

**GOVERNING BOARD OF TRUSTEES
PORTERVILLE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

- 1 Date** April 25, 2019
- 2 Present** Lillian Durbin, President, Pete Lara, Jr., Vice President; Felipe Martinez, Tom Velasquez, Members; Nate Nelson, District Superintendent and Secretary; Brad Rohrbach, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services; Martha Stuemky, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services; Andy Bukosky, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources; Lissa Lambie, Angel Valdez, Heather Bledsaw, Regina Longoria, Mike Tsuboi, John Buckley, Eric Barba, Carla Crocker, Jose Valdez, Olga Ortiz, Liz Torres, Kevin Jessee, Patty Espinoza, Patty Jorgensen, Rebecca Ortiz, JR Ortiz, Crystal Milinich, Dawn Crater, Angie Torres, Andrew Woodley, Laura Vera, Doug Ihmels, Julissa Leyva, Administrators
- 3 Absent** Sharon Gill, Clerk; James Carson, and Juan Figueroa, Jr.; Members
- 4 Guests** Zella Biagio, Jennifer Biagio, Liberty Reynoso, Gloria Bizarro, Guille Bizarro, Macario Bizarro, Jose Morelos, Renee Carson, Krysten Sanders, Jennifer Perkins, Pablo Andrade, Marisol Ceballos, Silvia Andrade, Griselda Alvarado, Elizabeth Rohrbach, Debbie Stockton, Rigoberto Garcia, Mayra Gomez, Yessenia Ramos, Shawn Clower, Raveena Mahal, Kate Lizardo, Kristen Watson, Catherine May, John Sherrill, Rich Lambie, Maria Ceballos, Karen Lemus, Paola Ibarra, Anthony Negrete, Kristen Wood, Maria Ramos, Olga Orduño, Michelle Castro Gamboa, Chelsea Gamboa Castro, Steven Mendez, Hilda Martinez, Employees, Students, and Citizens
- 5 Call to Order** President Durbin called the regular meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.
- 6 Pledge of Allegiance** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Amy Prescott, Porterville High School Student Board Representative.
- 7 Approval of Consent Agenda** Moved by Mr. Lara, seconded by Mr. Martinez, that the minutes of the April 11, 2019, regular meeting be approved; that Payment Order No. 32 in the amount of \$1,040,637.20 be approved; that revised Out-of-County Field Trip Requests be approved; that Gift Donations to the School District be approved with letters of appreciation forwarded to donors; and that Budget Revisions be approved. Motion carried; all four board members present voting aye.
- At the request of Superintendent Nate Nelson, revised Personnel Report No. 16-19 was removed from the Consent Agenda for separate action following Closed Session.
- 8 Recognition Awards and Special Presentations**
- Mrs. Cindy Brown, Director of Pathways, introduced ten students who were accepted into the National Academy Foundation Summer Future Ready Lab, which will be held at UC Berkeley.
 - Mrs. Dawn Crater, Butterfield Charter School Director, recognized the Porterville Celebrates Reading team for their hard work in planning and coordinating the annual event.
 - Mrs. Liberty Reynoso and Mr. Jose Morelos, Teachers, recognized migrant students from the after-school journalism club.
 - Mrs. Heather Bledsaw, Westfield Elementary School Principal, recognized students for their achievements in the Tulare County Office of Education Science Fair.
- 9 Report – Westfield Elementary School** Mrs. Heather Bledsaw, Principal, gave a report and presentation regarding Westfield Elementary School’s academic programs and campus activities.
- 10 Report – Porterville High School Student Board Representative** Amy Prescott, PHS student, gave a report regarding academic programs and student activities for the PHS campus.

- 11 **Oral Communications**
- Miss Raveena Mahal, Miss Kristen Watson, and Miss Kate Lizardo, MHS students, commented on the District's valedictorian requirements.
- 12 **Comments by Governing Board of Trustees and/or Superintendent**
- Dr. Nelson reported on the following items:
 - ✓ He will be attending the California FFA Conference in Anaheim after today's board meeting. The conference will end Sunday, April 28th.
 - ✓ The Sophomore Mentor's Conference, which will be held at PortNaz on Friday, April 26th, from 8:45 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.
 - ✓ All sites have started the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) testing.
- 13 **Resolution No. 21 Adopted**
- Following a review by Dr. Bukosky, it was moved by Mr. Lara, seconded by Mr. Velasquez, that Resolution No. 21 be adopted in the matter of reducing or eliminating certain classified services for the 2019-2020 school year. A vote of the Governing Board is recorded as follows: Mrs. Gill – Absent; Mr. Velasquez – Aye; Mr. Martinez – Aye; Mr. Carson – Absent; Mr. Lara – Aye; Mr. Figueroa – Absent; Mrs. Durbin – Aye. Motion carried.
- 14 **Resolution No. 24 Adopted**
- Following a review by Dr. Bukosky, it was moved by Mr. Velasquez, seconded by Mr. Lara, that Resolution No. 24 be adopted in the matter of designating short term positions not requiring certification qualifications. A vote of the Governing Board is recorded as follows: Mrs. Gill – Absent; Mr. Velasquez – Aye; Mr. Martinez – Aye; Mr. Carson – Absent; Mr. Lara – Aye; Mr. Figueroa – Absent; Mrs. Durbin – Aye. Motion carried.
- 15 **New and Revised District Board Policies and Administrative Regulations Adopted**
- Following a second reading by Dr. Nelson, it was moved by Mr. Martinez, seconded by Mr. Lara, that the new and revised District Governing Board Policies and Administrative Regulations be adopted. Motion carried; all four members present voting aye.
- 16 **Resolution No. 22 Adopted**
- Following a review by Dr. Nelson, it was moved by Mr. Velasquez, seconded by Mr. Martinez, that Resolution No. 22 be adopted acknowledging May 7, 2019, as National Teacher Appreciation Day. A vote of the Governing Board is recorded as follows: Mrs. Gill – Absent; Mr. Velasquez – Aye; Mr. Martinez – Aye; Mr. Carson – Absent; Mr. Lara – Aye; Mr. Figueroa – Absent; Mrs. Durbin – Aye. Motion carried.
- 17 **Resolution No. 23 Adopted**
- Following a review by Dr. Nelson, it was moved by Mr. Martinez, seconded by Mr. Mr. Velasquez, that Resolution No. 23 be adopted declaring the week of May 19, 2019, through May 25, 2019, as Classified School Employee Week. A vote of the Governing Board is recorded as follows: Mrs. Gill – Absent ; Mr. Velasquez – Aye; Mr. Martinez – Aye; Mr. Carson - Absent; Mr. Lara – Aye; Mr. Figueroa – Absent; Mrs. Durbin – Aye. Motion carried.
- 18 **Announcements**
- PEF Academic Achievement Awards Program – Wednesday, May 1, 2019, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. – GHHS Amphitheater;
 - Open House Social for Retirees – Tuesday, May 14, 2019, 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. – PUSD Governing Board Room.
- 19 **Closed Session**
- At 5:39 p.m., President Durbin called for closed session for the purpose of discussing public employee discipline/dismissal/release/complaint/employment matters, student matters, as well as C.S.E.A. and P.E.A. Bargaining Unit matters.
- 20 **Called Back to Regular Session**
- President Durbin called the meeting back into regular session at 7:16 p.m.
- 21 **Amended Personnel Report No. 16-19 Approved**
- Moved by Mr. Lara, seconded by Mr. Velasquez, that Personnel Report No. 16-19 be amended and approved with certificates of recognition forwarded to retirees: Rosemary Duboski and Kristina Williford. Motion carried; four members present voting aye.

22 Student Expulsions

Moved by Mr. Lara, seconded by Mrs. Durbin, that seven student expulsions be approved as follows:

- Monache High School – 4 students – Three students: Expel remainder of 2018-2019 school year and first semester of 2019-2020 school year, suspend, transfer to PASS program, then return to school on a probationary contract through 2019-2020 first semester. One student: Expel remainder of 2018-2019 school year and first semester of 2019-2020 school year, transfer to Vine Street Community Day School.
- Strathmore High School – 3 students – Two students: Expel remainder of 2018-2019 school year and first semester of 2019-2020, suspend, return to school on a probationary contract through first semester of 2019-2020 school year. One student: Expel remainder 2018-2019 school year and first semester of 2019-2020 school year, transfer to Vine Street Community Day School.

Motion carried; all four members present voting aye.

23 Adjournment

There being no further business, President Durbin adjourned the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

**Sharon Gill, Clerk
Governing Board of Trustees
Porterville Unified School District**