

EAST WHITTIER CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
August 26, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Board Vice President Elbling at 5:03 p.m. with members Elbling, Aparicio, Dabbs present. Urteaga arrived at the beginning of closed session. Staff members Patterson, Hernandez and Vargas were also present. Chacon Kennedy was absent.

CALL TO ORDER

It was moved by Mr. Aparicio, seconded by Mrs. Dabbs and voted on as follows: Mr. Elbling/y, Mr. Aparicio/y, Mrs. Dabbs/y to adjourn to closed session at 5:04.

ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session opened at 5:06 p.m. and closed at 6:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Aparicio, seconded by Mrs. Dabbs and voted on as follows: Mr. Elbling/y, Mr. Aparicio/y, Mrs. Dabbs/y and Mr. Urteaga/y to adjourn to open session at 6:04 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT TO OPEN SESSION

No Action was Taken in Closed Session.

CLOSED SESSION ACTION TAKEN

Flag Salute

Orchard Dale Elementary School Students led in the Flag Salute.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

School Highlights

Mrs. Mackay showed a presentation highlighting Orchard Dale Elementary School.

SCHOOL HIGHLIGHTS

Employee Recognition

Mrs. Mackay, Principal of Orchard Dale Elementary School presented awards to the Orchard Dale Employees of the Month. Congratulations to classified employee, Cathy Maiques and certificated employee, Mariana Sansone.

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

Employee Recognition-Classified Employee of the Year

Dr. Vargas presented Yadira Rinaldi with the Employee of the Year recognition.

CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

Classified Retirement

Mrs. Mackay spoke about Karen Mueller, Supervising Assistant at Orchard Dale who was unable to attend.

CLASSIFIED RETIREMENT

GEM Award

Mrs. Tavitian, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Support Services spoke about Whittier Area Community Church as the District Going the Extra Mile recipient. Pastor John Riley attended to accept the award.

GEM AWARD

11 visitors signed the Visitors Record Book

VISITORS

Board Member Reports and Comments

BOARD REPORTS AND COMMENTS

Comments of Mrs. Dabbs

Mrs. Dabbs thanked the guests for attending the Board meeting. She spoke about how excited she is to be part of the Back to School excitement. It brings her a lot of joy. Attended the CVRA meeting at Hillview and missed some Back to School nights on the same night. It was important to be at the CVRA mapping meeting. There were a small group of families and/or parents there and they had some good questions. Attended Evergreen and Ocean View's two Back to School nights and they were a lot of fun. Attended Orchard Dale as well and it was wonderful to see the families. The food at Evergreen was great and the excitement at Ocean View as well. Being able to see the parents coming together at Orchard Dale was a lot of fun. It was exciting to see so many different flavors of Back to School nights at the schools. Was fortunate to attend Wake Up Whittier in our effort to continue the Engage East Whittier. She is very fortunate to be able to attend and advocate on behalf of the Board as we connect with folks in the community to see what kinds of things they can do to support us whether it is through resources that are financial or other means. She believes that it is making a difference to attend these events. It is slow but in time it will grow. Was able to present to a small networking group and thanked Superintendent Patterson for sharing some Engage East Whittier slides which she shared with the small group, about the need for businesses to come together to support our District. Here and there she is finding many businesses wanting to engage and connect with us. Again, whether it is financially or another kind of support. That momentum she believes is growing for all of us. Attended a beautiful event at the new Water District building in Pico Rivera. It is an award winning building and it is absolutely incredible. The reason she attended is that they will be providing grants for field trips to the Water District and is hoping that they will also be doing Elementary schools. The purpose of the learning center that has been built there is to teach our youngsters about the need for clean water, the way to save it, the way to recoup it and how this building is going to help us to gain water independence in the San Gabriel Valley. There are tours open to the public and she encouraged everyone to go. Mrs. Dabbs and Superintendent Patterson attended an event put on by CSBA where Senator Bob Archuleta was there to get feedback from those surrounding districts about our needs. As he is beginning to

look at the districts that he serves he can hear firsthand what it is that we want and need from him. Unfortunately, no commitments were made from him but nevertheless every contact that we make, every time he sees any of us is very important.

Comments of Mrs. Chacon Kennedy

Absent

Comments of Mr. Aparicio

Mr. Aparicio welcomed everyone for attending the meeting. Attended the Orchard Dale, La Colima, Evergreen, Ocean View and Mulberry Back to School nights. These events are always fun to attend. The first one is always exciting to see. The teachers, the parents and the kids are excited. It is nice to see the growth from Back to School night to Open House. It makes parents feel good. He commended all the teachers for all the effort they put in. They put a lot of work and time in. Mentioned that East Whittier Middle School will be having a color run on September 14th.

Comments of Mr. Elbling

Mr. Elbling apologized for missing the previous meeting. Spoke about all the Back to School nights he is attending. Is looking forward to visiting more schools and the fall events.

Comments of Mr. Urteaga

Mr. Urteaga congratulated the Employees of the Month for the school sites and the Employee of the Year for the District. It is always nice to have them representing us. Spoke about the GEM and the service that WACC gives to our schools and families. Gave a special thanks to Pastor Riley for all they do. At the last meeting he forgot to thank Superintendent Patterson for providing the note cards and the books. It is a nice touch to have on behalf of the District. Attended many Back to School nights, La Colima, Orchard Dale, and the CVRA election map meeting at Hillview. There are two more CVRA meetings this week. We are in the middle of the process and the selection will be soon. Spoke about the attendance at the meetings and how the community must have trust or they would be there. We are blessed to be in a place like that. Will be attending Ceres, Scott and Murphy Ranch Back to School nights this week.

Comments of CSEA

Ivan Pastrano, CSEA Chapter 87 President spoke about being

CSEA COMMENTS

back as CSEA President. Ivan thanked Michelle for her many years being involved in CSEA and all that she has done. Congratulated the Classified Employee of the Year and also the school Employees of the Year for Orchard Dale. Spoke about the Orchard Dale video and how they brought in the various groups. Spoke about the years of school boards and how this group is the best and thanked them for listening. Is looking forward to Classified working with the Board again.

Comments of EWEA

Kelly Sunada, EWEA President thanked Dr. Vargas, Corrin Conley and the Personnel department for the prompt responses. It has been very positive in terms of feedback. Thanked Mrs. Dabbs for the cookies. Let the Board know that she is available to meet anytime they would like. Spoke about the opening of school and the great job her site administrators did in frontloading the staff with information. Spoke about Michelle Ruiz and her quick response to a publication's need.

EWEA COMMENTS

Comments of the Superintendent

Marc Patterson

Mr. Patterson attended many of the same events that the Trustees went to. We are focusing on creating the strong connections with the community members so he along with Mrs. Tavitian and Mrs. Valenzuela met with the Hispanic Outreach Task Force. We will be using the Emma Wicker Auditorium to support some of their events, so we are looking forward to support that work and build that relationship. Mr. Patterson spoke about joining the Whittier Rotary recently and being sworn in.

SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Citizen Communication Period

No Citizens Addressed the Board

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION PERIOD

Discussion Items

REF 9 A discussion was held regarding the East Whittier City School District Strategic Plan and Engage East Whittier Next Steps.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

EWCS D STRATEGIC PLAN AND ENGAGE EAST WHITTIER NEXT STEPS

REF 10 It was moved by Mr. Aparicio, seconded by Mr. Elbling and voted on as follows: Mr. Elbling/y, Mr. Aparicio/y, Mrs. Dabbs/y, Mr. Urteaga/y to adopt Resolution No. 3-19/20 Proclaiming the Month of September 2019 as Attendance Awareness Month as submitted.

RESOLUTION 3-19/20 SEPTEMBER 2019 ATTENDANCE AWARENESS MONTH

Consent Items

It was moved by Mr. Aparicio, seconded by Mrs. Dabbs and voted on as follows: Mr. Elbling/y, Mr. Aparicio/y, Mrs. Dabbs/y, Mr. Urteaga/y to approve the minutes of 6/12/19.

CONSENT ITEMS

MEETING MINUTES – 6/12/2019

It was moved by Mr. Elbling, seconded by Mr. Aparicio and voted on as follows: Mr. Elbling/y, Mr. Aparicio/y, Mrs. Dabbs/y, Mr. Urteaga/y to table the minutes approval to the next meeting for a quorum.

MEETING MINUTES – 8/12/2019

It was moved by Mr. Aparicio, seconded by Mrs. Dabbs and voted on as follows: Mr. Elbling/y, Mr. Aparicio/y, Mrs. Dabbs/y, Mr. Urteaga/y to approve BUS-113 through SUP-901.

BUS-113 Approve agreements Nos. 43-47

AGREEMENTS

BUS-114 Approve purchase orders exceeding \$3,000 and to ratify “B” Warrants Nos. 25440946 thru 25455460

PURCHASE ORDERS AND WARRANTS

ESS-530 To approve Conference and Travel for M. Patterson, to attend 2019 Association of California School Administrators (ACSA) Leadership Summit, San Francisco, CA, 11/7-11/9/19 for a cost not to exceed \$2,358.57.

CONFERENCE/TRAVEL

ESS-531 To approve Conference and Travel for M. Patterson to attend 2019 Superintendents’ Professional Collaborative Conference, San Gabriel, CA, 10/10-10/11/19 for a cost not to exceed \$125.00.

CONFERENCE/TRAVEL

ESS-532 To approve Conference and Travel for D. Gonzalez, W. Lessard-Clouston to attend LACOE District Assessment and Accountability Network, Downey, CA, 9/24/19, 12/10/19, 1/28/20, 3/31/20, 5/27/20 for a cost not to exceed \$103.24.

CONFERENCE/TRAVEL

ESS-533 To approve Conference and Travel for A. Calhoun, D. Froelich, N. Najera to attend Assessment Literacy, Downey, CA, 9/30/19 for a cost not to exceed \$320.65.

CONFERENCE/TRAVEL

ESS-534 To approve Conference and Travel for C. Johnson, D. Gonzalez, A. Calhoun to attend Building Educator Assessment Literacy Mathematics, Downey, CA, 9/12/19 for a cost not to exceed \$320.65.

CONFERENCE/TRAVEL

- ESS-535** To approve Conference and Travel for M. Patterson, L. Vargas, R. Hernandez, G. Tavitian, K. Fierro, K. Songer, D. Elbling, C. Aparicio, K. Sunada to attend Teacher of the Year Luncheon, Universal City, CA, 9/20/19 for a cost not to exceed \$450.00. CONFERENCE/TRAVEL
- ESS-536** To approve Conference and Travel for M. Patterson, to attend 2019 Education Excellence: Pathways to Equity Summit, Alhambra, CA, 9/24/19 for a cost not to exceed \$165.00. CONFERENCE/TRAVEL
- ESS-537** To approve Conference and Travel for M. Patterson, C. Chacon Kennedy, L. Dabbs to attend Whittier Rotary Club Lunch Meeting, Whittier, CA, 9/10/19 for a cost not to exceed \$60.00. CONFERENCE/TRAVEL
- ESS-538** To approve Conference and Travel for D. Froelich, R. Barrios, M. Carrillo, B. Ouchi, L. Sanchez, J. Felix, M. Miller, M. Robledo, T. McMillan, L. Liew to attend Thinking Maps, Alhambra, CA, 10/28/19, 3/18-3/19/20 for a cost not to exceed \$7,114.82. CONFERENCE/TRAVEL
- ESS-539** To approve Conference and Travel for L. Duran to attend California Dept. of Ed Homeless Education Coordinator's Meeting, Sacramento, CA, 9/23-9/24/19 for a cost not to exceed \$653.95. CONFERENCE/TRAVEL
- ESS-540** To approve Conference and Travel for L. Lawlor to attend No Excuses University, San Diego, CA, 1/13-1/14/20 for a cost not to exceed \$475.00. CONFERENCE/TRAVEL
- PER-602 Certificated Staffing**
- Employment of Certificated Personnel:** A. Pelayo, Substitute Teacher, Personnel. CERTIFICATED STAFFING
- Employment of Temporary Certificated Personnel:** J. Arviso, Teacher, Granada; J. Regalado, Teacher, Granada; S. Sosa, Teacher, Hillview.
- Request for Family Medical Leave of Absence/Parental Bonding:** S. Hyun, Teacher, Hillview; J. Ocon, Teacher, Murphy Ranch; L. Reynoso, Teacher, Ceres.
- Separation:** K. Brasuell, Substitute Teacher, Personnel; K. Garcia, Teacher, Hillview; J. Ghil, Substitute Teacher, Personnel; S. Muetzel, Asst. Principal, Granada; D. Roa, Psychologist, Special Ed; D. Rodriguez, Teacher, Evergreen; A. Rossell, Teacher, LOA/Personnel; M. Seyler, Teacher, Hillview.

PER-603 Classified Staffing

Employment of Classified Personnel: I. Arias, Inst. Asst. III-STEP; M. Arroyo, Inst. Asst. IV, Evergreen; A. Melendrez, Inst. Asst. III-STEP, Ocean View; D. Mercado, Inst. Asst. III-STEP; D. Mercado, Inst. Asst. III, Mulberry; C. Morales, Inst. Asst. IV, Orchard Dale; J. Moreno, Inst. Asst. III, Evergreen; L. Petri, Lead Food Service Worker, Scott; C. Pina, Financial Analyst, Business; S. Reyes, Inst. Asst. IV, Orchard Dale; A. Rosales, Community Liaison, EWMS; P. Sanchez, Inst. Asst. II-PE, ESS; V. Solis, Supervising Asst., Scott.

Change of Status: M. Addcox, Inst. Asst. III, to Typist Clerk II, Hillview; J. Barahona, Supervising Asst., Granada to Substitute Supervising Asst., Personnel; D. Cervantes, Inst. Asst. III, Orchard Dale to Inst. Asst. IV, Mulberry; Y. Gonzalez, Supervising Asst. to Inst. Asst.-PE, Laurel; A. Hernandez, Supervising Asst. to Inst. Asst.-PE, Laurel; C. Leblanc, Inst. Asst. III to Inst. Asst. IV, Orchard Dale; J. Merriss, Health Clerk, Laurel FTE 37.5 to 43.7; C. Montes, Inst. Asst. IV, Evergreen to Inst. Asst. IV, Ocean View; G. Ochoa, Inst. Asst. III to Inst. Asst. IV, Orchard Dale; D. Ortiz, Health Clerk, Laurel, FTE 36.25 to 30.00; A. Rivera, Supervising Asst., Laurel, Increase in FTE; C. Salinas, Supervising Asst. Laurel, Increase in FTE; T. Sandoval, Inst. Asst. III, Murphy Ranch to Inst. Asst. IV, Mulberry.

Request for Family Medical Leave of Absence/Parental Bonding:

K. Pablo, Purchasing Agent, Business; K. Coyne-Spaulling, Central Kitchen Food Service Worker, Maintenance.

Request for Unpaid Leave of Absence:

V. Espinosa, Inst. Asst. III, Granada; K. Hayes, Inst. Asst. IV, Leffingwell; R. Jackson, Inst. Asst. II, Granada; D. Nilsen, Inst. Asst. III, Ceres.

Separation:

N. Lara, Food Service Worker, Laurel; A. Malave, Clerical Substitute, Personnel; R. Martinez, Supervising Asst., Granada; A. Pelayo, Inst. Asst. III, Granada; C. Sanchez, Substitute Inst. Asst., Personnel.

SUP-900 Acceptance of Gifts: Lifetouch Studios, General Purposes, \$399.53, La Colima; Lifetouch Studios, General Purposes, \$528.85, Leffingwell; Lifetouch Studios, General Purposes, Mulberry; Whittier Girls Softball League, \$1,348.05, Materials/Labor for the East Whittier MS backstops, East Whittier; Your Cause LLC Trustee, Sempra, \$120.00, General Purposes, Hillview.

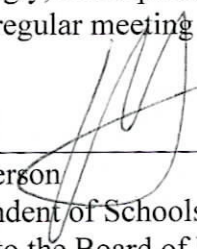
CLASSIFIED STAFFING

ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS

It was moved by Mr. Elbling, seconded by Mr. Aparicio and voted on as follows: Mr. Elbling/y, Mr. Aparicio/y, Mrs. Dabbs/y, Mr. Urteaga/y to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:44 p.m.

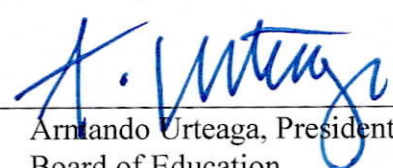
ADJOURNMENT

By:



Marc Patterson
Superintendent of Schools and
Secretary to the Board of Education

Approved:



Armando Urteaga, President
Board of Education

*The next Board meeting will be held Monday, September 9, 2019
6 p.m. at Dorothy F. Fagan Education Center
14535 E. Whittier Blvd. Whittier, CA*