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Liberty Union High School District
20 Oak Street
Brentwood, CA 94513

**December 15, 2021
Regular Board Meeting
MINUTES**

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**This meeting is being held in-person at the
Liberty Union High School District Office
20 Oak Street, Brentwood, CA 94513**

1. NOTICES

1.01 PUBLIC RECORDS NOTICE: Any writings or documents that are public records and are provided to a majority of the governing board regarding an open session item on this agenda will be made available for public inspection in the District Office located at 20 Oak Street, Brentwood, California during normal business hours.

1.02 AMERICANS with DISABILITIES ACT NOTICE: In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance, disability-related modifications or accommodations, including auxiliary aids, or services, in order to access the Board meeting room, access written documents being discussed at the Board meeting, or to otherwise participate in the public meetings of the District's governing board, please contact the office of the Superintendent at (925) 634-2166 x2025. Notification 72 hours prior to the meeting will enable the District to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accommodation and accessibility to this meeting. Please turn off any electronic paging device or cell phone.

1.03 TITLE IX: The Liberty Union High School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, or disability.

2. CALL TO ORDER

At 5:30 p.m. President Allred called the meeting to order, all members were present except Dr. Hawley.

2.01 Roll Call

Pauline Allred
Roy Ghiggeri
Tamela H. Hawley
Yolanda Mendrek
Erick Stonebarger

3. SPECIAL SESSIONS

3.01 Discussion Session: Board Reorganization

The Board conducted a discussion regarding interest in officer and committee positions.

3.02 GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY CLOSED SESSION ITEM:

An information sheet with procedures for public input is available on the table near the entrance to the Board Room. The Board may limit public comments to 5 minutes per speaker and 30 minutes total per

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subject pursuant to Board Policy 9323. The Board values all input from the public; however, the practice is to not respond immediately to public comments. An additional opportunity is provided later in the agenda for public comment on remaining agenda items or non-agenda items and comments during public hearing(s).

3.03 Public Comments

There were no public comments and the Board recessed to closed session at 5:38 p.m.

3.04 Closed Session

1. Student Discipline or Other Confidential Student Matters (Education Code § 35146, 48900 et seq., 48912(b) and 49060 et seq., and 20 U.S.C. § 1232g)

3.05 Open Session

At 5:42 p.m. the Board returned to open session. Mrs. Allred reported the following action was taken in closed session:

Action: To accept the stipulated expulsion agreement, and that Student A be expelled through June 9, 2022 from Heritage High School and the Liberty Union High School District effective immediately. Conditions for readmission include satisfactory attendance, academic progress and behavior. Student A may apply for readmission by contacting the Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services on or before June 9, 2022. Passed with a 4 (Allred, Ghiggeri, Mendrek, Stonebarger) – 0 vote.

At 5:43 p.m. the Board returned to closed session.

3.06 Closed Session

1. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint (Govt. Code § 54957)
2. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation (Govt. Code § 54956.9 (d)(2))
Significant Exposure to Litigation: Two Matter(s)
3. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Govt. Code § 54956.9)
Contra Costa County Superior Court Case No. C20-00800
Anu McKinney, By and Through His Guardian Ad Litem Tamika Silverand vs. Mark Joseph Maggiore, Maggiore Farms, F. A. Maggiore & Sons, LLC, The Maggiore Family Company, LLC, Elizabeth Anne Augusto Miller, Brentwood Union School District, Brentwood Union Elementary School District, Liberty Union High School District, Contra Costa Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA), Contra Costa County Office of Education, And DOES 1-100
4. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Govt. Code § 54956.9(a))
United States District Court Northern District of California Case No. 4:21-cv-00750
Lamont Francies vs. Liberty Union High School District, and DOES 1-20, inclusive
5. Conference with Real Property Negotiator (Govt. Code § 54956.8)
Property: Sellers Property - APN#s 018-310-011, 012, 013, 014
Kellogg Property - APN#s 011-210-026, 027, 028
Agency Negotiators: Eric Volta/Liz Robbins
Negotiation Parties: Liberty Union High School District/TBD
Under Negotiations: Land Use

6. Conference with Labor Negotiator (Govt. Code § 54957.6)

Agency Designated Representative: Eric Volta; Denise Rugani

Employee Organizations: California School Employees Association, Chapter 238
Liberty Education Association
Unrepresented Employees

3.07 Open Session

At 7:00 p.m. the Board returned to open session

4. **OPENING PROCEDURES – 7:00 PM**

At 7:00 p.m. President Allred initiated opening procedures; all members were present except Dr. Hawley. Mrs. Allred reported the following actions were taken in closed session:

Action: To release a certain classified employee of the Liberty Union High School District. Passed with a 4 (Allred, Ghiggeri, Mendrek, Stonebarger) – 0 vote.

Action: To accept the resignation of Dr. Tony Shah, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services by a vote of 4 (Allred, Ghiggeri, Mendrek, Stonebarger) – 0 vote.

There were no other reportable actions taken in closed session.

4.04 Pledge of Allegiance

4.05 PROCEDURES FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:

The public is welcomed and encouraged to address the Liberty Union High School Board of Trustees. An information sheet with procedures for public input is available on the table near the entrance to the Board Room. The Board may limit public comments to 5 minutes per speaker and 30 minutes total per subject pursuant to Board Policy 9323. The Board values all input from the public; however, the practice is to not respond immediately to public comments.

4.06 Reorganization of Board – December 2021 through November 2022

4.06a Board President Elected

Action: Motion was made by Mr. Ghiggeri and seconded by Mrs. Mendrek to nominate Mr. Stonebarger as Board President. Passed with a 4 (Allred, Ghiggeri, Mendrek, Stonebarger) – 0 vote.

Mr. Volta presented Mrs. Allred with a gift and thanked her for her leadership and service. Mr. Stonebarger then presided over the meeting and thanked Mrs. Allred for her service.

4.06b Board Clerk Elected

Action: Motion was made by Mr. Ghiggeri and seconded by Mrs. Allred to nominate Mrs. Mendrek as Board Clerk. Passed with a 4 (Allred, Ghiggeri, Mendrek, Stonebarger) – 0 vote.

4.06c Appointment of Board Representatives to:

- Brentwood Inter-Agency Tamela Hawley, Pauline Allred, Erick Stonebarger (alt)
- Contra Costa School Board Association Yolanda Mendrek, Tamela Hawley (alt)

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| • Graduates of Distinction | Pauline Allred, Yolanda Mendrek (alt) |
| • Hall of Fame | Erick Stonebarger, Pauline Allred (alt) |
| • Oakley Inter-Agency | Yolanda Mendrek, Roy Ghiggeri, Pauline Allred (alt) |
| • Transportation Consortium | Roy Ghiggeri, Pauline Allred (alt) |
| • Freedom Liaison | Yolanda Mendrek, Roy Ghiggeri |
| • Heritage Liaison | Tamela Hawley, Pauline Allred |
| • Liberty Liaison | Erick Stonebarger, Roy Ghiggeri |
| • Alternative Education | Erick Stonebarger, Pauline Allred |

4.07 Consider Agenda

Action: Motion was made by Mrs. Allred and seconded by Mr. Ghiggeri to approved item 4.07. Passed with a 4 (Allred, Ghiggeri, Mendrek, Stonebarger) – 0 vote.

4.08 Consider Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes of November 17, 2021

Action: Motion was made by Mrs. Allred and seconded by Mr. Ghiggeri to approved item 4.08. Passed with a 4 (Allred, Ghiggeri, Mendrek, Stonebarger) – 0 vote.

5. COMMUNICATIONS

5.01 Public Comments

Mr. Volta read an email comment from Ronnie Lindsay, who was concerned with COVID quarantine procedures at Heritage High School.

5.02 Student Board Representatives

Inaiah Carson, Independent High School, introduced herself to the board and reported that Leadership students will now work alongside administration to welcome new students in the hopes to build quick connections and help them navigate the school system.

Justin Jacobs, Heritage High School, reported that over 750 tickets were sold for Winter Ball. He further reported that they are wrapping up their toy drive and are currently fundraising for Make a Wish.

McKinzie Matusiak, Liberty High School, reported that their ‘Nightmare before Finals Spirit Week’ was this week. She further reported that the California Scholarship Foundation is hosting an essay contest with a prize of \$1000 and the College and Career Center helped student tackle stress during finals.

Sara Friend, Freedom High School, reported that they held their Winter Ball. She further reported that they held their ‘Final’s Spirit Week’ and the Freshman Leadership held their first rally.

5.03 Staff Comments

There were no staff comments.

5.04 Superintendent's Report

Mr. Volta reported that at last week’s CCHS meeting:

- There is a new state mandate regarding masks as you have read due to the Omicron variant.

- The CCHS acknowledged the increase in substance abuse and fatalities; however, they attribute it to the lack of resources. There is still not acknowledgement of balancing total health concerns with some of the County health orders.
- The County is now over 80% vaccinated for those eligible to be vaccinated. As of December 6, 2,456 pediatric (5-11 year-olds) doses had been given at the school vaccination centers.

Mr. Volta further reported that last week, he visited a school in Elk Grove along with leaders from four sites, Dr. Shah and Mr. Gossett, to look at a possible program that has proven to increase young male student achievement, Improve Your Tomorrow. The group was highly impressed with the programs dedication to focus on the lowest performing students and its willingness to learn and work within each school's culture to mentor young men. Mr. Volta concluded by wishing everyone a very restful break.

Steve Amaro, Freedom High School, reported that they will host the Basketball Special Olympics on February 4th. He further reported that two teams were awarded NCS Scholar Athletes. He also shared that they hosted an Improve with Liberty High School at the new theater.

Guy Rognlien, Independence High School, reported that students seem to be on an upward trend in credits. He Also thanked Shannon Abono, Jen Moody, Rachel Hancock and Dr. Shah for supporting students with their social and emotional needs.

Carrie Wells, Heritage High School, reported that band and choir held a series of winter concerts, and the counseling team along with the Mental Illness club distributed study tips, stress balls and bracelets with positive slogans to students. She further reported they held an academic awards assembly and honored 200 students.

Chris Holland, La Paloma High School, reported they hosted a parent/teacher conference night and that 'Yonder Pouches' were making a comeback to the school. Student's place their cell phones in the pouch to keep from being distracted.

Efa Huckaby, Liberty High School, reported they just completed their first round of the Stonebarger Tournament. He further reported counselors did a great job with 'Fuel Up for Finals' doing a lot of stress related activities for the students and that on December 13, the Teaching and Learning Academy will hold a mock job fair.

Mr. Volta thanked the principal's for all the supports put into place for the students' social and emotional needs.

5.05 Board Comments

The board thanked the principal's for their emotional support of students and wished Dr. Shah good luck in his new job. They also thanked Mrs. Allred for all the work she did this past year as Board president.

Mr. Stonebarger reported on the NCS Executive Committee meeting. He reported that the Fall championships went well, but funds are down and that NCS has moved to 'Go Fans' for tickets. He thanked the Assistant Principal's for the job they do at the games.

6. RECOGNITION

6.01 Recognition of Liberty High School Student Tiva Fox

Efa Huckaby recognized Tiva Fox for her leadership.

7. PRESENTATION

7.01 Presentation of 2021-2024 Successor Agreement Contract Re-opener Proposal(s) of the Liberty Union High School District, otherwise known as "Sun-shining"

Denise Rugani presented the District's proposals.

7.02 Presentation of LUHSD 2021-22 First Interim Financial Report

Liz Robbins presented the report offering information and analysis.

8. PUBLIC HEARING

8.01 Conduct Public Hearing to Consider Public Input regarding the trustee area map plan scenarios prepared by District demographer and vetted by the public at a community forum held on November 10, 2021

At 8:34 p.m. the hearing was opened; there were no comments and the hearing was closed.

9. CONSENT AGENDA

Action: Motion was made by Mr. Ghiggeri and seconded by Mrs. Mendrek to approved item 9.01 through item 9.21. Passed with a 4 (Allred, Ghiggeri, Mendrek, Stonebarger) – 0 vote.

9.01 Consider Approval of the Personnel Report No. 12 15 2021

9.02 Consider Approval of enhancing our current Frontline Education software program by adding the Frontline Central platform from December 2021 through July 2023

9.03 Consider Approval of Classified Job Description: Assistive Technology Specialist and revised CSEA Salary Schedule

9.04 Consider Approval of New Job Description: Liberty Adult Education CalWorks Focus Teacher

9.05 Consider Approval of Internship Agreement between the Liberty Union High School District and UMass Global University to provide Placement Opportunities for School Psychologist Internships

9.06 Consider Approval of Internship Agreement between the Liberty Union High School District and Southern New Hampshire University to provide Placement Opportunities for Unpaid Internships

9.07 Consider Approval of an Individual Service Agreement with Behavior Management Solutions

9.08 Consider Approval of Temporary One-to-One Assistant and/or One-to-One Bus Aid Agreement(s) with the Contra Costa County Office of Education

9.09 Consider Approval of a Short Form Service Contract with Jennifer E. Peragine

9.10 Consider Approval of a Short Form Service Contract with The Speech Pathology Group, Inc.

9.11 Consider Approval of Permanent Exemption for Graduation Requirements

9.12 Consider Approval for Liberty High School's Future Farmers of America (FFA) to travel to Monterey, CA

9.13 Consider Approval for Heritage High School Dance Team members to travel to Anaheim, CA

9.14 Consider Approval for Heritage High School Competitive Cheer Team members to travel to Anaheim, CA

9.15 Consider Approval of Out-of-State Conference for Heritage High School Activity Leaders to attend the California Activities Director Association (CADA) in Reno, Nevada

- 9.16 Consider Approval of Out-of-State Travel for Liberty High School Activity Leaders to attend the California Activities Director Association (CADA) Conference in Reno, Nevada from March 1, 2022 – March 5, 2022
- 9.17 Consider Approval of Amendment No. 3 to the Joint Facility Use Agreement between the City of Brentwood and the Liberty Union High School District
- 9.18 Consider Declaration of Surplus Textbooks
- 9.19 Consider Approval of Prime Contract Change Order #001 from Silicon Valley Paving, Inc. for the Liberty High School Baseball Backstop Replacement Project - Demo, Grading, and AC Paving Scope of Work
- 9.20 Consider Approval of Warrants Issued in November 2021
- 9.21 Consider Action of 2021-22 Interdistrict Transfer Requests as Recommended by the Superintendent

10. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

- 10.01 Consider Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Contra Costa Community College District (CCCCD) and the Liberty Union High School District (LUHSD)

Action: Motion was made by Mrs. Mendrek and seconded by Mrs. Allred to approved item 10.01. Passed with a 4 (Allred, Ghiggeri, Mendrek, Stonebarger) – 0 vote.

- 10.02 Consider Approval of the Revised Governing Board of Education Meeting Calendar for the School Year 2021-2022

Action: Motion was made by Mrs. Mendrek and seconded by Mrs. Allred to approved item 10.02. Passed with a 4 (Allred, Ghiggeri, Mendrek, Stonebarger) – 0 vote.

- 10.03 Consider Approval of the Governing Board of Education Meeting Calendar for the School Year 2022-2023

Action: Motion was made by Mrs. Allred and seconded by Mr. Ghiggeri to approved item 10.03. Passed with a 4 (Allred, Ghiggeri, Mendrek, Stonebarger) – 0 vote.

- 10.04 Consider Approval of the Educators Effectiveness Block Grant (EEBG) 2021-2026

Action: Motion was made by Mr. Ghiggeri and seconded by Mrs. Allred to approved item 10.04. Passed with a 4 (Allred, Ghiggeri, Mendrek, Stonebarger) – 0 vote.

- 10.05 Consider Approval of the 2021-22 First Interim Report

Action: Motion was made by Mr. Ghiggeri and seconded by Mrs. Allred to approved item 10.05. Passed with a 4 (Allred, Ghiggeri, Mendrek, Stonebarger) – 0 vote.

- 10.06 Consider Approval of Resolution 2021-18: Revised Certificate of Signatures

Action: Motion was made by Mrs. Allred and seconded by Mr. Ghiggeri to approved item 10.06. Passed with a 4 (Allred, Ghiggeri, Mendrek, Stonebarger) – 0 vote.

- 10.07 Consider Approval for CSBA Delegate Assembly Subregion 7A for Two-Year Term serving April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2024

Action: Motion was made by Mr. Ghiggeri and seconded by Mrs. Allred to nominate Yolanda Mendrek. Passed with a 4 (Allred, Ghiggeri, Mendrek, Stonebarger) – 0 vote.

10.08 Consider Approval of Resolution 2021-19: Resolution of the Board of Education of the Liberty Union High School District Recommending that the Contra Costa County Committee on School District Organization Approve and Establish Trustee Areas from Which the Liberty Union High School District Trustees will be Elected in a By-Trustee Area Election Process

Action: Motion was made by Mr. Ghiggeri and seconded by Mrs. Allred to table item 10.08 in order to wait for all Board Members to be present. Passed with a 3 (Allred, Ghiggeri, Stonebarger) – 1 (Mendrek) vote.

11. DISCUSSION

11.01 The Board will have the opportunity to discuss topics for future agendas.

The Board congratulated Tony. Shah on his new job and thanked Dianna Pereira for arranging travel for the CSBA conference. The Board concluded by wishing everyone happy holidays.

12. SPECIAL SESSION(S) CONTINUED

At 9:23 p.m. the Board recessed to closed session.

12.01 Closed Session

12.02 Open Session

At 9:25 p.m. the Board returned to open session. Mr. Stonebarger reported no reportable actions in closed session.


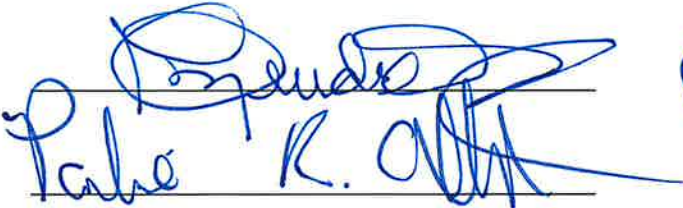
13. ADJOURNMENT

13.01 Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted,



Eric Volta
Superintendent


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