

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

April 8, 2020
6:00 PM

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Board President, Barbara Avalos, called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board President, Barbara Avalos, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Attendance Taken at 6:10 PM:

Present:

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

Ms. Vanessa Ceseña took roll call.

4. PRESENTATIONS

4.A. Introduce and welcome the new employees.

Dr. Leticia Hernandez, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources introduced and welcomed the new employees.

5. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

None.

6. AGENDA

6.A. Accept agenda.

Motion Passed: Acceptance of agenda passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda and a second by Ms. Maria Dalla.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

7. APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR/ROUTINE ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Motion Passed: Following discussion, approval of Consent Calendar passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda and a second by Ms. Maria Dalla. Corrections requested for agenda item 7. A.I., start time of 9:45 a.m. and agenda item 7.A.II., attendance time of 4:13 p.m.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

7.A. Minutes

7.A.I. Approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on March 5, 2020.

7.A.II. Approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on March 9, 2020.

7.A.III. Approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on March 18, 2020.

7.B. Administration

7.B.I. Accept the Quarterly Report to the San Diego County Office of Education on Williams Complaints.

7.C. Human Resources

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

7.D. Business Services

7.D.I. Ratify/approve purchase orders, contracts and warrants as summarized and detailed in Exhibit A.

8. GENERAL FUNCTIONS

8.A. Adopt Resolution #19-20.23 regarding absence of Board Member Barbara Avalos due to hardship.

Motion Passed: Following discussion, adoption of Resolution #19-20.23 passed with a motion by Mr. Brian Clapper and a second by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda.

Abstain Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

8.B. Adopt Resolution #19-20.24 regarding absence of Board Member Alma Sarmiento due to illness.

Motion Passed: Following discussion, adoption of Resolution #19-20.24 passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Dalla and a second by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Abstain Ms. Alma Sarmiento

8.C. Approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on March 11, 2020.

Motion Passed: Approval of minutes passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda and a second by Mr. Brian Clapper.

Abstain Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Abstain Ms. Alma Sarmiento

8.D. Adopt Resolution #19-20.25 regarding absence of Board Member Barbara Avalos due to hardship.

Motion Passed: Adoption of Resolution #19-20.25 passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Dalla and a second by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda.

Abstain Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Abstain Ms. Alma Sarmiento

8.E. Adopt Resolution #19-20.26 regarding absence of Board Member Alma Sarmiento due to illness.

Motion Passed: Adoption of Resolution #19-20.26 passed with a motion by Mr. Brian Clapper and a second by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda.

Abstain Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Abstain Ms. Alma Sarmiento

8.F. Approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on March 11, 2020.

Motion Passed: Approval of minutes passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Dalla and a second by Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda.

Abstain Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Abstain Ms. Alma Sarmiento

8.G. Department updates on the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Dr. Brady, along with Executive Cabinet, updated the Governing Board on District-wide collaboration during the COVID-19 pandemic. Individually, each department shared actions taken and ongoing plans to continue supporting students, parents, and staff.

9. POLICIES, REGULATIONS, BYLAWS

9.A. Adopt Board Policies and Administrative Regulations as listed on attached maintenance service checklist.

Motion Passed: Adoption of Board Policies and Administrative Regulations passed with a motion by Ms. Maria Dalla and a second by Mr. Brian Clapper.

Yes Ms. Barbara Avalos

Yes Ms. Maria Betancourt-Castañeda

Yes Mr. Brian Clapper

Yes Ms. Maria Dalla

Yes Ms. Alma Sarmiento

10. HUMAN RESOURCES

10.A. Conduct public hearing pursuant to Government Code Section 3547 regarding the proposals from the National School District to the National City Elementary Teachers Association to open negotiations for the 2020-2021 school year.

Board President, Barbara Avalos, opened the public hearing at 7:24 p.m.

There were no speakers.

Board President, Barbara Avalos, closed the public hearing at 7:24 p.m.

10.B. Adopt Initial Collective Negotiations Proposal from the National School District to open negotiations with the National City Elementary Teachers Association (NCETA) for the 2020-2021 school year.

Motion Passed: Adoption of Initial Collective Negotiations Proposal passed with a motion by Mr. Brian Clapper and a second by Ms. Maria Dalla.

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

11. BUSINESS SERVICES

11.A. Discussion of summer construction projects throughout the District.

Dr. Lis Johnson, Interim Assistant Superintendent of Business Services and Mr. David Castillo, Director of Maintenance and Operations, gave a presentation on District-wide summer projects affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

11.B. Accept gifts.

Motion Passed: Acceptance of gifts passed with a motion by Ms. Alma Sarmiento and a second by Ms. Maria Dalla.

Absent Ms. Barbara Avalos (lost internet connection)

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

12. BOARD WORKSHOP

13. BOARD/CABINET COMMUNICATIONS

Ms. Betancourt-Castañeda thanked everyone involved who has helped us get to this point and facilitated the first virtual Governing Board meeting. She expressed her gratitude for the support provided by the Technology Department, the Administrative Assistants to the Superintendent's Office, Dr. Brady, and Executive Cabinet. She shared she had the opportunity to observe meal, material, and device distributions and she commended the Child Nutrition Services Department, Educational Services, and the Technology Department on the collaborative work. She also acknowledged all other departments that are working together in these challenging times to provide students with the distance learning tools needed and helping them be successful. She offered to volunteer if needed. She wished everyone a good night and looks forward to the next meeting.

Ms. Sarmiento concurred with Ms. Betancourt-Castañeda's comments and stated that it's times like these, that make National City great. Everyone has risen to the occasion and wonderful things by wonderful people are happening all around.

Ms. Dalla echoed what her fellow Governing Board Members have shared and added that seeing everybody working so hard and supporting our students in these times, is very humbling. She expressed that it is heartwarming to see the team effort and collaboration between the District staff and the National City Community. She wished everyone well and a good night.

Dr. Johnson thanked everyone for welcoming her to her first Board meeting. She expressed how amazing it's been to support and help in any way possible. She hopes that during her time here, she is able to continue helping National School District students and staff.

Dr. Hernandez thanked all staff who have been supporting the distance learning plan for students and also thanked all departments for continuing the work of the District, ensuring everything is ready for the students return. She reiterated that everyone's work is much appreciated.

Dr. Kraft echoed everyone's sentiments and expressed she is filled with gratitude and inspiration by the people she is surrounded with.

Dr. Brady thanked the amazing National School District staff and expressed that work being done exemplifies District core values. She also thanked the Governing Board and shared that the Board's ongoing support has set the District up for distance learning. She also thanked the Technology Department for assisting in the preparation of and during the Board meeting. She wished Mr. Zimmerle a belated happy birthday, and thanked Mr. Hansen for his work. She encouraged everyone present to participate in the 2020 Census and wished everyone a good night.

Mr. Clapper echoed everyone's sentiments, he thanked everyone, and expressed how proud he is to be part of this "World Series" team.

Ms. Avalos thanked everyone for their help and everything they've been doing for the District. She also thanked Mr. Clapper for filling in during her loss of internet connection.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Board President, Barbara Avalos, adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

Clerk of the Governing Board

Secretary to the Governing Board