



PERRIS UNION

HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PERRIS UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES July 21, 2020

ROLL CALL

Present:

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

Administrative Staff Present:

Grant Bennett, Superintendent; Candace Reines, Deputy Superintendent – Business Services; Dr. Charles Newman, Assistant Superintendent – Educational Services; Joseph Williams, Executive Director – Technology; and James Heckman, Assistant Director – Technology

Others Attending:

Anna Fetzner, Sarah Rico, 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 Meeting to Order

The President of the Board of Trustees called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

REVISION/ADOPTION/ORDERING OF AGENDA

3.1 REVISION/ADOPTION/ORDERING OF AGENDA: July 21, 2020

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Dr. Jose Luis Araux)** moved, Member **(David Nelissen)** 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 Board Meeting of the Perris Union High School District Board of Trustees for July 21, 2020."

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5**, Nay: **0**. The motion **PASSED 5 - 0**.

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

INVITATION TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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

There were no requests to address the Board of Trustees..

ACTION ITEMS

5.1 PERSONNEL: Approval of Memorandum of Understanding Between the Perris Union High School District and the Perris Secondary Educators Association Regarding the Modification of the 2020-21 School Calendar

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Edward Garcia, Jr.)** moved, Member **(Dr. Randall Freeman)** seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion, "It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Perris Union High School District and the Perris Secondary Educators Association regarding the modification of the 2020-21 School Calendar."

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5**, Nay: **0**. The motion **PASSED 5 - 0**.

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

ACTION ITEMS (cont.)

The following comments were made by the Board of Trustees:

Superintendent Bennett stated that the District negotiated with PSEA to move the two professional development days that were in October to August 5th and 6th so teachers can receive professional development in distance learning at a higher level.

Trustee Nelissen stated that with this MOU, the start of school would be delayed until August 7th.

Trustee Stafford asked if classified staff were going to participate in professional development.

Superintendent Bennett replied that the majority of classified staff do not start until August 4th and will receive training as well.

Trustee Stafford asked if CSEA is doing a MOU as well.

Candace Reines responded that Kirk Skorpanich is currently working with CSEA on an MOU in that regard.

Trustee Araux asked if paraprofessionals will receive training.

Superintendent Bennett stated that paraprofessionals will be doing professional development training along with their supervising teacher.

Trustee Nelissen asked if classified staff will be receiving professional development training as well during those days.

Candace Reines responded that there is a meeting set tomorrow to start talking about what that professional development will look like for classified staff. In most of the cases it is just moving the PD days from October to August, which were work-based for most of them.

Trustee Stafford asked now that there is new equipment and some new techniques with custodial schedules, will the District be able to discuss what the procedures are going to be and will staff be able to compare to the CDC guidelines and so forth.

Candace Reines stated that that is the plan. With everything changing as quickly as it has over the last several months, she would envision Art's plan in terms of his people's training, custodial and other support staff, that probably can't be done in two days. It might need ongoing training which is part of the District's planning process, along with looking at the CDC and other guidelines and regulations, making sure that we are adhering to those and then training as such.

Trustee Nelissen asked since the District is going to be working with skeleton crews and most staff and students will not be on campus, can the District use days where they should be working, where they do not have to supervise students as PD days as well so that they keep fresh on stuff.

ACTION ITEMS (cont.)

Superintendent Bennett responded that John Hannon will be working with campus supervisors to continue developing their skills to gain more knowledge. He will be providing SB 382 training and some 360 training for them. Paraprofessionals will be getting trained by Mr. Alzubaidi as well.

Trustee Garcia asked if the District is not concerned about the gathering in groups, if they voted to have distance learning so that everyone is not exposed why would we ask classified staff members to expose themselves?

Superintendent Bennett responded that some of their training would still be virtually. There are some custodial training that needs to take place in person like using new equipment. Those would take place in person at each school site in small groups with social distancing.

Trustee Nelissen asked if the CSEA MOU will be ready for approval at the July 30th Special Board meeting.

Superintendent Bennett responded that that is the goal and there will be a second MOU with PSEA as well.

Trustee Stafford requested to do an inspection of the sites.

Superintendent Bennett responded that he would set up a time next week to walk the campuses along with Art Fritz, Ruben Arras or even himself.

Trustee Nelissen requested to be part of the site visits as well.

5.2 PERSONNEL: Revised 2020-21 Student/Teacher Calendar

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Edward Garcia, Jr.)** moved, Member **(Dr. Jose Luis Araux)** seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion, "It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the revised 2020-21 Student/Teacher Calendar."

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5**, Nay: **0**. The motion **PASSED 5 - 0**.

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

5.3 TECHNOLOGY: Authorization to Enter Into an Agreement With T-Mobile for LTE Hotspots (funded through the Federal CARES Act Learning Loss Mitigation Fund in the amount of \$480,000, not the General Fund)

ACTION ITEMS (cont.)

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Dr. Randall Freeman)** moved, Member **(David Nelissen)** seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion, "It is recommended that the Board of Trustees authorize entering into an Agreement with T-Mobile to purchase LTE Hotspots."

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5**, Nay: **0**. The motion **PASSED 5 - 0**.

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

Joseph Williams, Executive Director of Technology provided the Board of Trustees a Technology update.

Superintendent Bennett stated that the month of July usually has no board meetings and next week will be the fourth board meeting. He thanked the Board for the work that they are doing for our students and families and he appreciates their willingness to put in the time to do what's right for them.

The following comments were received by the Board of Trustees:

Trustee Araux asked how the district determined it needed to order 2,000 hotspots.

Mr. Williams explained that a survey was sent out to families asking if they had adequate broadband at home and if they had connection, was it enough. The percentage calculated was roughly 20 percent. Mr. Williams also stated that they have been working feverishly on the implementation and the distributing details as well as finding a company that was not going to charge for equipment and deliver the devices within a specific time frame.

Trustee Garcia asked if the District is still going to be able to monitor if a student is suicidal or looking up information that is related to hate, shootings or violence.

Mr. Williams responded that student chromebooks have a platform that is a student safety and internet filtering platform which triggers an automated computer based alert system when the browsing behavior hits a certain peak. There is also another platform that is actually staffed. That triggers an alarm that is vetted by a human being if it is self-harm related, kids wanting to get in fights, etc. High level alerts are sent via text message to certain district individuals by a human being that states it is an extremely hot alert.

Trustee Nelissen asked if filters are set in the hotspot itself, or are students going to be able to get around that with any device they have.

Mr. Williams responded that chromebook has two different types of filters and the hotspot in and of itself, is also filtered.

ACTION ITEMS (cont.)

Trustee Freeman stated that what Mr. Williams is describing is absolutely fantastic and he thinks that the District should do anything and everything to let everyone know what the District is doing in regards to Technology. Not just the students and families, but the entire community, because they get subjected to all kinds of criticisms for what they do and don't do. He stated that it's extremely fantastic and it might help to ease some of the concerns that people have in their community.

Trustee Garcia stated that Mr. Williams is doing an amazing job, as well as his team. He also stated that Mr. Williams is a jack of all trades and to keep up the good work.

Trustee Freeman suggested that hotspots be available to all board members.

Trustee Stafford thanked Mr. Williams for the information presented, for coming up with a solution so quickly, and for making things available to people that don't have hotspots.

ADJOURNMENT

8.1 ADJOURNMENT: Special Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees for July 21, 2020

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Dr. Randall Freeman)** moved, Member **(David Nelissen)** seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion, "It is recommended that the Board of Trustees adjourn the July 21, 2020, Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees" at 4:51 p.m.

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5**, Nay: **0**. The motion **PASSED 5 - 0**.

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

Grant Bennett, Superintendent

Anthony T. Stafford, Sr., President

Edward Garcia, Jr., Clerk