
**AZUSA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Tuesday, October 10, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.**

The Azusa Unified School District Board of Education met at the Administrative Offices at 546 S. Citrus Ave. for the Regular Board of Education Meeting.

To view the entire meeting, click here:

https://www.youtube.com/live/wL77GL6a11o?si=5_O6I0M-J2Mi1qrk

1.0 Preliminary

1.1 Call to Order

The Board President will call the Board of Education Meeting of the Azusa Unified School District to Order.

1.2 Roll Call

The Board President will conduct roll call.

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT:

Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.

Adrian Greer

Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña

1.3 Approval of Agenda

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve agenda.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve agenda'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **3** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 3 - 0**

Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes

Adrian Greer Yes

Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes

Board Member Sandra Benavides joined the meeting at 5:35 pm.

2.0 Items From the Floor/Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda Items

2.1 Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda Items

This is an opportunity for the public to address the Board of Education on closed session agenda items. Individual speakers may be allowed up to three (3) minutes to address the

Board of Education on any agenda or non-agenda items. When the public wishes to address the Board of Education on an agenda item, they may fill out a blue card, stand at the podium, or raise their hand while in the Zoom attendance. The Board of Education Members are not permitted to respond to public comments. The Board of Education will take blue card requests first, followed in order by speakers at the podium and then those in the Zoom attendance.

Megan Savella

- Rescinded a request by AEA and CSEA that the Board of Education sign a resolution regarding charter schools
- Requested to reintroduce the resolution regarding charter schools signed by AEA and CSEA

Brodie O'Brian

- Stated when staff is struggling financially, it negatively impacts their work and student learning

Adam La Munyon

- Explained the difference between a raise and a cost of living adjustment

3.0 Closed Session

3.1 Public Employee Appointment/Complaint/Discipline/Dismissal/Release of Employee/Transfer (Government Code Section 54957)

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3.2 Conference with Labor Negotiators

Conference with Labor Negotiators to review with the District's Labor Negotiators on mandatory subjects of bargaining with Azusa Educator's Association, Azusa Federation of Adult Educators, and California School Employees Association (Government Code Section 54957.6). District representatives shall be Jorge A. Ronquillo, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources; Latasha D. Jamal, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services; Arturo Ortega, Superintendent; and Norma Carvajal-Camacho, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services.

3.3 Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (4) of Subdivision (d) of Government Code § 54956.9: Consideration of One (1) Potential Case—Former Employee

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4.0 Open Session

4.1 Pledge of Allegiance

Julianna Dawson, a Paramount Elementary School student, led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

5.0 Report/Action of Closed Session Matters

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6.0 Recognition and Awards

6.1 Recognition of Azusa High School (AHS) Teacher Jennie Aguirre for receiving the Janet Linton Leadership Award

To view the entire recognition, click here:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/wL77GL6a11o?si=txPo7WqLz9mdBC3j&t=57>

Jennie Aguirre received the Janet Linton Leadership Award, presented by the National Academy Foundation (NAF). This award recognizes outstanding academy directors and educational leaders honoring extraordinary contributions and leadership within the NAF network at the school, district, and state levels.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education recognize AHS teacher Jennie Aguirre for receiving the Janet Linton Leadership Award.

6.2 Recognition of Azusa High School (AHS) Student Audry Ramirez for Winning the Field of Glory Essay Contest

To view the entire recognition, click here:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/wL77GL6a11o?si=a-fspy0Nev-HJ9tC&t=578>

AHS student Audry Ramirez won the Field of Glory Freedom essay contest with her essay on what freedom means to her. Audry read her essay and received her monetary prize at the Field of Glory Opening Ceremony on Saturday, September 9, 2023.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education recognize AHS student Audry Ramirez for winning the Field of Glory essay contest.

6.3 Recognition of Five Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) students who won the Field of Glory Art Contest

To view the entire recognition, click here:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/wL77GL6a11o?si=a-fspy0Nev-HJ9tC&t=578>

Five AUSD students competed in and won the Field of Glory art contest. The theme of this year's contest was "Honoring veterans, first responders, and service men and women." This year's winners are: Michael Sanchez (Azusa High School) Dejarey Nieto (Azusa High School) Natalie Ng (Hodge Elementary School) Winston Ni (Hodge Elementary School) Charlotte Ruiz (Hodge Elementary School)

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education recognize five AUSD students who won the Field of Glory art contest.

7.0 Items From the Floor/ Public Comment on Agenda or Non Agenda Items

7.1 Public Comment on Agenda or Non-Agenda Items

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Maria Bolivar

To view the entire the entire comments, click here:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/wL77GL6a11o?si=-ADebcwYlnZS2mXF&t=1347>

- Invited the Azusa community to attend Think Together’s annual “Light’s on After School” event on Monday, October 23, 2023, at 3:30 pm at Murray Elementary School

8.0 Comments, Reports, and Requests by the Board of Education

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Board of Education Members may choose to provide comments, reports, and/or make requests.

Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña

To view the entire comments, click here:

https://www.youtube.com/live/wL77GL6a11o?si=ZjSiGly_173LVIF8&t=1511

- Attended:
 - Back to School Night at Azusa High School
 - Teacher of the Year Banquet
 - Dessert Social Recognition
- Thanked Mayor Gonzales for supporting Azusa Unified School District students

Sandra Benavides

To view the entire comments, click here:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/wL77GL6a11o?si=8iZPIJ7nYu9Xq0fB&t=1675>

- Attended Back to School Night at Azusa High School
- Visited Gladstone Middle School

Adrian Greer

To view the entire comments, click here:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/wL77GL6a11o?si=UJDeUoE3BL05bVlK&t=1720>

- Thanked Superintendent Ortega for his leadership, availability, and quick response to various concerns regarding the recent changes at Azusa Unified School District

Sabrina Bow Ed.D.

To view the entire comments, click here:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/wL77GL6a11o?si=zUXvQz1ZHyao6GwY&t=1758>

- Attended the 2023 Western Justice Center's Empower Gala and expressed pride in the AUSD students who were honored at the event

9.0 Comments and Reports by Student Board Member, Superintendent, and Cabinet

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Student Board Members, Superintendent, and Cabinet may provide comments and reports.

Mariah Santos

To view the entire comments, click here:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/wL77GL6a11o?si=JY9ZMaOSWz7LFkMX&t=1827>

- Announced:
 - A great turnout for Back to School Night
 - Senior Sunrise and Pajama Day October 11, 2023
 - Pink day on October 18, 2023, in observance of Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Emely Hernandez

To view the entire comments, click here:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/wL77GL6a11o?si=RwxPoJ4eSHa7r9Kh&t=1961>

- Congratulated Emily Ruiz for receiving a \$2500 scholarship from the Women in Transportation Seminar
- Announced Azusa High School will be hosting the following events:
 - Community School Dessert Night October 16, 2023, at 7:00 pm
 - College Fair October 24, 2023, between 6:00 and 8:00 pm

Arturo Ortega

To view the entire comments, click here:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/wL77GL6a11o?si=sKmFJEtTLrZhq9Dr&t=2071>

- Congratulated:
 - The students being recognized who participated in the Field of Glory art and essay contest

- Azusa High School Teacher for receiving the Janet Linton Leadership Award
- Attended:
 - Western Justice Center Empower Gala and expresses pride in AUSD students who were recognized
 - Teacher of the Year recognition at Universal City

Norma Carvajal-Camacho

To view the entire comments, click here:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/wL77GL6a11o?si=A2SN6ADlnlo4CvCf&t=2153>

- Attended Azusa High School's first student union meeting
- Announced the start of the CHAMP Program with Azusa Pacific University (APU), fourth graders from Murray and Paramount visited the APU campus

Latasha D. Jamal

To view the entire comments, click here:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/wL77GL6a11o?si=4BvGIV-KgJnLQu1K&t=2212>

- Announced:
 - Lee Elementary School underground utility upgrade making great progress
 - The kick off of Business Services' listening meetings

Jorge A. Ronquillo

To view the entire comments, click here:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/wL77GL6a11o?si=dpjOmbv3KMRNjnxP&t=2276>

- Announced a successful Years of Recognition celebration on September 18, 2023
- Attended the Alliance for Diversity in Education conference

10.0 Consent Agenda

10.1 Approval of Consent Agenda

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered by the Board of Education to be routine and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no discussion of these items unless requested by a Board of Education Member. If a Board of Education Member requests discussion, that item will be removed from Consent Agenda and considered separately.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve Consent Agenda.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Moved, Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve Consent Agenda'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides Yes

Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes
Adrian Greer Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes

A) Curriculum and Instruction

10.2 Approval of Consultant Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and Oren Boxer, Ph.D.

Oren Boxer, Ph.D. will provide assessments to meet the requirements of Independent Educational Evaluations (IEEs). IEEs can be requested by parents as outlined in the East San Gabriel Valley Special Education Plan Area Parent's Rights and Procedural Safeguards. AUSD has been working with Oren Boxer, Ph.D. since 2017.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve consultant agreement between AUSD and Oren Boxer, Ph.D.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Moved, Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve consultant agreement between AUSD and Oren Boxer, Ph.D.'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes
Adrian Greer Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes

10.3 Approval of Consultant Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and Gallardo Speech Pathology, Inc.

Gallardo Speech Pathology, Inc. will provide assessments to meet the requirements of Independent Educational Evaluations (IEEs). IEEs can be requested by parents as outlined in the East San Gabriel Valley Special Education Plan Area Parent's Rights and Procedural Safeguards. AUSD has been working with Gallardo Speech Pathology, Inc. since 2022.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve the Consultant Agreement between AUSD and Gallardo Speech Pathology, Inc.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Moved, Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve the Consultant Agreement between AUSD and Gallardo Speech Pathology, Inc.'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes
Adrian Greer Yes

Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes

10.4 Ratification/Approval of Consultant Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and American Language Services

American Language Services will provide sign language and interpreting services for parents, allowing them to participate in various parent meetings and Individual Education Plan meetings. AUSD has been working with American Language Services since 2019.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education ratify/approve Consultant Agreement between AUSD and American Language Services.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Moved, Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education ratify/approve Consultant Agreement between AUSD and American Language Services'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes

10.5 Approval of Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and the Sobrato Early Academic Language Program (SEAL)

AUSD and SEAL have partnered to provide professional development to PK and TK teachers. SEAL Early Learning Sustainability package is a part of a comprehensive approach to ensuring increased longevity and consistency in the successful replication of the SEAL Early Learning Model, and supports on-going infusion of multiple aspects of instruction, curriculum, teaching and learning. AUSD has been working with SEAL since 2021.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and SEAL.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Moved, Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and SEAL'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes

10.6 Approval of Advancement Grant Program Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and Los Angeles County Arts and Culture

Los Angeles County, through the Los Angeles County Department of Arts and Culture, provides grants to Los Angeles County School Districts to support quality arts education programming for public school students. AUSD is a part of the Arts Collective network and will receive funding in support of the AUSD Strategic Arts Plan. This is the fourth year that AUSD has received this grant.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve Advancement Grant Program Agreement between AUSD and Los Angeles County Arts and Culture.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Moved, Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve Advancement Grant Program Agreement between AUSD and Los Angeles County Arts and Culture'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes

10.7 Ratification/Approval of Azusa High School's (AHS) Varsity Girls Volleyball Team Trip to Carpinteria, California

The fourteen-member team participated in the Carpinteria Invitational Tournament in Carpinteria, California on September 30, 2023. The team left on Friday, September 29, 2023 and returned on Sunday, October 1, 2023. The team traveled by District van and stayed at a local hotel. This trip extended the experiences of the players by providing them with additional opportunities to compete. AHS has been participating in this annual tournament since 2014. The trip required approval of the Board of Education because it requires overnight accommodations.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education ratify/approve AHS's Varsity Girls Volleyball team trip to Carpinteria, California.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Moved, Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education ratify/approve AHS's Varsity Girls Volleyball team trip to Carpinteria, California'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes

B) General Functions

10.8 Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting on September 12, 2023, and Board of Education Meeting/Study Session on September 26, 2023

The Secretary of the Board of Education shall keep minutes and record all official Board of Education actions. Any minutes kept for Board of Education meetings held in closed session shall be kept separate from the minutes of regular and special meetings.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting on September 12, 2023, and Board of Education Meeting/Study Session on September 26, 2023.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Moved, Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting on September 12, 2023, and Board of Education Meeting/Study Session on September 26, 2023'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes

C) Business and Finance

10.9 Ratification/Approval of Purchase Orders and Warrants

All purchase orders and warrants are in accordance with the budget guidelines for the 2023-2024 school year.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education ratify/approve the attached purchase orders and warrants.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Moved, Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education ratify/approve the attached purchase orders and warrants'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes

10.10 Approval and Acceptance of Donation

The students and faculty will benefit greatly from this donation.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education accept this donation.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Moved, Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education accept this donation'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes

10.11 Ratification/Approval of Contract Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and Dawn D. Riccoboni

The Director of Fiscal Services position is currently vacant, so Fiscal Services has hired Dawn Riccoboni to help maintain operations, provide excellent service to our school sites and internal departments, and fulfill state and federal reporting requirements. The contractor will be used as needed, and the cost of the contract will be offset by the savings from the various vacancies. The agreement with Dawn Riccoboni includes an hourly rate of \$200. This is the first time we entered into an agreement with this contractor.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education ratify/approve the contract agreement between AUSD and Dawn D. Riccoboni.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Moved, Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education ratify/approve the contract agreement between AUSD and Dawn D. Riccoboni'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes

D) Human Resources

10.12 Ratification/Approval of Certificated and Classified Personnel Board of Education Report and Extra Duty Board of Education Report

It is essential that all positions have the highest quality staff.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education ratify/approve Certificated and Classified Personnel Board of Education Report and Extra Duty Board of Education Report.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Moved, Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education ratify/approve Certificated and Classified Personnel Board of Education Report and Extra Duty Board of Education Report'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes
Adrian Greer Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes

10.13 Ratification/Approval of Amended Contract Between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE)

The induction program requires that beginning teachers participate in structured support to earn a clear teaching credential. LACOE has provided sponsorship, administration, and leadership of the California Teacher Induction Program to new teachers since the beginning of the 2019-2020 school year.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve the amended contract between AUSD and LACOE.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Moved, Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve the amended contract between AUSD and LACOE'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes
Adrian Greer Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes

10.14 Ratification/Approval of Student Teaching Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and California State University, Los Angeles (Cal State LA)

Cal State LA has specific programs for the purpose of allowing students to be placed for fieldwork and supervised teaching experiences. It is necessary to have an agreement in place so student teachers may complete their program and continue to provide required services to our students. AUSD and Cal State LA have been partnering with one another since 2006.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education ratify/approve the student teaching agreement between AUSD and Cal State LA.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Moved, Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education ratify/approve the student teaching agreement between AUSD and Cal State LA'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes
Adrian Greer Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes

10.15 Approval of Resolution #23-24:06 Teaching Assignment in High Need Area

It is necessary and advisable to assign teachers under this option as provided in Education Code 44225. The availability of fully-qualified teachers in specific content areas is limited. In addition, to meet the programmatic needs of students, we continue to support teachers to complete the appropriate credential requirements. The employee identification number and assignment are as follows: UW8007029 - Adapted Physical Education.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve Resolution #23-24:06 Teaching Assignment in high need area.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Moved, Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve Resolution #23-24:06 Teaching Assignment in high need area'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes
Adrian Greer Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes

10.16 Approval of Short-Term Library Clerk and High School Library Technician Assignments

Pursuant to Education Code 45103, the Board of Education is required to approve and determine the length of short term classified assignments. The Library Clerk assignment will support in the opening of the school year at Gladstone Middle School. Similarly, the High School Library Technician assignment will support in the opening of the school year at Azusa High School. Both assignments will end on Thursday, November 30, 2023.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve short-term Library Clerk and High School Library Technician assignments.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Moved, Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve

short-term Library Clerk and High School Library Technician assignments'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes
Adrian Greer Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes

E) Policies and Bylaws

10.17 Approval of Amended Board Policy (BP) Regarding Facilities

Approval of amended BP 7310 Naming Of Facility ensures the District complies with legislation and recommendations of the California School Boards Association.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve amended Board Policy regarding Facilities.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Moved, Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve amended Board Policy regarding Facilities'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes
Adrian Greer Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes

11.0 Items pulled from Consent Agenda

11.1 Approval of the Consultant Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and Malik Abdul-Khaliq Ph.D.

This professional development workshop will provide capacity building for the implementation of Ethnic Studies coursework in AUSD. The consultant will provide support in establishing a learning environment that recognizes the value of all students' stories; engaging in the process of self-reflection as educators and their impact on student learning; valuing diversity in all its forms; examining and addressing social justice issues; and developing critical, culturally sustaining, dialogical, and student-centered pedagogies.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve the consultant agreement between AUSD and Malik Abdul-Khaliq, Ph.D.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve the

consultant agreement between AUSD and Malik Abdul-Khaliq, Ph.D'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **3** Nay: **1**. The motion **Carried . 3 - 1**

Sandra Benavides	No
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes

12.0 Curriculum and Instruction

12.1 Presentation of Azusa Unified School District's (AUSD) Early College Program (ECP) Children's Literature Course

To view the entire presentation click here:

https://www.youtube.com/live/wL77GL6a11o?si=EulfURfQ_TxWbmbj&t=3679

AUSD is dedicated to academic achievement and success for all students. ECP provides AUSD high school students the opportunity to earn college credit that can be applied towards certificates, associate degrees, and/or transfer requirements to a four-year college/university.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education receive presentation of the AUSD's ECP Children's Literature Course.

12.2 Public Hearing for Sufficiency of Instructional Materials

A public hearing for sufficiency of instructional materials is required by Education Code 60119 and the Los Angeles County Office of Education for the 2023-2024 academic year.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education hold a public hearing for sufficiency of instructional materials.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Adrian Greer**) Moved, Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education hold a public hearing for sufficiency of instructional materials'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes

12.3 Approval of Resolution #23-24:04, A Resolution of Sufficiency of Instructional Materials

This resolution meets the requirements as directed by Education Code 60119 and the Los Angeles County Office of Education for Board of Education approval for the 2023-2024 academic year.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve Resolution #23-24:04, A Resolution of Sufficiency of Instructional Materials.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve Resolution #23-24:04, A Resolution of Sufficiency of Instructional Materials'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes
Adrian Greer Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes

12.4 Approval of Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and California Department of Rehabilitation (DOR)

Through the We Can Work Grant, the DOR will provide services to students with disabilities ages 16-21. The services include: job exploration counseling, work-based learning experience, counseling on post-secondary opportunities, workplace readiness training, and instruction in self-advocacy.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and California DOR.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and California DOR'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes
Adrian Greer Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes

12.5 Review of First Quarter Williams Uniform Complaint Report 2023-2024

Pursuant to Education Code §35186 (Williams Uniform Complaint Procedure) and the Azusa Unified School District Uniform Complaint Procedures AR 1312.4, the Superintendent or designee is responsible for submitting a quarterly report to the County Superintendent and the Governing Board on the nature and resolution of complaints addressing insufficient instructional materials, teacher vacancies and miss-assignments, and emergency or urgent facilities issues.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education review information on the First Quarter Williams Uniform Complaint Report 2023-2024.

13.0 General Functions

13.1 Presentation of Surplus Property Update

To view the entire presentation click here:

https://www.youtube.com/live/wL77GL6al1o?si=Ix_fgTtvXoid_CBj&t=4861

As the Board of Education continues its process of making decisions about its surplus property, District staff will provide information regarding the possibility of relocating Sierra High School and opening a Community/Conference Center.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education receive presentation on Surplus Property Update.

13.2 Approval of Board Meeting Calendar for 2023-2024

The Board Calendar is designed to allow Board Members time for addressing important District issues.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve Board Meeting Calendar for 2023-2024.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Moved, Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve Board Meeting Calendar for 2023-2024'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **3** Nay: **1**. The motion **Carried. 3 - 1**

Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	No
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes

13.3 Approval of Resolution #23-24:05 Native American Heritage Month November 2023

The Azusa Unified School District Board of Education proclaims the month of November 2023 as Native American Heritage Month and encourages all educational communities to commemorate this occasion with appropriate instructional activities.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve Resolution #23-24:05 Native American Heritage Month November 2023.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Adrian Greer**) Moved, Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve Resolution #23-24:05 Native American Heritage Month November 2023'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes

Adrian Greer Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes

14.0 Business and Finance

14.1 Approval of Bid Award for District Office Roof Coating

On June 7, 2023, the District solicited formal bids from roofing contractors. The bid request was for the district office main administrative building, print shop, and maintenance operations and transportation offices. Seven responses were received and evaluated with C.I. Services, Inc. being the lowest bidder. Completion of this project will improve the longevity of the buildings.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve the bid award for the district office roof coating.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Moved, Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve the bid award for the district office roof coating'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes
Adrian Greer Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes

14.2 Approval of Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and C.I. Services, Inc.

On June 7th, 2023, the District solicited formal bids from roofing contractors. The bid request was for the District office main administration building, print shop, and maintenance operation and transportation offices. Seven responses were received and evaluated with C.I. Services, Inc. being the lowest responsible bidder. Completion of this project will improve the longevity of the buildings.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve the agreement between AUSD and C.I. Services, Inc.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Moved, Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve the agreement between AUSD and C.I. Services, Inc.'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes
Adrian Greer Yes

15.0 Human Resources

15.1 Presentation of Azusa Federation of Adult Educators (AFAE) Sunshine Proposal for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year Negotiations with Azusa Unified School District (AUSD)

AFAE, in preparing for negotiations with AUSD, is sunshining a proposal for the 2023-2024 fiscal year. As required by Educational Employment Relations Act, contained in Government Code 3547, a public hearing is to be held and scheduled for the October 10, 2023, Board of Education meeting. The proposal will be available for review virtually beginning October 5, 2023.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education accept presentation of AFAE sunshine proposal for the 2023-2024 fiscal year negotiations with AUSD.

15.2 Public Hearing of Azusa Federation of Adult Educators (AFAE) Sunshine Proposal for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year Negotiations with Azusa Unified School District (AUSD)

In accordance with Government Code 3547, a public hearing is required prior to the commencement of the collective bargaining process. This is the public's opportunity to comment on the articles that will be negotiated for the 2023-2024 school year.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education hold a public hearing of AFAE sunshine proposal for the 2023-2024 fiscal year negotiations with AUSD.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Moved, Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education hold a public hearing of AFAE sunshine proposal for the 2023-2024 fiscal year negotiations with AUSD'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes

15.3 Presentation of Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) Sunshine Proposal for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year Negotiations with Azusa Federation of Adult Educators (AFAE)

AUSD, in preparing for negotiations with AFAE, is sunshining a proposal for the 2023-2024 fiscal year. As required by Educational Employment Relations Act, contained in Government Code 3547, a public hearing is to be held and scheduled for the October 10, 2023, Board of Education meeting. The proposal will be available for review virtually beginning October 5, 2023.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education accept AUSD sunshine proposal for the 2023-2024 fiscal year negotiations with AFAE.

15.4 Public Hearing of Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) Sunshine Proposal for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year Negotiations with Azusa Federation of Adult Educators (AFAE)

In accordance with Government Code 3547, a public hearing is required prior to the commencement of the collective bargaining process. This is the public's opportunity to comment on the articles that will be negotiated for the 2023-2024 school year.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education hold a public hearing of AUSD sunshine proposal for the 2023-2024 fiscal year negotiations with AFAE.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education hold a public hearing of AUSD sunshine proposal for the 2023-2024 fiscal year negotiations with AFAE'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes

15.5 Approval of Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) Sunshine Proposal for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year Negotiations with Azusa Federation of Adult Educators (AFAE)

In accordance with Government Code 3547, the Board of Education is officially required to approve the AUSD sunshine proposal to commence negotiations.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve AUSD sunshine proposal for the 2023-2024 fiscal year negotiations with AFAE.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve AUSD sunshine proposal for the 2023-2024 fiscal year negotiations with AFAE'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes

16.0 Policies and Bylaws

16.1 First Reading of Amended Board Policy (BP) Regarding Community Relations

First reading of amended BP 1160 Political Processes ensures the District complies with legislation and recommendations of the California School Boards Association.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education receive for first reading amended Board Policy regarding Community Relations.

16.2 First Reading of Amended and New Administrative Regulations (AR) and Board Policies (BP) Regarding Business and Noninstructional Operations

First reading of amended AR and BP 3530 Risk Management/Insurance; amended AR 3543 Transportation Safety and Emergencies; amended AR 3550 Food Service/Child Nutrition Program; and new AR and BP 3552 Summer Meal Program ensures the District complies with legislation and recommendations of the California School Boards Association.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education receive for first reading amended and new Administrative Regulations and Board Policies regarding Business and Noninstructional Operations.

16.3 First Reading of New Board Policies (BP) and Deleted and Amended Administrative Regulations (AR) Regarding Personnel

First reading of new BP 4112.8, 4212.8, 4312.8 Employment of Relatives; deleted AR 4117.6 Decision Not to Rehire; deleted AR 4151 and 4351 Employee Compensation; New BP 4151, 4251, 4351 Employee Compensation; amended AR 4217.3 Layoff/Rehire ensures the District complies with legislation and recommendations of the California School Boards Association.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education receive for first reading new Board Policies and deleted and amended Administrative Regulations regarding Personnel.

16.4 First Reading of Amended Board Policy (BP) and Administrative Regulation (AR) Regarding Students

First reading of amended BP 5131.9 Academic Honesty and amended AR 5141.27 Food Allergies/Special Dietary Needs ensures the District complies with legislation and recommendations of the California School Boards Association.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education receive for first reading amended Board Policy and Administrative Regulation regarding Students.

16.5 First Reading of Amended Administrative Regulation (AR) and Board Policies (BP) Regarding Instruction

First reading of amended AR 6153 School-Sponsored Trips; amended BP 6154 Homework/Makeup Work; and amended BP 6162.5 Student Assessment ensures the District complies with legislation and recommendations of the California School Boards Association.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education receive for first reading amended Administrative Regulation and Board Policies regarding Instruction.

16.6 First Reading of Amended Board Bylaw (BB) regarding Board Bylaws

First reading of amended BB 9124 Attorney ensures the District complies with legislation and recommendations of the California School Boards Association.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education receive for first reading amended Board Bylaws regarding Board Bylaws.

17.0 Adjournment

17.1 Adjournment

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve adjournment of the Regular Board of Education Meeting.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve adjournment of the Regular Board of Education Meeting'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion **Carried. 4 - 0**

Sandra Benavides Yes

Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes

Adrian Greer Yes

Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes

The Regular Board of Education Meeting adjourned at 9:12 p.m.

Clerk