
AZUSA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Tuesday, May 7, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.

The Azusa Unified School District Board of Education met at the Azusa Unified School District Office, 546 S. Citrus Avenue, for the Regular Board of Education Meeting.

To view the entire meeting click here:

https://www.youtube.com/live/7_yQxhqg__U?si=T2n_1CIJOnMUsvaH

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

It is recommended the Board President take roll call.
THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT:

Gabriela Arellanes
Sandra Benavides
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 (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Sandra Benavides**) 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: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

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

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

2.1 Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda Items

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their hand while in Zoom attendance. The Board of Education will take blue card requests first, followed by speakers in Zoom attendance. Board of Education Members are not permitted to respond to public comments. A member of the staff will contact you if information is needed. Thank you for your participation. Individuals participating in public comment must adhere to the following guidelines: 1. No speaker may yield their time to another individual speaker; 2. Speaker must be present when their name is called in order to be heard; 3. Maximum speaking time is 3 minutes.

Catheline Herminda

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https://www.youtube.com/live/7_yQxhqg__U?si=qRzQXO2VGq5NIUfW&t=153

- Urged the Board of Education to approve her reclassification

3.0 Closed Session

3.1 Approval of Final Settlement for Office of Administrative Hearing (OAH) Case #2024010677; Student #23-24:01-30

Student Matter: Final Settlement for OAH Case #2024010677; Student #23-24:01-30.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve Final Settlement for OAH Case #2024010677; Student #23-24:01-30.

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

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3.3 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.

3.4 Public Employee: Performance Evaluation - Superintendent (Government Code Section 54957)

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4.0 Open Session

4.1 Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge of allegiance was led by Katelah Cornwell, Lee Elementary School student.

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

Board President Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña reported the Board of Education adopted Final Settlement for OAH Case #2024010677; Student #23-24:01-30. By a vote of **5 – 0**.

6.0 Recognition and Awards

6.1 Recognition of Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) Students who Placed in the Elks Lodge Drug Awareness Essay Contest

To view the entire recognition, click here:

<https://youtu.be/YIgmeGjPzSc?si=8523G11QI9bkuyZ4&t=516>

Four AUSD students placed in the Duarte Elks Lodge Drug Awareness Essay contest. The theme of this year's contest was "Be Kind to Your Mind – Live Drug-Free." The essays were judged on the following: theme, neatness, originality, and correct grammatical structure. The winners are: 1st Place, Girl's Division – Savannah Kendrick (Gladstone Middle School) 3rd Place, Division I - Jaxon Medina (Valleydale Elementary School) 1st Place, Division III – Alexia Lopez-Martinez (Gladstone Middle School) 1st Place, Division IV – Annika Kim (Gladstone Middle School)

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education recognize the AUSD students who placed in the Elks Lodge Drug Awareness Essay Contest.

6.2 Recognition of the Azusa Rotary Four-Way Speech Contest Winners

To view the entire recognition click here:

<https://youtu.be/YIgmeGjPzSc?si=n19QToIUcP745RBc&t=846>

Four Azusa High School students competed and placed in the Azusa Rotary's Four-Way Speech Contest. The theme of this year's contest is "Create Hope in the World." The first-place winner, Emily Ruiz, competed in and won the local area contest and competed in the regional competition in March. The winners are: 1st Place – Emily Ruiz (Azusa High School, 12th grade) 2nd Place – Hector Hernandez (Azusa High School, 12th grade) 3rd Place – John Tacuchi (Azusa High School, 12th grade) 4th Place – Emanuel Serrato (Azusa High School, 11th grade)

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education recognize the Rotary Four - Way Speech contest winners.

6.3 Recognition of Azusa High School Athletic Teams Qualifying for CIF Playoffs

To view the entire recognition, click here:

<https://youtu.be/YIgmeGjPzSc?si=b2NUU6BKBF0uQPlz&t=1193>

Six of Azusa High School's Fall and Winter sports teams qualified for CIF playoffs this year. Each team played well and showed excellent sportsmanship. The teams are: Cross Country Girls Soccer Boys Soccer Girls Volleyball Girls Wrestling Boys Wrestling

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education recognize Azusa High School athletic teams qualifying for CIF playoffs.

6.4 Recognition of Student Board Members, Azusa High School (AHS) Student Emely Hernandez and Sierra High School (SHS) Student Mariah Santos

To view the entire recognition, click here:

<https://youtu.be/YIgmGjPzSc?si=b77nmERJX9aXHYKB&t=1849>

The Board of Education will present certificates to Emely Hernandez, AHS student, and Mariah Santos, SHS student, for their outstanding service as Student Board Members on the Azusa Unified School District Board of Education.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education recognize Student Board Members, AHS student Emely Hernandez and SHS student Mariah Santos.

6.5 Recognition of the 2024-2025 Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) Budget Book Cover Winner, Haily Murillo

To view the entire recognition, click here:

<https://youtu.be/YIgmGjPzSc?si=TpRf8xl0IvCMTBEG&t=2301>

As part of the Educational Services Department 2nd Annual Gratitude Art Contest, students were asked to submit artwork around the theme of gratitude. Winners' artwork was created into gratitude cards to be exchanged among staff in AUSD. The Business Services Department opted to use one of the submissions for the Budget Book Cover for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. The selection was based on creativity and the individual student's vision. The Business Services Department reviewed the artwork of the eight students that were recognized by the Board of Education in December and will use the selected design for all budget reporting cycles during the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education recognize the 2024-2025 AUSD Budget Book Cover Winner, Haily Murillo.

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

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Andrew Kleger

To view the entire comments, click here:

https://youtu.be/YIgmGjPzSc?si=qrShx9O0lP_xY0Il&t=2617

- Concerned about safety at Azusa High School

Arlette Torres

To view the entire comments, click here:

<https://youtu.be/YIgmeGjPzSc?si=svMnewkQEe5o2bbA&t=2818>

- Opposed to the new block schedule at Azusa High School

Alan Ramirez

To view the entire comments, click here:

<https://youtu.be/YIgmeGjPzSc?si=VBImGuREYE96UWg3&t=2977>

- Concerned about the safety at Azusa High School

Feliberto Castaneda Eli

To view the entire comment, click here:

https://youtu.be/YIgmeGjPzSc?si=p6_BxnZrud5fULof&t=3156

- Concerned about the safety at Azusa High School

Jaedy Ontiveros-Barron

To view the entire comments, click here:

https://youtu.be/YIgmeGjPzSc?si=06al_NqIp6xfQRv1&t=3299

- Opposed to the new block schedule at Azusa High School
- Concerned about the safety at Azusa High School

Rebecca Trujillo

To view the entire comments, click here:

<https://youtu.be/YIgmeGjPzSc?si=Vj66VDPEwgRmtY9X&t=3453>

- Concerned about the safety at Azusa High School

Elizabeth Casillas

To view the entire comments, click here:

https://youtu.be/YIgmeGjPzSc?si=hA1A6_4f5zrY6RxU&t=3626

- Opposed to the new block schedule at Azusa High School

Meg Savella

To view the entire comments, click here:

<https://youtu.be/YIgmeGjPzSc?si=a7DeOJdPucCqihPx&t=3766>

- Suggested:
 - Official safety committees at each school site
 - A school Board Member sit on the safety committee

Sonya Smith

To view the entire comments, click here:

<https://youtu.be/YIgmGjPzSc?si=6f7Tl7DsSVrGelMc&t=3963>

- Concerned about the safety at Azusa High School and Gladstone Middle 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.

Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.

To view the entire comments, click here:

<https://youtu.be/YIgmGjPzSc?si=VcrCPCE96aX3KXng&t=4136>

- Attended culmination 4C Lab performance at Gladstone Middle School

Gabriela Arellanes

To view the entire comments, click here:

<https://youtu.be/YIgmGjPzSc?si=y710YBGcFDfRwa-u&t=4199>

- Congratulated all of the students recognized

Adrian Greer

To view the entire comments, click here: <https://youtu.be/YIgmGjPzSc?si=FzJxCC4v519-JUAs&t=4317>

- Congratulated all of the students recognized
- Thanked the students for their public comment

Sandra Benavides

To view the entire comments, click here:

<https://youtu.be/YIgmGjPzSc?si=mbeCClq4oSX59Exr&t=4504>

- Attended
 - A practice run of the 4C Lab performance
 - Gladstone Middle School Community Schools Advisory Council meeting

Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña

To view the entire comments, click here:

<https://youtu.be/YIgmGjPzSc?si=paitGFEywXHdLYRE&t=4776>

- Thanked the students for their public comment
- Announced the 2023 – 2024 ROP Education Foundation winner from Azusa High School, Graphic Arts student, Brandon Bravo
- Attended the pop-up boutique event at Azusa High School

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.

Emely Hernandez

To view the entire comments, click here: <https://youtu.be/YIgmeGjPzSc?si=h1--SMylb7kXY85-&t=5074>

- Announced:
 - Azusa High School has lined up activities to show their appreciation to their teachers
 - 62 Aztec seniors are attending four-year universities
- Congratulated the badminton, softball, and baseball teams who made CIF

Mariah Santos

To view the entire comments, click here:

<https://youtu.be/YIgmeGjPzSc?si=z21pdQNAGKOFjH8&t=5286>

- Attended the California Department of Education CCEA + Awards Gala on April 27, 2024
- Announced:
 - Principal Mrs. Petersen, counselor Ms. Solorzano, and teacher Mr. La Munion, accepted the Exemplary Program award on behalf of Sierra High School
 - Sierra High School leadership students will hold a car wash on Saturday, May 11, 2024, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Arturo Ortega

To view the entire comments, click here:

<https://youtu.be/YIgmeGjPzSc?si=5fof61HzGH8r3XQa&t=5426>

- Congratulated:
 - All of the students recognized
 - Communications Director Lica Juarez for being awarded a scholarship to attend the National School Communications Association annual seminar
 - Noe Falcon for winning the Unsung Hero award at the CSEA Awards ceremony
- Wished everyone a Happy Certificated Employee week

Norma Camacho-Carvajal

To view the entire comments, click here:

<https://youtu.be/YIgmeGjPzSc?si=EF5Fhiuw7RHk9gr7&t=5522>

- Congratulated all of the students recognized
- Expressed appreciation for AUSD certificated employees
- Highlighted the Azusa Aztec podcast program at Azusa High School

Latasha D. Jamal

To view the entire comments, click here: <https://youtu.be/YIgmGjPzSc?si=tWJTsbVy3f0jSGV&t=5573>

- Expressed appreciation to AUSD certificated staff
- Announced open enrollment for medical benefits will start in June
- Wished all of the caregivers and mothers a Happy Mother’s Day

Jorge A. Ronquillo

To view the entire comments, click here: <https://youtu.be/YIgmGjPzSc?si=Vw-udTK4Hor0jJYr&t=5645>

- Congratulated all of the students recognized
- Expressed appreciation to AUSD certificated employees
- Announced:
 - AUSD HR department participated in the Citrus College and Mount San Antonio College job fairs
 - The hiring of the first Mandarin Dual Immersion teacher

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 (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) 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: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Mariah Santos	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

A) Curriculum and Instruction

10.2 Approval of Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and Arcadia Audiometric Associates, Inc.

Approval of this agreement will ensure AUSD will meet hearing screening requirements for District students as mandated by California Administrative Code, Title 17, (Public Health) Sections 2950 and 2951. This agreement is for the 2024-2025 school year. The District has been working with Arcadia Audiometric Associates, Inc. since 2014.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and Arcadia Audiometric Associates, Inc.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and Arcadia Audiometric Associates, Inc'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Mariah Santos	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

10.3 Approval of Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and Vision Screening Services...Wayne W. Hoeft, O.D.

Vision Screening Services...Wayne Hoeft, O.D. will conduct elementary and secondary student vision screening and testing as required by law. AUSD has been working with Vision Screening Services...Wayne W. Hoeft, O.D. since 2013.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and Vision Screening Services...Wayne W. Hoeft, O.D.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and Vision Screening Services...Wayne W. Hoeft, O.D'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Mariah Santos	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

10.4 Approval of Contract between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and 2nd Call

2nd Call will provide specialized supports, including a Trauma Informed Care Specialist, School Ambassadors, and a Safe Passage Community Interventionist for at-risk students. AUSD has been working with 2nd Call since 2023.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve contract between AUSD and 2nd Call.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve contract between AUSD and 2nd Call'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Mariah Santos	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

10.5 Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and Think Together, Inc. for Non-Instructional Days

Think Together will provide learning program services for non-instructional days in partnership with AUSD. AUSD has been working with Think Together since 2013.
Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve MOU between AUSD and Think Together, Inc. for non-instructional days.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve MOU between AUSD and Think Together, Inc. for non-instructional days'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Mariah Santos	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

B) General Functions

10.6 Approval of Minutes of Regular Board of Education Meeting on April 23, 2024

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 Regular Board of Education Meeting on April 23, 2024.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve minutes of Regular Board of Education Meeting on April 23, 2024'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Mariah Santos	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

10.7 Approval of Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and California School Boards Association (CSBA)

The Board of Education will participate in a Board Governance Workshop conducted by CSBA Consultant, Angelena Pride, to analyze the results of the Board Self Evaluation. The Board of Education believes it is important to review effective governance procedures for continual development. AUSD has been working with CSBA since 2018. **Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve the agreement between AUSD and CSBA.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve the agreement between AUSD and CSBA'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Mariah Santos	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

C) Business and Finance

10.8 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 (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) 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: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Mariah Santos	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

10.9 Approval and Acceptance of Donation

The students and faculty will benefit greatly from this donation.

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

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve and accept this donation'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Mariah Santos	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

10.10 Approval of Consultant Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and 3PM Design Inc

The Consultant, Pierre Metellus, DBA 3PM Design Inc, will work with the Director of Nutrition Services to oversee the solicitation of quotes and the selection of a manufacturer to replace three large pieces of equipment at Slauson Central Kitchen, Magnolia Elementary, and Valleydale Elementary. The consultant will provide services for the design and installation of the walk-in freezer replacement at Slauson Central Kitchen, the indoor walk-in refrigerator and freezer replacement at Magnolia Elementary, and the serving line replacement at Valleydale Elementary. The consultant will ensure all replacement equipment meets the required standards of the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health and the Division of the State Architect. AUSD has been in partnership with 3PM Design Inc since April 2023.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve consultant agreement between AUSD and 3PM Design Inc.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve consultant

agreement between AUSD and 3PM Design Inc'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Mariah Santos	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

10.11 Approval of Consultant Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and Huls Environmental Management LLC

The Consultant, Jon Michael Huls, will work with the District to implement the program in two phases; the first phase will focus on educating and training students and key employees of AUSD to understand and embrace the sorting of food wastes from non-organic wastes in keeping with the dictates of SB 1383. The second phase of the project will aim to expand to all AUSD schools early in the fall semester of 2024. The program will provide students and key employees with a fun and engaging experience focusing on how to sort food waste on campus during lunch periods and to understand why the effort is important and what the benefits are to students and the community in helping to ameliorate the effects of climate change on a local scale. This is the first time AUSD will be utilizing the services of Jon Michael Huls.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve consultant agreement between AUSD and Huls Environmental Management LLC.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve consultant agreement between AUSD and Huls Environmental Management LLC'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Mariah Santos	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

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 (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) 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: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

- Gabriela Arellanes Yes
- Sandra Benavides Yes
- Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes
- Adrian Greer Yes
- Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes
- Mariah Santos Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

10.13 Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and Azusa Pacific University (APU)

APU 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 has worked with APU since 2014.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve MOU between AUSD and APU.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve MOU between AUSD and APU'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

- Gabriela Arellanes Yes
- Sandra Benavides Yes
- Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes
- Adrian Greer Yes
- Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes
- Mariah Santos Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

10.14 Approval of Professional Growth Awards for 2023-2024 School Year

Since February 1990, the District has awarded employees for continuing their education. The classified employees mentioned below have been screened by the Professional Growth Review Committee and met the requirements for a Professional Growth Award of \$500 according to the guidelines in Article XIX of the Classified Contract Agreement. This year the recipients of this award are: Donvate Harris - District Office, Business Services Chelsea Mendoza - District Office, Business Services

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve professional growth awards for 2023-2024 school year.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve professional growth awards for 2023-2024 school year'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

- Gabriela Arellanes Yes
- Sandra Benavides Yes
- Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes
- Adrian Greer Yes
- Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes
- Mariah Santos Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

10.15 Approval of Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators

The California Commission on Teacher Credentialing requires the Board of Education to pass a declaration of need in order to employ candidates who are not fully credentialed. This declaration approves employment of up to 45 candidates on limited assignment, emergency and intern permits. This declaration comes to the Board of Education on an annual basis.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

- Gabriela Arellanes Yes
- Sandra Benavides Yes
- Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes
- Adrian Greer Yes
- Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes
- Mariah Santos Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

E) Policies and Bylaws

10.16 Approval of Amended Administrative Regulation (AR) and Board Policy (BP) Regarding Philosophy, Goals, Objectives and Comprehensive Plans

Approval of amended AR and BP 0450 Comprehensive Safety Plan ensures the District complies with legislation and recommendations of the California School Boards Association.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve amended Administrative Regulation and Board Policy regarding Philosophy, Goals, Objectives and Comprehensive Plans.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve amended Administrative Regulation and Board Policy regarding Philosophy, Goals, Objectives and Comprehensive Plans'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

- Gabriela Arellanes Yes
- Sandra Benavides Yes
- Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes
- Adrian Greer Yes
- Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes
- Mariah Santos Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

10.17 Approval of Amended Administrative Regulations (AR) and Board Policies (BP) Regarding Business and Noninstructional Operations

Approval of amended AR and BP 3516 Emergencies and Disaster Preparedness Plan; amended AR and BP 3550 Food Service/Child Nutrition Program; amended AR and BP 3551 Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund; and amended AR and BP 3553 Free and Reduced Priced Meals ensures the District complies with legislation and recommendations of the California School Boards Association.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve amended Administrative Regulations and Board Policies regarding Business and Noninstructional Operations.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve amended Administrative Regulations and Board Policies regarding Business and Noninstructional Operations'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

- Gabriela Arellanes Yes
- Sandra Benavides Yes
- Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes
- Adrian Greer Yes
- Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes
- Mariah Santos Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

10.18 Approval of Amended and New Board Policies (BP) and Administrative Regulations (AR) and Amended Exhibits (E) Regarding Personnel

Approval of amended BP 4111, 4211, 4311 Recruitment and Selection; amended and new AR and amended E (1) 4112.5, 4212.5, 4312.5 Criminal Record Check; amended AR and BP 4118, 4218 Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action; amended BP 4140, 4240, 4340 Bargaining Units; new BP 4144 Complaints; new BP 4156.2, 4256.2, 4356.2 Awards and Recognition; new BP 4159, 4259, 4359 Employee Assistance Programs; new AR 4161, 4261, 4361 Leaves; and amended and new AR 4254, 4354 and amended

BP 4254 Health and Welfare Benefits ensures the District complies with legislation and recommendations of the California School Boards Association.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve amended and new Board Policies and Administrative Regulations and amended Exhibits regarding Personnel.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve amended and new Board Policies and Administrative Regulations and amended Exhibits regarding Personnel'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Mariah Santos	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

10.19 Approval of Amended and New Administrative Regulations (AR) and Board Policies (BP) Regarding Students

Approval of amended AR and BP 5126 Awards For Achievement; amended BP 5141.21 Administering Medication And Monitoring Health Conditions; new AR and BP 5142.2 Safe Routes To School Program; amended AR and BP 5144 Discipline; new AR and BP 5144.4 Required Parental Attendance; new AR and BP 5148.2 Before-After School Programs ensures the District complies with legislation and recommendations of the California School Boards Association.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve amended and new Administrative Regulations and Board Policies regarding Students.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve amended and new Administrative Regulations and Board Policies regarding Students'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Mariah Santos	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

10.20 Approval of Amended Administrative Regulations (AR) and Board Policies (BP) Regarding Instruction

Approval of amended BP 6111 School Calendar; amended AR and BP 6115 Ceremonies And Observances; amended AR and BP 6141.2 Recognition Of Religious Beliefs And Customs; and amended AR and BP 6175 Migrant Education Program ensures the District complies with legislation and recommendations of the California School Boards Association.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve amended Administrative Regulations and Board Policies regarding Instruction.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve amended Administrative Regulations and Board Policies regarding Instruction'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Mariah Santos	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

10.21 Approval of Amended Administrative Regulation (AR) and Board Policies (BP) Regarding Facilities

Approval of amended AR 7111 Evaluating Existing Buildings; amended BP 7140 Architectural And Engineering Services; Amended BP 7212 Mello-Roos Districts; and amended BP 7213 School Facilities Improvement Districts ensures the District complies with legislation and recommendations of the California School Boards Association.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve amended Administrative Regulation and Board Policies regarding Facilities.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve amended Administrative Regulation and Board Policies regarding Facilities'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Mariah Santos	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

10.22 Approval of Amended Board Bylaws (BB) and Amended and Deleted Exhibits (E) regarding Board Bylaws

Approval of amended BB 9320 Meetings and Notices; amended BB 9323.2 Actions by the Board; and amended E 9323.2-E(1) and deleted E 9323.2-E(2) Actions by the Board

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 Bylaws and amended and deleted Exhibits regarding Board Bylaws.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve amended Board Bylaws and amended and deleted Exhibits regarding Board Bylaws'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Mariah Santos	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

11.0 Items pulled from Consent Agenda

11.1 Approval of Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and the City of Azusa

The City of Azusa will provide AUSD students access to summer day camp and swimming lessons for summer expanded learning care to increase student access to activities that promote a healthy, active lifestyle. AUSD has been working with The City of Azusa since 2022.

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

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.**) Moved, Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and the City of Azusa'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **1**. The motion **Carried. 4 - 1**

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	No
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Mariah Santos	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

12.0 General Functions

12.1 Presentation of Social Media Use of Board of Education Members

To view the entire presentation, click here:

https://youtu.be/YIgmGjPzSc?si=hrogUXrBlx_Q9rAt&t=6032

On March 15, 2024, the Supreme Court of the United States issued a decision in O’Connor-Ratcliff v. Garnier, which impacts a school board members' ability to control their social media pages. This case marks a departure from the previous Ninth Circuit Court of Appeal ruling and sets forth a new framework upon which school board members should abide by in managing their social media accounts. Our legal firm, F3, will present details about this new framework and will be available for questions by the Board of Education.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education receive presentation of Social Media Use of Board of Education Members.

12.2 Presentation of Updated Surplus Property Timeline

To view the entire presentation, click here:

<https://youtu.be/YIgmGjPzSc?si=7SIqKY1i6Mmw0csH&t=7026>

Staff will provide an update to the Board of Education on our surplus property timeline. The update will include the most up-to-date information on surplus property and the related action items.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education receive presentation of Updated Surplus Property Timeline.

12.3 Presentation of Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) Safety Supports

To view the entire presentation, click here:

<https://youtu.be/YIgmGjPzSc?si=7SIqKY1i6Mmw0csH&t=7026>

AUSD is dedicated to academic achievement and safety for all students. Our District is committed to ensuring student and staff safety in all District schools and facilities.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education receive presentation of AUSD Safety Supports.

13.0 Business and Finance

13.1 Discussion of the Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) Facilities Plan

To view the entire presentation, click here:

<https://youtu.be/YIgmGjPzSc?si=ZgStslaNROaYvEeT&t=11334>

AUSD initiated a Capital Facilities plan spanning over several years that was approved by the Board of Education on May 10, 2022. The primary objective of this plan is to address critical needs that will enhance the educational learning environment for students. It is crucial the Board of Education receives updates on the completed projects, as well as the proposed projects to be completed, and provide feedback. The attached facilities needs and cost worksheet outlines completed projects, those that were previously noted, and newly added ones that are associated with student safety, recommendations, and additional proposed upgrades. It is essential the Board of Education provide feedback on the proposed projects.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education discuss the AUSD Facilities Plan.

Board President Rodriguez-Pena announced that due to Board Bylaws, the Board of Education will have to take a vote to continue the Board of Education meeting past 10:30 pm.

Recommendation: The Board of Education Meeting will extend the meeting past 10:30 pm and end at 10:40 pm.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Adrian Greer**) Moved, Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve extending the meeting past 10:30 pm and ending at 10:40 pm'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Mariah Santos	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

14.0 Human Resources

14.1 Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and Azusa Educators Association (AEA)

This agreement adopts a four by four block schedule for the 2024-2025 school year at Azusa High School. The parties agreed to adjust the 2024-2025 student calendar to balance the number of days in each semester at Azusa High School. Further, the parties agreed to monitor the progress of the block schedule throughout the fall semester to determine if the block schedule will continue for the 2025-2026 school year.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve MOU between AUSD and AEA.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve MOU between AUSD and AEA'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Mariah Santos	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

14.2 Approval of Resolution #23-24:31 Decrease the Number of Certificated Employees

The District finds it necessary to reduce or discontinue Certificated Particular Kinds of Services. The resolution is authorized by Education Code sections 44949 and 44955 for certificated employees. A written notice to the employee was delivered on or before March 15, 2024.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve Resolution #23-24:31 Decrease the Number of Certificated Employees.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Adrian Greer**) Moved, Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve Resolution #23-24:31 Decrease the Number of Certificated Employees'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Mariah Santos	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

15.0 Adjournment

15.1 Adjournment

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

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) 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: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0**

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

The Regular Board of Education Meeting adjourned at 10:40 pm.

Clerk