



**SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Agenda Item# 12.1g

**Meeting Date:** October 24, 2024

**Subject:** Approve Minutes for the October 3, 2024 Regular Board of Education Meeting

- Information Item Only
- Approval on Consent Agenda
- Conference (for discussion only)
- Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated: \_\_\_\_\_)
- Conference/Action
- Action
- Public Hearing

**Division:** Superintendent's Office

**Recommendation:** Approve Minutes for the October 3, 2024, Regular Board of Education Meeting.

**Background/Rationale:** None

**Financial Considerations:** None

**LCAP Goal(s):** Family and Community Empowerment

**Documents Attached:**

1. Minutes of the October 3, 2024, Regular Board of Education Meeting

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| <p><b>Estimated Time of Presentation:</b> N/A<br/> <b>Submitted by:</b> Lisa Allen, Superintendent<br/> <b>Approved by:</b> Lisa Allen, Superintendent</p> |
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**Putting  
Children  
First**

# **BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING AND WORKSHOP**

**Board of Education Members**

*Lavinia Grace Phillips, President (Trustee Area 7)*  
*Jasjit Singh, Vice President (Trustee Area 2)*  
*Chinua Rhodes, Second Vice President (Trustee Area 5)*  
*Tara Jeane (Trustee Area 1)*  
*Christina Pritchett (Trustee Area 3)*  
*Jamee Villa (Trustee Area 4)*  
*Taylor Kayatta (Trustee Area 6)*  
*Justine Chueh-Griffith, Student Member*

**Thursday, October 3, 2024**

**5:00 p.m. Closed Session**

**6:00 p.m. Open Session**

**Serna Center**

**Community Conference Rooms**

**5735 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue**

**Sacramento, CA 95824**

## ***MINUTES***

**2024/25-4**

*Allotted Time*

**1.0 OPEN SESSION / CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL**

*The meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m.*

*Members Present:*

*Member Kayatta*  
*Member Rhodes*  
*Member Phillips*  
*Member Jeane*  
*Member Pritchett*  
*Student Board Member Segura*

*Members Absent:*

*Member Singh*  
*Member Villa*

**2.0 ANNOUNCEMENT AND PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS TO BE  
DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION**

*No public comment*

**3.0 CLOSED SESSION**

***While the Brown Act creates broad public access rights to the meetings of the Board of Education, it also recognizes the legitimate need to conduct some of its meetings outside of the public eye. Closed session meetings are specifically defined and limited in scope. They primarily involve personnel issues, pending litigation, labor negotiations, and real property matters.***

**3.1 Government Code 54956.9 - Conference with Legal Counsel:**

- a) *Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(2) of Government Code section 54956.9 (Two Potential Cases)*
- b) *Existing litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(1) of Government Code section 54956.9 (OAH Case No. 2024071050)*
- 3.2 *Government Code 54957.6 (a) and (b) Negotiations/Collective Bargaining SCTA SEIU, TCS, Teamsters, UPE, Non-Represented/Confidential Management (Cancy McArn)*
- 3.3 *Government Code 54957 – Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint*
- 3.4 *Education Code 35146- The Board will hear staff recommendation on the following student expulsions from 24-25: Expulsion #1, #2, and #3 2024-2025 (David Van Natten)*

**4.0 CALL BACK TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

*The meeting was called back to order at 6:12 p.m.*

- 4.1 *The Pledge of Allegiance*
- 4.2 *Broadcast Statement*
- 4.3 *Stellar Student introduced by Board Member Christina Pritchett*

**5.0 ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

*There was 1 announcement that came out of closed session.*

- *The Board approved a settlement agreement related to a compliance proceeding with SCTA by a vote of 5-0 with Members Villa and Singh absent. The material terms of the settlement include providing employment rights and payments to certain effected current and former employees.*

**6.0 AGENDA ADOPTION**

*The Board adopted the agenda unanimously with Members Villa and Singh absent.*

**7.0 PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Members of the public may address the Board on non-agenda items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. Public comment may be (1) emailed to [publiccomment@scusd.edu](mailto:publiccomment@scusd.edu); (2) submitted in writing through the district's website at <https://www.scusd.edu/submit-public-comment>; or (3) provided in-person at the meeting. The submission deadline for written public comments shall be no later than noon on the day of the meeting. If you intend to address the Board in-person, please fill out a yellow card available at the entrance. Speakers may be called in the order that requests are received, or grouped by subject area. We ask that comments are limited to two (2) minutes with no more than 15 minutes per single topic so that as many people as possible may be heard. By law, the Board is allowed to take action only on items on the agenda. The Board may, at its discretion, refer a matter to district staff or calendar the issue for future discussion.*

Rita Baljiah  
Ruben Trejo  
Valentina Martinez  
Millie Hernandez  
Terrence Gladney  
Deborah Wilson  
Tasha Dillard  
Erinn Leone

## 8.0 COMMUNICATIONS

### 8.1 Employee Organization Reports:

- *SCTA – Nikki Milevsky shared that over the last several weeks they have been doing their rounds of site visits to check in with educators with how things are going in the district, and preparing for upcoming negotiations. While they still have some school sites to visit to complete their rounds, there have been several themes that have consistently come up during the visits. Educators feel a new positive energy about the district. These feelings of hope must be followed by significant operational improvements. SCUSD is becoming a place in the area where educators want to teach. The spirit of collaboration and the focused efforts on recruitment and retaining teachers is beginning to pay off. The ongoing work with Sac State is strengthening that trend. There is a lot of work to do within Special Education. The turmoil and leadership has created a big hole that we need to dig ourselves out of. Already in the short time, the interim leadership has stepped up to the challenge. Becky Bryant and Iris Taylor have already had some success in turning things around. They are looking forward to returning to the bargaining table after the first of the year to continue the positive momentum that has been built over the last 14 months. Ms. Milevsky shared that the future is bright for Sac City Unified, and they are appreciative of the leadership to move this district forward in a positive direction for the students and staff.*
- *SEIU- No update*
- *TCS- No update*
- *Teamsters– No update*
- *UPE- No update*

### 8.2 District Advisory Committee Reports:

▪ *Black/African American Advisory Board-Terrence Gladney highlighted what Ms. Leone and her alliance brought forth. It really uplifts the urgency from 2019, when the Board approved the 13 recommendations of then, The African American Taskforce. Mr. Gladney shared that here we are over 5 years later, and the same incidents that birthed that taskforce are reoccurring in our school district. On behalf of B/AAAB, and what Ms. Leone brought up, what is enough for the Board to act with enough urgency to end these outcomes for our students and staff? Mr. Gladney referenced a post that Dr. Luke Wood from Sac State posted on social media on September 5<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Gladney shared how Sac State is not only representing the diversity that this world needs, but they also represent the diversity that this district needs, not only in the population, but in our actions and policies. Mr. Gladney shared that the Board sets the vision for the staff to act, and if the Board has not come together in solidarity to set a vision for their body, then there is no way that the staff or community can act with a measured vision, and make sure that we're in alignment. When Mr. Gladney comes into this space as a Black man and a Black father, he does not feel like this organization firmly stands, and willing to step out and say that they are unapologetically representing and serving Black students. Mr. Gladney concluded by asking what is enough for the Board to act.*

*Public Comment:  
Terrence Gladney  
Junior Goris  
Jennifer Womack*

## **9.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

9.1 *Approve Resolution No: 3451: Recognition of the Week of the School Administrator (Mary Hardin Young, Tuan Duong, Aprille Shafto, Jerad Hyden, Enrique Flores)*

*Jerad Hyden, Aprille Shafto, Enrique Flores, and Tuan Duong presented the resolution. This is an action item.*

*Public Comment:  
No public comment*

*Board Comment:  
Member Pritchett, Member Rhodes, and Member Jeane thanked the administrators for all their work.*

*Member Pritchett made a motion with a second from Member Kayatta. The Board voted 5-0 with Members Singh and Villa absent, and a student preferential yes vote.*

9.2 *Approve Resolution No. 3449: Recognition of National School Lunch Week, October 14-18, 2024  
(Diana Flores)*

*Diana Flores and Kelsey Nederveld presented the resolution. This is an action item.*

*Public Comment:  
No public comment*

*Board Comment:  
Member Pritchett thanked all the employees across the district that are making sure our kids are getting a healthy meal.  
Member Chueh-Griffith gave a big thanks to the nutritional staff.  
Member Rhodes thanked the staff for their work.*

*Member Pritchett made a motion with a second from Member Phillips. The Board voted 5-0 with Members Singh and Villa absent, and with a student preferential yes vote.*

9.3 *Latinx and Hispanic Heritage Recognition  
(September 15-October 15) (Dr. Olga Simms)*

*Dr. Olga Simms introduced the recognition. Students shared their favorite Hispanic holiday traditions. Dr. Olga Simms recognized staff and a community partner as well. This is an information item.*

*Public Comment:  
No public comment*

*Board Comment:  
No Board comment*

9.4 *California Industrial & Technology Education  
Association Career Technical Education Teacher  
Grantee (Daniel Spinka)*

*Daniel Spinka introduced Lance Gunnensen from the California Industrial & Technology Education Association. Mr. Gunnensen recognized CTE teacher, Kyle Heckey. This is an information item.*

*Public Comment:  
No public comment*

*Board Comment:  
Member Phillips and Member Jeane congratulated Mr. Heckey.  
Member Chueh-Griffith shared that she has heard how great of a teacher Mr. Heckey is, and how we are so lucky to have him in our district.*

9.5 *ELSB Grant (Early Literacy Support Block Grant) Final Report (Ashley Alexander and Kari LaSalle)*

*Erin Finley presented the grant overview, goals, implementation, and results. This is an information item.*

*Public Comment:*

*No public comment*

*Board Comment:*

*Member Jeane shared that she really appreciates the dedicated, strategic, and focused approach to really think through how we're able to get a grant for these places, what can we learn from its successes to be able to start building it up system-wide. Member Jeane loves that we're looking at culturally responsive books. Member Jeane really appreciates that there is a focus on anti-bias, anti-racist, and trauma-informed practices, because so many of our students are coming to school with so many realities, and the last few years have been so hard on all of us. So, empowering our educators to be even better for our students in all of these ways is so important. Member Jeane concluded by thanking staff for their work and the presentation.*

*Member Phillips thanked staff for the presentation.*

9.6 *Approve Resolution No. 3448 – Supporting Proposition 2 – The Kindergarten Through Grade 12 Schools and Local Community College Public Education Facilities Modernization, Repair, and Safety Bond Act of 2024 (Board Member Tara Jeane)*

*Member Jeane presented this resolution. Member Jeane wanted to make it clear to the public that the local control funding formula that determines the monies that go to schools, does not provide dedicated facilities funding. It's this idea that we have an annual budget, but that annual budget does not incorporate the needs of our facilities. Member Jeane read some articles aloud from the resolution. Member Jeane shared that she is excited to move that we pass this resolution, and offering their support for passing prop 2 on the upcoming ballots. This is an action item.*

*Public Comment:*

*No public comment*

*Board Comment:*

*No Board comment*

*Member Jeane made a motion with a second from Member Rhodes. The Board voted 5-0 with Members Singh and Villa absent, and with a student preferential yes vote.*

## **10.0 PUBLIC HEARING**

- 10.1 *Approve Public Hearing Resolution No. 3446:  
Resolution to Convey Public Utilities Easement to  
Sacramento Municipal Utility District at Edward  
Kemble and Cesar Chavez Elementary Schools  
(Ben Wangberg)*

*Ben Wangberg presented the public hearing resolution to approve the resolution to convey public utilities easement to Sacramento Municipal Utility District at Edward Kemble and Cesar Chavez Elementary Schools. This is an information item.*

*Public Comment:  
No public comment*

*Board Comment:  
No Board comment*

- 10.2 *Authorization for energy service project under  
Government Code sections 4217.10 et seq.  
(Chris Ralston)*

*Chris Ralston presented this project that is part of their equity focus for the facilities department in order to create safe and lit spaces. This is an action item.*

*Public Comment:  
No public comment*

*Board Comment:  
Member Kayatta wanted to highlight the slide that shared the district's savings of \$560k a year, and over the course of the entire project, the district is saving almost \$10 million. Member Kayatta shared that they are not only saving energy costs, but helping our climate and providing better quality lighting for our students. Member Kayatta wanted the community to be aware that we are using bond measure funds to pay for this, which will have an impact to save money in our general fund.*

*Member Kayatta made a motion with a second from Member Jeane. The Board voted 5-0 with Members Singh and Villa absent, and with a student preferential yes vote.*

## **11.0 BOARD WORKSHOP/STRATEGIC INITIATIVE**



11.1 *Proposed Changes to Civic Permit Board Policy 1330, Facility Use Handbook, and Permit Pricing (Chris Ralston)*

*Chris Ralston, Nathaniel Browning, and Ben Wangberg presented the proposed changes to the Civic Permit Board Policy 1330 Facility Use Handbook. This is an information item.*

*Public Comment:*

*No public comment*

*Board Comment:*

*Member Pritchett wanted to know how many people attended the community meetings, and how did staff put out the notification to all of our groups to let them know that these community meetings were taking place. Member Pritchett wanted to know how the civic permit insurance prices are different from what we had been charging before. On page 14, under prohibited activities, Member Pritchett requested to have “boosters” added to the list. Member Pritchett wanted to know how student bands that are not a part of a class are impacted in the permit process.*

*Member Jeane thanked staff for including employees and personnel. Member Jeane shared that our janitors work so hard to keep our campuses clean, and so often they are doing work that is not just maintaining cleaning, but repairing as well. Member Jeane just wants to make sure that they are being thought of and compensated. Member Jeane appreciates the care for not only the facilities, but for the staff that work so hard as well. Member Kayatta thanked staff for being so deliberate on trying to get feedback. Member Kayatta shared that if this program is able to sustain itself, we can have better facilities for community groups, but also facilities for our students. Member Kayatta asked Mr. Ralston to share the renewed vision for how we envision our civic spaces to be used for other than academic uses.*

## **12.0 COMMUNICATIONS**

*12.1 Student Member Report (Justine Chueh-Griffith)-Member Chueh-Griffith shared that she had the opportunity to meet with the LGBTQ taskforce on their first meeting on Wednesday. They outlined their goals for the year, and they also heard from community stakeholders and partners. Member Chueh-Griffith wanted to thank the LGBTQ support staff for the work that they have been doing, and encouraged the other board members to attend their meetings. Member Chueh-Griffith uplifted an issue that she has heard from students and teachers about not being able to access certain websites on school technology.*

*12.2 Superintendent’s Report (Lisa Allen) - Superintendent Allen shared a huge congratulations to our West Campus community of teachers, administrators, and students for being named a National Blue Ribbon School by the Department of Education. Superintendent Allen extended an invitation to the In It To Win It Community Fair on Saturday*

*to celebrate the importance of attendance from 10am-1pm at Leonardo da Vinci K-8 School. Superintendent Allen shared that on Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, Hiram Johnson will have a free event for students and families to have the opportunity to meet representatives from colleges across the country, learn about new trades and careers, and connect with potential employers. Superintendent Allen shared that career trades like cooking, can be incredible opportunities for our students. Superintendent Allen highlighted the Central Kitchen team for representing our district at this year's Farm to Fork Festival in Downtown Sacramento. Superintendent Allen highlighted the winners of the Food Literacy Center's Veggie of the Year. According to Leatata Floyd's 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders, the Veggie of the Year is the potato. Superintendent Allen congratulated Chef Aiden and Dennis of Team Potato.*

*12.3 President's Report (Lavinia Phillips)-Member Phillips shared that just thinking about the students and the commitments that they make in school and extracurricular, Member Phillips wants to make sure that her colleagues are supporting our students outside of this board meeting. Member Phillips shared that these board meetings are business meetings. Member Phillips shared that if we are going to have students on our agenda, when they go to adopt the agenda, she wants others to chime in, so they can move the students up to the top of the agenda. Member Phillips is not a fan of students coming before the board to perform at meetings, because she worries about the extra effort that they may have to put in to performances and planning. Member Phillips shared that these children don't belong to them in that manner. They belong to their communities and families, and they are in their schools. Member Phillips is sure that there are ways for them to attend events that our students are at where they can hype them up without violating the Brown Act. Member Phillips shared that students coming here to perform is a bit of a distraction from the larger topic of improving student outcomes, which is all they should be focused on. Member Phillips shared that tonight was fantastic and she loves seeing the children, but wants the Board to know that it's very important that they continue to focus on the business aspect, and that business aspect, is improving our student outcomes. Member Phillips shared that this meeting is a business meeting and not a photo op.*

*12.4 Information Sharing by Board Members-Member Rhodes wished his daughter, Rosa Maria, Happy Birthday. Member Rhodes gave a shout out to the Community Schools folks, who had a meeting at Bidwell yesterday, and shared all the work that the coordinators are doing. Community Schools folks have brought the live scan folks to the school site, and having parent nights around live scanning. This has increased the amount of parents just at Bidwell. They had 10 new parents who wouldn't have had the opportunity previously, because they are paying for their live scan and getting them all set up, and that type of work in our community is not seen all the time, but it is happening. Member Rhodes uplifted the staff members who are getting this work done, and building relationships with parents and the community. Member Kayatta mentioned the fingerprinting at Bidwell that Member Rhodes mentioned. Member Kayatta shared that his wife happened to be at Chavez Park next door while it was happening, and one of the families that she was hanging out with was getting fingerprinted. Member Kayatta is really excited about doing what they can to support that. Member*

*Kayatta shared that yesterday, he had the opportunity to attend a field trip with his daughter's class, and they went out to the Harris Center at Folsom Lake College. Schools from all over the area attended, and one of the teachers was able to find a grant for this to get all the kids to get out there and watch Rumpelstiltskin. Member Kayatta shared that this is the kind of joy that he wants to bring to our kids, and to make sure that this is available for all the kids in our district, and that they are doing everything that they can to support it. Lastly, Member Kayatta shared that ballots are coming soon, and if you see Measure D and have any questions, to please reach out to a board member or anyone in the district who can have the answers for you. Member Kayatta wants people to make sure that they know how important it is.*

### **13.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

*Generally routine items are approved by one motion without discussion. The Superintendent or a Board member may request an item be pulled from the consent agenda and voted upon separately.*

#### **13.1 Items Subject or Not Subject to Closed Session:**

*13.1a Approve Grants, Entitlements and Other Income Agreements, Ratification of Other Agreements, Approval of Bid Awards, Approval of Declared Surplus Materials and Equipment, Change Notices and Notices of Completion (Janea Marking)*

*13.1b Approve Contracts Report >\$15,000 (Janea Marking)*

*13.1c Approve Personnel Transactions (Cancy McArn)*

*13.1d Approval of Unauthorized Vendor Payments (Janea Marking)*

*13.1e Approve Business and Financial Report: Warrants, Checks and Electronic Transfers Issued for the period of August 1-31, 2024 (Janea Marking)*

*13.1f Approve Donations to the District for the Period of August 1-31, 2024 (Janea Marking)*

*13.1g Approve minutes for the September 5, 2024, Regular Board of Education Meeting (Lisa Allen)*

*13.1h Approve Staff Recommendations for Expulsions, # 1, #2, and #3 2024/2025 (David Van Natten)*

*13.1i Approve Resolution No. 3446 Resolution to Convey Public Utilities Easement to Sacramento Municipal Utility District at Edward Kemble and Cesar Chavez Elementary Schools (Ben Wangberg)*

*13.1j Approve Stormwater Treatment Device Access and Maintenance Agreement with the City of Sacramento for Oak Ridge Elementary (Ben Wangberg)*

*13.1k Approve Authorization for energy service contract under Government Code sections 4217.10 et seq. (Chris Ralston)*

*13.11 Approve Resolution No. 3445: Resolution Regarding Board Stipends (Lisa Allen)  
This is an action item.*

*Public Comment:  
No public comment*

*Board Comment:  
No public comment*

*Member Pritchett made a motion with a second from Member Jeane. The Board voted 5-0 with Members Singh and Villa absent, and a student preferential yes vote.*

#### **14.0 FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES / LOCATIONS**

- ✓ *October 24, 2024, 5:00 p.m. Closed Session, 6:00 p.m. Open Session, Serna Center, 5735 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Community Room, Regular Workshop Meeting*
- ✓ *November 7, 2024, 5:00 p.m. Closed Session, 6:00 p.m. Open Session, Serna Center, 5735 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Community Room, Regular Workshop Meeting*

#### **15.0 ADJOURNMENT**

*The meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.*

  
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*Lisa Allen, Superintendent and Board Secretary*

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