



## SMMUSD Financial Oversight Committee Special Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Tuesday, June 30, 2020

**Time:** 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm

**Location:** Zoom

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### I. Call to Order

5:05 pm

Committee Members: Matthew Crawford

Seth Jacobson

Gordon Lee

Marc Levis-Fitzgerald

Debbie Mulvaney

Alex Farivar joined @ 5:14 p.m.

Michael Kremer

Shawn Landres left @ 6:15 p.m.

Payal Maniar

Shelly Slaugh Nahass joined @ 5:06 p.m.

Staff:

Kim Nguyen

Absent:

Matthew Covington

Jon Kean

Craig Foster

Laurie Lieberman

### II. Approval of Agenda

5:56 pm

A motion was made by Mr. Crawford and seconded by Mr. Levis-Fitzgerald to approve the ~~June 22, 2020 meeting minutes~~ meeting agenda.

AYES: Nine (9) (Mr. Crawford, Mr. Jacobson, Mr. Kremer, Mr. Landres, Mr. Lee, Mr. Levis-Fitzgerald, Ms. Maniar, Ms. Mulvaney, Ms. Slaugh Nahass)

STUDENT ADVISORY VOTE: None (0)

NOES: None (0)

ABSENT: Two (2) (Mr. Covington and Mr. Farivar)

ABSTAIN: None (0)

### III. Approval of FOC Meeting Minutes

5:07 pm

A motion was made by Ms. Maniar and seconded by Ms. Mulvaney to approve the June 22, 2020 meeting minutes.

AYES: Nine (9) (Mr. Crawford, Mr. Jacobson, Mr. Kremer, Mr. Landres, Mr. Lee, Mr. Levis-Fitzgerald, Ms. Maniar, Ms. Mulvaney, Ms. Slaugh Nahass)

STUDENT ADVISORY VOTE: None (0)

NOES: None (0)

ABSENT: Two (2) (Mr. Covington and Mr. Farivar)

ABSTAIN: None (0)

#### IV. Discussion/Action Items

5:08 pm

##### A. Nominating Subcommittee Recommendation for Membership effective July 1, 2020

As continuation of the nominating subcommittee report from the June 22, 2020 meeting, Mr. Crawford reported that the subcommittee interviewed (4) applicants and reached out to prior year candidates. The FOC discussed the subcommittee's recommendation for reappointment of the two (2) current incumbents with terms ending June 30<sup>th</sup> as an interim way to move forward in the meanwhile allowing time to complete outreach and recommend additional names from recent and past applications at a future date after the subcommittee is able to do reasonable due diligence.

A motion was made by Mr. Landres to hear the nominating subcommittee recommendation of the two (2) names other than the current incumbents with terms ending June 30<sup>th</sup> and that the FOC as a whole decides on how it wants to proceed. Motion was not seconded; motion failed.

The committee discussed *the requirements of the Brown Act, as well as standing Board policy regarding the expiration of applications on file, as they applied to* the process *by which* the committee was to review the applications received.

A motion was made by Mr. Landres and seconded by Ms. Mulvaney to remove the other two (2) names recommended as qualified by the nominating subcommittee.

AYES: Five (5) (Mr. Farivar, Kremer, Mr. Landres, Ms. Mulvaney, Ms. Slauch Nahass)

STUDENT ADVISORY VOTE: None (0)

NOES: Five (5) (Mr. Crawford, Mr. Jacobson, Mr. Lee, Mr. Levis-Fitzgerald, Ms. Maniar)

ABSENT: One (1) (Mr. Covington)

ABSTAIN: None (0)

Mr. Jacobson asked for a quick discussion to see if the committee could come to a consensus on this agenda item. The options available to the committee were to either make a recommendation from the applications on file or to ask the Board to reopen application process with new application deadline.

A motion was made by Ms. Mulvaney and seconded by Mr. Kremer to follow the FOC by-laws, as was agreed to by the FOC in the previous year, to not interview prior applicants, and move forward with the existing pool.

AYES: Ten (10) (Mr. Crawford, Mr. Farivar, Mr. Jacobson, Mr. Kremer, Mr. Landres, Mr. Lee, Mr. Levis-Fitzgerald, Ms. Maniar, Ms. Mulvaney, Ms. Slauch Nahass)

STUDENT ADVISORY VOTE: None (0)

NOES: None (0)

ABSENT: One (1) (Mr. Covington)

ABSTAIN: None (0)

Mr. Crawford reported that (4) applicants were interviewed and the nominating subcommittee recommends Melinda Newman and Renu Mevasse to be appointed to the committee. Ms. Newman is in investment banking and has two (2) children in the district. Ms. Mevasse has been heavily involved in PTA and room parenting at McKinley. Professionally, Ms. Mevasse has done a lot of work with businesses around communications, marketing and finance in both small and large businesses. The committee will receive redacted applications and resumes of those individuals recommended by the nominating subcommittee.

A motion was made by Mr. Landres to forward four (4) names as qualified to be recommended for appointment by the Board. Motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Lee expressed that the nominating subcommittee was given directives by the FOC and felt that the subcommittee did not yet finish the process that was asked of them.

The committee asked that the nomination process be placed on the September 2020 agenda for discussion.

A motion was made by Ms. Mulvaney and seconded by Mr. Jacobson that the committee vote to recommend to the Board the two (2) individuals recommended by the nominating subcommittee and the two (2) incumbents, a total of four (4) names, to be appointed to the FOC.

AYES: Six (6) (Mr. Crawford, Mr. Farivar, Mr. Jacobson, Mr. Levis-Fitzgerald, Ms. Mulvaney, Ms. Slauch Nahass)

STUDENT ADVISORY VOTE: None (0)

NOES: One (1) Mr. Lee

ABSENT: One (1) (Mr. Covington)

ABSTAIN: Three (3) (Mr. Kremer, Mr. Landres, Ms. Maniar)

6:15 pm

**Prior to leaving the meeting,** Mr. Landres requested that the record reflect his support of the FOC recommendation going to the Board with respect to the committee's ~~actual~~ **policy** work.

#### B. FOC Mandates for 2020-21

6:18 pm

Ms. Payal reported that a response was not received to the proposed mandate of how the FOC should be involved, if at all, on reviewing financial implications of the models proposed to reopen schools in Fall 2020.

The committee unanimously agreed to present the existing mandates as suggested in the FOC annual report to be presented at the August 13, 2020 Board meeting.

V.	Receive and File (Limited Discussion)	None
VI.	Public Comments	None
VII.	Committee Comments	None
VIII.	Next Meeting:	Thursday, August 13, 2020 – Joint Meeting with Board of Education

**IX. Adjournment:** A motion was made by Mr. Jacobson and seconded by Mr. Kremer to adjourn at 6:25 p.m. in honor of Ms. Mulvaney and Ms. Slauch Nahass for their long-standing service and commitment to the Financial Oversight Committee.