



SOUTH WHITTIER SCHOOL DISTRICT
11200 TELECHRON AVE.
WHITTIER, CA 90605

Board of Trustees Regular Board Meeting

March 9, 2021

Zoom Meeting – Video Conference

4:30 PM

Join Via Computer (Link Below) / Smartphone (Zoom App) / Tablet (Zoom App):

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Mission and Vision

The South Whittier School District holds students and staff to rigorous standards in order to prepare every scholar for 21st Century success in college and the workforce, within a safe and supportive environment.

Our students are challenged to reach their full potential and develop their curiosity and thirst for discovery.

Our district celebrates our families' diverse traditions, cultures, and languages as foundations for learning.

AGENDA

1. PRELIMINARY

1.1. Call to Order.

1.2. Roll Call:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Jan Baird, President

Natalia Barajas, Vice President

Deborah Pacheco, Clerk

Sylvia V. Macias, Member

Elias Alvarado, Member

ADMINISTRATORS:

Dr. Gary Gonzales, Superintendent

Martha Mestanza-Rojas, Associate Superintendent of Educational Services

Dr. Marti Tienda-Ayala, Associate Superintendent, Human Resources

Geta Woldie, Interim Chief Business Officer

STAFF:

Kurby Flores, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

2. CLOSED SESSION (4:30PM – 5:50PM)

The Board may be required to adjourn to closed session for discussion on matters of personnel, security, negotiations, student discipline, litigation and other matters as authorized by Government Code Sections 3459.1, 54956.6, 54956.8, 54957 and 54957.6 and Education Code Sections 35146 and 48914.

2.1. Conference with Agency Labor Negotiators: South Whittier Teachers Association and California School Employees Association. Agency Negotiators: Dr. Gary Gonzales, Dr. Marti Tienda-Ayala, Martha Mestanza-Rojas, Geta Woldie (**Government Codes Section 3549.1 and 54957.6**)

2.2. Classified - Public Employee Appointment/Employment/Evaluation

2.3. Classified - Public Employee Dismissal/Release/Discipline/Transfers/Reassignments/Retirement

2.4. Certificated - Public Employee Appointment/Employment/Evaluation

2.5. Certificated - Public Employee Dismissal/Release/Discipline/Transfers/Reassignments/Retirement

3. OPEN SESSION (6:00PM)

3.1. Pledge of Allegiance

3.2. Mission and Vision

3.3. Report on Closed Session Items

The Superintendent will report related to any action taken in closed session.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Superintendent recommends approval of the March 9, 2021 Agenda as presented.

Motion: ____ Seconded: ____ VOTE: YES ____ NO ____ Abstain ____ Absent ____

5. REPORTS

5.1. AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS: Above & Beyond

5.2. AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS: Boys & Girls Club of Whittier

6. COMMENTS BY TRUSTEES

This item is provided as an opportunity for Trustees to report regarding District related topics.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

During this time, Members of the public may without arrangement, make representations to address the Board on matter related to agenda and non-agenda items. A total of 21 minutes are provided so members of the public can address the Board. Unless otherwise determined by the Board, speakers are limited to three (3) minutes. If you wish to address the Board of Trustees, please complete and submit the online Google Form, "SWSD - Request to Address the Board", located on our website: www.swhittier.net. The Superintendent may refer the matter to the proper department for review.

8. CONSENT

At each meeting, the Board approves a group of routine action items typically referred to as the Consent Agenda. They will be acted on by the Board as one item. Items may be pulled and acted on individually. If any Board member or the Superintendent requests that an item be removed from the Consent Agenda, it will be taken up in the order indicated on the Agenda.

The Superintendent recommends the Board of Trustees review and approve Consent agenda items 8.1 through 8.6 as presented.

Motion: ____ Seconded: ____ VOTE: YES ____ NO ____ Abstain ____ Absent ____

8.1. Approval of Minutes – February 16, 2021 Regular Board Meeting

8.2. Purchase Order List # 9

8.3. Contract/Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) List # 12 (FY 2020-21)

The attached contract list summarizes each contract by providing the contract number, name of the contractor, a description of the service, the duration of the contract, and the cost.

8.4. Travel and Conference Report # 8

8.5. Acceptance of Donations

Donor	Description	Purpose	Amount/Value
Assistance League of Whittier	105 Child Hygiene Kits	To be distributed to Homeless & Foster Students	\$813.75
Lifetouch	Refund	Any Educational Purpose	\$22.22
Lifetouch	Refund	Any Educational Purpose	\$95.00

8.6. Express Voucher Report February 1, 2021 to February 28, 2021

9. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION TO THE BOARD

No written communication submitted to the Board for this agenda

10. GOVERNING BOARD

10.1. Recommendation to the Board from 7-11 Committee

The Superintendent recommends the Board of Trustees approve the recommendation from the 7-11 Committee as presented.

Motion: ____ Seconded: ____ VOTE: YES ____ NO ____ Abstain ____ Absent ____

10.2. Proposal to Reopen Schools

The proposal to reopen school would include the following:

Week of March 15th: Staff transitions back to sites for preparation & professional development on students returning.

Week of March 22nd: Spring Break.

Week of March 29th: EL students return for ELPAC testing, K students return for transition time.

Week of April 5th: April 5th is a local holiday. April 6th TK-6 students return for hybrid model.

The Superintendent recommends the Board of Trustees approve the proposal to reopen schools as presented.

Motion: ____ Seconded: ____ VOTE: YES ____ NO ____ Abstain ____ Absent ____

11. REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF BOARD POLICIES, ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS, AND BOARD BYLAWS (SECOND READING)

The Board of Trustees will conduct a Second reading and possible approval of the following proposed Board Policies and Administrative Regulations agenda items 11.1 through 11.2. The Superintendent recommends the Board of Trustees review and approve the Board policies and Administrative Regulations as presented.

Motion: ____ Seconded: ____ VOTE: YES ____ NO ____ Abstain ____ Absent ____

11.1. BP 6142.6 Visual and Performing Arts Education (SECOND READING)

11.2. AR 6143 Courses of Study (SECOND READING)

12. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

The Superintendent recommends the Board of Trustees approve Educational Services agenda items 12.3 and 12.4 as presented.

Motion: ____ Seconded: ____ VOTE: YES ____ NO ____ Abstain ____ Absent ____

12.1. PRESENTATION: GMS Phase II Re-Opening Plan

12.2. PRESENTATION: 2020-2021 Local Control and Accountability Plan

12.3. Adoption of the Los Angeles County Plan for Expelled Students

Section 48926 of the California Education Code requires the County Superintendent of Schools, in conjunction with superintendents of the school districts within the County, to develop a plan for providing services to expelled pupils. The county-wide plan shall:

- Enumerate existing educational alternatives
- Identify gaps in educational services
- Identify plans for filling those service gaps and
- Identify alternative placements for pupils who are expelled and placed in district community day school programs, but who fail to meet the terms and conditions of their required rehabilitation plan or who pose a danger to other district pupils, as determined by the governing board.

Local governing boards are asked to accept and acknowledge a basic plan to address the needs of all expelled students in Los Angeles County, as required by Education Code Section 48926.

The Superintendent recommends that the Board adopt the Los Angeles County Plan for Expelled Pupils (triennial update).

12.4. 2020-21 Comprehensive School Safety Plans

Staff members and the School Site Councils at each of our schools have reviewed, updated, and approved, their Comprehensive School Safety Plans to ensure that they reflect current laws, ed. code regulations, district policies, administrative regulations and site practices. The Comprehensive School Safety Plans can be found on the District website, www.swhittier.net, on the Business Services page under School Safety.

The Superintendent recommends acceptance of the 2020-21 Comprehensive School Safety Plans for Carmela Elementary, Lake Marie Elementary, Monte Vista School, Loma Vista Elementary, Los Altos Elementary, McKibben Elementary, and Graves Middle School as presented.

12.5. California Healthy Youth Act – Informational Item

13. BUSINESS SERVICES

The Superintendent recommends the Board of Trustees approve Business Services agenda item 13.2 as presented.

Motion: ____ Seconded: ____ VOTE: YES ____ NO ____ Abstain ____ Absent ____

13.1. PRESENTATION: 2020-2021 Second Interim Report

13.2. 2020-2021 Second Interim Report

14. BOND MEASURE QS

The Superintendent recommends the Board of Trustees approve Bond Measure QS agenda items 14.1 through 14.2 as presented.

Motion: ____ Seconded: ____ VOTE: YES ____ NO ____ Abstain ____ Absent ____

14.1. Purchase Order List # 8 (Bond)

14.2. Contract/Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) List # 1 (Bond)

15. HUMAN RESOURCES

The Superintendent recommends the Board of Trustees review and approve Human Resources agenda items 15.1 through 15.4 as presented.

Motion: ____ Seconded: ____ VOTE: YES ____ NO ____ Abstain ____ Absent ____

15.1. Classified Personnel Report # 10

15.2. Certificated Personnel Report # 10

15.3. Resolution No. 20-21-020: Non-Reelection of Probationary Employees

15.4. Resolution No. 20-21-022: Reduction or Elimination of Particular Kinds of Services

16. BOARD OF TRUSTEES DISCUSSION GUIDE FOR FUTURE RECOMMENDATIONS

17. ADJOURNMENT

Unless otherwise posted, the next regularly scheduled meeting will be held

April 20, 2021 at 4:00 PM

Via Zoom Conference