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REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

May 25, 2021

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

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AGENDA
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
VENTURA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Tuesday, May 25, 2021
Ventura Adult and Continuing Education
Ron Halt Classroom Via Teleconference

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 ____, Callahan ____, Rodriguez ____, Almaraz ____, Lomax ____

4. Public Comment on Closed Session Items

5. Motion to go to Closed Session

Moved:

Seconded:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dannenberg ____, Callahan ____, Rodriguez ____, Almaraz ____, Lomax ____

6. CLOSED SESSION - Ron Halt Classroom

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

- Assistant Principal, Anacapa Middle School
- Assistant Principal, Balboa Middle School

6.b Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation, Significant Exposure to Litigation, Pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(d)(2)

a. Number of cases: Two

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

District Negotiators: Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Anthony Ramos, General Counsel

Employee Organization: Ventura Unified Education Association (VUEA)

6.d **Public Employment Performance Evaluation, Pursuant to Government Code 54957(b)**
Title: Superintendent

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

8. **Pledge of Allegiance**

9. **Roll Call:**

**Velma Lomax, President ____, Matt Almaraz, Vice-President ____,
Sabrena Rodriguez ____, Amy Callahan ____, Dr. Jerry Dannenberg ____, Dr. Roger Rice ____,
Violet Delgado (BHS) ____, Frances Kayser (VHS) ____, Christine Davis (Adult Education) ____**

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

11. **Superintendent's Report**

11.a Good News

- VUSD
 - Introduction of the new Principal, Buena High School - Dr. Audrey Asplund
 - Scholarships
 - Recognitions
- Student Board Members
 - Violet Delgado - BHS
 - Frances Kayser - VHS
 - Christine Davis - VACE

12. **Correspondence**

13. **Public Comments**

14. **CONFERENCE - EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

14.a [Ventura County Office of Education \(VCOE\) Plan for Expelled Students Triennial Update June 2021-2024 \(Action Requested\)](#)

It is recommended that the governing board take action to approve the VCOE Plan for Expelled Students Triennial update, June 2021-2024.

Moved:

Seconded:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dannenberg ____, Callahan ____, Rodriguez ____, Almaraz ____, Lomax ____

**Dr. Antonio Castro, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services; Ms. Cynthia Frutos,
Director, Student Support Services**

14.b [Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan \(Action Requested\)](#)

Pursuant to Education Code Section 43522(e)(1), approval is requested for the attached Expanded Learning Opportunities Grant Plan, which is required on or before June 1, 2021. The plan includes how the funds will be used in accordance with EC section 42522(b). Within five days of adoption of the plan, the Ventura Unified School District will submit the plan to the Ventura County Office of Education.

Moved:
Seconded:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dannenberg ____, Callahan ____, Rodriguez ____, Almaraz ____, Lomax ____

Dr. Antonio Castro, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services

15. CONFERENCE - BUSINESS SERVICES

15.a [Presentation of Audit Report for Fiscal Year 2019-20](#)

The annual Audit Report for fiscal year 2019-20 is presented for review at this time. Due to the pandemic, the annual audit report was extended through March 31, 2021. Representatives with Clifton Larson Allen, LLP of Glendora, California, will make the formal presentation of the Audit Report. Following the presentation, Board members are invited to ask any questions from the representatives concerning the audit.

Ms. Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services; Ms. Anna Campbell, Director, Budget and Finance

16. CONFERENCE - HUMAN RESOURCES - Classified

16.a [Reduction in Classified Positions/Layoff of Classified Employees, 2021-2022 Fiscal Year \(Action Requested\)](#)

It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the reductions of the identified positions and authorize the issuance of layoff notices for the Classified incumbents, pursuant to applicable sections of the VUSD/VESPA Contract, the Personnel Commission Rules and Regulations, and the California Education Code.

As a result of this action, other Classified positions may be affected and those employees will also be issued layoff notices.

All employees impacted will be advised of their transfer and bumping rights pursuant to the VUSD/VESPA Contract and the Personnel Commission Rules and Regulations.

Moved:
Seconded:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dannenberg ____, Callahan ____, Rodriguez ____, Almaraz ____, Lomax ____

Ms. Andrea Crouch, Director of Classified Human Resources

CONSENT CALENDAR

It is recommended that the department item numbers **17 to 21** 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 __, Callahan __, Rodriguez __, Almaraz __, Lomax __

17. CONSENT- EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

17.a [Administrative Recommendation to Waive Board Policy 6146.1](#)

It is recommended that the Governing Board waive Board Policy 6146.1 (High School Graduation Requirements) and approve the issuance of a High School Diploma for student #20-L.

Dr. Antonio Castro, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services; Dr. Greg Bayless, Director, Curriculum and Instruction, Secondary

18. CONSENT - HUMAN RESOURCES - Certificated

18.a [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

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

Ratification of administration's approval of resignations, retirements and release for certificated personnel listed below:

Last Name	First Name	Site	Assignment	Reason	Last Work Day
Navarro	Rose	Adult Ed	Instructor	Retire	6/30/21

Dr. Jeff Davis, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

18.c [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 Name	Assignment	Site	Lv FTE	Lv Begin	Lv End	Reason
Peter	Elizabeth	Teacher	Loma Vista	.40	8/19/21	6/16/22	Personal
Hoganson	Erin	Psychologist	SPED Itinerant	.20	8/1/21	6/30/22	Personal
Good	Megan	Psychologist	SPED Itinerant	.20	8/1/21	6/30/22	Child Rearing
Duval	Ashley	Psychologist	SPED Itinerant	.30	8/1/21	6/30/22	Child Rearing
Beley	Katherine	Psychologist	SPED Itinerant	.10	8/1/21	6/30/22	Personal
Bojar	Megan	Speech Path	Mound	1.00	8/20/21	11/30/21	Parental/FMLA
Bojar	Megan	Speech Path	Mound	.20	12/1/21	6/16/22	Child Rearing

Dr. Jeff Davis, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

18.d [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
Shiffman, Barry	Single Subject Credential: Social Science
Cox, Jennifer	Emergency 30-Day Substitute Permit
Martin, Bennett	Emergency 30-Day Substitute Permit
CosioGonzalez, Jorge	Emergency 30-Day Substitute Permit

Dr. Jeff Davis, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

19. CONSENT - HUMAN RESOURCES - Classified

19.a [Classified Personnel Changes](#)

The Personnel Commission approved the attached list of Classified Personnel Changes at its May 19, 2021 meeting. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the changes at this time.

Ms. Andrea Crouch, Director of Classified Human Resources

19.b [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; see attached list.

Note: Positions being reduced or abolished are currently vacant, and no action is required to issue a layoff notice. An incumbent will not be affected as a result of the change. It is requested that the Board of Education approve the attached Classified position changes for the upcoming 2021-2022 fiscal year.

Ms. Andrea Crouch, Director of Classified Human Resources

20. CONSENT - BUSINESS SERVICES

20.a [Award of Bid C4-22 Buena and Ventura High School Pool Deck Repairs](#)

The bid opened on May 13, 2021. Bids were received from one (1) contractor. A recapitulation is provided below:

BIDDER	Buena HS	Ventura HS	Alternate	TOTAL
California Commercial Pools, Inc.	\$213,000.00	\$236,000.00	\$60,000.00	\$ 509,000.00

Approval is requested to award the C4-22 Buena and Ventura High School pool deck repairs project, including the alternate, to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, California Commercial Pools, Inc. in the amount of \$509,000.00.

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

20.b [Resolution #21-12, Implementing Prequalification of Construction Contractors Utilizing Quality Bidders Questionnaire](#)

Construction contracts awarded on or after January 1, 2014, per Public Contract Code (PCC) 20111.6 require governing boards of school districts with average daily attending over 2,500 to prequalify bidders for public works projects using any funds received pursuant to the Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998, or funds from any future state school bond for a public project with a projected expenditure of \$1 million or more. It is recommended the Board of Education adopt the Resolution #21-12, implementing prequalification of construction contractors under Public Contract Code 20111.6 utilizing the Quality Bidders Questionnaire/Service.

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

- 20.c Gifts to School District
Listed below are donations made to Ventura Unified School District.

DONOR	GIFT	LOCATION	VALUE
Aaron & Paige Caluza	Cash	Will Rogers	\$400.00
The Crosby Living Trust	Cash	Ventura USD	\$50,400.00
Frontstream	Cash	Cabrillo	\$337.00
Frontstream	Cash	Cabrillo	\$410.59

Ms. Rebecca Chandler, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services; Ms. Anna Campbell, Director, Budget and Finance

- 20.d [Ratification of Purchase Orders \(April 28, 2021 to May 11, 2021\)](#)
Approval of the following purchase orders and change orders is requested. An attached list is available for review.

109 Purchase Orders	=	\$454,048.87
PO Changes	=	<u>-1,782,180.29</u>
GRAND TOTAL	=	-\$1,328,131.42

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

21. CONSENT - SUPERINTENDENT

- 21.a [Consideration of Board Meeting Minutes](#)
- Special Board of Education Meeting Minutes for May 3, 2021
 - Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes for May 11, 2021

22. BOARD REPORTS

23. COMING EVENTS

24. FUTURE BOARD ITEMS

- Fall Reopening - TBD
- Study Session on District Property - July
- Facilities Update - July
- Reviewing Board Policy - Naming of Facilities - July
- HR Updates - August

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

26. CLOSED SESSION

27. ADJOURNMENT

Moved:

Seconded:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dannenber___, Callahan ____, Rodriguez ____, Almaraz ____, Lomax ____