



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

**September 11, 2019
Regular Board Meeting
MINUTES**

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 Ghiggeri called the meeting to order; all members were present.

2.01 Roll Call Pauline Allred
 Roy Ghiggeri
 Yolanda Mendrek
 Erick Stonebarger
 Raymond Valverde

3. SPECIAL SESSIONS

3.01 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 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.

3.02 Public Comments - none

3.03 Discussion Session

The Board conducted a discussion regarding the schematic design for the Liberty High School administration building and cafeteria modernization. QKA architects Jim Theiss and Heather Evans provided renderings and analysis of proposed designs. The Board gave input regarding the new building design, advantages of keeping or demolishing 'A Building', possible two-story option and reduced student quad space; they offered alternate ideas to be considered. QKA will provide cost analysis of proposed alternate ideas.

At 7:12p.m. the Board took a brief recess, they did not go into closed session at this time.

4.07

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)
2. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint (Govt. Code § 54957)
3. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation (Govt. Code § 54956.9(d)(2))
Significant Exposure to Litigation: Two Matter(s)
4. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Govt. Code § 54956.9(a))
Contra Costa County Superior Court Case No. C19-00485
Austin Swope, Britt Swope, and Camille Swope, v. Liberty Union High School District,
La Paloma High School, Deborah Souza and DOES 1-20, inclusive
5. 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

3.05 Open Session

The Board returned to open session and began the study session at 7:22 p.m.

3.06 Study Session

The Board conducted a study session regarding trustee area elections. David Soldani provided information regarding the process of transitioning to by-trustee area elections.

4. OPENING PROCEDURES

At 7:43 p.m. the discussion session concluded and President Ghiggeri initiated opening procedures; all members were present. He stated that the Board did not go into closed session and therefore, there was no report out.

Pledge of Allegiance - Led by President Ghiggeri

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 Consider Agenda

Action: Motion was made by Mrs. Mendrek and seconded by Mrs. Allred to approve Item 4.06. Passed with a 5 (Allred, Ghiggeri, Mendrek, Stonebarger, Valverde) – 0 vote.

4.07 Consider Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes of August 28, 2019

Action: Motion was made by Mr. Valverde and seconded by Mrs. Allred to approve Item 4.07. Passed with a 5 (Allred, Ghiggeri, Mendrek, Stonebarger, Valverde) – 0 vote.

5. COMMUNICATIONS

5.01 Public Comments

Bob Nunn, Vineyards at Deer Creek developer, addressed the Board regarding Measure L and expressed concern that the superintendent’s published comments represented to the community that the Board was opposed to the project. Mr. Nunn stated that the project will include the American Avenue ‘loop road’ which would ease school traffic congestion. He requested that, as a Board, they make a clarifying statement of a neutral position on the project.

Steve Beinke, Blackhawk Nunn, addressed the Board regarding the financial benefits to the community of active senior housing and the benefit to the school community of the American Avenue loop road. He asked the Board take a ‘neutral position’ on the project.

5.02 Student Representatives

Independence: Sarai Sandoval highlighted the upcoming back to school barbeque on September 20 and annual Poetry Out Loud competition.

Liberty: Elyse Capelli highlighted Suicide Prevention week, college/university week, fall sports successes and the upcoming production ‘Chicago’.

Freedom: Sara Friend highlighted the 9/11 Remembrance Day on campus, upcoming food fair and Homecoming rally, parade, game and dance.

Heritage: Molly Elshaer highlighted the bands on the green, upcoming flash mob, food fair and ‘Happiest Homecoming on Earth’ parade, game and dance. She also reported that Heritage was proud to participate in the Honor Bowl.

5.03 Staff Comments - None

5.04 Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Volta acknowledged Patriots Day noting that most of our students had not been born at the time of this event. He thanked the Education Services department for the the new bulletin board display highlighting their services.

Also, Mr. Volta reported that last Thursday all of our schools sent teams of educators to the second of four all-day trainings on Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS). In keeping with our focus this year to incorporate the wide array of interventions we have in our district into the MTSS model as that is the direction that CDE is going.

In closing, Mr. Volta reported that Dr. Eaton, Mr. Hetrick and he met with Congressman McNerney to advocate for more Special Education funding via HR 1878 which would fully fund the federal government’s portion of IDEA.

Guy Rognlien reported that 46 Independence High students had been recognized for honor roll. He reported that the recent McREL training with Tanya had gone well and that ALICE training was scheduled for this Friday. Mr. Rognlien also reported that IHS is hosting an all-day training for Edgenuity and that the Divine Protection app piloting is going well. In closing, he extended an invitation to the upcoming back-to-school barbeque on September 20th.

Heather Harper reported that the Liberty stadium project is going well and that the Boosters' Truck Raffle is will be held September 14th. She was pleased to report that the Honor Bowl was successful for the Liberty teams and that the father of Sgt. Joey Graves attended the game that honored our military.

Kelly Manke reported that Freedom was pairing Mental Health Awareness week with Kindness Week and giving a 'the power of friendship' award. She highlighted the recent Parent Night and upcoming ALICE training.

Carrie Wells reported that in her recent meeting with District librarian Anita Beaman she learned that the library has about 350 students per day visiting and a 25% increase of book circulation with an additional 350 new books added to the library this year.

5.05 Board Comments

Mrs. Allred and Mrs. Mendrek reported that they had attended the Brentwood Youth Commission meeting and were proud of the district students that are members. Mr. Stonebarger and Mr. Valverde attended the Honor Bowl and were proud of the teams, cheer squad and band that represented our district. They reported that they enjoyed the La Paloma spaghetti feed.

6. RECOGNITION

6.01 Recognition of Liberty High School Volunteer - Salustra Urbin

Heather Harper introduced Salustra Urbin, parent club president and recognized her and the parents' club team that richly supports staff and students on the Liberty campus.

6.02 Recognition of Freedom High School Leadership Students

Kelly Manke and Dana Johnston introduced the student leaders.

6.03 Recognition of Heritage High School Leadership Students

Carrie Wells and Jessica Banchieri introduced the student leaders.

7. PRESENTATION(S)

7.01 Presentation of 2018-19 Unaudited Actuals

Liz Robbins presented information and analysis.

7.02 Presentation of Textbook for 30-Day Public Display - Launching the Imagination: A Guide to 3-D Design

Erik Faulkner presented the textbook for display.

7.03 Presentation of the LUHSD 9th Grade Math Placement Student Data

Erik Faulkner presented information and analysis of the data.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Action: Motion was made by Mrs. Mendrek and seconded by Mrs. Allred to approve Item 8.01 through Item 8.11. Passed with a 5 (Allred, Ghiggeri, Mendrek, Stonebarger, Valverde) – 0 vote.

8.01 Consider Approval of the Personnel Report No. 09 11 19

8.02 Consider Approval of Affiliation Agreement between LUHSD and Alliant International University for Student Teachers, Teacher Interns, School Psychology and School Counseling

8.03 Consider Approval of Heritage High School Boys Varsity Basketball Team to Travel to McKinleyville, California

8.04 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

8.05 Consider Approval of Short Form Service Contract with Haynes Family of Programs, Inc.

8.06 Consider Approval of a Short Form Service Contract with Arrillaga Psychological Services

8.07 Consider Approval of an Individual Service Agreement for Nonpublic School Services with Mountain Valley Child and Family Services, Inc.

8.08 Consider Approval of Resolution 2019-17: Adoption of GANN Limit

8.09 Consider Approval of the Williams Settlement Review Report

8.10 Consider Approval of Warrants Issued in August 2019

8.11 Consider Action of 2019-20 Interdistrict Transfer Requests as Recommended by the Superintendent

9. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

9.01 Consider Approval of Three New Course of Study Proposals for Implementation in the 2019-20 School Year: Ag Economics; Ag Government; AP Physics I
Erik Faulkner highlighted the course proposals.

Action: Motion was made by Mr. Valverde and seconded by Mrs. Allred to approve Item 9.01. Passed with a 5 (Allred, Ghiggeri, Mendrek, Stonebarger, Valverde) – 0 vote.

9.02 Consider Approval of the 2018-19 Unaudited Actuals

Action: Motion was made by Mrs. Allred and seconded by Mr. Stonebarger to approve Item 9.02. Passed with a 5 (Allred, Ghiggeri, Mendrek, Stonebarger, Valverde) – 0 vote.

10. POLICIES AND AMENDMENTS

10.01 First Reading of New and Revised Board Policies and Administrative Regulations:

- BP 4119.24-4219.24-4319.24 Maintaining Appropriate Adult-Student Interactions (new);
- BP-AR 4218 Classified Dismissal-Suspension-Disciplinary Action (rev); and
- BP-AR 1312.1 Complaints Concerning District Employees (rev)

Denise Rugani provided information regarding the new and revised policies. There were no suggested changes.

11. DISCUSSION

Mr. Stonebarger requested information regarding the costs of supplemental education including the total encroachment on the general fund. Mrs. Mendrek asked that the Board conduct a discussion regarding the ballot measure on the ULL/ Measure L to consider if they are going to take a position in light of the community perception that the Board had taken one already. Mr. Valverde and Mr. Ghiggeri noted that they will not take part in that discussion.

12. SPECIAL SESSION(S) CONTINUED

At 9:05 p.m. Mr. Ghiggeri recessed the meeting to closed session.

12.01 Closed Session

12.02 Open Session

At 9:22 p.m. the Board returned to open session, Mr. Ghiggeri reported that no action was taken in closed session.

13. ADJOURNMENT

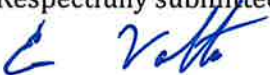
The meeting was adjourned.







Respectfully submitted,



Eric Volta
Superintendent