

WESTSIDE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES  
February 14, 2017

I. CALL TO ORDER

At 5:10 p.m. Steve DeMarzio, President, called to order the Regular Board Meeting of the Westside Union School District Board of Trustees.

II. Flag Salute

Jennifer Navarro

III. ROLL CALL

Steven DeMarzio, President– Present  
John Curiel, Vice President – Present (left at 6:00 p.m.)  
Patricia K. Shaw, Clerk - Present  
Dr. Linda Jones, Member – Present (arrived at 5:27 p.m.)  
Jennifer Navarro, Member - Present

SUPERINTENDENT

Regina Rossall – Present

IV. OTHERS PRESENT

Bob Dunham, Jeri Holmes, Joanne Fitzgerald, Rodney Lots, Amaka Donn, Heidi Myers, Nancy Heming, Noah Heming, Joe Walker Science Jets, Kellee Koonce, Kaom Thomas, Kate Reed, Gina Kim, Kris Kim, Jennifer Slater-Sanchez, Menaka Tyagi, Vani Tyagi, Laura Duran

V. ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATH OF OFFICE

1. Jennifer Navarro

VI. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

Jeri Holmes, President of CSEA – On behalf of CSEA I would like to welcome Jennifer to the Board.

Bob Dunham, President of WUTA – Congratulations, Jennifer, on your appointment to the Board.

VII. M17-140 - The motion was made by Patricia K. Shaw seconded by Jennifer Navarro and carried 4/0 to adjourn to closed session at 5:20 p.m. to consider:

- a. Conference with Labor Negotiators (Gov't Code §54957.6)
- b. Existing/Anticipated/Pending Litigation (Gov't Code §54956.9)
- c. Conference with Real Property Negotiator
- d. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Appointment Unrepresented Management (Gov't Code §54957)
- e. Pupil Personnel (Ed Code 35146 and 48918  
2 Cases

VIII. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION at 6:00 p.m.

IX. CLOSED SESSION ACTION

M17-141 - The motion was made by Patricia K. Shaw seconded by Jennifer Navarro and carried 3/0 to approve the Administrative Hearing Panel recommendation of the Expulsion of Student Case Number 1617-03.

M17-142 - The motion was made by Patricia K. Shaw seconded by Jennifer Navarro and carried 3/0 to approve the Agreement and Stipulation for Expulsion for Case Number 1617-04.

X. PRESENTATIONS

A. Site and Employee Recognitions:

- Hillview
- Cottonwood
- Child Nutrition

XI. HEARING SESSION/STAFF REPORTS

A. Board Comments:

Jennifer Navarro:

Hillview - I was so impressed with the Hillview band, the music program has changed since I was in school. Please let them know they did an excellent job. I enjoyed your video about your kindness challenge.

Cottonwood – Thank you for the sweet valentines. Good job on your presentation this evening. I am impressed with your Girl Power Club, this age is critical for girls. Social skills are also important for all of our students.

I just wanted to say thank you to the Board for my appointment to serve with all of you. I am very excited to get to know each of you.

Linda Jones:

Hillview - One thing that stands out with me is our structure. I liked the fact that you have refocus forms and your suspension rate has gone down over the last year. Thank you for the programs that support the culture of your school. You are getting students ready for the transition to high school. Congratulations to the athletic department for doing so well this year. The music was wonderful this evening.

Cottonwood - I am always impressed with all that is happening on your campus. I am excited about your new beginning as a school of choice.

It was nice being with Jennifer last Saturday at Masters in Governance. She represented Westside well. Congratulations on the WAVE Fundraiser at Mulligans. My prayers go out to Chris Fitzgerald's family on the loss of her father. Congratulations to Anna Penzloza on her new position, Coordinator Professional Development

Patricia K. Shaw:

Hillview - Excellent job this evening.

Cottonwood - Great job this evening on your presentation.

I attended the ACME presentation of Anne and was so impressed; it was a wonderful presentation.

Steve DeMarzio:

Hillview - Mr. Lots and Mrs. Slater-Sanchez, excellent job this evening on your presentation; I like how you are looking at the data. Patricia and I enjoyed our tour when we visited Hillview.

Cottonwood - I see good things to come with your school. We appreciate the valentines from the students.

I would like to echo my fellow Trustees comments this evening. Patricia and I also visited Valley View. I would like to extend my condolences to the Bice family at the loss of their father.

B. Staff Reports:

1. Assistant Superintendent Administrative Services – Shawn Cabey
  - a. Nothing at this time.

2. Assistant Superintendent Educational Services - Marguerite Johnson
  - a. Laura please extend my congratulations to your staff, they are one of the well-trained staffs in the district. I am excited to see what is happening at Cottonwood.
  - b. When we see our schools we see the heart of children, it is so heartwarming.
  - c. We have started the annual visits to our student groups at each site. We are speaking with them about three of the LCAP goals.
3. Deputy Superintendent - Robert Hughes
  - a. It's not surprising that suspensions are down at both Hillview and Cottonwood.
  - b. On February 4<sup>th</sup> we did our first job fair of the year and had about 64 applicants. We have started hiring for next year.
  - c. Mulligans night was last Friday, students had a wonderful time.
  - d. Vince's dine-in is on Friday, February 17.
  - e. Nutty Run is on Saturday, February 18.
  - f. We are continuing to work on the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary dinner.
  - g. ACME held its last performance with the presentation of Anne, Mark and Bev Mewborne did an outstanding job. We will miss what they have offered to our students and the community.
4. Superintendent – Regina Rossall

Mrs. Rossall reviewed the following items with the Trustees:

  - a. Laura, great job on your presentation this evening. I agree with everything that has been said this evening. The campus climate assistants have been a successful implementation for our campuses. Please thank your staff for all the extras they are doing for our students. As we begin Cottonwood as a school of choice, I think you will have a wonderful success with your programs.
  - b. We are in the process of putting out publicity of our Hillview and Joe Walker 6<sup>th</sup> grade programs. We will be looking outside the Westside boundaries.
  - c. Handout of the Lozano Smith Brown Act information.
  - d. If you are interested, there is a CSBA Brown Act workshop on February 24, 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at Coronado Island. This will start after Masters in Governance, Course 3.
  - e. New Beginnings Workshop – are you interested in repeating that workshop? We can will look into doing our own presentation or having someone come in and present to us. – Do our own workshop.
  - f. Sanctuary Resolution – Are you interested in making our district an immigrant sanctuary. Not at this time.
  - g. I would like to congratulate ACME on their final performance.
  - h. I will be inducted as an Honorary Commander. This will be a two-year position. The swearing in is next week at Edwards Air Force Base.

## XII. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

- A. Westside Union Teachers Association Representative – Bob Dunham, President
- B. California School Employee Association Representative – Jeri Holmes, President
- C. Parent Teachers Association Representative
- D. WAVE Representative – Patricia Shaw and Robert Hughes
  - Next meeting is March 8, 2017

XIII. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR - Continued

Jerry Pontius – Joe Walker Science Jets First World Competition in Houston, Texas,  
[www.gofundme.com/sciencejets](http://www.gofundme.com/sciencejets)

XIV. PUBLIC HEARING

None

XV. BUSINESS SESSION

A. Organizational/Governance

1. M17-143 - Item 1. Approval of the agenda of the Regular Board Meeting of February 14, 2017, as submitted. The motion was made by Patricia K. Shaw seconded by Jennifer Navarro and carried 4/0.
2. M17-144 - Items 2a – 2i. The motion was made by Patricia K. Shaw seconded by Linda Jones and carried 4/0 to approve the consent agenda.
  - 2a Minutes of the Regular Meeting on January 17, 2017, and the Special Meeting on January 24, 2017
  - 2b Fundraising Authorization
  - 2c Gifts to the District
  - 2d Williams Uniform Complaint Quarterly Report
  - 2e Personnel Report - Revised
  - 2f Purchase Orders
  - 2g Consultant/Contract Agreement Schedule - Revised
  - 2h Conference/Workshop Schedule
  - 2i Resolution 17-15, Non-routine Budget Revisions, Adjustments and Transfers
3. M17-145 - Item 3. The motion was made by Patricia K. Shaw seconded by Linda Jones and carried 4/0 to approve the second and final reading of Board Bylaws:
  - BB 9230, Orientation
  - BB 9240, Board Development
  - BB 9250, Remuneration, Reimbursement and Other Benefits
  - BB 9260, Legal Protection
  - BB 9270, Conflict of Interest
  - BB 9271, Code of Ethics
4. M17-146 - Item 4. The motion was made by Patricia K. Shaw seconded by Linda Jones and carried 4/0 to approve voting for John Curiel , Jill McGrady and Steve M. Sturgeon for the 2017 CSBA Delegate Assembly Region 22.
5. M17-147 - Item 5. The motion was made by Patricia K. Shaw seconded by Jennifer Navarro and carried 4/0 to approve the first reading of Exhibit 5132, Cottonwood Uniform Policy.
6. M17-148 - Item 6. The motion was made by Patricia K. Shaw seconded by Jennifer Navarro and carried 4/0 to approve Steve DeMarzio and Patricia K. Shaw attending the City of Palmdale meeting with School Districts and other Agencies on February 17, 2017.
7. Item 7. Discussion Item
  - Board Governance
    - Masters in Governance Courses 3 & 4 on Friday and Saturday, February 24 and 25, 2017, in Coronado Island.

XVI. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

8. M17-149 - Item 8. The motion was made by Patricia K. Shaw seconded by Jennifer Navarro and carried 4/0 to approve the first reading of the revised Board Policies and Administrative Regulations.
  - BP/AR 5145.3, Nondiscrimination/Harassment
  - BP/AR 5145.7, Sexual Harassment
9. M17-150 - Item 9. The motion was made by Patricia K. Shaw seconded by Linda Jones and carried 4/0 to approve Memorandum of Understanding 17-13, between Westside Union School District and Sycamore Child and Family Services.

XVII. BUSINESS

10. M17-151 - Item 10. The motion was made by Patricia K. Shaw seconded by Jennifer Navarro and carried 4/0 to approve the Request to Bid: Prop 39 HVAC Upgrades at Sundown Elementary and Valley View Elementary Schools and Roof Replacement at Sundown Elementary School.
11. M17-152 - Item 11. The motion was made by Patricia K. Shaw seconded by Linda Jones and carried 4/0 to approve Resolution 17-16, Adoption of the Public Agencies Post-Employment Benefits Trust.
12. M17-153 - Item 12. The motion was made by Patricia K. Shaw seconded by Jennifer Navarro and carried 4/0 to approve Johnson Controls, Inc. Shortfall Agreement
13. M17-154 - Item 13. The motion was made by Patricia K. Shaw seconded by Jennifer Navarro and carried 4/0 to approve the contract with Nexus IS/Dimension Data for Low-Voltage and Information Technology Services for Cottonwood Modernization, Phase 2 under the State of California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS).
14. M17-155 - Item 14. The motion was made by Patricia K. Shaw seconded by Jennifer Navarro and carried 4/0 to approve to piggyback on bid with SIGMAnet for Computer Equipment.
15. M17-156 - Item 15. The motion was made by Jennifer Navarro seconded by Patricia K. Shaw and carried 4/0 to approve the award of bid for Cottonwood Modernization Phase 3 to Monet Construction Inc.

XVIII. NEW BUSINESS

None

XIX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

XX. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m. in by Steve DeMarzio, President



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Patricia K. Shaw, Clerk  
February 21, 2017