

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
ALHAMBRA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
February 19, 2019**

The Regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Alhambra Unified School District was held on Tuesday, February 19, 2019, in the Board Room of the District Office, 1515 W. Mission Road, Alhambra, California.

**PUBLIC SESSION:** Board Room, District Office

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mr. Robert L. Gin, President, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and requested a roll call of the Board.

**ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Jane C. Anderson, Clerk – absent  
Mr. Robert L. Gin, President – present  
Mr. Wing K. Ho, President - present  
Mrs. Patricia Rodriguez-Mackintosh, Vice President – present  
Mrs. Joanne Russell-Chavez, Member – present\*  
\*absent during roll call for Closed Session, arrived at 5:10 p.m.

**Also Present:** Administration: Mrs. Denise Jaramillo, Superintendent; Mrs. Anna Kuo, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources; Ms. Janet Lees, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services; Mr. George Murray, Assistant Superintendent, Facilities and Planning Development; Mr. John Scanlan, Assistant Superintendent, Student/Employee Welfare; Mrs. Josephine Quach, Assistant Superintendent, Financial Services; Mrs. Adrienne Barbara, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent.

**CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:** No Requests

**RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION:** At 5:01 p.m. on the motion of Mr. Ho seconded by Mrs. Rodriguez-Mackintosh and carried, the Board recessed to Closed Session to discuss items listed on the Closed Session Agenda.

**PUBLIC SESSION:** At 6:10 p.m. the Board reconvened in Public Session in the Board Room, District Office.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS (including addenda to items)**

**CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Mr. Gin called the meeting to order and Tommy Diep and Hannah Cichy, students from Emery Park led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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**REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

The Board of Education voted 3-0 to accept the administrative recommendation to implement the following confidential settlement agreement: OAH Case No. 2018120789.

Votes:

Mrs. Jane C. Anderson	Absent
Mr. Robert L. Gin	Yes
Mr. Wing K. Ho	Yes
Mrs. Patricia Rodriguez-Mackintosh	Yes
Mrs. Joanne Russell-Chavez	Absent

The Board of Education voted 4-0 to issue a 5-day suspension without pay to certificated employee DW9437251, effective this school year.

Votes:

Mrs. Jane C. Anderson	Absent
Mr. Robert L. Gin	Yes
Mr. Wing K. Ho	Yes
Mrs. Patricia Rodriguez-Mackintosh	Yes
Mrs. Joanne Russell-Chavez	Yes

The Board of Education voted 4-0 to approve the Resignation Agreement and Release for certificated employee UC8432278, effective May 1, 2019.

Votes:

Mrs. Jane C. Anderson	Absent
Mr. Robert L. Gin	Yes
Mr. Wing K. Ho	Yes
Mrs. Patricia Rodriguez-Mackintosh	Yes
Mrs. Joanne Russell-Chavez	Yes

The Board of Education voted 4-0 to approve charges to immediately suspend without pay and dismiss certificated employee WN7242375.

Votes:

Mrs. Jane C. Anderson	Absent
Mr. Robert L. Gin	Yes
Mr. Wing K. Ho	Yes
Mrs. Patricia Rodriguez-Mackintosh	Yes
Mrs. Joanne Russell-Chavez	Yes

The Board of Education voted 4-0 to approve charges to immediately suspend without pay and dismiss certificated employee KZ3026599.

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Votes:

Mrs. Jane C. Anderson	Absent
Mr. Robert L. Gin	Yes
Mr. Wing K. Ho	Yes
Mrs. Patricia Rodriguez-Mackintosh	Yes
Mrs. Joanne Russell-Chavez	Yes

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On the motion of Mrs. Russell-Chavez, seconded by Mrs. Rodriguez-Mackintosh and carried, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 19, 2019 were approved.

Votes:

Mrs. Jane C. Anderson	Absent
Mr. Robert L. Gin	Yes
Mr. Wing K. Ho	Yes
Mrs. Patricia Rodriguez-Mackintosh	Yes
Mrs. Joanne Russell-Chavez	Yes

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES**

The following students, representing their school were present and reported on activities on their campus:

Alhambra High School – Winston Yan

Century High School and Independence High School – Jacob Dean and Vanessa Padilla

San Gabriel High School – Hanson Pham and Lindsey Nguyen

Mark Keppel High School – Vanessa Aguirre and Paul Im

**COMMUNICATIONS** - *moved up on the agenda*

Recognition of Rotary Club Teachers' Mini Grant Award Winners

Mrs. Denise Jaramillo, Superintendent introduced Dr. David Snyder, Rotary Mini-Grant Chairman and the Rotarian guests from the Rotary Club of Alhambra. Dr. Snyder reported that for the past 27 years, the Rotary Club of Alhambra has awarded over \$208,000 in funding for teacher mini-grants. This year, additional funding was provided by The Alhambra, Kerechuk Motors, Republic Services, Transtech Engineering, SPARK, Beggxis H. Leibergm, D.D.S. This year, 62 mini-grants were awarded to elementary and high school teachers for their innovative and creative proposals.

**TEACHING AND LEARNING PRESENTATION**

Emery Park Elementary School presented an overview on the upcoming Community Read-In

Mr. Jeremy Infranca, Principal of Emery Park Elementary School along with his staff and two students provided an overview on the upcoming Community Read-In event scheduled for February 28, 2019. They explained that the community Read-In was important to the students, staff and community and invited the Board to join them at their event. This event has a great tradition that all look forward to and the students love being read to and are able to explore new genres of literature. The annual Community Read-In event is Emery Park's celebration of reading.

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**COMMUNICATIONS** – *continued on the agenda*

**AUSD Game Changer Employee Recognition to Honor Scottie Albright, Elementary Office Assistant at Garfield Elementary School and Jeron Carr, Physics Teacher at Mark Keppel High School**

Mrs. Stacie Colman-Hsu, Directory of Human Resources and Mrs. Denise R. Jaramillo, Superintendent announced the 2018-2019 January Game Changers and presented them with a certificate, pin and \$100 check donated from Schools First Credit Union. There were numerous nominations for the Spotlight Award and the Goes Above and Beyond Award. From these nominations, the Game Changer recipients were selected by the Game Changer committee.

Ms. Scottie Albright, Elementary Office Assistant at Garfield Elementary School always goes beyond the call of duty for students, staff and parents. She is dedicated, cares for all with a positive attitude and professionalism.

Mr. Jeron Carr, Physics Teacher at Mark Keppel High School goes above and beyond as a teacher for all his students. He is always willing to help his students succeed with his classroom always being open during lunch and afterschool for additional tutoring. A quote from a student stated, “Mr. Carr does not work for money, he genuinely loves his job and his students. He always puts in 110% and we couldn’t think of a better candidate for this award.”

**Facilities and Construction Updates**

Mr. George Murray, Assistant Superintendent of Facilities and Planning Development briefly discussed updates. Mr. Murray stated that facilities are working on the field challenges at Alhambra High School and Moor Field and that they are currently being addressed. Mr. Murray asked for clarification from Mr. Russell-Chavez regarding her request of a priorities list from the current Bond. Mrs. Russell-Chavez indicated that she wanted an updated list to see where the District is at with the Bond, with the school site, project, estimated cost and status of each project, along with the next round of projects. Mr. Murray indicated that he will be putting this information together and will be providing to the Board.

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Board members provided updates and comments on various civic committees/activities in which they participated.

**LABOR ORGANIZATIONS**

**Alhambra Teacher Association**

Mr. Ralph Hernandez, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher at Ynez and ATA Bargaining Chair, reported on the ATA union. Mr. Hernandez stated that he was looking forward to successful negotiations of the 2019-2020 ATA Contract with the Executive Cabinet and negotiating team with constructive dialog. Mr. Hernandez also thanked Mrs. Kuo for her resolutions to numerous matters in a fair and professional manner. In closing, Mr. Hernandez welcomed Mr. Wing Ho to the Board and that ATA looks forward to working with him and all stakeholders to continue the quality of our educational programs at AUSD.

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### Alhambra Management Association

Mrs. Patricia Mahony, AMA President, reported on the AMA. Mrs. Mahony stated that we have an upcoming management meeting on February 25<sup>th</sup> at Park Elementary School where the ACSA nominations for Region 15 will be announced to the team and then these awardees will be shared with the Board. Mrs. Mahony also shared there is an ACSA Regional Symposium on March 9<sup>th</sup> and several employees will be attending the free event. AMA is proud that our very own, Mr. Lindsey Ma, Director of Student/Employee Welfare will be presenting on Parent Engagement. Also, due to nearly doubling the increase in ACSA membership, AMA is receiving a check of \$976, which will be going toward student scholarships and AMA events.

### CSEA

Ms. Lydia Vargas, CSEA Second Vice President of Chapter 295, reported on CSEA union. Ms. Vargas stated that she recently attended a CSEA training to support her new CSEA position. During this workshop she was surprised how many chapters do not work closely with their District. She stated she felt proud to be able to speak out at this training and state there is a close working relationship with collaboration and support from the Executive Cabinet, Superintendent and Board. Ms. Vargas thanked Mrs. Jaramillo for her continued support and collaboration with CSEA and looks forward to successful negotiations with the District.

## **STAFF REPORTS**

### **Overview of the Low Performing Student Block Grant Plan (LPSBG)**

Ms. Lees, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services provided an overview of the Low Performing Student Block Grant Plan (LPSBG). Ms. Lees explained that the LPSBG grant provides funds for districts serving students identified as low-performing on the English language arts or mathematics assessments, who are not otherwise identified for supplemental grant funding under the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), or eligible for special education services. Funding for the grant is allocated in the 2018-2019 school year and is available for expenditure or encumbrance through 2020-2021 fiscal year. Ms. Lees stated the funding allocation for AUSD was based on 208 students, not included in the unduplicated pupil groups and not identified for special education services, who did not meet standard (level 1) on the most recent CAASPP assessment. By March 1, 2019, grant recipients must adopt a plan to use the grant funds to increase the academic performance of pupils identified. Alhambra Unified School District's preliminary entitlement is \$411,013 and the plan will be voted for acceptance under Educational Services board action item. Pursuant to EC 41570(d), grant recipients must adopt a plan by 3/1/19.

### **Overview of the Social Studies and Statistics Textbook Adoption Process and Fair Act**

Mr. Brad Walsh, Director of Secondary Education provided an overview of the Social Studies and Statistics Textbook Adoption Process and Fair Act. The Social Science and Mathematics departments were informed last year that the District would be working on selecting new textbooks and resources. Input was gathered from all teachers from each AUSD high school and the representatives made sure everyone's input was taken into account. Mr. Walsh stated that the proposed textbook adoptions are displayed at the back of the Board room and will be submitted for adoption by the Board at the next board meeting.

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**CITIZENS' REQUESTS TO ADDRESS BOARD ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA** – There were no requests.

**CITIZENS' REQUESTS TO ADDRESS BOARD ON ITEMS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA**

Mr. Activate Arroyo, speaking as the Mark Keppel High School Dance Arts Department Teacher addressed the Board regarding the Mark Keppel All Male (MKAM) Dance Team. Mr. Arroyo announced that the award winning MKAM Hip Hop dance team will be performing on the World of Dance on NBC beginning February 26<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Arroyo thanked the Board for their support to the Mark Keppel comprehensive dance arts program.

Ms. Esperanza Guzman, speaking as a parent, and private citizen, addressed the Board regarding the Alhambra High School Chicago Musical. She stated that she was representing the theatre parents of Alhambra High School in regards to their annual professional theatre productions. Ms. Guzman indicated that she would like the District to sponsor and provide the Chicago Musical the opportunity to perform on Saturday. She indicated that this is a crucial request. By providing a production on Saturday it will give students, parents and community the opportunity to attend and showcase the Chicago Musical production.

**Board Action**

**Business Services**

On the motion of Mrs. Russell-Chavez, seconded by Mrs. Rodriguez-Mackintosh and carried, the Board approved Items B-1 through B-9 as recorded below:

- B-1 Accepted Gifts from Various Donors to the Alhambra Unified School District.
- B-2 Accepted National Benefit Services 457(b) FICA Alternative Plan Document.
- B-3 Amended the Award of Request for Proposal (RFP) #1175-15/16 Bus Transportation Services – Home to School for Regular and Students with Disabilities, Field and Athletic Trips as Needed.
- B-4 Approved Budget Revisions.
- B-5 Approved Cash Collections for the Month of January 2019.
- B-6 Approved Contracts/Agreements/Amendments/Memberships.
- B-7 Approved Payment of Warrants and Purchase Orders January 1-31, 2019.
- B-8 Awarded Bid #1209-18/19 E-rate CAT 2 Equipment.
- B-9 Awarded Request for Proposal (RFP) #1210-18/19 for Internet Service Provider (ISP) Services Voice, Data, and Broadband; District-Wide.

**Votes:**

Mrs. Jane C. Anderson	Absent
Mr. Robert L. Gin	Yes
Mr. Wing K. Ho	Yes
Mrs. Patricia Rodriguez-Mackintosh	Yes
Mrs. Joanne Russell-Chavez	Yes

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**Facilities and Construction**

On the motion of Mrs. Russell-Chavez, seconded by Mrs. Rodriguez-Mackintosh and carried, the Board approved Items FC-1 through FC-2 as recorded below:

- FC-1 Approved Change Order #1 for the District Network Operating Center Uninterrupted Power Supply Replacement Project.
- FC-2 Approved Change Order #6 for Northrup & Repetto Elementary Schools – Abatement, Ceiling & Fire Alarm Upgrades Project.

Votes:

Mrs. Jane C. Anderson	Absent
Mr. Robert L. Gin	Yes
Mr. Wing K. Ho	Yes
Mrs. Patricia Rodriguez-Mackintosh	Yes
Mrs. Joanne Russell-Chavez	Yes

**Human Resources**

On the motion of Mrs. Russell-Chavez, seconded by Mrs. Rodriguez-Mackintosh and carried, the Board approved Items HR-1 through HR-11 as recorded below:

- HR-1 Approved Human Resources Transaction Report.
- HR-2 Approved Human Resources Conference Attendance Report.
- HR-3 Approved the Alhambra Teachers Association (ATA) 2019-2020 “Sunshining Negotiations Proposals with the Alhambra Unified School District.
- HR-4 Approved the Alhambra Unified School District’s 2019-2020 “Sunshining” Negotiations Proposals with the Alhambra Teachers Association (ATA).
- HR-5 Approved the California School Employees Association (CSEA) 2019-2020 “Sunshining” Negotiation Proposals with the Alhambra Unified School District.
- HR-6 Approved the Alhambra Unified School District’s 2019-2020 “Sunshining” Negotiation Proposals with the California School Employees Association (CSEA).
- HR-7 Approved Resolution No. 18-19-09 to Re-elect Probationary Teacher.
- HR-8 Approved the Job Description for the Position of School Psychology Intern.
- HR-9 Approved the Job Description for the Position of Administrative Secretary.
- HR-10 Approved the Job Description for the Position of Secretary I.
- HR-11 Approved the Job Description for the Position of Senior Clerk Typist.

Votes:

Mrs. Jane C. Anderson	Absent
Mr. Robert L. Gin	Yes
Mr. Wing K. Ho	Yes
Mrs. Patricia Rodriguez-Mackintosh	Yes
Mrs. Joanne Russell-Chavez	Yes

**Educational Services**

On the motion of Mrs. Rodriguez-Mackintosh, seconded by Mrs. Russell-Chavez and carried, the Board approved Items ES-1 through ES-4 as recorded below:

- ES-1 Approved Field Trip Report as of this Date.
- ES-2 Accepted the 2018-2019 Turnaround Arts: California Community Engagement Grant (CEG).
- ES-3 Accepted the 2018-2019 Turnaround Arts Music Education Grant.
- ES-4 Approved the Low Performing Students Block Grant (LPSBG) Plan.

**Votes:**

Mrs. Jane C. Anderson	Absent
Mr. Robert L. Gin	Yes
Mr. Wing K. Ho	Yes
Mrs. Patricia Rodriguez-Mackintosh	Yes
Mrs. Joanne Russell-Chavez	Yes

**Student/Employee Welfare**

On the motion of Mrs. Russell-Chavez, seconded by Mrs. Rodriguez-Mackintosh and carried, the Board approved Items SW-1 through SW-3 as recorded below:

- SW-1 Approved Expulsions: 2018-2019 Case No. 019 and 021.
- SW-2 Approved Return from Expulsion: 2017-2018 Case No. 009.
- SW-3 Approved the 2018-2019 School Safety Plans.

**Votes:**

Mrs. Jane C. Anderson	Absent
Mr. Robert L. Gin	Yes
Mr. Wing K. Ho	Yes
Mrs. Patricia Rodriguez-Mackintosh	Yes
Mrs. Joanne Russell-Chavez	Yes

**W. San Gabriel Valley Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA)**

On the motion of Mrs. Russell-Chavez, seconded by Mrs. Rodriguez-Mackintosh and carried, the Board approved Items SE-1 through SE-2 as recorded below:

- SE-1 Accepted the 2018-2019 Special Education Local Plan Area Improvement Leads Grant Award.
- SE-2 Approved Contracts/Agreements/Amendments/Memberships.

**Votes:**

Mrs. Jane C. Anderson	Absent
Mr. Robert L. Gin	Yes
Mr. Wing K. Ho	Yes
Mrs. Patricia Rodriguez-Mackintosh	Yes
Mrs. Joanne Russell-Chavez	Yes

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**Superintendent**

On the motion of Mrs. Rodriguez-Mackintosh, seconded by Mrs. Russell-Chavez and carried, the Board approved Item S-1 as recorded below:

S-1 Acknowledged Condolences.

Votes:

Mrs. Jane C. Anderson	Absent
Mr. Robert L. Gin	Yes
Mr. Wing K. Ho	Yes
Mrs. Patricia Rodriguez-Mackintosh	Yes
Mrs. Joanne Russell-Chavez	Yes

**Board of Education**

On the motion of Mrs. Rodriguez-Mackintosh, seconded by Mrs. Russel-Chavez and carried, the Board approved Item BE-1 as recorded below:

BE-1 Vote for 2019 California School Board Association Delegate Assembly Candidates. The Board voted for (2) candidates: Suzie Abajiam, South Pasadena Unified School District and Robert L. Gin, Alhambra Unified School District.

Votes:

Mrs. Jane C. Anderson	Absent
Mr. Robert L. Gin	Yes
Mr. Wing K. Ho	Yes
Mrs. Patricia Rodriguez-Mackintosh	Yes
Mrs. Joanne Russell-Chavez	Yes

**Board of Education Discussion to Guide Future Recommendations** – No Recommendations.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING/ADJOURNMENT**

The next Regular Board Meeting will be on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 in the Board Room at 1515 W. Mission Road, Alhambra 91803. Being no additional business the meeting was adjourned 7:54 p.m.

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Secretary

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Vice President