

BOARD NOTES

Board of Education Regular Meeting – Thurs., September 21, 2023

Board Notes is provided as a public information service from the Office of the Superintendent and is intended to provide an immediate summary of the Board of Education's action and discussion on significant projects and services from the most recent board meeting. Not all items that were listed on the board agenda are included in this report. Please contact the Superintendent's Office (310.450.8338 x70229) with questions about this summary.

Upcoming board meetings in October 2023:

- Thurs., Oct. 5, 2023, 5:30 p.m. (regular meeting at the DO and via Zoom)
- Thurs., Oct. 19, 2023, 5:30 p.m. (regular meeting at the DO and via Zoom)

The board took action on the following:

- The board approved the charges for 2023-24 for the District Advisor Committees (DACs). The charges were discussed at the previous board meeting and at the end of the 2022-23 school year.
- The board approved changes to BP/AR 6020 – Parent Involvement.
- The board adopted a resolution approving the sale of general obligation bonds.
- The board adopted a resolution celebrating Labor Day. This is the first year the board has adopted this new annual resolution.

The board discussed the following:

- Staff presented data on student assessment data from local measures administered last spring, including FastBridge, Star Reading and Math, CAASPP, California Science Test (CAST), and English Language Proficiency Assessments (ELPAC).
- The Maintenance, Operations, and Grounds Department reported on the projects they completed at each school site during the summer, including deep cleaning, completing work orders, concrete repairs, renovating bungalows, waterproofing, etc.

Special Note:

- The board approved the appointment of Victoria Hurst as our new Special Ed Director.
- In honor of National Hispanic/Latino Heritage Month, students from the JAMS immersion pathway shared what they have been learning about the cultures, food, and traditions of the countries in North, Central, and South America as well as the history of legislation and Supreme Court cases that had positive effects on the Latino community in the United States. Also, VAPA Coordinator Tom Whaley and representatives from the Santa Monica Youth Orchestra shared videos from the elementary, middle, and high school mariachi band performances at the end of last year.

Upcoming board items (schedule subject to change):

- Adopt Resolution re: Safe Schools Month – *action on 10/5/23*
- Annual Willems Textbook Resolution – *action on 10/5/23*
- Revisions to BP/AR/E 6173 – Education for Homeless Children – *discussion on 10/5/23*