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REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
October 13, 2020

Closed Session: 5:30 p.m.
Regular Board Meeting: 7:00 p.m.

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Public comment may also be provided in-person via live video. Members of the public wishing to address the Board via live video may visit the Ventura Adult and Continuing Education (VACE) location referenced below and utilize a workstation that has been established for this purpose. Members of the public will be screened, including a temperature reading, required to wear face coverings, and remain socially distant while waiting to provide in-person public comment. Only one person at a time will be allowed to enter the room with the workstation to provide public comment. Individual speakers shall be allowed three minutes on any agenda item with a cumulative total of five minutes for all agenda items. The Board shall limit the total time for public input on each item to 20 minutes. With Board consent, the president may increase or decrease the time allowed for public presentation, depending on the topic and the number of persons wishing to be heard. The president may take a poll of speakers for or against a particular issue and may ask that additional persons speak only if they have something new to add. Also, speakers will not be allowed to give their time to other speakers. The Board is prohibited from taking action on any item that is not part of the published agenda.

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- Ventura Adult and Continuing Education (Main Entrance) 5200 Valentine Road, Ventura, CA



**AGENDA
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
VENTURA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Tuesday, October 13, 2020

Ventura Adult and Continuing Education Via Teleconference
5200 Valentine Road
Ventura, CA 93003

Public Access

Public Streaming of the Board Meeting at <http://bit.ly/TDCStudios>

1. OPENING PROCEDURE - Ron Halt Classroom - 5:30 p.m.

2. Call to Order

3. Adoption of Agenda

Moved:

Seconded:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dannenberg ____, Almaraz ____, Lomax ____, Moran ____, Rodriguez ____

4. Public Comment on Closed Session Items

5. Motion to go to Closed Session

Moved:

Seconded:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dannenberg ____, Almaraz ____, Lomax ____, Moran ____, Rodriguez ____

6. CLOSED SESSION - Ron Halt Classroom

6.a Public Employment/Appointment, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 (b)

- Chief Innovation Officer
- Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services

6.b **Conference with Labor Negotiators, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6**

- a. District Negotiators: Dr. Jeff Davis
Employee Organizations: Ventura Unified Education Association (VUEA)
Ventura Education Support Professionals Association (VESPA)

7. **REGULAR SESSION - Ron Halt Classroom - 7:00 p.m.**

8. **Pledge of Allegiance**

9. **Roll Call:**

**Sabrina Rodriguez, President ____, Jackie Moran, Vice-President ____,
Velma Lomax ____, Matt Almaraz ____, Dr. Jerry Dannenberg ____, Dr. Roger Rice ____,
Violet Delgado (BHS) ____, Frances Kayser (VHS) ____, Christine Davis (Adult Ed) ____**

10. **Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session**

11. **Superintendent's Report**

11.a [Good News](#)

Student Board Members

1. Violet Delgado - Buena High School
2. Frances Kayser - Ventura High School
3. Christine Davis - Adult Education

12. **Correspondence**

13. **Public Comments**

14. **CONFERENCE - SUPERINTENDENT**

14.a [Reopening of Schools Update \(Action Requested\)](#)

Dr. Rice will present an update on the opening of schools in Distance Learning.

Moved:

Seconded:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dannenberg ____, Almaraz ____, Lomax ____, Moran ____, Rodriguez ____

Dr. Roger Rice, Superintendent

15. **CONFERENCE - EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

15.a [Arts Update for Grades TK-12](#)

District staff will give an update on our Arts programs for grades TK-12.

**Dr. Greg Bayless, Director, Curriculum & Instruction 6-12; Gina Wolowicz, Director,
Curriculum and Instruction TK-5**

16. **CONFERENCE - HUMAN RESOURCES - Certificated**

- 16.a [Report Regarding Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures Quarterly Report Pursuant to AR 1312.4 for Quarter Ending September, 30, 2020.](#)

The Superintendent or designee shall report summarized data on the nature and resolution of all Williams Uniform Complaints to the Board of Education and the County Superintendent of Schools on a quarterly basis. For the quarter ending September 30, 2020, no complaints were filed with any school in the district.

Dr. Jeff Davis, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

17. ACTION ITEMS

- 17.a [Ratification of Contract Approval of Assistant Superintendent of Business Services](#)

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the ratification of employment contract for the Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, beginning October 1, 2020. A copy of this contract is available for review as an attachment.

Dr. Roger Rice, Superintendent and Mrs. Andrea Crouch, Director of Classified Human Resources

CONSENT CALENDAR

It is recommended that the department item numbers **18 to 22** below be approved as presented. All items listed under consent are considered to be routine and may be enacted by approval of a single motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items; however, any item may be removed from the consent agenda upon request of any member of the Board and acted upon separately.

Moved:

Seconded:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dannenberg ____, Almaraz ____, Lomax ____, Moran ____, Rodriguez ____

18. CONSENT - EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

- 18.a [Consideration for Disposal of Obsolete, Surplus or Unusable Books - Middle and High School Science Curriculum](#)

The Educational Services Department is requesting consideration for disposal of obsolete middle and high school science curriculum on the attached list. It is recommended that the curriculum be disposed of in accordance with Education Code Section 60510. Due to Education Code, we are obligated to donate or sell "usable" books. The Business Services Department is currently storing obsolete books until they can make appropriate accommodations for recycling.

Dr. Greg Bayless, Director, Curriculum and Instruction 6-12

- 18.b [Consideration for Disposal of Obsolete, Surplus or Unusable Books - Pacific High School](#)

Pacific High School has a variety of books that have become obsolete. It is recommended that they be disposed of in accordance with Education Code Section 60510. Due to Education Code, we are obligated to donate or sell "usable" books. The Business Services Department is currently storing obsolete books until they can make appropriate accommodations for recycling. A list of titles is available in the Educational Services Department.

Dr. Greg Bayless, Director, Curriculum and Instruction 6-12

18.c [Consideration for Disposal of Obsolete, Surplus or Unusable Books - Montalvo Elementary School](#)

Montalvo Elementary School has a variety of books that have become obsolete. It is recommended that they be disposed of in accordance with Education Code Section 60510. Due to Education Code, we are obligated to donate or sell “usable” books. The Business Services Department is currently storing obsolete books until they can make appropriate accommodations for recycling. A list of titles is available in the Educational Services Department.

Ms. Gina Wolowicz, Director, Curriculum and Instruction TK-5

19. CONSENT - HUMAN RESOURCES - Certificated

19.a [Ratification of Administration's Approval for Leave of Absence for Certificated Personnel for the 2020-21 School Year](#)

Ratification of administration's approval for leave of absence for certificated personnel listed below:

Last Name	First	Position	Site	Lv FTE	Lv Begin	Lv End	Reason
Vlahos	Nikolas	Psychologist	ESC-SPED	1.00	9/15/2020	9/25/2020	Parental
Hoganson	Erin	Psychologist	Juanamaria/EIC	.80	9/29/2020	12/18/2020	FFCRA (EPSL/EFML)
Wilson	Larin	Speech Therapist	Juanamaria/EIC	1.00	10/05/2020	10/23/2020	FFCRA (EPSL)
LoweSteiger	Stephanie	Speech Therapist	Elmhurst/Lincoln	1.00	9/8/2020	9/21/2020	FFCRA (EPSL)

Dr. Jeff Davis, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

19.b [Ratification of Administration's Approval of Resignations & Retirements for Certificated Personnel for the 2020-21 School Year](#)

Ratification of administration's approval of resignations & retirements for certificated personnel listed below:

Last Name	First Name	Site	Assignment	Reason	Last Work Day	Effective
Flynn	Susan	B. Reynolds	Teacher	Retire	6/11/2020	7/1/2020 (REV)
Foster	Elizabeth	Indian Ed.	Counselor	Resign	9/22/2020	9/22/2020
Houska	Brianna	Itinerant	Substitute	Resign	-	9/24/2020
Hooke	Lori	Itinerant	Substitute	Resign	-	9/23/2020
Brown	Donna	Itinerant	Substitute	Resign	-	5/30/2020
Allen	Timothy	Itinerant	Substitute	Resign	-	10/9/2020

Dr. Jeff Davis, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

19.c [Ratification of Administration's Approval of Employment and Reemployment of Substitute Teachers for the 2020-21 School Year](#)

It is recommended that the Board of Education ratify the administration's approval of employment of substitute teachers listed below.

Name	Credential Or Program
Schultze, Gayle	PPS: School Counseling
Benitez-Tadillo, Mayra	Emergency 30-Day Substitute Permit
Sorich, Richard	Emergency 30-Day Substitute Permit
Gutierrez, Dania	Temporary Permit for Statutory Leave: Multiple Subject & Special Education
Rockney-Finger, Nikolas	Emergency 30-Day Substitute Permit
Salazar, Luis	Emergency 30-Day Substitute Permit
Wong, Susi	Multiple Subject Credential
Maslow, Bettina	Emergency 30-Day Substitute Permit

Dr. Jeff Davis, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

19.d [Ratification of Administration's Approval of Employment and Reemployment of Certificated Personnel for the 2020-21 School Year](#)

It is recommended that the Board of Education ratify the administration's approval to employ the individuals on the attached list for certificated positions as indicated. All will have temporary status unless otherwise noted.

Dr. Jeff Davis, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

19.e [Ratification of Administration's Approval of Assignments Through Various Education Codes](#)

Current statutes and regulations recognize that there may be situations of a temporary nature in which a teacher with the appropriate credential is not available to the School District or the assignment is part-time and not conducive for recruitment. Senate Bill 435 has made it possible to assign staff with their permission to these areas in several ways:

Education Code 44258.7(b) allows full-time teacher who holds a credential in a subject other than physical education to coach a competitive sport for which the students receive physical education credit for one period a day.

Education Code 44258.2 authorizes holders of secondary-type credential to be assigned to teach classes in middle school, grade 5-8; Requires 12 semester units or 6 upper division units and teacher's consent.

Education Code 44263 states that the holder may be assigned, with his or her consent, to teach any single subject class in which the teacher has 18 semester hours of coursework or a self-contained classroom with 60 semester hours distributed among four of the following subjects: language studies, literature, mathematics, science, social science, history, humanities, the arts, physical education, and human development.

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the individuals listed on the attached list as per the California Education Code noted.

Dr. Jeff Davis, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

- 19.f [Ratification of Administration's Approval of Miscellaneous & Part-Time Certificated Assignments for the 2020-21 School Year](#)
 Ratification of administration's approval of miscellaneous and part-time certificated assignments on the attached list.
Dr. Jeff Davis, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

20. CONSENT - HUMAN RESOURCES - Classified

20.a [Classified Position Changes](#)

Based on staffing needed to best meet the needs of our students and the services provided by the District, the following position changes are needed.

It is requested that the Board of Education approve the Classified position changes for the 2020-2021 fiscal year:

Job Classification	Location	Time Base	Funding	Change to Position
Grounds Maintenance Worker I (0799)	Facilities	8 hours per day / 12 months	General Fund	Re-establish
Paraeducator I (4001)	Montalvo	1 hour per day / 180 Calendar	Title 1 & Intervention	New
Building Trades Mechanic	Facilities	8 hours per day / 12 months	General Fund	New

Mrs. Andrea Crouch, Director, Classified Human Resources

21. CONSENT - BUSINESS SERVICES

21.a [Ratification of Final Settlement Agreement and Release of All Claims Case No. AM202009](#)

An agreement was reached regarding Case No. AM202009. Board approval of the agreement is requested. The agreement is available for review, as an attachment.

Mr. Marcus Konantz, Director, Special Education - Pupil Services; Ms. Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

21.b [Ratification of Final Settlement Agreement and Release of All Claims Case No. BL202009](#)

An agreement was reached regarding Case No. BL202009. Board approval of the agreement is requested. The agreement is available for review, as an attachment.

Mr. Marcus Konantz, Director, Special Education - Pupil Services; Ms. Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

21.c [Ratification of Final Settlement Agreement and Release of All Claims Case No. SS202009](#)

An agreement was reached regarding Case No. SS202009. Board approval of the agreement is requested. The agreement is available for review, as an attachment.

Mr. Marcus Konantz, Director, Special Education - Pupil Services; Ms. Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

21.d [Appointment of Representative to the Ventura County Schools Self-Funding Authority \(VCSSFA\) Board of Directors](#)

The Ventura Unified School District is a member agency of the VCSSFA. The VCSSFA, formed in 1982, was established for the sole purpose of providing to its member school districts services and other programs necessary and appropriate for the operation and maintenance of self-funded insurance programs which include, but are not limited to: Workers' Compensation, General Liability, Auto Liability, Public Officials' Errors and Omissions, Property, Broiler and Machinery, Fiduciary Liability, and Risk Management and Safety Services relating to the aforementioned areas. The VCSSFA is governed by the Board of Directors, which consists of one representative and one alternate for each member school district. The current Ventura Unified School District VCSSFA board representative is Dr. Roger Rice, Superintendent, and the alternate is Eric Reynolds, Risk Manager. Board approval to appoint Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, as the district representative to the VCSSFA governing board as of October 1, 2020 is requested. Eric Reynolds will continue to serve as the alternate.

Dr. Roger Rice, Superintendent

21.e [Designation of Gold Coast Joint Benefits Trust Representatives 2020-21](#)

The District is required to designate representatives and alternates to the Gold Coast Joint Benefits Trust. Due to staff changes, approval is requested to designate Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services as one of the two representatives. Eric Reynolds, Risk Manager will continue to be the second representative. Dr. Jeff Davis, Assistant Superintendent, Certificated Human Resources and Anna Campbell, Director of Budget and Finance will continue to serve as alternates.

Dr. Roger Rice, Superintendent

21.f [Reject All Bids for C9--21, Ventura High School Cabling](#)

The bid opening was held on September 17, 2020. One bid was received from Digital Networks Group for a total bid price of \$770,471.00. It was determined that the District would benefit from being more explicit in the bid specifications to increase cost efficiency and participation from other potential bidders.

Permission is requested to reject the bid received for C9-21 Ventura High School Cabling. The project will be advertised and rebid at a later time.

Ms. Genevieve Gilmore, Director, Purchasing; Ms. Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

21.g [Gifts to School District](#)

Listed below are donations made to Ventura Unified School District

DONOR	GIFT	LOCATION	VALUE
Robert L. Boughton, Jr. Education Fund	Cash	Will Rogers	\$20,000.00
Frontstream	Cash	Cabrillo	\$649.25
Allan & Johanna Jacobs	Cash	VUSD - Indian Education	\$100.00
Your Cause (YourCause.com)	Cash	Will Rogers	\$50.00

Ms. Anna Campbell, Director, Budget and Finance

21.h [Checks for September 2020](#)

Board ratification of checks for the month of September 2020 is requested. The checks list is available for review as an attachment.

Ms. Anna Campbell, Director, Budget and Finance

21.i [Ratification of Purchase Orders \(September 9, 2020 to September 29, 2020\)](#)

Approval of the following purchase orders and change orders is requested. A list is available for review, as an attachment.

268 Purchase Orders	=	\$1,256,011.23
PO Changes	=	383,539.72
GRAND TOTAL	=	\$1,639,550.95

Ms. Genevieve Gilmore, Director, Purchasing; Ms. Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

22. CONSENT - SUPERINTENDENT

22.a [Consideration of Board Meeting Minutes](#)

- Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes for August 11, 2020
- Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes for August 25, 2020
- Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes for September 8, 2020
- Special Board of Education Meeting Minutes form September 9, 2020
- Regular Board of Education Minutes from September 22, 2020

23. BOARD REPORTS

24. COMING EVENTS

25. FUTURE BOARD ITEMS

26. BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS - (No official action will be taken)

27. CLOSED SESSION

28. ADJOURNMENT