



**CLOVIS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
1450 Herndon Avenue • Clovis, California 93611-0599

## **GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

### **MINUTES**

**March 17, 2021**

***Professional Development Building, Boardroom  
1680 David E. Cook Way, Clovis, California***

**5:00 P.M. – CLOSED SESSION**

**6:30 P.M. – PUBLIC SESSION**

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Members of the public who wish to provide public comments in person or via telephone are requested to complete a public presentation form, which may be accessed at <https://www.cusd.com/RequestforPublicPresentation.aspx>. Please submit all such requests before 6:30 p.m. on the day of the Board meeting. All public comments relating to a public hearing, if any, are to be made during the public hearing. Those comments on items that are on the agenda are to be made when the item is called by the Board President. Those comments on matters that are not on the agenda are to be made during the Public Presentation. For those members of the public who request to provide public comments via telephone, a District staff member will call the speaker. For those public members who wish to attend the meeting and/or make public comments in person, the board meeting room indicated above is open. However, the Board may limit the number of persons in the board meeting room at any time pursuant to guidance from public health officials.

Instead of addressing the Board during the meeting, a member of the public may submit written public comments to the Board. Please submit all written comments before 3:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting using the form that is provided on the District's website. The written comments will be provided to the Board Members for their review prior to the start of the meeting. The comments will not be read out loud during the meeting.

Each speaker is generally allowed up to three minutes to address the Board on each agenda or non-agenda item. Pursuant to Board Bylaw No. 9323, the Board President may adjust the time allotted for each speaker and limit the total time for public comment.

### **Regular Meeting AGENDA**

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An invocation may be held prior to the start of the Board meeting. Attendance during and participation in the invocation are optional and voluntary. No students, parents, members of the public, Board members, student board member, or employees are required to attend or participate in the invocation.

## **INVOCATION**

Board Member Tiffany Stoker Madsen led the invocation.

### **A. CALL TO ORDER**

Board President Steven Fogg called the regular Governing Board meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

### **B. ROLL CALL**

#### Board Members Present:

Steven Fogg, M.D., President  
Susan K. Hatmaker, Vice-President  
Tiffany Stoker Madsen, Clerk  
Hugh Awtrey, Member  
David DeFrank, Member  
Yolanda Moore, Member  
Elizabeth "Betsy" Sandoval, Member

#### District Administrators Present:

Eimear O'Farrell, Ed.D., Superintendent  
Norm Anderson, Deputy Superintendent  
Maiya Yang, General Counsel  
Robyn Castillo, Ed.D., Associate Superintendent  
Corrine Folmer, Associate Superintendent  
Barry Jager, Associate Superintendent  
Michael Johnston, Associate Superintendent  
Karen Randall, Administrative Specialist

President Fogg asked if anyone present wished to address the Board relative to items that would be considered in Closed Session. At 5:02 p.m., the Governing Board adjourned to Closed Session to discuss the following matters:

### **C. CLOSED SESSION**

1. APPOINTMENT/EMPLOYMENT OF INDIVIDUALS IN POSITIONS LISTED IN BOARD POLICY EXHIBITS NO. 6401, 6402, 6403, 6404, 6405 AND 6407 (Gov't. Code §54957)
2. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE/SUSPENSION (Gov't. Code §54957)
3. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Education Code §54957.6) Agency Negotiator – Eimear O'Farrell, Ed.D., Supt. Negotiating Parties – Contracted Emps., Cert. Mgmt., Cert. Teachers, Class. Emps., Class. Mgmt. & Ops. Unit (Represented by CSEA Clovis Chapter 250)
4. STUDENT DISCIPLINE AND OTHER CONFIDENTIAL STUDENT MATTERS (Education

**D. RECONVENE FOR PUBLIC SESSION**

President Fogg reconvened the public meeting at 6:30 p.m.

**E. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Fogg asked Board Member David DeFrank to lead the Board members and meeting attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**F. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Adopted the March 17, 2021, regular Governing Board meeting, as submitted.

Motion: Approve, Moved By Board Member Betsy Sandoval, Seconded by Board Member Tiffany Stoker Madsen. Passed. 7-0. Board Members voting Ayes: Awtrey, DeFrank, Fogg, Hatmaker, Moore, Sandoval, Stoker Madsen

**G. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**

President Fogg welcomed the visitors present and explained the procedure for addressing the Board via online forms and telephone calls.

**H. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**I. CLOSED SESSION MOTIONS**

Approved routine Personnel Matters, as submitted.

Motion: Approve, Moved By Board Member Betsy Sandoval, Seconded by Board Member Tiffany Stoker Madsen. Passed. 7-0. Board Members voting Ayes: Awtrey, DeFrank, Fogg, Hatmaker, Moore, Sandoval, Stoker Madsen

*(Action to add to or delete items from any portion of the agenda or to discuss any consent agenda items must be taken PRIOR to adoption of the agenda.)*

**J. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT**

**K. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

**1. Recognition of Budget Book Cover Contest Winners**

The following students were recognized as the winner and finalists of the 2020-21 Clovis Unified Budget Book Cover Contest:

Winner: Naisha Ge, Clovis High School, 10th Grade; runners up: Evelyn Hanson, Valley Oak Elementary, 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade, Macy Howland, Copper Hills Elementary, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade, Jaqueline Aguirre, Reyburn Intermediate, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

**2. Music in Our Schools Month Virtual Performance**

The Board has declared the month of March as Music in Our Schools Month. In honor of this declaration, Clovis High School String Orchestra, under the direction of Esmeralda Rocha Lozano, and Buchanan High School Chamber Orchestra, under the direction of John Lack, gave virtual performances during the March 17 Board meeting.

**L. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

*This time is reserved for individuals who may wish to address the Board regarding a matter that is not included on the agenda. Please note that because the items brought up by the public during this time are not on the agenda, the Governing Board may not discuss or act upon such items.*

## **M. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### **1. Public Hearing Regarding Material Revision to Charter of Clovis Online School**

A Public Hearing regarding material revision to Clovis Online School's charter was conducted on March 17, 2021, at 7:27 p.m., at 1680 David E. Cook Way in Clovis, California. There were no speakers present to address the Board.

## **N. STAFF REPORTS**

### **1. Staff Report and Discussion Regarding Continuing Actions in Response to COVID-19**

Staff provided an update to the COVID-19 response.

## **O. CONSENT**

### **1. Conference Requests**

Approved the Conference Requests, as submitted. If student travel is not permitted under county guidelines, conference requests involving coaching and supervising students will be cancelled.

Motion: Approve, Moved By Board Member Betsy Sandoval, Seconded by Board Member Yolanda Moore. Passed. 7-0. Board Members voting Ayes: Awtrey, DeFrank, Fogg, Hatmaker, Moore, Sandoval, Stoker Madsen

### **2. Fundraiser Requests**

Approved the Fundraiser Requests, as submitted.

Motion: Approve, Moved By Board Member Betsy Sandoval, Seconded by Board Member Yolanda Moore. Passed. 7-0. Board Members voting Ayes: Awtrey, DeFrank, Fogg, Hatmaker, Moore, Sandoval, Stoker Madsen

### **3. Student Trip Requests**

Approved the Student Trip Requests, as submitted. If student travel is not permitted under county guidelines, student trip requests will be cancelled.

Motion: Approve, Moved By Board Member Betsy Sandoval, Seconded by Board Member Yolanda Moore. Passed. 7-0. Board Members voting Ayes: Awtrey, DeFrank, Fogg, Hatmaker, Moore, Sandoval, Stoker Madsen

### **4. Voluntary Community Recreation Programs**

Approved the Voluntary Community Recreation Programs, as submitted.

Motion: Approve, Moved By Board Member Betsy Sandoval, Seconded by Board Member Yolanda Moore. Passed. 7-0. Board Members voting Ayes: Awtrey, DeFrank, Fogg, Hatmaker, Moore, Sandoval, Stoker Madsen

### **5. March 3, 2021, Regular Governing Board Meeting Minutes**

Approved the minutes of the March 3, 2021, regular Governing Board meeting, as submitted.

Motion: Approve, Moved By Board Member Betsy Sandoval, Seconded by Board Member Yolanda Moore. Passed. 7-0. Board Members voting Ayes: Awtrey, DeFrank, Fogg, Hatmaker, Moore, Sandoval, Stoker Madsen

### **6. Clovis Adult Education 2021-22 School Calendar**

Approved the proposed Clovis Adult Education school calendar for the 2021-22 school year, as submitted.

Motion: Approve, Moved By Board Member Betsy Sandoval, Seconded by Board Member

Yolanda Moore. Passed. 7-0. Board Members voting Ayes: Awtrey, DeFrank, Fogg, Hatmaker, Moore, Sandoval, Stoker Madsen

**7. Placement of a Special Needs Student in a Non-Public School**

Authorized Clovis Unified to enter into an agreement with Creative Alternatives, a non-public school in Fresno, California.

Motion: Approve, Moved By Board Member Betsy Sandoval, Seconded by Board Member Yolanda Moore. Passed. 7-0. Board Members voting Ayes: Awtrey, DeFrank, Fogg, Hatmaker, Moore, Sandoval, Stoker Madsen

**8. Ratification of Purchase Orders, District Contracts and Check Register**

Ratified Purchase Orders, District Contracts, and Warrants numbered 624683 through 625254.

Motion: Approve, Moved By Board Member Betsy Sandoval, Seconded by Board Member Yolanda Moore. Passed. 7-0. Board Members voting Ayes: Awtrey, DeFrank, Fogg, Hatmaker, Moore, Sandoval, Stoker Madsen

**P. ACTION**

*In general (unless otherwise noted), these items were seen for Information at the prior Board meeting and will be voted on at this meeting. Agenda items titled "Annual" are recurring items submitted to the Board for approval yearly.*

**1. Annual Approval of the Second Interim Financial Report with a Positive Certification**

Approved the District's Second Interim Financial Report, as submitted, and adopted a Positive Certification indicating the District will be able to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the 2020-21 school year as required by Assembly Bill 1200.

Motion: Approve, Moved By Board Member Hugh Awtrey, Seconded by Board Member Tiffany Stoker Madsen. Withdrawn. 7-0. Board Members voting Ayes: Awtrey, DeFrank, Fogg, Hatmaker, Moore, Sandoval, Stoker Madsen

**2. Pre-Construction Management Services for 2022 Facility Projects**

Approved the pre-construction management service agreements to assign construction firms to 2022 facility projects, as submitted.

Motion: Approve, Moved By Board Member David DeFrank, Seconded by Board Member Tiffany Stoker Madsen. Passed. 7-0. Board Members voting Ayes: Awtrey, DeFrank, Fogg, Hatmaker, Moore, Sandoval, Stoker Madsen

**3. Appointment of Architects - Multiple Projects**

Authorized the Superintendent or designee to enter into agreements with the recommended architectural firms to provide design services for school site projects.

Motion: Approve, Moved By Board Member Betsy Sandoval, Seconded by Board Member Tiffany Stoker Madsen. Passed. 7-0. Board Members voting Ayes: Awtrey, DeFrank, Fogg, Hatmaker, Moore, Sandoval, Stoker Madsen

**4. Adopt Amended Board Policy No. 5141.21**

Adopted amended Board Policy No. 5141.21 – Administering Medication and Monitoring Health Conditions.

Motion: Approve, Moved By Board Member Tiffany Stoker Madsen, Seconded by Board Member David DeFrank. Passed. 7-0. Board Members voting Ayes: Awtrey, DeFrank, Fogg, Hatmaker, Moore, Sandoval, Stoker Madsen

**5. Public Hearing Regarding Material Revision to Charter of Clovis Online School - Grant or Deny Material Revision**

Scheduled a Public Hearing to occur April 7, 2021, no earlier than 6:45 p.m., at 1680 David E.

Cook Way in Clovis, California regarding the granting or denial of the material revision to Clovis Online School's charter.

Motion: Approve, Moved By Board Member Tiffany Stoker Madsen, Seconded by Board Member Betsy Sandoval. Passed. 7-0. Board Members voting Ayes: Awtrey, DeFrank, Fogg, Hatmaker, Moore, Sandoval, Stoker Madsen

## **Q. INFORMATION**

*Unless otherwise noted, these items are on the agenda to provide time for Board members to review prior to taking action on the items at the next Board meeting. Agenda items titled "Annual" are recurring items submitted to the Board for approval yearly.*

1. Annual Title VI Indian Education Grant Application 2021-22  
Authorize the Superintendent or designee to submit Part I of the Title VI Indian Education Grant Application for the 2021-22 school year.
2. Appointment of Architect - New Elementary School  
Authorize the Superintendent or designee to enter into an agreement with an architectural firm from the District's preferred pool to provide design services for a new elementary school.
3. Pre-Construction Management Services - New Elementary School  
Approve the pre-construction management service agreements to assign Bush Construction for the new elementary school project, as submitted.
4. Award of Bid - Construction  
Recommendation for Bid No. 2847 – Painting at Various Sites will be brought to the Governing Board for Action at a future meeting.
5. Bond Sale Financing Summary  
As required by Education Code 15146, a summary of General Obligation bond financings, including the final interest rates, maturity schedule, costs, and savings are shared at a public meeting.
6. Approve Revised Joint Powers Authority Agreement for the Education Technology JPA  
Approve the revised Joint Powers Authority Agreement for the Education Technology JPA.
7. Grant or Deny Material Revision to Charter of Clovis Online School  
Grant or deny material revision to Clovis Online School's charter.

## **R. BOARD SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. Clovis City Council/Governing Board Joint Subcommittee (Moore, Sandoval)  
At the March 4 joint subcommittee meeting of the members of the Clovis City Council and Clovis Unified Board, represented by Yolanda Moore and Betsy Sandoval, a briefing was given by the City of Clovis on their construction projects scheduled during summer. Clovis Unified shared an update on the location of the District's summer school locations to help alleviate traffic congestion around the constructions sites.
2. Center for Advanced Research and Technology (CART) Board of Directors (Awtrey)  
The CART Board of Directors met on March 12, immediately followed by the annual joint meeting of the CART/Clovis Unified/Fresno Unified boards. During the joint meeting, several CART students spoke about collaborating by Zoom and shared they were excited to be back in

person one day a week. It was also shared that CART enrollment was going well and they expect to increase in-person instruction sometime in April.

**3. Instructional Services/School Leadership (DeFrank, Moore, Stoker Madsen)**

At the March 12 meeting of the Instructional Services/School Leadership Board Subcommittee, members reviewed the District and State assessment guidelines as well and the differences between State standards vs. frameworks. Saul Salinas, Coordinator, Community Relations, presented instructions on how to navigate the CUSD website for our Cultural Proficiency resources.

**S. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

**T. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business before the Board, President Fogg adjourned the meeting at 9:54 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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Clerk

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Secretary