

## **SAN DIEGO COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION**

Minutes of Special Closed Session Meeting  
March 21, 2018 – 5 p.m., Jack Port Board Room 508  
Minutes of Regular Board Meeting  
March 21, 2018 – 6 p.m.  
Ernest J. Dronenberg, Jr. Board Room  
(Joe Rindone Regional Technology Center)  
6401 Linda Vista Road, San Diego, CA 92111

### **1. SPECIAL CLOSED SESSION MEETING – 5 p.m., Jack Port Board Room 508**

#### **2. OPENING PROVISIONS**

2.a. Call to order and roll call taken at 5 p.m.

Members present: Donnellon, González, Muñoz, Powell, Shea  
Secretary: Gothold

2.b. Public Comment on Closed Session Items Only

None.

2.c. Adjourn to Closed Session

2.c.1. Conference with Legal Counsel - Potential Litigation - Based on existing facts and circumstances the Board shall decide whether to initiate litigation - Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)

2.c.1.1 One (1) Case

### **3. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION – 6 p.m., Joe Rindone Regional Technology Center**

**3.a. Call to order and roll call taken at 6:08 p.m.**

Members present: Donnellon, González, Muñoz, Powell, Shea  
Secretary: Gothold  
Recording secretary: Aguilar

**3.b. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3.c. Introduction of Student Representative on County Board of Education**

The Juvenile Court and Community Schools' student representative for the March 21, 2018, Board meeting was Luis Aviña from Breaking Cycles School. Principal Joel Spengler introduced Luis to the Board. Board member Donnellon presented an engraved award to Luis on behalf of the Board and welcomed his participation in the meeting.

**3.d. Approval of Agenda**

MSC (Muñoz/Shea) to approve the agenda. Motion passed by unanimous vote (5-0).

**3.e. Public Comment on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items**

No public comments on non-agenda items.

#### **4. RECOGNITIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

##### **4.a. Recognition: Resolution Honoring Judge Carolyn M. Caietti**

Superintendent Gothold introduced Judge Caietti and thanked her for her years of service as presiding of the San Diego County Juvenile Court and for her devotion to and support of the County's most vulnerable youth. President González presented the resolution to Judge Caietti on behalf of the Board.

#### **5. CONVENE A MEETING OF THE COUNTY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION**

President González convened a meeting of the County Committee on school district organization at 6:15 p.m.

##### **5.a. Consideration of Proposal of the Governing Board of the San Dieguito Union High School District to Implement a By-Trustee-Area Method of Election for Members of the Governing Board and Potential Action to Approve the Proposal**

Business Services Assistant Superintendent Michael Simonson provided background information and summarized the actions available to the County Committee at this meeting.

MSC (Muñoz/Shea) to adopt the resolution approving the implementation of a by-trustee-area method of election for members of the governing board of the San Dieguito Union High School District. Motion passed by unanimous vote (5-0).

##### **5.b. Consideration of Trustee Area Map Adopted by the Governing Board of the San Dieguito Union High School District and Other Maps Considered by that Board, and Potential Action to Adopt the Map Adopted by the San Dieguito Union High School District Board or a Different Map Considered by that Board**

Business Services Assistant Superintendent Michael Simonson provided background information and summarized the actions available to the County Committee at this meeting.

MSC (Shea/Donnellon) to adopt the resolution approving trustee areas for implementation of by-trustee-area elections in the San Dieguito Union High School District in accordance with the trustee area map approved by District governing board. Motion passed by unanimous vote (5-0).

##### **5.c. Consideration of Proposal of the Governing Board of the Poway Unified School District to Implement a By-Trustee-Area Method of Election for Members of the Governing Board and Potential Action to Approve the Proposal**

Business Services Assistant Superintendent Michael Simonson provided background information and summarized the actions available to the County Committee at this meeting.

MSC (Shea/Powell) to adopt the resolution approving the implementation of a by-trustee-area method of election for members of the governing board of the Poway Unified School District. Motion passed by unanimous vote (5-0).

**5.d. Consideration of Trustee Area Map Adopted by the Governing Board of the Poway Unified School District and Other Maps Considered by that Board, and Potential Action to Adopt the Map Adopted by the Poway Unified School District Board or a Different Map Considered by that Board**

Business Services Assistant Superintendent Michael Simonson provided background information and summarized the actions available to the County Committee at this meeting.

There were nine (9) speakers from the public on this item and commented in the following order:

1. Tore Blichfeldt, supports of Map 131
2. Tina Shaw, supports of Map 131
3. Joanne Woodard, supports of Map 131
4. Jana Johnson, opposes Map 131, supports Map 109
5. Terry Norwood, opposes Map 131, supports Map 101
6. Charles Sellers, opposes Map 131
7. Naomi Lukaszewski, supports Map 131
8. Ron Cho, supports Map 131

Board members expressed their thoughts on this item.

MSC (Shea/Powell) to adopt the resolution approving trustee areas for implementation of by-trustee-area elections in the Poway Unified School District in accordance with the trustee area map approved by District governing board. Motion passed with the following vote: YES: Donnellon, Powell, Shea; No: González, Muñoz

President González proceeded to reconvene the regular Board meeting and called for a ten-minute recess.

**6. PUBLIC HEARING: Petition for Establishment of Julian Charter School - Cedar Creek**

President González presented the guidelines for the public hearing and opened the hearing at 7 p.m. Business Services Assistant Superintendent Michael Simonson presented the following background information and opening remarks:

A petition to establish Julian Charter School-Cedar Creek was submitted to the county board of education pursuant to Education Code section 47605.6, a county board of education may approve a petition for the operation of a charter school that operates at one or more sites within the geographic boundaries of the county and that provides instructional services that are not generally provided by a county office of education. A county board of education may approve a countywide charter only if it finds, in addition to the other requirements of this section, that the educational services to be provided by the charter school will offer services to a pupil population that will benefit from those services and that cannot be served as well by a charter school that operates in only one school district in the county.

Lead petitioner Jennifer Cauzza filed the petition on January 23, 2018. The petition will be reviewed in accordance with Board Policy 0310 and Administrative Regulations 0310 and 0310.1. Notice of the public hearing and a copy of these guidelines were provided to the petitioner and districts effected by the proposed charter locations.

Education Code 47605.6, requires the County Board of Education to grant or deny the charter petition not later than 90 days after receiving a complete petition package and following review of the petition. The Board will take official action on the petition at the regular meeting on April 11, 2018.

Spokespersons for Julian Charter School-Cedar Creek: Executive Director Jennifer Cauzza

Spokespersons for districts effected by the proposed charter locations: Superintendent Karen Janney, Sweetwater Union High School District; Legal Counsel Sarah Sutherland, Dannis Woliver Kelley; Office of Charter Schools Manager Deidre Walsh, San Diego Unified; General Counsel Andra Donovan, San Diego Unified; Superintendent Dr. Anne Staffieri, Ramona Unified; Deputy Supt. of Business Services Scott Patterson, Grossmont Union High School District; and Superintendent Dr. Tim Glover, Grossmont Union High School District.

There were two public comments in support of Julian Charter School-Cedar Creek; these comments were from 1) Rebecca Olson and 2) Connie Masters. Ms. Debbie Elder submitted an information card to the Board, also, in support of Julian Charter School-Cedar Creek.

Executive Director Jennifer Cauzza addressed questions presented by Board member Powell.

President González closed the public hearing at 7:38 p.m. and announced the Board would take action on this matter at the regular Board meeting on April 11, 2018.

## **7. APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS**

Items listed in this section are considered to be routine and are acted on by the Board in one motion. It is understood that the Superintendent recommends approval on all Consent Items. Each item of the Consent agenda approved by the Board shall be deemed to have been considered in full and adopted as recommended.

Board member Donnellon commended Field Account Executive Mark Provo of CDWG, MooreCo, Inc. for their donation (item 7.h), and President González thanked staff for their diligent work on the 2018-19 school calendars (items 7.j and 7.k).

MSC (Donnellon/Shea) to approve Consent items 7.a. through 7.k. The motion passed by unanimous vote (5-0).

- 7.a. Approve: Minutes of Special Meeting on Jan. 31, 2018
- 7.b. Approve: Minutes of Special Meeting on Feb. 5, 2018
- 7.c. Approve: Minutes of Regular Meeting on Feb. 14, 2018
- 7.d. Approve: Minutes of Special Meeting on Feb. 28, 2018
- 7.e. Approve: Budget Adjustments
- 7.f. Approve: Resolution Honoring Judge Carolyn Caietti
- 7.g. Approve: Resolution Honoring Staff Retirement Sandra Filippone
- 7.h. Approve: Accept Educational Furniture Donation for Use in the Joe Rindone Regional Technology Center
- 7.i. Approve: Accept Donation to Migrant Education Program
- 7.j. Approve: Adopt 2018-19 School Calendars for Davila Day School, Early Education Programs & Services/HOPE Infant Family Support, Friendship School, North Coastal Consortium, and North County Academy
- 7.k. Approve: Adopt 2018-19 School Calendars for Juvenile Court and Community Schools

## 8. ASSOCIATIONS COMMENTARY

San Diego County Association of Educators (SDCAE) Vice President Stephanie Cruz reported on the three-year interim JCCS visitation from WASC. The WASC team noted dramatic improvement in the culture from what they observed during their last visit. The SDCAE endorsement process is complete, and SDCAE has endorsed Board members Shea and Muñoz for re-election.

CSEA Chapter 568 President Keith Hildreth thanked Supt. Gothold for inviting CSEA to participate in informational meetings for the selection of the assistant superintendents. He also thanked Board members Muñoz and Shea for attending the recent CSEA chapter meeting, and shared Chapter 568 is continuing with the process of endorsement.

## 9. ACTION ITEMS

- 9.a. Adopt: Resolution Taking Action on Appeal of District Denial of Petition to Establish Pacific Springs Charter School

The Pacific Springs Charter School (“PSCS”) petition was filed on appeal to the County Board of Education by lead petitioner Dr. Kathleen Hermsmeyer after denial by the Chula Vista Elementary School District Governing Board on August 30, 2017. The charter petition, with supporting documents, was determined to be complete on January 22, 2018. The County Board of Education (“Board”) held a public hearing to consider the level of support for the petition pursuant to California Education Code section 47605 (b), at a regular Board meeting on February 14, 2018.

A committee was formed to review the PSCS charter petition (“PSCS Petition”) in accordance with Board Policy 0310, and Administrative Regulations 0310 and 0310.1, utilizing the criteria for charter approval set forth in Education Code section 47605. The Review Team provides the Board with an assessment of the sufficiency of the PSCS Petition with respect to all criteria for approval. The Review Team recommends that the County Board approve the PSCS Petition for a term of July 1, 2018, through June 30, 2021.

Comments from the following public speakers expressed support of the establishment of Pacific Springs Charter School: 1) Philip Parks and 2) Vivian Price.

MSC (Donnellon/Powell) to approve, with conditions to be determined in the MOU, the appeal and adopt the “Resolution of the San Diego County Board of Education Approving the Charter School Petition to Establish Pacific Springs Charter School” with the noted findings, for a term of July 1, 2018, through June 30, 2021. Motion passed by unanimous vote (5-0).

- 9.b. Adopt: Contracted Services/Fee Schedule

Assistant Superintendent of Business Services Michael Simonson pointed out the changes to the 2018-19 Contracted Services/Fee Schedule.

MSC (Muñoz/Shea) to adopt the San Diego County Office of Education Contracted Services/Fee Schedule. Motion passed by unanimous vote (5-0).

9.c. Accept: Interim Financial Report and Certification

Assistant Superintendent of Business Services Michael Simonson presented the second interim financial report and certification for the Board's review.

MSC (Powell/Donnellon) to accept the County Superintendent's positive certification that the County Office will be able to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the current fiscal year and the two subsequent years. Motion passed by unanimous vote (5-0).

9.d. Public Hearing and Approval of Deferred Maintenance Five-Year Plan

President González opened the public hearing at 8:01 p.m. There was no public comment, and the public hearing was closed.

MSC (Shea/Powell) to approve the County Office of Education Deferred Maintenance Five-Year Plan. Motion passed by unanimous vote (5-0).

9.e. Adopt: School Safety Resolution

MSC (Shea/Donnellon) to adopt the School Safety Resolution. Motion passed by unanimous vote (5-0).

**10. INFORMATION ITEMS - NO ACTION**

10.a. Adopted Administrative Regulation 5141.3, Suicide Prevention

Superintendent Gothold provided background information on AR 5141.3. No action was required.

10.b. CA Education Code 1302: \$10,000 Rule (Classified Management)

Superintendent Gothold provided the Board information regarding the promotion of a classified management employee that resulted in more than a \$10,000 increase in annual salary.

10.c. Legislative Update

Superintendent Gothold provided an update on key legislation affecting education.

**11. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

President González reported the Board took no action during closed session.

**12. BOARD REPORTS – Communication from Board Members**

Member Powell welcomed new Business Services Assistant Superintendent Michael Simonson; acknowledged and thanked the Instructional Television crew for their outstanding job; and stated the San Diego County Board of Education and superintendent take school safety seriously, and are looking at various ways to support the 42 county school districts with their security plans. Member Shea reported he participated in Read-Across-America and read to a second grade class at Monarch School. He and Board member Donnellon hosted a tour of San Pasqual Academy for a team from Los Angeles County Office of Education; and visited Empower Charter School. Member Muñoz reported she toured Cuyamaca Prep community school along with Supt. Gothold; and

attended a recent CCBE Legislative Committee in Sacramento. Vice President Donnellon also welcomed Business Services Assistant Superintendent Michael Simonson to SDCOE; she attended the Computer-Using Educator Conference and sat on a panel on International Women's Day for a group of middle school students. Among various events, President González shared she recently attended safety meetings in some schools within her district; the JCCS WASC Accreditation; Assembly Member Shirley Weber's Salute-to-Women; and presented the welcome introductions at this year's San Diego Union-Tribune Countywide Spelling Bee.

### **13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

### **14. NEXT MEETING DATES**

- 14.a. Special Board Meeting - Expulsion Appeal Hearing, Wed., April 11, 2018, 3:30 p.m.,  
Jack Port Board Room 508
- 14. b. Regular Board Meeting on Wed., April 11, 2018, 6 p.m., Joe Rindone Regional  
Technology Center
- 14. c. Special Board Meeting - Board Budget Study Session, Fri., April 27, 2018, 10 a.m.,  
Jack Port Board Room 508

### **15. ADJOURNMENT**

MSC (Shea/Powell) to adjourn at 8:23 p.m. Motion passed by unanimous vote (5-0).