01 PM.

1. Pursuant to Government Code section 54957.9: Potential Litigation: Case 22/23-02
2. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee- Possible Employment/Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint of an Employee
3. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6: Labor Negotiations - Negotiator for the District Amanda Montemayor, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

E. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION

Board members returned to Regular Session at 7:01 PM.

F. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

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

G. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Wiley Canyon Teacher Leanne Mohr led the Pledge of Allegiance.

H. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Agenda approved,
M/S/C- (Solomon/Talley)
Vote: 5 - 0

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. **Consideration of Approving the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 14, 2023**
Minutes approved.
M/S/C- (Talley/Robert)
Vote: 5 - 0

J. GOVERNING BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Board member Solomon attended a farewell assembly hosted by Wiley Canyon in honor of former Principal Tim Lankford. Mr. Lankford will be leaving the District to pursue a new opportunity. The Newhall School District wishes Mr. Lankford the best in his new endeavor;
- Board members and Dr. Hernandez shared their experiences visiting sites throughout the week and reading to classrooms for Read Across America week.

- Board member Solomon had a wonderful visit at Newhall Elementary where she witnessed firsthand the benefits of the Orenda program included in tonight's agenda;
- Board member Solomon reminded the public that the music department's beginner concerts are scheduled this week at Wiley Canyon Elementary;
- Board member Robert joined Dr. Hernandez and the three administrators from Pico Canyon, Oak Hills, and Stevenson Ranch at the CA Department of Education's 2023 CA Distinguished Schools ceremony in Anaheim, CA;
- Board member Robert has been invited to visit the Child and Family Center for an overview of what they offer the community;
- Dr. Hernandez acknowledged and thanked the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation for the donation of 11 automated external defibrillators (AEDs) in 2019. These defibrillators are on each of our school campuses as well as in our district office, and help NSD stay ready to respond and potentially save a life in the unfortunate event of a cardiac emergency;
- Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Amanda Montemayor introduced the District's newly appointed Assistant Superintendent of Business Services Arik Avanesyans;
- Mr. Avanesyans thanked the Governing Board for the opportunity to serve NSD and its community.

K. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

L. PUBLIC INTEREST

1. Recognition of 2023 Teacher Tribute Honorees

Board members recognized and congratulated the District's 2023 Teacher Tribute honorees:

Teacher Honoree	Site
Melinda Zook	McGrath
Lisa Johnson	Meadows
Michelle Vasquez	Newhall
Jennifer Lopez	Oak Hills
Holly Johnson	Old Orchard
Melissa Mercy	Peachland
Debbie Walsh	Pico Canyon
Danielle Kline	Stevenson Ranch
Danielle Roth	Valencia Valley
Leanne Mohr	Wiley Canyon

2. Recognition of 2023 California Distinguished Schools: Oak Hills, Pico Canyon, and Stevenson Ranch Elementary Schools

Board members recognized and congratulated the administrators and staff of Oak Hills, Pico Canyon, and Stevenson Ranch Elementary Schools for being named 2023 CA Distinguished Schools by the California Department of Education.

3. Pico Canyon Elementary Kindergarten Program Discussion

Board members continued discussions from the February 14th Board meeting regarding changing the Pico Canyon kindergarten program from a half day program to a full-day program. In an effort to provide flexibility for families, Board members agreed to give staff the discretion to decide on full-day vs. half-day program based on enrollment numbers and input from parents.

Board members and staff also agreed to move forward with hosting a UPK program at Pico Canyon Elementary School in the 2023-24 school year.

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.

M/S/C - (Solomon/Talley)

Vote: 5 – 0

Roll call vote:

Haddoak – Aye

Robert - Aye

Smith – Aye

Solomon - Aye

Talley - Aye

3. Consent Calendar- Business Services

i. Consideration of Approving Purchase Orders, B Warrants and Payroll Warrants

Item approved.

M/S/C- (Solomon/Talley)

Vote: 5 – 0

4. Consent Calendar- Human Resources

i. Consideration of Approving Personnel Report #22/23-15

N. STAFF REPORTS

1. Staff Reports- Curriculum/Instructional Services

i. Orenda Presentation - Accelerating Achievement and Planning for a Premium Education

Dr. Robin Avelar La Salle and Genny Sosa of Orenda presented an overview of the services Orenda provides to ensure students meet achievement goals, including approaches, processes, and components on a study for the District. A proposed timeline was shared as well.

Principals from McGrath and Newhall shared their experience attending the Orenda training and felt it will be very successful.

ii. 2023 Mid-year Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Report

Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services Kate Peattie presented a mid-year progress report on the 2022-23 LCAP.

At the request of Board members, Ms. Peattie will share specific metric numbers related to students suspension rates via Friday Facts.

2. Staff Reports- Business Services

i. Consideration of Approving Annual 6th Grade Student Pool Parties for Newhall, Old Orchard, Peachland, Wiley Canyon, and Valencia Valley

In December, the Board and staff held discussion regarding concerns over using HOA pools for end-of-year 6th grade parties. The Board directed staff to further research options with its insurance carrier.

Staff presented the following options for consideration:

- Option 1: ASCIP recommends sites use City-run pools for their events
- Option 2: ASCIP recommends the District purchase a supplemental policy if sites choose to move forward with HOA-run pools. District staff secured two policy quotes for Board consideration.

Board members held discussions and a motion was made to purchase supplemental insurance from Sports Underwriters to support 6th grade end-of-year swim gatherings at HOA-run pools.

Item approved.
M/S/C- (Solomon/Haddoak)
Vote: 5 – 0

- ii. **Consideration of purchasing IncidentIQ Technology Ticket System**
Director of Technology Ken McGaffee provided an overview of IncidentIQ's ticket system. The program allows management to evaluate and adjust work assignments appropriately and respond to the highest need in a timely fashion. After evaluating three options, staff concluded IncidentIQ best serves the needs of the District.

Item approved.
M/S/C- (Talley/Haddoak)
Vote: 5 – 0

3. Staff Reports- Human Resources

- i. **Consideration of Approving Employment Contract for Arik Avanesyans**
Board members and staff congratulated and welcomed Mr. Avanesyans to the NSD Team!

Item approved.
M/S/C- (Robert/Talley)
Vote: 5 – 0

- ii. **Consideration of Approving Memorandum of Understanding with Newhall Educational Support Professionals and the Newhall School District Regarding Article V: Duty Hours**

Item approved.
M/S/C- (Robert/Solomon)
Vote: 5 – 0

- iii. **Consideration of Accepting Newhall Teachers' Association (NTA) Proposal for 2023/2024 Negotiations**

Item accepted.
M/S/C- (Solomon/Haddoak)
Vote: 5 – 0

O. AGENDA ITEMS FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

- Discussion on inviting teachers to future CA Distinguished Schools award ceremonies
- Discussion on continuing a virtual meeting option for Board meetings

P. ADJOURN TO CONTINUATION OF CLOSED SESSION

Second Closed Session was not held.

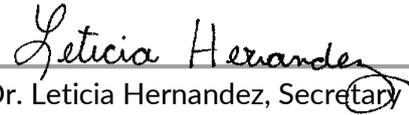
Q. ADJOURNMENT

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

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for March 14, 2023. Closed Session begins at 6:00 PM, followed by Open Session at 7:00 PM.



Isaiah Talley, Board Clerk



Dr. Leticia Hernandez, Secretary