

**NATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
GOVERNING BOARD**

February 14, 2018  
6:00 PM  
Administrative Center  
1500 "N" Avenue  
National City, CA 91950

**Attendance Taken at 6:10 PM:**

Present:

Ms. Barbara Avalos  
Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda  
Mr. Brian Clapper  
Ms. Alma Sarmiento

Absent:

Ms. Maria Dalla

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Board President, Maria Betancourt-Castañeda, called the public meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.

**2. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS**

Ms. Irma Sanchez, NCETA, spoke regarding negotiations.

Ms. Joan Collins, CSEA, spoke regarding job descriptions.

Ms. Celia Figueroa, CSEA, spoke regarding noon supervisor jobs.

Ms. Esther Figueroa, CSEA, spoke regarding noon supervisor jobs.

Ms. Socorro Cerda, CSEA, spoke regarding noon supervisor jobs.

Ms. Mona Ribada, CSEA, spoke regarding job descriptions.

**3. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

#### **4. CLOSED SESSION - 4:30 P.M.**

Closed session was held from 4:40 p.m. to 6:08 p.m.

No action was taken in closed session.

#### **5. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

#### **6. CALL TO ORDER**

Board President, Maria Betancourt-Castañeda, called the public meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

#### **7. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board President, Maria Betancourt-Castañeda led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **8. ROLL CALL**

Mrs. Yvette Olea took roll call.

#### **9. PRESENTATIONS**

##### **9.A. Introduce and welcome the new employees.**

Ms. Leticia Hernandez, Director of Human Resources, introduced and welcomed the new employees.

Board President, Maria Betancourt-Castañeda, presented each new employee with a District pin.

##### **9.B. Recognize Anna Maria Duke, Instructional Assistant-Special Education, Central School, as National School District Employee of the Month for February 2018.**

Recognized Ms. Anna Maria Duke, Instructional Assistant-Special Education, Central School, as the National School District Volunteer of the Month for February 2018. Principal, Ms. Vanessa Lerma, introduced Ms. Duke and commented on her many fine qualities.

On behalf of the Governing Board, Mr. Brian Clapper presented Ms. Duke with a certificate and a logo watch.

#### **10. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS**

Ms. Natalie Tacto, student, spoke regarding the Filipino Dinner fundraiser.

Ms. Christina Benson, NCETA, spoke regarding negotiations.

## **11. AGENDA**

### **11.A. Approve agenda.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve agenda Passed with a motion by Mr. Brian Clapper and a second by Ms. Alma Sarmiento.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Absent Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

## **12. CONSENT CALENDAR/ROUTINE ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

**Motion Passed:** Approve Consent Calendar Passed with a motion by Mr. Brian Clapper and a second by Ms. Barbara Avalos.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Absent Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

### **12.A. Minutes**

**12.A.I. Approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on January 10, 2018.**

**12.A.II. Approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on January 22, 2018.**

**12.A.III. Approve the minutes of the Special Joint Board Meeting held on January 30, 2018.**

### **12.B. Administration**

#### **12.C. Human Resources**

**12.C.I. Ratify/approve recommended actions in personnel activity list.**

**12.C.II. The employee resignations/retirements on the attached list were accepted by Leticia Hernandez, Director, Human Resources.**

#### **12.D. Educational Services**

**12.D.I. Approve application for a State Waiver to decrease the number of days of instruction from 20 (4-hour days) to 15 (5.35-hour days) for the 2017-18 Extended School Year Session.**

**12.D.II. Approve Memorandum of Understanding #CT3461 with WestEd for administration of the California Healthy Kids Survey during the 2017-18 school year.**

## **12.E. Business Services**

**12.E.I. Ratify/approve purchase orders, contracts and warrants as summarized and detailed in exhibit A.**

## **13. GENERAL FUNCTIONS**

**13.A. Renew National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO) membership for Barbara Avalos, Maria Betancourt-Castañeda, Brian Clapper and Maria Dalla.**

**Motion Passed:** Renew National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO) membership for Barbara Avalos, Maria Betancourt-Castañeda, Brian Clapper and Maria Dalla. Passed with a motion by Ms. Barbara Avalos and a second by Mr. Brian Clapper.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Absent Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

**13.B. Adopt Resolution #17-18.15 regarding absence of Board Member Alma Sarmiento due to illness.**

**Motion Passed:** Passed with a motion by Ms. Barbara Avalos and a second by Mr. Brian Clapper.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Absent Ms. Maria Dalla

Abstain Ms. Alma Sarmiento

## **14. POLICIES, REGULATIONS, BYLAWS**

**14.A. First reading of Board Policies and Administrative Regulations from California School Boards Association updates (Exhibit B).**

**14.B. First reading and discussion of Board Policy 5126 and Administrative Regulation 5126.**

## **15. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

**15.A. Amend Consultant Contract #CT3399 with Specialized Therapy Services for Speech and Language Pathologist Assistant services.**

**Motion Passed:** Following discussion, Amend Consultant Contract #CT3399 with Specialized Therapy Services for Speech and Language Pathologist Assistant services Passed with a motion by Ms. Barbara Avalos and a second by Ms. Alma Sarmiento.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda  
Yes Mr. Brian Clapper  
Absent Ms. Maria Dalla  
Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

**15.B. Amend Contract #CT3445 with CraftEd Curriculum LLC to include payment for development of sample Project Based Units of Study.**

**Motion Passed:** Amend Contract #CT3445 with CraftEd Curriculum LLC to include payment for development of sample Project Based Units of Study. Passed with a motion by Mr. Brian Clapper and a second by Ms. Barbara Avalos.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos  
Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda  
Yes Mr. Brian Clapper  
Absent Ms. Maria Dalla  
Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

**15.C. Approve Memorandum of Understanding #CT3462 with the San Diego Unified School District for participation in Sexual Abuse Treatment Education Prevention Services (STEPS).**

**Motion Passed:** Approve Memorandum of Understanding #CT3462 with the San Diego Unified School District for participation in Sexual Abuse Treatment Education Prevention Services (STEPS). Passed with a motion by Ms. Alma Sarmiento and a second by Ms. Barbara Avalos.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos  
Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda  
Yes Mr. Brian Clapper  
Absent Ms. Maria Dalla  
Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

**15.D. Approve Contract #CT3471 with Brain Learning Incorporated for an Independent Educational Evaluation.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve Contract #CT3471 with Brain Learning Incorporated for an Independent Educational Evaluation. Passed with a motion by Ms. Alma Sarmiento and a second by Ms. Barbara Avalos.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos  
Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda  
Yes Mr. Brian Clapper  
Absent Ms. Maria Dalla  
Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

**15.E. Approve Subscription for Scholastic Storia licenses for District-wide use in English Language Arts materials acquisition trial.**

**Motion Passed:** Following discussion, Approve Subscription for Scholastic Storia licenses for District-wide use in English Language Arts materials acquisition trial Passed with a motion by Mr. Brian Clapper and a second by Ms. Alma Sarmiento.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Absent Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

**15.F. Approve Subscription for Explor-eBook licenses for District-wide use in English Language Arts materials acquisition trial.**

**Motion Passed:** Following discussion, Approve Subscription for Explor-eBook licenses for District-wide use in English Language Arts materials acquisition trial Passed with a motion by Ms. Alma Sarmiento and a second by Mr. Brian Clapper.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Absent Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

**15.G. Approve Subscription to Goal Book Pathways.**

**Motion Passed:** Approve Subscription to Goal Book Pathways. Passed with a motion by Ms. Alma Sarmiento and a second by Ms. Barbara Avalos.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Absent Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

**16. HUMAN RESOURCES**

**16.A. Conduct Public Hearing pursuant to Government Code Section 3547 (a) regarding the initial proposal from NCETA to open negotiations for a new three-year agreement beginning in the 2018-19 school year.**

The public hearing was opened at 6:48 p.m.

Ms. Leticia Hernandez, Director of Human Resources, clarified the language in the agenda item

Ms. Irma Sanchez, NCETA, spoke regarding the articles in the successor agreement.

The public hearing was closed at 6:50 p.m.

## **16.B. Amend Student Teaching Agreement #CT805 with San Diego State University and National School District.**

**Motion Passed:** Amend Student Teaching Agreement #CT805 with San Diego State University and National School District Passed with a motion by Mr. Brian Clapper and a second by Ms. Barbara Avalos. San Diego State University recently doubled the number of semester units required for student teachers from 12 to 24. This increase in required teaching hours needed to earn the additional semester units will also increase the revenue received by National School District.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Absent Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

## **17. BUSINESS SERVICES**

### **17.A. Award Contract #CT3467 to Watkins Environmental, for Asbestos Abatement at the District Office, El Toyon School, Ira Harbison School, John Otis School, and Kimball School.**

**Motion Passed:** Following discussion, Award Contract #CT3467 to Watkins Environmental, for Asbestos Abatement at the District Office, El Toyon School, Ira Harbison School, John Otis School, and Kimball School Passed with a motion by Ms. Barbara Avalos and a second by Mr. Brian Clapper.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Absent Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

### **17.B. Award Contract #CT3468 to SD Remodeling, Inc., for Modular Building Foundation Repairs at Rancho de la Nación School.**

**Motion Passed:** Following discussion, Award Contract #CT3468 to SD Remodeling, Inc., for Modular Building Foundation Repairs at Rancho de la Nación School Passed with a motion by Mr. Brian Clapper and a second by Ms. Barbara Avalos.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Absent Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

## **18. BOARD WORKSHOP**

## **19. BOARD/CABINET COMMUNICATIONS**

Mr. Clapper congratulated the Employee of the Month. He welcomed the new employees. He shared that there will be a Nacho Sale fundraiser at Wrigley's this Saturday. He wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day.

Ms. Avalos welcomed the new employees. She congratulated the Employee of the Month. She shared that she attended the Sweetwater Union High School District State of the District address and enjoyed the presentation. She shared that she attended Dr. Brady's State of the District presentation at Palmer Way School on Monday. She wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day.

Ms. Sarmiento congratulated the Employee of the Month. She welcomed the new employees.

Ms. Hernandez congratulated the Employee of the Month.

Mr. Carson gave an update on the project at Palmer Way School.

Ms. Jameson-Whitney shared information regarding Ocean Connectors. She wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day.

Dr. Brady thanked the Board for joining her at the State of the District presentations at the schools. She shared information regarding staff feedback regarding the presentation. She thanked Mr. Carson for sharing information regarding the bonds. She shared information regarding Read Across America. She wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day.

Ms. Betancourt-Castañeda congratulated the Employee of the Month. She thanked Dr. Brady, Mr. Carson and Mr. Martinez for the State of the District and Bond presentations. She congratulated Mrs. Hayes for the successful STEAM night at Olivewood School. She wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day.

## **20. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned to Closed Session at 7:08 p.m.

No action was taken in closed session.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m.