



# SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item# 13.1e

**Meeting Date:** March 7, 2024

**Subject:** Approve Minutes for the January 18, 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 January 18, 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 January 18, 2024, Regular Board of Education Meeting

**Estimated Time of Presentation:** N/A  
**Submitted by:** Lisa Allen, Interim Superintendent  
**Approved by:** Lisa Allen, Interim Superintendent



# 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)*
- Liliana Miller Segura, Student Member*

**Thursday, January 18, 2024**

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

**6:30 p.m. Open Session**

**Serna Center**

*Community Conference Rooms*

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

*Sacramento, CA 95824*

*(See Notice to the Public Below)*

*Member Jeane will be joining closed session*

*remotely at: 1705 Murchison Drive*

*Burlingame, CA 94010*

## MINUTES

2023/24-16

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

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

*Members Present:*

*Members Villa*

*Member Pritchett*

*Member Singh*

*Member Kayatta*

*Member Rhodes*

*Member Phillips*

*Members Absent:*

*Member Jeane*

*Student Member Segura*

**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 (One Potential Case)*
  - b) *Existing litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(1) of Government Code section 54956.9 (OAH Case No. 2023100404 and OAH Case No. 2023100821)*
- 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 recommendations on the following student readmissions from 2021-22 and 2022-23: Expulsion # 4 (2021-22) and Expulsions # 11, 21, 22, and 23 (2022-23) (David Van Natten)*
- 3.5 *Government Code section 54957—Public Employee Performance Evaluation Interim Superintendent*

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

*The meeting was called back to order at 6:42pm.*

- 4.1 *The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Superintendent Allen*
- 4.2 *Broadcast Statement by Student Board Member Segura*
- 4.3 *Stellar Student introduced by Board Member Taylor Kayatta*

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

*There were no announcements taken out of closed session.*

**6.0 AGENDA ADOPTION**

*The Board adopted the agenda unanimously.*

**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.*

*Devyn Somerhausen  
Justine Chuch-Griffith*

Nicole Hasan  
Gabrielle Lor  
Jorge Zazueta  
Elizabeth Mendoza  
John Bidwell  
Margarita Garcia  
Alfonso Ledesma  
Terrence Gladney

## 8.0 COMMUNICATIONS

### 8.1 Employee Organization Reports:

- *SCTA-Nikki Milevsky congratulated and welcomed Member Phillips as the new Board President, and Member Singh and Member Rhodes as other members on the Executive Committee. Since July, the District has been moving in a positive direction, and they expect that it will continue with the President's leadership and the entire school board. Yesterday, they joined with District staff, Board Member Jeane, and professors from Sac State to host a showcase for dozens of student teachers from Sac State that are doing their training in our district to complete their credentials. Their reopener negotiations are a once in a generation opportunity to use this cooperation we are building to establish a more solid foundation going forward. On Friday, they were able to reach an agreement on Article 8, which was the District's priority in the reopener, and an agreement for immediate implementation of the article was made. With the article as a result, there is still a lot of work to be done, and there are still two remaining articles, which include compensation and staffing. They believe that they have the opportunity to resolve a number of outstanding issues relating to unfair labor practice charges and pending arbitration. Negotiations are scheduled for next Friday, Monday, and Wednesday. They hope to reach an agreement that resolves all of these issues, and establishes that solid foundation that was mentioned. They know there is a lot of hard work ahead, but they want to acknowledge that they truly appreciate the shift to a problem solving way of thinking of the District leadership.*
- *SEIU-No update*
- *TCS-No update*
- *Teamsters-No update*
- *UPE-No update*

### 8.2 District Advisory Committees:

- *Student Advisory Council-Students shared that SAC have been working diligently to develop their initiatives for the 2024 school year. As a reminder, they are following the youth participatory action research model to critically research and analyze the problems that are currently facing the SCUSD youth. As part of the process, they develop a youth survey in the fall to hear from their peers regarding the concerns that they feel should be addressed. They received a total of 1,547 survey responses, which is the most responses ever received by the SAC. They have spent the last two weeks analyzing the data to determine their areas of focus. Some of the issues recognized include dual enrollment support, college and real world readiness, campus facilities and hygiene, equitable access to menstrual products, substance abuse support, special education, and quality of the school food. Final findings will be presented in the Spring with the ultimate goal of tangible youth-centered change. They hope that all Board members will attend at least one of their SAC meetings this year.*

- *Community Advisory Committee-No update*

- *District English Learner Advisory Committee-No update*

- *Local Control Accountability Plan/Parent Advisory Committee-Alison French-Tubo shared that they met this week to review an initial rough draft of the plan that will be in place for the next three years. There will be a joint meeting next week with the B/AAAB, CAC, and DELAC. There are multiple openings on the LCAP PAC. There are two representatives for each trustee area, and the Superintendent is able to appoint two as well.*

- *Black/African American Advisory Board- Terrence Gladney wants to uplift that the B/AAAB are actively recruiting members. B/AAAB recently held a contest for students to submit a voice recording that will be on the Board's voicemail. Two second graders were selected, and will be the voices that are heard when people call. This is to let their constituents and partners know, and serves as a reminder on where we should be grounded. Right now, their Nominations Committee Chair is actively working to reach out and answer questions regarding any applications received. They are having a listening session tonight to better articulate the work that the Board is doing, and how they expect to grow with increasing presence from the community. On February 3<sup>rd</sup>, representation from SCUSD will be attending the African American Regional Education Alliance for a professional development conference. On the 22<sup>nd</sup>, they are looking forward to the LCAP joint committee meeting. The goal is to lean in on the 13 recommendations that were established by the African American Task Force. They are hoping to inject those recommendations into District documents, processes, and policies, like LCAP.*

## **9.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

9.1 *Culture and Climate Presentation (Danny Rolleri)*

*Daniel Rolleri shared the learning intentions for the presentation, which include learning about the transformation of the SEL Department to the Culture & Climate Department anchored in Anti-Racist/Anti-Bias/Trauma-Informed Principals, learning how we measure Culture & Climate in SCUSD through student voice, learning what Culture & Climate Tier 1 Universal practices to look for at the site and classroom level, and learning how to support SCUSD Culture & Climate.*

*Public Comment:  
No public comment*

*Board Comment:  
Member Villa thanked staff for the presentation and shared that this is the kind of work that will completely change the trajectory of how SCUSD staff, community, and our kids will grow up in this city. Member Villa wanted to know what we are going to do to address self-regulation, and how it was low in all categories amongst 3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders. Member Pritchett asked if we partner with the Parent/Teacher home visits. Member Rhodes wanted to know when we are looking at demographics, is there information on specific ethnic backgrounds where staff is looking at students with disabilities, students that are homeless, etc.*

**10.0 PUBLIC HEARING**

10.1 *Public Hearing: AB 1200 Public Disclosure and Approval of MOU between SCUSD and the United Professional Educators (UPE) (Jesse Castillo)*

*Cancy McArn shared the key provisions of the SCUSD and UPE agreement. Jesse Castillo shared the AB 1200 fiscal impact and multi-year projections.*

*Public Comment:  
No public comment*

*Board Comment:  
No Board comment*

*Member Villa moved with a second from Member Pritchett. The Board voted 7-0 with a student preferential yes vote.*

10.2 *Public Hearing: AB 1200 Public Disclosure and Approval of MOU between SCUSD and the Teamsters Classified Supervisors (Jesse Castillo)*

*Cancy McArn shared the key provisions of the SCUSD and Teamsters Classified Supervisors. Jesse Castillo shared the AB 1200 fiscal impact and multi-year projections.*

*Public Comment:  
No public comment*

*Board Comment:  
No Board Comment*

*Member Pritchett made a motion with a second from Member Villa. The Board voted 7-0 with a student preferential yes vote.*

10.3 *Public Hearing: AB 1200 Public Disclosure and Approval of MOU between SCUSD and the Teamsters, Local 150 Union (Jesse Castillo)*

*Cancy McArn shared the key provisions of the SCUSD and Teamsters. Jesse Castillo shared the AB 1200 fiscal impact and multi-year projections.*

*Public Comment:  
No public comment*

*Board Comment:  
No Board Comment*

*Member Pritchett made a motion with a second from President Phillips. The Board voted 7-0 with a student preferential yes vote.*

10.4 *Public Hearing: AB 1200 Public Disclosure of Proposed Salary Improvements for Non-represented, Confidential and Management Employees (Jesse Castillo)*

*Jesse Castillo shared the proposed salary improvements for non-represented employees and AB 1200 fiscal impact.*

*Public Comment:  
No Board comment*

*Board Comment:  
No Board comment*

*Member Singh made a motion with a second from*

*President Pritchett. The Board voted 7-0 with a student preferential yes vote.*

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

### **11.1 Presentation of the District Strategic Arts Plan (CJ DeAngelus)**

*CJ DeAngelus shared an overview of the Strategic Planning Process, current assessment of the arts education in SCUSD, review of the current SCUSD Board VAPA policy, overview of the strategic arts plan, insight from Arts Lead Teacher, Mollie Morrison, and next steps.*

*Public Comment:  
No public comment*

*Board Comment:*

*Member Pritchett thanked staff for the presentation and looks forward to having this item come back to support this.*

*Member Villa shared that art is so important to her, and knows how hard staff have worked to create this plan.*

*Member Singh shared that in regard to equity, the stronger the PTO's, PTA's, and PTG's you have, the more likely you have an arts program in this District, and how that is a problem. If we want to look at fixing outcomes for students, especially low-income students and POC, we need to provide opportunities for these students. Member Singh is excited to see how much funding was received from Prop 28, and how we are going to create that inclusive funding for our students, and getting the funding out to students across the District. Especially, to those who have never had art programs before.*

*Member Kayatta shared that the amount of work, detail, planning, and passion that has gone into this is amazing. Similar to Member Singh, Member Kayatta was struck by the slide that shared that the schools with the strongest PTA's and PTO's have the strongest arts, which is really sad, and in his opinion, the number one thing we need to work on to ensure the arts are available to everyone.*

*Member Rhodes shared that this plan will really provide opportunities throughout the District. Member Rhodes really wants to create a District that he needed when he was a student here, and he's happy to see that staff are actively making this happen.*

*Member Segura shared that they are at a school site that has more limited options for arts on campus, so seeing the efforts being made to provide the arts to students across the District is amazing. Member Segura has seen how the arts and these programs have enacted passion within the*



*students within the community, and has seen the courses and directions that their lives often take. The amount of work that staff put in is incredible. Member Segura wanted to know in regard to phases one and two, if there would be an extra hour added to the school day, or would it be a shortening of class periods to expand the arts. President Phillips shared that she came in so late to music, and even though it helped broaden her perspective, there was never really any encouragement. The transformative process that we can use music for is something that will help a lot of students bloom. President Phillips is excited to read through the arts plan.*

## **12.0 COMMUNICATIONS**

*12.1 Superintendent's Report (Lisa Allen)- Superintendent Allen highlighted the Plant Manager at Isador Cohen, Mirna Madrigal, who has been providing toys to all the students at the school for the last two years. Superintendent Allen acknowledged Central Kitchen and the staff from Nutrition Services for another successful holiday break food distribution during the winter break closure. Superintendent Allen shared that enrollment has officially opened for our kindergarten programs this week. On February 5<sup>th</sup>, enrollment for transitional kindergarten will open, and the open enrollment window opens for K-8 schools as well. Families can look at the School Finder on our website to learn about our schools and their offerings online. This week, notifications went out for our high school specialty programs for the families that completed their applications this past fall. For this upcoming year, Superintendent Allen would like to share that there are thousands of dollars in scholarship opportunities for students that will be going live on the SCUSD website tomorrow. Families will be receiving information tomorrow to learn more about the application process.*

*12.2 President's Report (Lavinia Phillips)-No update*

*12.3 Student Member Report (Liliana Miller Segura) - After listening to some of the public comment around the rights and respect of our LGBTQ+ students this evening, Member Segura shared that we need to remember the active and continuous support for the safety and privacy of our students. Our school District has continually preached an open and accepting community in order for this to reign true, accountability needs to be held to standard. While Member Segura is a West Campus student, they are here to lift up the voices of youth across the whole District. The respect, privacy, and rights for LGBTQ+ students in this District need to be continuously protected, supported, and addressed, especially, from the trusted adults from every campus and facility. For some students, these adults are their own safe space to go where they feel their identity will not be compromised. This safe space needs to be upheld in order for us to truly affirm the values of this District. Going forward and keeping that in mind, Member Segura would appreciate if they continued to have this on our minds directly, and not in the back of our minds. On a lighter note, SAC tapped in with the Board communications about upcoming meetings, but have not received a response, so they look forward to hearing back.*

*12.4 Information Sharing by Board Members- Member Villa thanked Member Segura for bringing this up, and stated that we are not going to*

be like Rocklin as long as she is on the Board. Member Villa refuses to allow those types of policies to take place in this District. Member Villa appreciates Member Segura bringing this to light, and making sure that the adults in the room hear from the students on what they expect from us as Board members. Member Rhodes shared that last year the Board had done some monumental work to uplift the LGBTQIA+ students through two resolutions that reaffirmed our stance on the subject. Member Rhodes shared that we stand firm behind our students and any bias or hate towards students that identify in those ways is not tolerated. Member Rhodes would like SAC to be provided with this information, so that the students know that the Board are standing behind them and with them. Member Kayatta shared that it's been six months since Lisa Allen has become our Interim Superintendent, and wanted to thank her publicly for all the work that she has done. Member Kayatta shared that he knows it would be easy for the Board to claim credit for changing the culture of the District, but he believes that she is truly the one who has done it. Member Kayatta shared that random people are coming up to him at school sites and grocery stores, and asking who this new Superintendent is, and how it feels so great here and everything feels so amazing. Member Kayatta wanted to thank Superintendent Allen and his colleagues, and he is super excited about where we are as a District, and all the work that they will do in 2024. Member Kayatta gave a shout out to Mr. Williams who is the AP Government teacher at Kennedy for hosting him to hear presentations from the students on their civics projects. Member Singh echoed the sentiment about the comment made about Superintendent Allen, and also, what Member Villa and Member Rhodes brought up. If there is a way to let the student body know what the Board has done, and will continue to do, he thinks that is really important. Member Singh had a teacher from Miwok Middle School reach out, and asked about some funding to send some students to Boston. Member Singh wanted to put it out there that the Board doesn't have a huge fund, but the Board discretionary funds can be used to support things like this. Member Singh wanted to share how impactful the winter break was, and how there were a lot of opportunities for him to connect with community members. Member Singh shared that we are 100+ days into the conflict in the Middle East, and he will continue to state that we need peace in the Middle East. Member Singh will continue to push for a cease fire and will continue in any efforts to bring peace.

### **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 Personnel Transactions (Cancy McArn)*
- 13.1c Approve Purchase Order Board Report for the Period of November 15, 2023 through December 14, 2023 (Janea Marking)*
- 13.1d Approve Donations to the District for the Period of November 1-30, 2023 (Janea Marking)*
- 13.1e Approve Warrants, Checks and Electronic Transfers issued for the Period of November 1-30, 2023 (Janea Marking)*
- 13.1f Approve Minutes of the November 2, 2023, Special Board of Education Meeting (Lisa Allen)*
- 13.1g Approve staff recommendations on the following student readmissions from 2021-22 and 2022-23: Expulsion # 4 (2021-22) and Expulsions # 11, 21, 22, and 23 (2022-23) (David Van Natten)*
- 13.1h Approve Annual Adjustments to Bid Threshold per Public Contract Code §20111 (Janea Marking)*
- 13.1i Approve Resolution No. 3372: Intention to Convey Public Utilities Easement to the Sacramento Municipal Utilities District at Nicholas Elementary School (Nathaniel Browning)*
- 13.1j Approve CK McClatchy School Debate Tournament in Las Vegas, NV from February 2-5, 2024 (Mary Hardin Young & Jerad Hyden)*
- 13.1k Approve West Campus High School Debate Tournament in Las Vegas, NV from February 2-5, 2024 (Mary Hardin Young & Jerad Hyden)*
- 13.1l Approve Resolution No. 3373: Resolution Regarding Accounting of Developer Fees for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023 Pursuant to Gov. Code Sections 66001(d) and 6606(b) (Janea Marking)*
- 13.1m Resolution No. 3371 Authorizing Piggyback Contract for Purchase of Classroom Furniture Pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 20118 (Janea Marking)*
- 13.1n Approve Retention of 10 Firms for the Geotechnical Engineering and Materials Testing and Inspection Services Pool in Response to Request for Qualifications (Janea Marking)*
- 13.1o Approve Resolution No. 3374: Agreement for Termination of Leases and Quit Claim Deed for the John F. Kennedy High School C-Wing HVAC Replacement Project (Janea Marking)*
- 13.1p Approve Amendment to Compromise and Release Agreement; BPSB et al. v. SCUSD et al., U.S.D.C., E.D. Cal., Case no. 2:19-cv-01768-DJC-KJN (Yvonne Wright)*

*Public Comment:  
No public comment*

*Board Comment:  
Member Kayatta pulled agenda item 13.11.*

*Member Pritchett made a motion with a second from Member Phillips. The Board voted on all items on the consent agenda except for 13.11. The Board voted 7-0 with a student preferential yes vote.*

*Member Kayatta shared that this item is around the developer fees that we collect to fund our District operations and construction. Given how important this is for our ability to function and to continue serving the City of Sacramento, Member Kayatta wanted to publicly ask questions that he has been asking with some new ones based on this particular item. Member Kayatta wanted to know how the fees will be used. Member Kayatta wanted to know what are the plans to accommodate students in Delta Shores, and the surrounding neighborhood. Member Kayatta asked if there was a plan to build a middle school in Delta Shores. For Delta Shores and the elementary school in particular, Member Kayatta wanted to know if there are plans in place to help the students get to school. Member Kayatta shared that the three new areas that he has mentioned are on the edge of SCUSD, and wants to know if we are doing anything to make sure that we establish these communities as part of our SCUSD family. Member Kayatta asked if there is extra outreach or having extra steps to make our schools aware to families moving into those communities.*

*Member Pritchett made a motion with a second from Member Singh. The Board voted 7-0 with a student preferential yes vote.*

**14.0 BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION/REPORTS *Receive Information***

*14.1 Business and Financial Information: Enrollment Report – Month 3 (Janea Marking)*

**15.0 FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES / LOCATIONS**

- ✓ *February 1, 2024, 5:00 p.m. Closed Session, 6:30 p.m. Open Session, Serna Center, 5735 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Community Room, Regular Workshop Meeting*
- ✓ *February 15, 2024, 5:00 p.m. Closed Session, 6:30 p.m. Open Session, Serna Center, 5735 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Community Room, Regular Workshop Meeting*

**16.0 ADJOURNMENT**

*The meeting adjourned at 9:05pm.*

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*Lisa Allen, Interim Superintendent and Board Secretary*

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