

## **Regular Board Meeting Minutes (Wednesday, February 8, 2023)**

### **Members present**

George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe  
Lizeth Alvarez and Manuel Patino, Student Board Members

### **1. Opening Items - 5:00 PM**

#### **1.01 Call To Order**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM.

#### **1.02 Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda**

Public Comment: Sean Sturgis commented about CSEA negotiations.

Public Comment: PEA representatives commented in regard to the PEA contract settlement and presented the Board and District the East Bay Coalition for Student Success' Student Success Trailblazer Resolution for enhancing public education in the East Bay.

### **2. Closed Session**

#### **2.01 Closed Session Agenda (Ms. Castro)**

### **3. Student Recognition - 6:15 PM**

#### **3.01 Pledge of Allegiance**

Pledge of Allegiance at 6:24 PM.

#### **3.02 Rancho Medanos Junior High School Unified Sports Club Student Recognition (Ms. Fortney)**

Ms. Fortney recognized scholars and their families for their participation in the Rancho Medanos Junior High School Unified Sports Club. She presented each scholar with a certificate of recognition for their participation.

### **4. Recall to Open Session - 6:30 PM**

#### **4.01 Pledge of Allegiance**

Recalled to Open Session at 6:32 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **4.02 Agenda Reorganization**

None.

### **5. Closed Session Report / Action**

#### **5.01 Personnel Action Report, [Labor Negotiations - as applicable] (Ms. Castro)**

Ms. Castro reported the Personnel Actions were approved as presented.

Motioned by De'Shawn Woolridge, seconded by Heliodoro Moreno.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

Ms. Castro announced the dedicated service retirements of:

Sandra Lavik, Teacher, with special commendation for 40 years of dedicated service to staff and students of PUSD.

Victoria Krywokulsky, Teacher, with special commendation for 37 years of dedicated service to staff and students of PUSD.

Maria Pardi, Teacher, with special commendation for 36 years of dedicated service to staff and students of PUSD.

Kevan Britton, Interpreter, with special commendation for 7 years of dedicated service to staff and students of PUSD.

Claire Pease, Library Technician/School Clerk, with special commendation for 18 years of dedicated service to staff and students of PUSD.

Nancy Ramos, School Secretary, with special commendation for 22 years of dedicated service to staff and students of PUSD.

## **5.02 Litigation [as applicable]**

None.

## **6. Comments**

### **6.01 Public Comments: Items Not on the Agenda**

Public Comment: Jerry Morucci commented in regard to the settlement of the PEA contract and full covered medical benefits.

### **6.02 Student Board Member Comments (Ms. Alvarez)**

Ms. Alvarez wished everyone a happy Black History Month and National School Counselors Week. She announced that Pittsburg High School would hold their Glow Rally on Friday during their 6<sup>th</sup> period.

### **6.03 Student Board Member Comments (Mr. Patino)**

Mr. Patino was not present during this time.

### **6.04 Superintendent Comments (Dr. Schulze)**

Dr. Schulze wished everyone a happy Black History Month and stated that the District believes Black History should be celebrated 365 days a year. She announced that the District would feature some black heroes and profiling some local heroes on social media. She thanked all counselors for National School Counselors Week.

### **6.05 Board Member Comments (Trustees)**

Trustee Briscoe wished everyone a happy Black History Month and shared excitement to celebrate black heroes and information on historical black figures during the month. She shared that she had the opportunity to visit Pittsburg High School and Hillview Junior High School and thanked administrators for inviting her. She added that she also attended the breakfast event hosted by Improve Your Tomorrow. Additionally, she share information about a notice sent out by State Superintendent Tony Thurmond in regard to a Youth Advisory Committee and encouraged scholars to apply.

Trustee Woolridge had nothing to report.

Vice President Moreno wished everyone a happy Black History Month. He shared that he attended a breakfast meeting hosted by Improve Your Tomorrow, a program new to the District that uplifts young men of color. He added that the program is developed by using role models from the community to mentor scholars and encouraged anyone who is preferably a college student around the age of 20-25. He shared that he also attended the Heights CAASPP Ceremony event, honoring scholars who did well and those who improved. He thanked Heights staff for the invitation.

Trustee Miller had nothing to report.

President Sims wished everyone a happy Black History Month. She shared that she attended the events with

other Board members. She shared that one thing she learned is that data matters but so do stories. She added that she attended the Heights celebrations and it was beautiful to see scholars receive awards.

## **7. Information / Reports / Discussion**

### **7.01 Presentation: Pittsburg High School Marching Show Band (Mr. Molina and Ms. Martinez)**

Mr. Whitmire introduced scholars in the Pittsburg High School Marching Show Band who attended the trip to Madrid, Spain to perform at The Cabalgata De Reyes.

Scholars shared reports on their experience and thanked the Board and staff for the opportunity to travel across the country for this event.

### **7.02 Superintendent's Update (Dr. Schulze)**

Dr. Schulze shared a detailed presentation on State and PUSD updates.

Dr. Schulze explained that there was no language regarding COVID-19 vaccination requirements and added that the State dropped plans to add the COVID-19 vaccination to the current 10 vaccinations required to attend school in-person. In addition, she shared that the Literacy Coaches and Reading Specialists Grant Program would apply to Districts and Charters with an unduplicated count of 95% or above in grades Kinder-3<sup>rd</sup> in which PUSD would not qualify as PUSD is approximately 74%. She noted that funding for Arts and Cultural Enrichment for 12<sup>th</sup> graders would be based on proportionate enrollment of current 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students in 2023-2024 to have arts and cultural enrichment experiences beyond school offerings. She added that there is proposed State funding for all middle, Junior High, and high schools to have 2 doses of an opioid antagonist such as Narcan, to be on site for 2023-2024.

Dr. Schulze announced that the State released designations for Comprehensive School Improvement (CSI). She congratulated Stoneman Elementary for exiting CSI and shared that the school exited for showing the growth that the State wanted to see. She added that Black Diamond High School entered the CSI designation for their graduation rate for the 2021-2022 school year.

Additionally, PUSD updates included the District webpage refresh, Summer School Planning, LCAP community input season and finally, Early Childhood Education Units for Transitional Kindergarten updates.

Dr. Schulze congratulated the PUSD ACSA Administrators of the Year Todd Whitmire, Secondary Principal, Milly Estrada, Elementary Principal, Kenny Winkler, Elementary Co-Administrator, Janet Lopez, Confidential Employee, Danny Lockwood, Adult Education, and Larry Scott, Business Services. She shared that an awards dinner would be held at the Lone Tree Event Center in April.

President Sims congratulated Stoneman Elementary for exiting CSI and congratulated those who received the ACSA Administrator of the Year award, especially Kenny Winkler, who was her former teacher.

### **7.03 Presentation: Early Literacy Program Update (Ms. Velasco)**

Ms. Velasco shared a detailed presentation on Early Literacy Program updates. She shared detailed information on goals, Scarborough's Reading Rope, timeline of work accomplished, Acadience data goals, needs, scholars in COVID, progress measurement, results, school highlights, immediate next steps, summer work & beyond, and coordinated efforts led by Parent & Family Liaisons.

Ms. Velasco explained that the State of California does not have a Literacy Plan although many other states have already created a robust plan for their states. She shared a brief summary of the work accomplished in the District for 1st, 2nd, and third graders. She added that assessments, curriculum and professional

development has been a focus throughout the years. She shared Acadiance data to show measurable progress and goals.

Ms. Maxwell shared information on what she has completed as a Literacy Coach at Marina Vista Elementary as well as shared her educational and PUSD experience.

Ms. Velasco shared school highlights for each elementary school. She shared information on the immediate next steps which included coaching, summer work, and building reading comprehension. Additionally, coordinated efforts would include family engagement led by Parent and Family Liaisons and parents from all schools would be welcome to attend.

Trustee Briscoe thanked staff for the presentation and asked about what summer work would look like.

Ms. Velasco shared that summer work is extensive and includes refreshers for teachers, data review, grade level specific professional development and ongoing work that begins in the summer and continues throughout the year.

Ms. Shelley - summer work is quite a bit, teachers before school starts get a universal refresher. Teachers receive data before the school starts. offer grade level specific prof dev. ongoing work that starts in the summer.

Vice President Moreno thanked Ms. Velasco for the presentation. He commended teachers and staff for their work.

#### **7.04 PUBLIC HEARING and Presentation for Resolution 22-25, Making a Determination to Submit a Waiver Request to the California State Board of Education. (Mr. Haria)**

Public Hearing Opened: 8:05 PM

There were no comments.

Public Hearing closed: 8:12 PM

Mr. Haria shared a presentation on General Obligation Bonds and a resolution making a determination to submit a waiver request to the California State Board of Education.

#### **7.05 2024-2025 School Calendar (Ms. Castro)**

Ms. Castro explained that the Calendar Committee met to work on the calendar for the 2024-2025 school year. She noted that as part of the meetings, the topic of spring break was discussed and the Committee will survey PEA and parents to gather input from all stakeholders on moving to a calendar that includes an option for a Spring Break the last week of March. She added that there would be three options for people to consider when sharing their feedback.

#### **7.06 Overnight Field Trip for PHS Track & Field to attend the Oregon Relays, in Eugene Oregon, April 20 - 23, 2023 (Mr. Strom)**

Mr. Molina on behalf Mr. Strom shared the request for an Overnight Field Trip for PHS' Track & Field to attend the Oregon Relays in April 2023.

Trustee Briscoe shared that it is important for the community to know that this is a premier event.

Vice President Moreno added that scholars going to Eugene, Oregon, is a big deal because it is one of the premier colleges for Track and Field is there.

**7.07 Overnight Field Trip for PHS Track & Field to attend Arcadia Invitational in Arcadia, CA on April 7 - 8, 2023 (Mr. Strom)**

Mr. Molina on behalf of Mr. Strom presented the request of approval for Overnight Field Trip for PHS' Track & Field to attend the Arcadia Invitational in Arcadia, California, in April 2023.

**7.08 Overnight Field Trip for PHS Track & Field to attend the CIF State Track Meet in Clovis, CA on May 26 - 27, 2023 (Mr. Strom)**

Mr. Molina on behalf of Mr. Strom shared the Overnight Field Trip request for PHS' Track & Field to attend the CIF State Track Meet in Clovis, California in May 2023. He explained that it would be an excellent opportunity for student athletes.

**7.09 Increase the Contract between Therapy Staff, LLC. and Pittsburg Unified School District for the 2022-2023 school year (Ms. Thomas)**

Dr. Schulze shared the contract increase between Therapy Staff, LLC. and the District for the 2022-2023 school year. She noted that there would be no budget change as the change would be to move services from one provider to another.

Vice President Moreno shared that he like the idea of having a range of diverse agencies providing services.

**7.10 Approve Proposal from All County Flooring for Restroom Resurfacing at Stoneman Elementary School & Willow Cove Elementary School (Mr. Belasco)**

Belasco shared the request for approval of proposal from All County Flooring for restroom resurfacing at Stoneman Elementary and Willow Cove Elementary.

**7.11 Updated Board Policy (BP) 5141.21 Administering Medication And Monitoring Health Conditions (Ms. Clark)**

Clark presented the updated Board Policy 5141.21, Administering Medication and Monitoring Health Conditions. She explained that there are two options to select and shared that the update would make the Board Policy align with current laws. Additionally, updated language would include the need to have Narcan on sites. She stated that district staff recommend the Board approve the updated Board Policy with Option 2.

Vice President Moreno asked for clarification on the options presented.

**8. Consent Items**

**8.01 Minutes for January 25, 2023 (Dr. Schulze)**

Approval of the January 25, 2023 board minutes.

Motion to approve the consent agenda in accordance with the Recommended Action of each item.

Motioned by De'Shawn Woolridge, seconded by Heliodoro Moreno.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

Yea: Lizeth Alvarez and Manuel Patino, Student Board Members

**8.02 Approval to Discard Obsolete Vehicles and Equipment/E-Waste (Mr. Belasco)**

Staff recommended that the Board approve the disposal of an old van in the White Fleet vehicle inventory from the Maintenance Department.

Motion to approve the consent agenda in accordance with the Recommended Action of each item.

Motioned by De'Shawn Woolridge, seconded by Heliodoro Moreno.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

Yea: Lizeth Alvarez and Manuel Patino, Student Board Members

**8.03 Out of State Travel - Historical Black Colleges and Universities College Tour for Pittsburg High School Students on April 8 - 16, 2023 (Ms. Walker, Ms. Moseley)**

Staff recommended that the Board approve the Out of state Field Trip Request for 25 scholars to tour Historically Black Colleges and Universities on April 8-16, 2023.

Motion to approve the consent agenda in accordance with the Recommended Action of each item.

Motioned by De'Shawn Woolridge, seconded by Heliodoro Moreno.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

Yea: Lizeth Alvarez and Manuel Patino, Student Board Members

**8.04 Payment for the PUSD Chaperones Attending the Jr High Washington D.C trips. (Dr. Schulze)**

Staff recommended the Board approve the costs of the District employees who are chaperones for the 8th grade Washington D.C. trip and count their days attending as work days.

Motion to approve the consent agenda in accordance with the Recommended Action of each item.

Motioned by De'Shawn Woolridge, seconded by Heliodoro Moreno.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

Yea: Lizeth Alvarez and Manuel Patino, Student Board Members

**8.05 Payment for PUSD Staff Chaperones for Out of State Historical Black Colleges and Universities College Tour (Dr. Schulze)**

Staff recommended the Board approve the costs of the District employees who are chaperones for the HBCU College Tour and count their days as work days.

Motion to approve the consent agenda in accordance with the Recommended Action of each item.

Motioned by De'Shawn Woolridge, seconded by Heliodoro Moreno.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

Yea: Lizeth Alvarez and Manuel Patino, Student Board Members

**8.06 Overnight Field Trip Request - Danzantes Unidos Festival Fresno, CA March 31 - April 2, 2023 (Mr. Whitmire)**

Staff recommended the Board approve an Overnight Field Trip Request to attend the Danzantes Unidos Festival in Fresno, CA on March 31, 2023 - April 2, 2023.

Motion to approve the consent agenda in accordance with the Recommended Action of each item.

Motioned by De'Shawn Woolridge, seconded by Heliodoro Moreno.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

Yea: Lizeth Alvarez and Manuel Patino, Student Board Members

**8.07 Increase - Contract between PAWAR Transportation and Pittsburg Unified School District for Transporting Special Ed Students for the 2022-2023 school year (Mr. Belasco)**

Staff recommended the Board approve the increase of \$120,000.00 to the contract with PAWAR Transportation and PUSD for 2022-2023 school year.

Motion to approve the consent agenda in accordance with the Recommended Action of each item.

Motioned by De'Shawn Woolridge, seconded by Heliodoro Moreno.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

Yea: Lizeth Alvarez and Manuel Patino, Student Board Members

**8.08 Out of State Travel to attend the Inaugural Clean Energy Schools Symposium in Washington DC on March 26, 2023 - March 28, 2023 (Mr. Belasco)**

Staff recommended the Board approve the Out of State travel request to attend the Inaugural Clean Energy Schools Symposium in Washington, DC on March 26, 2023 - March 28, 2023.

Motion to approve the consent agenda in accordance with the Recommended Action of each item.

Motioned by De'Shawn Woolridge, seconded by Heliodoro Moreno.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

Yea: Lizeth Alvarez and Manuel Patino, Student Board Members

**8.09 Sales Agreement to Purchase Two Vehicles for the White Fleet (Maintenance trucks) in the Maintenance and Operations Department from Hengehold Truck Sales (Mr. Belasco)**

Staff recommended the Board approve the purchase of two vehicles for the White Fleet (Maintenance trucks) in the Maintenance And Operations Department from Hengehold Truck Sales.

Motion to approve the consent agenda in accordance with the Recommended Action of each item.

Motioned by De'Shawn Woolridge, seconded by Heliodoro Moreno.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

Yea: Lizeth Alvarez and Manuel Patino, Student Board Members

**8.10 PROCEDURAL: Approval of Consent Agenda**

Motion to approve the consent agenda in accordance with the Recommended Action of each item.

Motioned by De'Shawn Woolridge, seconded by Heliodoro Moreno.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

Yea: Lizeth Alvarez and Manuel Patino, Student Board Members

**9. Action Items (Most action items have previously come before the Board as information and discussed at a previous meeting).**

**9.01 2023 CSBA Delegate Assembly Election (Dr. Schulze)**

Dr. Schulze explained that it was the time of the year when the Board could vote for the 2023 CSBA Delegate Assembly elections. She added that the Board would be able to vote for up to three candidates.

The Board shared their opinions on who they wanted to vote for and decided to move the item to the February 22, 2023, Board meeting to have more time to research information on the candidates.

**9.02 Overnight Field Trip for Boys and Girls Wrestling to CIF State Wrestling Meet in Bakersfield, CA, on February 23 - 25, 2023 (Mr. Strom)**

Staff recommended the Board approve the Overnight Field Trip for Boys and Girls Wrestling to CIF State Wrestling Meet in Bakersfield, CA, on February 23 - 25, 2023 (Mr. Strom)

Motioned by Heliodoro Moreno, seconded by De'Shawn Woolridge.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

Yea: Lizeth Alvarez and Manuel Patino, Student Board Members

**9.03 Approve Buildcorp, Inc. Change Order No. 2 for the Pittsburg High School Softball Field Project - Civil Scope (Mr. Scott)**

Staff recommended the Board to approve Buildcorp, Inc. Change Order No. 2 for the Pittsburg High School Softball Field Project - Civil Scope in the amount of \$126,319.97.

Motioned by De'Shawn Woolridge, seconded by George Miller.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

Yea: Lizeth Alvarez and Manuel Patino, Student Board Members

**9.04 Award Contract to BuildCorp, Inc. for the PUSD District Admin. Offices Portable Project (Mr. Scott)**

Staff recommended the Board approve the contract to BuildCorp, Inc. for the PUSD District Admin. Offices Portable Project.

Motioned by Heliodoro Moreno, seconded by De'Shawn Woolridge.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

Yea: Lizeth Alvarez and Manuel Patino, Student Board Members

**9.05 Discussion of Process for Selecting an After School Service Representative for the Board's Advisory Committee on the Recruitment and Retention of a Diverse Workforce (Dr. Woolridge)**

The Board did not take action on this matter.

**9.06 Acceptance of Donation from The Blackbaud Giving Fund to Willow Cove Elementary School (Ms. Borquez)**



Staff recommended that the Board accept the donation from The Blackbaud Giving Fund to Willow Cove Elementary School in the amount of \$500.00 on behalf of Wells Fargo Community Care Grants Program and its donors.

Motioned by Heliodoro Moreno, seconded by Destiny Briscoe.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

Yea: Lizeth Alvarez and Manuel Patino, Student Board Members

#### **9.07 Acceptance of Donation from Janet Schulze to Pittsburg Adult Education Center for the Certified Nursing Assistant Scholarship Fund (Dr. Schulze)**

Staff recommended the Board accept the donation of \$2,000.00 from Dr. Janet Schulze to PAEC Certified Nursing Assistant Scholarship fund for the Certified Nursing Assistant Scholarship Fund.

Motioned by Heliodoro Moreno, seconded by De'Shawn Woolridge.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

Yea: Lizeth Alvarez and Manuel Patino, Student Board Members

### **10. Communications**

#### **10.01 Communications from the Public, Community Organizations, Employee Representatives**

There were no comments.

### **11. Board Requests**

#### **11.01 Information Requests**

There were no requests.

#### **11.02 Agenda Requests**

President Sims asked to discuss amending resolutions supporting racial and ethnic celebrations to include the raising of flags at the District Office.

### **12. Next Board Meeting / Future Events / Adjournment**

#### **12.01 Next Regular Board Meeting - February 22, 2023**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 PM

Motioned by Destiny Briscoe, seconded by Heliodoro Moreno

Final Resolution: Motion Carries 5/0

Yea: George Miller, Heliodoro Moreno, De'Shawn Woolridge, Taylor Sims, Destiny Briscoe

Yea: Lizeth Alvarez and Manuel Patino, Student Board Members

President Sims adjourned the meeting at 8:45 PM.