

# SULPHUR SPRINGS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting of the Governing Board

February 7, 2017

## MINUTES

### Meeting Location:

Fair Oaks Community School  
26933 N. Silverbell Lane  
Santa Clarita, CA 91387

### TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Mrs. Shelley Weinstein, President  
Mr. Ken Chase, Clerk  
Mr. Denis DeFigueiredo, Member  
Ms. Lori MacDonald, Member  
Dr. Kerry Clegg, Member

### STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Catherine Kawaguchi, Superintendent  
Mrs. Kathy Harris, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services  
Mrs. Michele Gookins, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services  
Mr. Josh Randall, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel/Pupil Services  
Ms. Natalie Fears, District Executive Secretary

### **Call to Order, Roll Call**

Mrs. Weinstein called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:04 PM and noted the roll.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Sulphur Springs Union School District students, Hala Finley, Bryanna Johnson, Madeline Heinrich and Ireland Richards who are all also members of Girl Scout Troop 1872, led Pledge of Allegiance.

Students were presented a Pledge of Allegiance certificate and a Sulphur Springs Union School District pin by Mrs. Weinstein on behalf of the Board of Trustees for leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Approval of Agenda**

*Weinstein-Aye  
Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald-Aye  
Clegg-Aye*

The motion was made by Mr. Chase and seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and passed 5-0 to approve the Agenda, as presented.

### **Approval of Special Minutes, Jan 25, 2017**

*Weinstein-Aye  
Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald-Abstain  
Clegg-Aye*

The motion was made by Dr. Clegg, seconded by Mr. Chase, and passed 4-0 to approve the Minutes of the January 25, 2017 Special Meeting.

### **Approval of Regular Minutes, Jan 25 2017**

*Weinstein-Aye  
Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald-Aye  
Clegg-Aye*

The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and passed 5-0 to approve the Minutes of the January 25, 2017 Regular Meeting.

### **Hearing**

*Requests to Address,  
Comments, Questions*

There were no requests to address the Board, nor any comments or questions regarding agenda items.

Mrs. Weinstein introduced Mrs. Torgeson, 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher at Golden Oak Community School and Sulphur Springs Teachers' Association representative, who introduced the winners of the annual Creative Writing Contest. A trophy and a \$50 gift card from Barnes and Noble Book Store were presented to each student winner.

- A. Traynor, Mrs. Cutchall, 1<sup>st</sup> Grade, Mitchell Community School
- A. Park, Ms. Casey, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade, Golden Oak Community School
- J. Kurpiewski, 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade, Mrs. Rich, Mitchell Community School
- C. Ngo, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade, Ms. Gardina, Pinetree Community School
- A. Alas, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade, Mrs. Russon, Fair Oaks Ranch Community School
- Milan Wright, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade, Mrs. Server, Valley View Community School

Mrs. Torgenson noted the students would also be recognized at their respective schools.

Trustees congratulated the students on their essays and also the Sulphur Springs Teachers' Association for their continued dedication to our district.

Mr. Reinstein, Interim Principal at Fair Oaks Community School welcomed the Board of Trustees and guests.

Highlights of the presentation:

- New ELA/ELD series benchmark
- Math Expression series
- SSSD4
- Next Generation Science Standards
- Technology / Coding and Robotics
- Falcon Television Network, ran by Mr. Newton
- Flexibly Seating options in the classroom
- Intervention Programs (SIPPS, Read Naturally, Phonics for Reading and more)
- EL Tech Assistance
- Arts for All
- Wonderful PTA – who provide great support to our staff and students.
- All Fair Oaks Community School staff

The Board of Trustees presented certificates of recognition to the following:

- Kirk Nelson, Commitment to Service at Fair Oaks Ranch
- Heidi Heinrich, Commitment to Service at Fair Oaks Ranch
- Michael House, Commitment to Service at Fair Oaks Ranch
- Analiza Bernat, Commitment to Service at Fair Oaks Ranch
- Gilbert Bernal (not present), Dedicated and Outstanding Service
- Julio Ugalde (not present), Dedicated and Outstanding Service

Mrs. Weinstein thanked Mr. Reinstein for a wonderful presentation.

Mrs. Weinstein called a recess at 7:36 PM, reconvened at 7:47 PM

**Consent Calendar**  
*Weinstein-Aye*  
*Chase-Aye*  
*DeFigueiredo-Aye*  
*MacDonald-Aye*  
*Clegg-Aye*

The motion was made by Mr. Chase and seconded by Mr. DeFigueiredo, and passed 5-0 to approve the Consent Calendar, as presented.

- Conference Action Report #17-03
- Field Trip Action Report #N/A
- Gift Action Report #17-03
- Personnel Action Report #17-03
- Call for Special Meeting – Wednesday, March 29, 2017, 7:00PM at Sulphur Springs Union School District Administrative Office
- Revised School Accountability Report Cards (SARC)
- Memorandum of Understanding Between the California School Employees Association and Its Sulphur Springs Chapter #298 the Sulphur Springs Union School District
- Revised School Nurse and Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) Salary Schedules
- Data Specialist Job Description and Salary Schedule

**Conference Calendar**  
*Facilities Implementation*  
*Plan Update*

Dr. Kawaguchi introduced members from CFW and MillerCalderon who presented an update on the Facilities Implementation Plan. The following were highlights from the presentation:

- Reviewed proposed educational specifications
- Discussed proposed developments and the possible number of students that will be generated from the developments
- Shared two approaches to accommodate anticipated new students from the Vista Canyon and Spring Canyon Developments
- Reviewed two options and discussed considerations for both options
- Discussed cash flow and that it will be prepared to recognize current and future facilities needs to support the Facilities Implementation Plan

The Board of Trustees provided direction to Staff, CFW, and MillerCalderon to proceed with Option 2 which is utilizing funding resources including Community Facility District (CFD) proceeds and developer fees to modernize, improve, and increase capacity at Sulphur Springs and Pinetree Schools to accommodate newly generated students at these school sites.

Questions were asked by the Board of Trustees and answered by CFW and Mr. Calderon.

**Conference Calendar**  
*BP 3470 Debt Issuance*  
*and Management*

BP 3470 Debt Issuance and Management was presented, and Mr. Gheyara from CFW answered questions asked by the Trustees related to clarification and language within the contents of BP3470.

The Board of Trustees requested that BP3470 be brought back under action at the next board meeting.

**Conference Calendar**  
*Electric Bus Grant*  
*Program Information*  
*Presentation*

Mrs. Gookins announced that Southwest Air Quality Management District has opened up a new grant-funding program for the electric school buses. The grant is proposed to take up the full cost of the purchase of a bus or buses with no matching funds from the District as well as the installation of the infrastructure up to \$20,000 per bus. Mrs. Gookins noted that these electric buses have a 75 mile capacity and the idea is that the buses would be used for the districts heavily used routes, therefore allowing the district to move some of the older buses to alternate routes as back up and/or retire them as need be.

Questions were asked by the Board of Trustees and answered by Mrs. Gookins.

**Action,  
Business Service  
Report #17-11**  
*Weinstein-Aye  
Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald-Aye  
Clegg-Aye*

The motion was made by Mr. Chase and seconded by Dr. Clegg, and passed 5-0 to approve the Business Services Report # 17-11, as presented.

**Action,  
Approval of  
Amended and  
Restated Facilities  
Mitigation  
Agreement**  
*Weinstein-Aye  
Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald-Aye  
Clegg-Aye*

The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo and seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and passed 5-0 to approve Approval of Amended and Restated Facilities Mitigation Agreement (Vista Canyon), as presented.

**Action, Approval of  
Release and  
Amendment**  
*Weinstein-Aye  
Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald-Aye  
Clegg-Aye*

The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo and seconded by Mr. Chase, and passed 5-0 to approve Approval of Release and Amendment (Golden Valley Ranch / Aliento), as presented.

**Action,  
Notice of  
Termination/  
Stepping Stones**  
*Weinstein-Aye  
Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald-Aye  
Clegg-Aye*

The motion was made by Mr. Chase and seconded by Mr. DeFigueiredo and passed 5-0 to approve Notice of Termination of the Land Use Agreement between Sulphur Spring Union School District and Stepping Stones Children's Center, as presented.

**Action,  
Resolution  
R-17-02**  
*Weinstein-Aye  
Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald-Aye  
Clegg-Aye*

The motion was made by Mr. Chase and seconded by Dr. Clegg and passed 5-0 to approve Resolution R-17-02 by the Board of Trustees to Participate in the Electric School Bus Purchase Grant Program, as presented.

**Action,  
Declaration of Sole  
Source for Electric  
School Bus**  
*Weinstein-Aye  
Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald-Aye  
Clegg-Aye*

The motion was made by Dr. Clegg and seconded by Mrs. MacDonald and passed 5-0 to approve Declaration of Sole Source for Electric School Bus, as presented.

**Correspondence and  
Board Information**  
SSUSD STEAM Expo

Mrs. Weinstein announced that the Sulphur Springs Union School District S.T.E.A.M. Expo would take place on March 28, 2017 at 6:30-8:00PM at Mitchell Community School.

**Correspondence and Board Information**

Mrs. Weinstein announced that SSUSD had received a letter and ballot from the Superintendent of William S. Hart Union High School District for the upcoming CSBA Nominations. Mrs. Weinstein noted to put this topic on the next agenda for discussion.

The Board of Trustees expressed their appreciation and enjoyment of the District Conference. Mr. Chase congratulated ACSA Leadership award winners. Mr. Chase announced his attendance at the LACSTA Dinner held on January 30, 2017 and noted that the agenda included K-14 Statewide Career Pathways Technical Assistance.

Mrs. Weinstein announced the upcoming Legislative Meeting, February 9, 2017 and the Brown Act Training, February 22, 2017, both to be held at College of the Canyons.

Mrs. Weinstein noted that the next Regular Board Meeting would be held at the Sulphur Springs Union School District Administrative Office on February 22, 2017.

**Closed Session,**

*Weinstein-Aye  
Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald-Aye  
Clegg-Aye*

The motion was made by Mr. Chase, seconded by Dr. Clegg and passed 5-0 to adjourn to Closed Session at 9:42 PM for discussion regarding:

- California Government Code Section 54956.9  
Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation  
One (1) Case
- Potential Litigation
- Labor Negotiations
- Property Negotiation

**Reconvene**

*Weinstein-Aye  
Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald-Aye  
Clegg-Aye*

The motion was made by Dr. Clegg, seconded by Mr. Chase and passed 5-0 to reconvene the meeting at 10:54PM.

**Report Out of Closed Session**

In closed session, on motion by Dr. Clegg, and seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, the Governing Board took action by a vote of 5-0 to pay the amount of \$360.55 for claim form submitted on December 22, 2016 by Ventura Rendering.

**Adjournment**

*Weinstein-Aye  
Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald-Aye  
Clegg-Aye*

The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald and passed 5-0 to adjourn the meeting at 10:56PM.

February 22, 2017

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Mrs. Shelley Weinstein, President

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Mr. Ken Chase, Clerk