

**LIVINGSTON UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
August 10, 2017**

Minutes

- I. Seating of Newly Appointed Board Member and Declaration of Remuneration
Superintendent Zamora administered the Oath of Office to the provisional appointee, Kanwaldeep Bains. Mrs. Bains will fill the vacancy due to the resignation of Susan Ruth until the next board election in November 2018. Trustee Bains also elected to receive monthly compensation offered by the district for her service on the governing school board.

- II. Public Session was called to order at 5:35 p.m. by President Boyd and the Board immediately adjourned into closed session.

Members Present: Boyd, Flores, Land, Correia, Bains
Members Absent: None

- III. Closed session adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

- IV. The meeting reconvened to open session at 6:08 p.m. in the District Board Room. The meeting was called to order by President Boyd.

- V. Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Boyd.

Members Present: Vernon Boyd, Luis Enrique Flores, Anne Land, Yolanda Correia, and Kanwaldeep Bains

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Andrés Zamora, Superintendent
Kuljinder Sekhon, Assistant Superintendent, Instruction & Pupil Services
Tiffany Pickle, Director, Instructional Technology
Maria Torres-Perez, Director, Categoricals & Special Projects
Nick Jones, Director, Maintenance/Operations/Transportation
Jorge Arteaga, Principal, Campus Park Elementary
Stella Montañez, Principal, Selma Herndon Elementary
Alma De Luna, Principal, Yamato Colony Elementary
Victoria Bradshaw, Principal, Livingston Middle
Markella Tsatsaronis, Principal, Livingston Middle
Lupe Maldonado, Recording Secretary

Visitors: Gurpal Samra, Harpreet Bains, Christie Hendricks, Jagdish Atwal, Jessica Spears, Margarita Lara, Steve Tietjen, Manisha Khosla, Jose A. Moran, Silvia Aguilar Arroyo, Anita Singh, Samantha Thompson, Lori Morgan, Theresa Land

- VI. Report and/or Action of Closed Session Items
There were no reportable actions.

- VII. Public Comments
There were no public comments.

VIII. Corrections to and Approval of Agenda

MOTION MADE BY/SECOND: Flores/Land

To approve agenda as amended. Item "G" was added to the Consent Agenda.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

AYES: Boyd, Flores, Land, Correia, Bains
NOES: none
ABSTAIN: none

IX. Reports, Special Presentations, Showcases, and Recognitions

A. Special Recognition: Prusso and Walnut Child Development Centers were recognized for achieving top ratings in the Quality Rating Improvement System (QRIS) review. County Superintendent, Dr. Tietjen, Assistant Superintendent of Early Education, Christie Hendricks, and Early Education Program Manager with Merced County, Samantha Thompson, presented the award to the District.

B. Superintendent's Reports and Updates: Superintendent Zamora reported on the following: 1) thanked support staff and principals for a successful "All Staff Welcome Back" day 2) finalizing maintenance and safety improvement projects 3) attended a city sponsored stakeholders meeting to revisit the vision of the city and discussed concepts and improvement efforts for the city and school district. 4) LUSD is fully staffed with the exception of speech/language pathologist; however, district has secured services through outside resources.

X. Consent Agenda

MOTION MADE BY/SECOND: Correia/Land

To approve the consent agenda as amended. Item "E" was revised and Item "G" was added.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

AYES: Boyd, Flores, Land, Correia, Bains
NOES: none
ABSTAIN: none

- A. Approval of Special Meeting Minutes: June 1, 2017
- B. Approval of Regular and Special Meeting Minutes: June 8, 2017
- C. Approval of Special Meeting Minutes: August 1, 2017
- D. Approval of Warrants

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Title</u>	
01	General Fund	\$ 270,506
12	Child Development Fund	\$ 12,045
13	Cafeteria Fund	\$ 21,536
40	Special Reserve	\$ 512,377

X. Consent Agenda,continued

E. Approval of Designated Personnel Items: See Attachment A

F. Acceptance of Williams Quarterly Report Summary: April 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017

G. Approval of Speech/Language Therapy Services:

1. Bilingual speech therapy services to be provided to LUSD students by Speech Language Pathologist, Olga De Leon. Services to be provided for the 2017-2018 school year will not exceed 650 hours, unless agreed upon, at the rate of \$95 per hour.
2. Speech therapy services to be provided to LUSD students by Lynda Reece, M.A., CCC-SLP. Services for the 2017-2018 school year will be provided on an as needed basis, not to exceed 24 hours per month at the rate of \$80 per hour.

XI. New Business

A. Update: 2017 General Obligation Refunding Bonds and Election of 2005 Series B General Obligation Bonds

The district's financial advisor, Al Peche, reported on the success of the district's recent bond sale and refunding and discussed the cost savings for taxpayers and the school district. He reviewed the difference in taxpayer savings with a 19 year maturity versus a 29 year maturity, for a total savings of \$1.5 million. He also reported on the \$556,109 savings from the 2017 refunding bonds of the outstanding Series A bonds. Total tax rate for 2017-18 is set to be \$26.20 per \$100,000 of assessed value.

B. 2017 Summer S.T.R.E.A.M. Academy

Assistant Superintendent, Kuljinder Sekhon, highlighted the results of this year's summer S.T.R.E.A.M. Academy. Mrs. Sekhon reported on attendance rates, grade level themes, pre and post assessments, STAR reading percentages, incentives and next steps. There was discussion on including or reconfiguring data that measures growth by grade level equivalent.

C. Facilities/Maintenance Projects Update

Staff provided an update on the district's facilities/maintenance projects completed over the summer and developing projects.

D. Board Policy 6170.1 “Transitional Kindergarten”

Superintendent Zamora went over the purpose of the policy revisions is to keep local students in Livingston and ensure students who do not meet the age criteria in current policy be allowed now to enroll at the beginning of the school year on a case-by-case basis.

MOTION MADE BY/SECOND: Correia/Land

To approve revisions to BP 6170.1 “Transitional Kindergarten”

**BP 6170.1
“Transitional Kindergarten”**

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

AYES: Boyd, Flores, Land, Correia, Bains

NOES: none

ABSTAIN: none

E. Communication, Information, and Future Agenda Items

The next regular scheduled board meeting is Thursday, September 14, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the District Board Room. Trustee Flores requested for a future meeting to review student discipline policies including truancy policies.

XII. Adjournment

The public meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Vernon Boyd, Board President

Anne Land, Board Clerk

Andrés Zamora, Board Secretary

- AMENDED -
ATTACHMENT A
Consent Agenda – Personnel Items

Public Employees: Certificated

A. Employment Approval:

1. Adriana Martinez, Teacher, Selma Herndon, Temporary Full Time Employment, effective 8/1/17 – 6/6/18.
2. Maria Gonzalez, Teacher, Selma Herndon, Full Time Employment, effective 8/1/17.
3. Helen Farnetti, Teacher, Livingston Middle School, Full Time Employment, effective 8/1/17.

B. Resignations/Retirements:

Deborah Butler, Teacher, Livingston Middle School, Resignation, effective 6/30/17.

Public Employees: Classified

A. Employment Approval:

Deysi Maldonado, Academic Clinician, Selma Herndon, Employment, effective 8/15/17.

B. Resignations/Retirements:

1. Denise Guillen, Academic Clinician, Yamato Colony, Resignation, effective 6/6/17.
2. Adriana Martinez, Academic Clinician, Selma Herndon, Resignation, effective 6/6/17.
3. Ana Espinoza, Yard Duty/Café Monitor, Selma Herndon, Resignation, effective 6/6/17.
4. Iridiana Leon, Cafeteria Monitor, Livingston Middle School, Resignation, effective 6/6/17.
5. Saraly Espinoza, CDC Secretary, Prusso Child Development Center, Resignation, effective 8/10/17.
6. Lucia Garcia, CDC Cook, Prusso Child Development Center, Resignation, effective 8/11/17.
7. Chantal Acosta, Academic Tutor, Yamato Colony, Resignation, effective 6/6/17.
8. Deysi Maldonado, Academic Tutor, Selma Herndon, Resignation, effective 6/6/17.
9. Bertha Zamora, Yard Duty/Café Monitor, Livingston Middle School, Resignation, effective 6/6/17.