



# PERRIS UNION

## HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

### MINUTES

#### REGULAR MEETING OF THE CALIFORNIA MILITARY INSTITUTE May 17, 2023

#### ROLL CALL

##### **Present:**

Trustee Anthony T. Stafford, Sr., President  
Trustee Elizabeth Vallejo, Vice President  
Trustee Edward Garcia, Jr., Clerk  
Trustee Steve Campos, Member  
Trustee David Nelissen, Member

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

Grant Bennett, Superintendent; Candace Reines, Deputy Superintendent – Business Services; Robert Brough, Assistant Superintendent – Educational Services; Joseph Williams, Executive Director – Technology; Mimi Capistrano, Director – Fiscal Services; Hector Gonzalez, Director – Facilities; Sylvia Hinojosa, Director – Purchasing; Audrey Mitchell, Director – Nutrition Services; Judy Miller, Director – Risk Management & Environmental Safety; Julie Zierold, Director – Curriculum and Instruction; Dian Martin, Director – Learning Support Services; Charles Tippie, Director – Learning Support Services; Maribel Escobar, Director – Human Resources; John Hannon, Director – Security; James Heckman, Assistant Director – Technology; ChaKwan Jones, Coordinator – Educational Services; Lindsay Chavez, Principal – Heritage High School; Dr. Erika Tejada, Principal – Liberty High School; Juan Santos, Principal – Perris High School; Lee Alfred, Principal – Perris Lake High School; Deidra Johnson, Principal – Pinacate Middle School; Dr. Pauline Garcia, Director on Assignment – Adult Education; Dr. I. Nicholas Milosavljevic, Principal – California Military Institute; Dr. Rebecca Beigle, Assistant Principal – California Military Institute; and Miles Henderson, Assistant Principal – California Military Institute

##### **Others Attending:**

Angel Love-Behrens, Jason Miller, Nathanael Nash, Dr. Fred Good, Chad Barajas, Alison King, Rosa Galvan, Maria Cunningham, 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 California Military Institute Meeting to Order**

The President of the Board of Trustees called the meeting to order at 5:22 p.m.

## REVISION/ADOPTION/ORDERING OF AGENDA

**3.1 REVISION/ADOPTION/ORDERING OF AGENDA: May 17, 2023**

### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(David Nelissen)** moved, member **(Steve Campos)** seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion, "It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve any revision/adoption/ordering of the Agenda of the Regular Meeting of the Perris Union High School District Board of Trustees for May 17, 2023."

Steve Campos	Yes
Edward Garcia, Jr.	Yes
David Nelissen	Yes
Anthony T. Stafford, Sr.	Yes
Elizabeth Vallejo	Yes

## ORAL REPORTS

### **4.1 Student Representative to the Board of Trustees**

CMI student representative - Cadet Captain Angel Garcia Lemus gave a video report to the Board of Trustees on the events and activities going on at the school site. Trustee Nelissen presented Cadet Captain Angel Garcia Lemus with a certificate of appreciation on behalf of the Board of Trustees.

### **4.2 CMITA President Angel Love-Behrens**

Ms. Love-Behrens shared the following with the Board and Cabinet:

- "Good evening, President Stafford, Superintendent Bennett, Cabinet members, and Board members. I stand before you, a believer. To Kirk and his team, I send a big thank you. To the members, Trustees, and Cabinet, I thank you. You heard us, and you took action. After last week's negotiations, we will be voting to ratify class size limits, binding arbitration, and permanent status with a pathway for probationary teachers.

### ORAL REPORTS (cont.)

I want to share a few comments that have been sent to me by members:

*"We are beyond filled with gratitude."*

*"I really like the class size, which always upset me. I thought I would never see Article 8 while I was a teacher at CMI. Please pass on my congratulations to the team."*

*"We were finally heard."*

*"I have survived at CMI long enough to be considered a permanent employee. We will never again be referred to as an 'At Will' employee."*

*"Please tell everyone involved in making this happen 'Thank You' from the bottom of my heart."*

- Level II Grievance - I am working closely with Kirk to select the mediator and date. I am confident it will be worked out in the end with a clearer common understanding of our CBA. The only concern that exists is when it will be in effect. Seeing that this TA represents the 22-23 openers, I am unsure as to what period of time these TA-updated articles will activate. Obviously, the change in our class sizes/caps would not apply until the new school year, but the binding arbitration and probationary/permanent status will be retroactive? No, sure, no complaints. I was just so overwhelmed I didn't bother with the details. I am sure that information will be forthcoming.

A new concern that has implications with the changes in the CBA is the use of an archaic process pulled from the 2.1 manual called a Letter to Recommend Release for a member. Because the manual is out of play, with permanency new in play, I am not sure as to the validity of this process. We are seeking further clarity from the CTA legal department.

- Before closing, I would like to present Grant Bennett with a token of acknowledgment for his service to CMI as he sits in the position that has grown CMI from an idea on paper and the 20 years community involved and centered; we would like to present this medallion to you.
- Lastly, Ms. Behrens invited the Board and Cabinet to CMI's Hail and Farewell event at the Bombshelter on Tuesday, June 6th, at 3:45 pm.

### 4.3 CSEA President Rosa Galvan

Ms. Galvan introduced the new CSEA Chapter 778 Vice President, Felix Bobo. Ms. Galvan also shared that Senior Communications Specialist Mr. David Ngo reached out to her to find out more about CMI and the start of a new chapter. Mr. Ngo shared that there is an article in this month's FOCUS magazine that highlights CMI's new chapter and made it to the cover. In addition, it has been shared with all of CSEA statewide. Ms. Galvan indicated that CMI Chapter 778 is excited about the future and looks forward to working together as a team.

### 4.4 Principal's Update

Dr. I. Nicholas Milosavljevic updated the Board on the following:

### ORAL REPORTS (cont.)

- Dr. Milosavljevic congratulated Ms. Galvan and her team and looks forward to working with them.
- This last week was Teacher Appreciation Week. CMI had amazing parents who helped administrators welcome teachers as they came into the MPR and were recognized with gifts and food.
- Dr. Milosavljevic shared data with the Board and Cabinet addressing student proficiency scores, noting the challenges that they've had the last couple of years coming out of COVID and showing significant growth in English Language arts. He also addressed the Math scores indicating that there is still more work to be done and that CMI will continue to work on getting students proficient in math.

### INVITATION TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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

There were no requests to address the Board of Trustees.

### CONSENT CALENDAR

#### 6.1 CONSENT CALENDAR: Approval of Consent Calendar Items

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

Member **(Edward Garcia, Jr.)** moved, member **(Elizabeth Vallejo)** seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion, "It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the items listed under the Consent Calendar categories of General Functions, Curriculum, and Business."

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

Steve Campos	Yes
Edward Garcia, Jr.	Yes
David Nelissen	Yes
Anthony T. Stafford, Sr.	Yes
Elizabeth Vallejo	Yes

#### 6.2 GENERAL FUNCTIONS: Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the California Military Institute for April 19, 2023

The Board of Trustees approved the regular minutes of the California Military Institute board meeting of April 19, 2023.

#### 6.3 CURRICULUM: Purchase Agreement With Solution Tree, Incorporated for Professional Development Services (funded through the Charter Local Control Accountability Plan Supplemental and Concentration Fund in the amount of \$76,400, not the General Fund)

### CONSENT ITEMS (cont.)

The Board of Trustees approved the agreement with Solution Tree, Incorporated for professional development services.

#### 6.4 CURRICULUM: Revised 2023-23 Safe School Plan Annual Update for the California Military Institute

The Board of Trustees approved the revised Safe School Plan annual update for the California Military Institute.

#### 6.5 CURRICULUM: Revised Career Technical Education Course Under the RCOE Health Science and Medical Technology Sector: RCOE Intermediate Health Prevention and Treatment (meets A-G requirement "D")

The Board of Trustees approved the revised Career Technical Education Course under the RCOE Health and Medical Technology Sector: RCOE Intermediate Health Prevention and Treatment.

#### 6.6 BUSINESS: Report of Purchases - April 2023

The Board of Trustees approved the Report of Purchases for April 2023.

### ORAL REPORTS (Continued)

#### 7.1 Local Control and Accountability Plan Goal No. 3 and Goal No. 4 Update

Dr. I. Nicholas Milosavljevic, Principal, and Dr. Rebecca Beigle, Assistant Principal, provided an update to the Board on CMI's Local Control and Accountability Plan Goals No. 3 and No. 4. Dr. Milosavljevic recognized Maria Cunningham, who is a social worker based at CMI, for saving the life of a distressed student.

### WRITTEN REPORTS

#### 8.1 DISCIPLINE: April 2023 Monthly Suspension Report

The Board received for its review the April 2023 monthly Suspension report.

### ACTION ITEMS

#### 9.1 PERSONNEL: Certificated Personnel Action Items

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

Member **(David Nelissen)** moved, member **(Steve Campos)** seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion, "It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Certificated Personnel Action Items as presented."

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

Steve Campos

Yes

### **ACTION ITEMS** (cont.)

Edward Garcia, Jr.	Yes
David Nelissen	Yes
Anthony T. Stafford, Sr.	Yes
Elizabeth Vallejo	Yes

#### **9.2 PERSONNEL: Classified Personnel Action Items**

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

Member **(Edward Garcia, Jr.)** moved, member **(Elizabeth Vallejo)** seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion, "It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the Classified Personnel Action Items as presented."

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

Steve Campos	Yes
Edward Garcia, Jr.	Yes
David Nelissen	Yes
Anthony T. Stafford, Sr.	Yes
Elizabeth Vallejo	Yes

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

#### **10.1 CURRICULUM: Revised Art Course: Visual Communications (meets A-G requirements)**

The Board of Trustees received, for its review and consideration, as part of the first reading, the Revised Career Art Course: Visual Communications.

#### **10.2 CURRICULUM: Spanish Textbook Adoption (funded through Lottery Funds and the Charter General Fund at a total cost not to exceed \$200,000 over two fiscal years)**

The Board of Trustees received, for its review and consideration, as part of the first reading, the Spanish textbook adoption.

### **OTHER ITEMS BY THE SUPERINTENDENT**

#### **11.1 OTHER ITEMS BY THE SUPERINTENDENT**

Superintendent Bennett recently attended the Change of Command and Pass in Review. He stated the cadets did great and congratulated CMI along with their new commander, who is taking over for Angel Garcia Lemus.

## OTHER ITEMS BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### 12.1 OTHER ITEMS BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Trustee Nelissen congratulated Maria Cunningham for her recognition. He also wished everyone a happy summer.

Trustee Campos thanked Ms. Love-Behrens for her work and her leadership at CMI. He was fortunate to be able to visit the school recently. He thanked Dr. Milosavljevic for inviting him to the Open House and seeing parent engagement in action. He thanked Angel Garcia Lemus and Maria Cunningham for their contributions to CMI. Lastly, Mr. Campos wished everyone a great end of the school year.

Trustee Garcia congratulated Ms. Cunningham and thanked her for her help with the distressed student. He especially thanked the parents, the guardians, the students, and the teachers for all they do. Mr. Garcia thanked both the CMITA and CSEA Chapter 778, along with Mr. Kirk Skorpanich, for working together to negotiate the best for their members.

Trustee Vallejo also attended the Open House at CMI. She was impressed with the way students and parents engaged with teachers and administrators and recognized the passion that everyone at CMI has for their school. Ms. Vallejo also shared that she recently attended an Alumnus Leadership Experience workshop and encouraged the District to continue using them for professional development as they are very exciting and do well with having participants engage in the various learning activities. She also thanked Ms. Cunningham for her impact on CMI and its students.

Trustee Stafford congratulated CMI on completing another school year. He is very impressed with the consistency at the school. He noted that he feels it is one of the top-rated charter schools in the state and is very proud of what they have accomplished.

## ADJOURNMENT

### 13.1 ADJOURNMENT: Regular Meeting of the California Military Institute for May 17, 2023

#### **ORIGINAL - Motion**

Member **(David Nelissen)** moved, member **(Edward Garcia, Jr.)** seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion, "It is recommended that the Board of Trustees adjourn the May 17, 2023, Regular Meeting of the California Military Institute" at 6:01 p.m.

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

Steve Campos	Yes
Edward Garcia, Jr.	Yes
David Nelissen	Yes
Anthony T. Stafford, Sr.	Yes
Elizabeth Vallejo	Yes

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Grant Bennett, Superintendent

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Anthony T. Stafford, Sr., President

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Edward Garcia, Jr., Clerk