

**VENTURA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
Monday, July 22, 2019**

The Board of Education of the Ventura Unified School District met on Monday, June 22, 2019 in the Albert Einstein Room located at 255 W. Stanley Avenue, Suite 100 Ventura, California. President Sabrena Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Those in attendance:

President:	Sabrena Rodriguez
Vice President	Jackie Moran
Board Member:	Velma Lomax
Board Member:	Matt Almaraz
Board Member	Jerry Dannenberg
Superintendent:	Roger Rice

President Rodriguez led the pledge of allegiance.

**Adoption of the Agenda**

It was moved by Dr. Dannenberg, seconded by Mrs. Lomax and carried on a roll call vote 5 – 0 to approve the agenda as presented.

**Ayes:** Dannenberg, Almaraz, Lomax, Moran, Rodriguez

**Noes:** None **Absent:** None **Abstain:** None

**Public Comment - None**

**REGULAR SESSION**

**The Long-Range Facilities Master Plan (LRFMP)**

Ms. Betsy George, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services reviewed the agenda with the Board. The presentation on the Long-Range Facilities Master Plan included discussion on the financial overview, prioritization needs-high priority projects and next steps.

Mrs. Betsy George, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, Mr. Dave Marshall, Director of Facilities and members of PBK associates (Mr. Hal Hart, Mr. Carlos Sandoval and Mr. Alex Parslow) provided update to the Board on the Long Range Facilities Master Plan.

To gather information, PBK noted that meetings were held with the following focus groups: Operations & Grounds, Transportation, Technology, Food & Nutritional Services, Special Education, Early Childhood, and Adult Education. PBK noted that they walked every site in the District with the Principals and documented all facility needs. Three meetings with the Educational Specifications Focus Group were held and a “draft” of the Educational Specifications results was shared with the Board. Also, prior to this meeting, PBK facilitated two Community Leadership Committee (CLC) meetings to inform and gather input from community leaders and stakeholders.

In today’s meeting, PBK gathered information from the Board as to what they would like to see addressed in the final LRFMP:

- a. President Rodriguez would like a sharable document for the public on the LRFMP that focuses on student learning, and the current need to engage and retain students and teachers.
- b. Vice President Moran would like the LRFMP to include safe schools that are technology ready for the future, and Also HVAC (air-conditioning) at all schools.
- c. Member Lomax expressed that she would like to see work completed once and make sure phasing is done correctly so things are not redone. Also, she would like to see all

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schools come up to a certain standard and make sure that all students have opportunities in VUSD.

- d. Member Almaraz would like more innovative and inspirational technology.
- e. Member Dannenberg would like health and safety with good systems like security. The demographics are declining and would like to address the current facilities, as well as reduce the carbon footprint.
- f. Dr. Rice would like safety and security at all campuses reviewed. Addressing declining enrollment means we will need inviting and compelling spaces that are technology ready and support the programs for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

Mrs. George shared information on school facilities finance with State/Developer/District opportunities. Ventura USD receives on average \$1 Million per year of residential developer fees. The District currently utilizes Level I Developer Fees. Ventura USD has preliminary modernization eligibility numbers through the State School Facilities Program (SFP) of approximately \$18 Million. Ventura USD currently has \$9 Million in the Building Fund Account, but noted that \$3 Million is reserved per Memorandum of Understanding with the City regarding the West Site Pool.

Further discussion with the Board included: Priorities and High Priority Projects. Some of the items mentioned were: Proactive communication with the community on where VUSD is headed and how they are going to get there. The HVAC needs at the school sites. Portable classroom capacity and the concern over aging. Also, the need to look for creative ways to raise additional dollars.

Dr. Dannenberg would like to see the list of master projects. It was noted that staff will bring recommendations to the Board with \$450 Million in projects of each school and costs for their final review and approval.

**Adjournment**

At 1:08 p.m. it was moved by Mrs. Moran, seconded by Mr. Almaraz and carried on a roll call vote 5 - 0 to adjourn the meeting to the next regular meeting to be held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 23, 2019.

**Ayes:** Dannenberg, Almaraz, Lomax, Moran, Rodriguez

**Noes:** None **Absent:** None **Abstain:** None

APPROVED

\_\_\_\_\_President

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