



# PERRIS UNION

## HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

### MINUTES

#### SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES November 6, 2020

### ROLL CALL

#### **Present:**

Trustee Anthony T. Stafford, Sr., President  
Trustee Jose Luis Araux, Vice President  
Trustee Edward Garcia, Jr., Clerk  
Trustee David Nelissen, Member

#### **Absent:**

Trustee Randall Freeman, Member

#### **Administrative Staff Present:**

Grant Bennett, Superintendent; Candace Reines, Deputy Superintendent – Business Services; Dr. Charles Newman, Assistant Superintendent – Educational Services; Kirk Skorpanich, Assistant Superintendent – Human Resources; Joseph Williams, Executive Director – Technology; James Heckman, Assistant Director – Technology; Julie Zierold, Director – Curriculum and Instruction; Amil Alzubaidi, Director – Special Education; and Dr. Casaundra McNair, Coordinator – Special Education

#### **Others Attending:**

Anna Fetzner, and others

### PUBLIC NOTICE

**1.1 PUBLIC NOTICE: The writings, documents, or public records described in SB No. 343 are available at the District Office, currently located at 155 East Fourth Street, Perris, CA 92570**

## CALL TO ORDER

### 2.1 CALL TO ORDER: The President of the Board of Trustees Will Call the Perris Union High School District Special Board Meeting to Order

The President of the Board of Trustees called the meeting to order at 2:34 p.m.

## INVITATION TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY (IF NECESSARY)

### 3.1 INVITATION TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES: Closed Session Items Only

There were no requests to address the Board of Trustees on Closed Session Items.

## ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION (IF NECESSARY)

### 4.1 ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION: The Board of Trustees Will Discuss Items Listed in this Section (if necessary)

- 4.2 PUPIL MATTERS - Pursuant to Education Code §48912 and §48918
- 4.3 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE EMPLOYMENT/APPOINTMENT – Pursuant to Government Code §54957
- 4.4 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE - Pursuant to Government Code §54957
- 4.5 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS - Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6
  - Employee Group: Perris Secondary Educators Association (PSEA), Agency Representative: Kirk Skorpanich, Assistant Superintendent - Human Resources;
  - Employee Group: California School Employees Association (CSEA), Agency Representative: Kirk Skorpanich, Assistant Superintendent – Human Resources

### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Edward Garcia, Jr.)** moved, Member **(David Nelissen)** seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion, "It is recommended that the Board of Trustees adjourn into Closed Session to discuss the items listed in this section (if necessary):

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- 4.5 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS - Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6
  - Employee Group: Perris Secondary Educators Association (PSEA), Agency Representative: Kirk Skorpanich, Assistant Superintendent - Human Resources;
  - Employee Group: California School Employees Association (CSEA), Agency Representative: Kirk Skorpanich, Assistant Superintendent – Human Resources."

**ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION (IF NECESSARY)** (cont.)

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **1**, Nay **0**, Absent **1 (Dr. Randall Freeman)**. The motion **PASSED 4 - 0 - 1**.

Dr. Jose Luis Araux	Yes
Dr. Randall Freeman	Absent
Edward Garcia, Jr.	Yes
David Nelissen	Yes
Anthony T. Stafford, Sr.	Yes

**RECONVENE IN PUBLIC SESSION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (IF NECESSARY)**

**5.1 RECONVENE IN PUBLIC SESSION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Board Meeting Will Reconvene at Approximately 3:30 p.m.**

The President of the Board of Trustees reconvened the meeting at 3:38 p.m. and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ORAL REPORTS (IF NECESSARY)**

**6.1 Report Out of Closed Session (if necessary)**

There was no report out of Closed Session.

**REVISION/ADOPTION/ORDERING OF AGENDA**

**7.1 REVISION/ADOPTION/ORDERING OF AGENDA: November 6, 2020**

**ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Dr. Jose Luis Araux)** moved, Member **(Edward Garcia, Jr.)** seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion, "It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve any revision/adoption/ordering of the Agenda of the Special Meeting of the Perris Union High School District Board of Trustees for November 6, 2020."

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **1**, Nay **0**, Absent **1 (Dr. Randall Freeman)**. The motion **PASSED 4 - 0 - 1**.

Dr. Jose Luis Araux	Yes
Dr. Randall Freeman	Absent
Edward Garcia, Jr.	Yes
David Nelissen	Yes
Anthony T. Stafford, Sr.	Yes

## INVITATION TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### 8.1 INVITATION TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES: Non-Agendized Items

There were no requests to address the Board of Trustees.

## ACTION ITEMS

### 9.1 CURRICULUM: Authorization to Launch Specialized Cohorts at Perris Union High School District in Conjunction With the California Department of Public Health's Cohorting Guidance Due to the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

The following written public comment was received and read by Joseph Williams, Executive Director of Technology:

#### Matthew Davis, Teacher at Paloma Valley High School:

Dear Members of the Board:

Please return our students with moderate/severe disabilities to in-person interaction and instruction.

The Governor, in late August, recognizing that students with disabilities were being harmed by not having in-person instruction and support, made in-person instruction and support possible through the Cohort model. The CDPH issued guidance in early September, for schools to provide targeted, specialized support and services at school.

According to a CDPH FAQ page "Which students can be served in cohorts during school closures? Students with disabilities should be prioritized by the LEA and school for receiving targeted support and services."

School athletic teams were also given the green light under CDPH guidance. The board members in October voted to return student-athletes to in-person on-campus interaction with peers and instruction from staff.

Please vote in favor of returning our students with moderate/severe disabilities to similar on-campus, in-face interaction and instruction via the cohort model. Thank you for your time.

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(Edward Garcia, Jr.)** moved, Member **(David Nelissen)** seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion, "It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the authorization to launch specialized Cohorts at Perris Union High School District in conjunction with the California Department of Public Health's Cohorting Guidance due to the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)."

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **1**, Nay **0**, Absent **1 (Dr. Randall Freeman)**. The motion **PASSED 4 - 0 - 1**.

### ACTION ITEMS (cont.)

Dr. Jose Luis Araux	Yes
Dr. Randall Freeman	Absent
Edward Garcia, Jr.	Yes
David Nelissen	Yes
Anthony T. Stafford, Sr.	Yes

### OTHER ITEMS BY THE SUPERINTENDENT

#### 10.1 OTHER ITEMS BY THE SUPERINTENDENT

Superintendent Bennett thanked the Board of Trustees for giving the District direction to move forward on the Cohorts and stated that it will be great to have students back on campus that need the extra help. He also thanked Amil Alzubaidi, Dr. Casaundra McNair and Robert Brough for all their hard work on creating a successful Cohort plan.

### OTHER ITEMS BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

#### 11.1 OTHER ITEMS BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

There were no other items by the Board of Trustees.

### ADJOURNMENT

#### 12.1 ADJOURNMENT: Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees for November 6, 2020

##### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(David Nelissen)** moved, Member **(Dr. Jose Luis Araux.)** seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion, "It is recommended that the Board of Trustees adjourn the November 6, 2020, Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees" at 3:55 p.m.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **1**, Nay **0**, Absent **1 (Dr. Randall Freeman)**. The motion **PASSED 4 - 0 - 1**.

Dr. Jose Luis Araux	Yes
Dr. Randall Freeman	Absent
Edward Garcia, Jr.	Yes
David Nelissen	Yes
Anthony T. Stafford, Sr.	Yes

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Grant Bennett, Superintendent

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President

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Clerk