AZUSA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, October 18, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

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

To view the entire meeting, click here: https://youtu.be/kss3IHJuwS8

1.0 Preliminary

A) Call to Order

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

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 closed session agenda items. When the public wishes to address the Board 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 will take blue card requests first, followed in order by speakers at the podium and then those in the Zoom attendance.

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

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

4.0 Open Session

Board President, Adrian Greer, called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

4.1 Flag Salute

Sophia Rodriguez, a Murray Elementary School student, led the audience in the flag salute.

4.2 Roll Call

It is recommended the Board President take roll call.

THE FOLLOWING BOARD MEMBERS WERE PRESENT:

BOARD Gabriela Arellanes **MEMBERS:** Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.

Adrian Greer

Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña

Natalie De La Cruz, Student Board Member

4.3 Approval of Agenda

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

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (Gabriela Arellanes) Moved, Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve the agenda order and content'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 4 - 0

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

Natalie De La Cruz Yes (Preferential Vote)

5.0 Report/Action of Closed Session Matters

6.0 Recognition and Awards

6.1 Recognition of Student Board Member, Natalie De La Cruz

To view the entire recognition click here: https://youtu.be/kss3IHJuwS8?t=193
The Board of Education will present a certificate to Natalie De La Cruz, Azusa High School student, for her outstanding service as the in-person Student Board Member on the Azusa Unified School District Board of Education.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education recognize Natalie De La Cruz.

7.0 Items from the Floor/Public Comment on Agenda or Non-Agenda Items

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Harold Ussery

To view the entire comments click here: https://youtu.be/kss3IHJuwS8?t=767

- Introduced himself as a middle school teacher at Azusa Unified School District since 1989
- Requested the Board of Education to direct the District office to be more transparent regarding the set-up of the new Gladstone Middle School

Selisa Loeza

To view the entire comments click here: https://youtu.be/kss3IHJuwS8?t=966

- Thanked Superintendent Ortega and Board Member Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña for attending the Hodge Elementary School fundraiser at Pressed Flower Coffee Boutique
- Asked:
 - If the future history curriculum will address diversity, equity, and inclusion
 - o Would GATE include an art opportunity

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

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Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña

To view the entire comments click here: https://youtu.be/kss3IHJuwS8?t=1088

- Attended:
 - o Report Card Night at Center, Foothill, and Slauson Middle Schools
 - o The Old School House relocation event
 - o Azusa High School Career Technology Education Program
- Thanked:
 - o Natalie De La Cruz for her contribution as a Student Board Member
 - Senator Susan Rubio and Assemblywoman Blanca Rubio for helping fund the Old School House project

Sabrina Bow Ed.D.

To view the entire comments click here: https://youtu.be/kss3IHJuwS8?t=1258

- Attended the Old School House relocation event
- Helped organize a Halloween costume donation drive

Gabriela Arellanes

To view the entire comments click here: https://youtu.be/kss3IHJuwS8?t=1319

 Attended the Old School House relocation event and thanked Jeffrey Cornejo, Mayor Robert Gonzales, Senator Susan Rubio, and Assemblywoman Blanca Rubio for their contribution

Adrian Greer

To view the entire comments click here: https://youtu.be/kss3IHJuwS8?t=1527

- Thanked Board Member Rodriguez-Peña, Superintendent Ortega, Mayor Robert Gonzales, City Manager Sergio Gonzalez, Council Member Eddie Alvarez, and former Board Members for their contribution as part of the ad-hoc committee to relocate the Old School House
- Submitted an application to fill the seat in Trustee Area 1

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

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Natalie De La Cruz

To view the entire comments click here: https://youtu.be/kss3IHJuwS8?t=1859

- Announced:
 - The combined Azusa and Gladstone High School bands placed third in the Field Show competition at Rowland High School
 - o Azusa's Varsity Volleyball team placed first in the Montview League
 - Congratulated Athziri Reyes who was awarded the LA Women in Transportation Scholarship

Carolina Dominguez

To view the entire comments click here: https://youtu.be/kss3IHJuwS8?t=1958

- Announced:
 - Mr. Perdomo would like to thank Superintendent Ortega for his presentation at the Gladstone High School Coffee with the Principal meeting
 - o Financial Aid night on October 18 & 20, 2022, in the library

Dafne Pineda

To view the entire comments click here: https://youtu.be/kss3IHJuwS8?t=2026

- Announced:
 - o The annual Senior Sunrise at the end of October
 - Coffee with the Principal on October 11, 2022, at 5:30 pm in the Multipurpose Room

Arturo Ortega

To view the entire comments click here: https://youtu.be/kss3IHJuwS8?t=2075

• Announced:

- o A successful engaging Student Advisory Council meeting last week
- o The first Azusa High School Mascot Committee meeting was last Monday and the next meeting will be on Monday, October 24, 2022

Jorge Ronquillo

To view the entire comments click here: https://youtu.be/kss3IHJuwS8?t=2271

- Attended:
 - o Foothill Middle School's Report Card Night
 - o The Old School House relocation event

Latasha D. Jamal

To view the entire comments click here: https://youtu.be/kss3IHJuwS8?t=2306

- Announced:
 - The completion of the Business Department's first Listening Meeting with principals
 - o The kick-off of the security camera roll out meeting with site principals

Norma Carvajal-Camacho

To view the entire comments click here: https://youtu.be/kss3IHJuwS8?t=2357

- Reminded the community about Think Together's annual "Light's on After School" celebration on Wednesday, October 19, 2022, at 4:30 p.m. at Paramount Elementary School
- Attended Slauson Middle School's Report Card Night

10.0 General Functions

10.1 Presentation of One-Time Funds, Ongoing Funds, Carryover Funds, and Projected Expenditures

To view the entire presentation click here:

It's important the Board of Education receive an update regarding one-time funds, ongoing funds, carryover funds, and projected expenditures.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education receive presentation of one-time funds, ongoing funds, carryover funds, and projected expenditures.

11.0 Consent Calendar

11.1 Approval of Consent Calendar

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar 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 Member. If a Board Member requests discussion, that item will be removed from Consent Calendar and considered separately.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve all Consent Calendar agenda items.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Gabriela Arellanes) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve all Consent Calendar agenda items'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 4 - 0

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

Natalie De La Cruz Yes (Preferential Vote)

A) General Functions

11.2 Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on October 11, 2022

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 the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on October 11, 2022.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Gabriela Arellanes) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on October 11, 2022'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 4 - 0

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

Natalie De La Cruz Yes (Preferential Vote)

11.3 Approval of Resolution #22-23:10, A Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Azusa Unified School District Proclaiming a Local Emergency, Ratifying the Proclamation of a State of Emergency by Governor Newsom Dated March 4, 2020, and Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings for the Period of October 19, 2022, Through November 19, 2022

All meetings of the Azusa Unified School District's Board of Education are open and public, as required by the Ralph M. Brown Act (Cal. Gov. Code 54950 – 54963), so that any member of the public may attend, participate, and watch the Board of Education conduct their business.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve Resolution #22-23:10, A Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Azusa Unified School District Proclaiming a Local Emergency, Ratifying the Proclamation of a State of Emergency by Governor Newsom Dated March 4, 2020, and Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings for the Period of October 19, 2022, Through November 19, 2022.

ORIGINAL - Motion

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Gabriela Arellanes Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes
Adrian Greer Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes
Natalie De La Cruz Yes (Preferential Vote)

B) Business and Finance

11.4 Ratification/Approval of Purchase Orders and Warrants

All purchase orders and warrants are in accordance with the budget guidelines for the 2022-2023 school year.

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

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Gabriela Arellanes) 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

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

Natalie De La Cruz Yes (Preferential Vote)

11.5 Approval and Acceptance of Donations

The students and faculty will benefit greatly from these donations.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve and accept these donations.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Gabriela Arellanes) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve and accept these donations'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 4 - 0

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

Natalie De La Cruz Yes (Preferential Vote)

C) Curriculum and Instruction

11.6 Ratification/Approval of Consultant Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and Kelly Preite

Kelly Preite will provide physical therapy services to meet the requirement of students' Individual Education Plans. The consultant has provided this service to AUSD since 2010.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education ratify/approve Consultant Agreement between AUSD and Kelly Preite.

ORIGINAL - Motion

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

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

Natalie De La Cruz Yes (Preferential Vote)

11.7 Approval of Azusa High School (AHS) and Gladstone High School's (GHS) Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) College Bound Field Trip

All 11th and 12th grade AHS and GHS AVID students will visit colleges in Northern California. The field trip will expose students to different colleges that are within a reasonable geographic area. Students will experience campus life, listen to lectures, take campus tours, receive information regarding academic expectations, experience going away to college and receive information on financial aid and the Equal Opportunity Program. The field trip to UC Santa Barbara, San Jose University and UC Berkeley will occur November 28-30, 2022. A teacher and three additional chaperones will be making the trip to Northern California with 50 students. The trip requires the Board of Education's approval because it exceeds the Azusa Unified School District's sixty mile limit and requires overnight accommodations.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve AHS and GHS's AVID College Bound Field Trip.

ORIGINAL - Motion

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

AHS and GHS's AVID College Bound Field Trip'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 4 - 0

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

Natalie De La Cruz Yes (Preferential Vote)

D) Human Resources

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

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

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

ORIGINAL - Motion

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

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

Natalie De La Cruz Yes (Preferential Vote)

12.0 Items pulled from Consent Calendar

12.1 Approval of Contracted Services Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and Mobile Ed Productions, Inc.

The mobile STEAM Museum (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) will come to Ellington and students will experience science and other activities through different hands-on workstations that expose students to high-tech fields of study. Mobile Ed has been visiting AUSD's schools since 2019.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve contracted services agreement between AUSD and Mobile Ed Productions, Inc.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Gabriela Arellanes) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve contracted services agreement between AUSD and Mobile Ed Productions, Inc'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 4 - 0

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

Natalie De La Cruz Yes (Preferential Vote)

13.0 Business and Finance

13.1 Approval of Amendment No. 1 to Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE)

In order for LACOE to complete the implementation of the Business Enhancement System Transformation (BEST) System, additional funding from each District has been requested to assist with funding the entire implementation. The original MOU was entered into on December 9, 2016. The projected cost increase, per LACOE, will be divided between LACOE and the Districts they support. The AUSD increase is \$298,255.63. LACOE has offered the following payment options: A. Twelve (12) quarterly payments beginning in Fiscal Year 2022-2023; or B. Twelve (12) quarterly payments beginning in Fiscal Year 2023-2024; or C. One payment of \$283,342.89, reflecting a 5% discount, before 12/31/2022 Staff recommends option C, one payment of \$283,342.89, reflecting a 5% discount. BEST is a county-wide financial system maintained by LACOE and considered the District's official financial books. This is the system's first year as the District's financial bookkeeping and reporting structure.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve amendment No. 1 to MOU between AUSD and LACOE.

ORIGINAL - Motion

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

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

Natalie De La Cruz Yes (Preferential Vote)

14.0 Curriculum and Instruction

14.1 Approval of Consultant Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and PRIDE Learning Co.

PRIDE Learning Co. will provide support services outlined in students' Individual Education Plans (IEPs) as required by the Individual with Disabilities Education Act. **Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve consultant agreement between AUSD and PRIDE Learning Co.

ORIGINAL - Motion

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

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

Natalie De La Cruz Yes (Preferential Vote)

15.0 Human Resources

15.1 Approval of Tentative Agreement (TA) between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and Azusa Educators Association/CTA/NEA (AEA)

The TA is the result of the collective bargaining process.

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

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Sabrina Bow, Ed.D.) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve the TA between AUSD and AEA'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 3 Nay: 0Abstain: 1. The motion Carried. 3 - 0

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

Natalie De La Cruz Yes (Preferential Vote)

16.0 Policies and Bylaws

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

First reading of amended AR 4118, 4218, new BP 4118 and amended BP 4218 Dismissal Suspension Disciplinary Action; amended BP 4119.1, 4219.1 and 4319.1 Civil and Legal Rights; amended BP 4140, 4240 and 4340 Bargaining Units; amended AR 4161.2, 4261.2 and 4361.2 Personal Leaves; new AR 4161.5, 4261.5 and 4361.5 Military Leave; amended BP 4216 Probationary Permanent Status 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 Personnel.

16.2 First Reading of Deleted Administrative Regulation (AR) and Amended Board Policies (BP) and Administrative Regulations Regarding Instruction

First reading of amended BP and deleted AR 6146.1 High School Graduation Requirements; amended AR and BP 6158 Independent Study; amended BP 6164.2 Guidance Counseling Services; amended AR and BP 6178 Career Technical Education and AR and BP 6200 Adult Education 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 deleted Administrative Regulation and amended Board Policies and Administrative Regulations regarding Instruction.

16.3 First Reading of Amended Administrative Regulation (AR) and Board Policies (BP) Regarding Facilities

First reading of amended BP 7110 Facilities Master Plan; amended AR and BP 7150 Site Inspection and Development 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 Facilities.

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

First reading of amended BB 9100 Organization ensures the District complies with legislation and recommendations of the California School Boards Association.

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

17.0 Adjournment

17.1 Adjournment

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

ORIGINAL - Motion

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

Gabriela Arellanes Yes
Sabrina Bow, Ed.D. Yes
Adrian Greer Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes
Natalie De La Cruz Yes (Preferential Vote)

The Regular Board meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Clerk		