



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

Board of Trustees Regular Board Meeting

April 16, 2024

District Office Board Room & Zoom Meeting Video Conference
4:30 PM

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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:

Sylvia V. Macias, President

Jan Baird, Vice President

Francisco Santana, Clerk

Dr. Natalia Barajas, Member

Elias Alvarado, Member

ADMINISTRATORS:

Dr. Gary Gonzales, Superintendent

Dr. Rebecca Rodriguez, Associate Superintendent of Educational Services

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

Aubrey Craig, Associate Superintendent, Business Services

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, Dr. Rebecca Rodriguez, Aubrey Craig (**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
- 2.6. Consideration of Student Discipline:** Pursuant to Education Code Section 48900(a)(1), 48900.4(Action). Report No. 23-24-02
- 2.7. Consideration of Reinstatement of Expelled Student** (Ed Code 48900(c), 48900(c)(d), 48915(c) - Reinstatement Report No. 23-24-02
- 2.8. Superintendent's Evaluation**

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 April 16, 2024 Agenda as presented.

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

5. COMMENTS BY TRUSTEES

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

6. REPORTS

- 6.1. PRESENTATION: Dual Immersion Program**
- 6.2. PRESENTATION: Student Achievement Report**

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 the form, "Request to Address the Board", located at the sign-in table, and present to the Executive Secretary to the Superintendent. The Superintendent may refer the matter to the proper department for review.

8. CONSENT

The Superintendent recommends the Board of Trustees review and approve Consent agenda items 8.1 through 8.8 as presented.

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____ VOTE: YES ___ NO ___ Abstain ___ Absent _____

8.1. Approval of Minutes – March 5, 2024 Regular Board Meeting

8.2. Purchase Order List # 10

8.3. Contract/Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) List # 14

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. Contract/Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) List # 1 (24-25 SY)

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.

8.5. Field Trip Report # 8

8.6. Travel and Conference Report # 8

8.7. Acceptance of Donations

8.8. Express Voucher Report March 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024

9. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION TO THE BOARD

No items submitted for this section of the agenda.

10. GOVERNING BOARD

10.1. Resolution No. 23-24-018: Order Biennial Governing Board Election

The Superintendent recommends that the Board of Trustees review and approve Resolution No. 23-24-018: Order Biennial Governing Board Election as presented.

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____ VOTE: Yes _____ No: _____ Abstain: _____ Absent: _____

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

The following Board Policies, Administrative Regulations, and Board Bylaws are submitted to the Board for a first reading and review. All questions and/or recommendations for additions or revisions should be directed to the Superintendent prior to the next Board meeting.

11.1. BP 4112.21 Interns (FIRST READING)

11.2. AR 4112.21 Interns (FIRST READING)

11.3. AR 4112.4 Health Examinations (FIRST READING)

11.4. AR 4112.5 Criminal Record Check (FIRST READING)

11.5. Exhibit 4112.5-E Criminal Record (FIRST READING)

12. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

The Superintendent recommends the Board of Trustees approve Educational Services agenda items 12.1 through 12.3 as presented.

Motion: ___ Seconded: ___ VOTE: Yes ___ No ___ Abstain: ___ Absent: ___

12.1. 2023-2024 Williams Quarterly Report on Uniform Complaints - Quarter 3

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

Section 48926 of the California Education Code (EC) 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.

EC § 48926 also requires local governing boards to adopt the basic plan to address the needs of all expelled students in Los Angeles County.

12.3. Prop 28 Arts & Music Executive Summary

13. BUSINESS SERVICES

The Superintendent recommends the Board of Trustees approve Business Services agenda item 13.1 as presented.

Motion: ___ Seconded: ___ VOTE: Yes ___ No ___ Abstain: ___ Absent: ___

13.1. Appointment of District Employee Gurmeet Jandu, Director of Fiscal Services, to serve as an Alternate on the Listed Committees

The Superintendent recommends approval of the appointment of Gurmeet Jandu, Director of Fiscal Services, to serve as an alternate on the following committees:

- Pupil Transportation Cooperative (PTC)
- Whittier Area Self Insurance Authority (WASIA)
- Whittier Area Liability and Property Self Insurance Authority (WALPSIA)

14. BOND MEASURE QS

The Superintendent recommends the Board of Trustees approve Business Services agenda item 14.1 as presented.

Motion: ___ Seconded: ___ VOTE: Yes ___ No ___ Abstain: ___ Absent: ___

14.1. Purchase Order List # 10 (Bond)

15. BOND MEASURE K

Background: Measure K was approved at the election held on March 5, 2024. State law requires that the Board adopt a resolution formally entering the successful results in District Board minutes, and approve Bylaws governing a citizen oversight committee, consistent with Measure QS of 2016.

The second Resolution presented to the Board for consideration authorizes the issuance of a first series of bonds in the amount of \$12 million pursuant to Measure K to commence voter-approved projects. The Resolution authorizes the bonds to be issued as current interest bonds (no capital appreciation bonds), with maturities and interest rates within legal limitations. Appendix B of the Resolution summarizes certain current expectations about the financing, in accordance with Senate Bill 450. The Resolution authorizes the investment banking firm of Raymond James to underwrite all of the bonds on a negotiated basis under the terms of a Bond Purchase Agreement. The Resolution authorizes staff to work with the financing team to complete all other related documentation to accomplish the financing within all required legal parameters. The issuance of the Bonds will be in accordance with the Board's Debt Management Policy BP 3470.

Documents Authorized (Attachments): The Resolution authorizes District staff to proceed with the financing and, with the assistance of the District's financing professionals, bring into final form and execute all necessary documentation, including the Bond Purchase Agreement and the Preliminary Official Statement (POS), which serves as the disclosure document for potential bond investors to review and is required to contain all material information about the District and the Bonds. The team, working with the District, will ensure that potential investors are provided with all material information to make an informed investment decision in the bonds, in accordance with securities laws standards. If Board members have any comments on the draft documents on file they should be submitted to District staff for consideration by legal counsel.

Financial Impact: GO Bonds are repaid by property tax collections. Proceeds will provide funding for voter-approved projects. No impact to general fund. Issuance costs will be paid from the proceeds of the bonds.

Adopt Resolutions relating to Measure K Certifying results and Regarding Citizen Bond Oversight Bylaws, and Authorizing the Issuance of Series A Bonds in the amount of \$12,000,000.

The Superintendent recommends the Board of Trustees approve Bond Measure K agenda items 15.1 through 15.2 as presented.

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____ VOTE: Yes _____ No: _____ Abstain: _____ Absent: _____

- 15.1. Resolution No. 23-24-019: Resolution Certifying To the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County all Proceedings in the March 5, 2024 General Obligation Bond Election (Measure K) and Establishing Citizens' Oversight for Measure K Bond Expenditures and Amending Bylaws**
- 15.2. Resolution No. 23-24-020: Resolution of the Board of Education of the South Whittier School District Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of General Obligation Bonds, Election of 2024, Series A, in the Aggregate Principal Amount of not to exceed \$12,000,000, and Approving Related Documents and Actions Including Forms of Bond Purchase Agreement and Official Statement**

16. HUMAN RESOURCES

The Superintendent recommends the Board of Trustees review and approve Human Resources agenda items 16.1 through 16.9 as presented.

Motion: _____ Seconded: _____ VOTE: YES ___ NO ___ Abstain ___ Absent _____

- 16.1. Classified Personnel Report # 10**
- 16.2. Certificated Personnel Report # 10**
- 16.3. Resolution No. 23-24-016: Day of the Teacher**
- 16.4. Resolution No. 23-24-017: Classified Employee Week**
- 16.5. 2024-2025 Academic Calendar**
- 16.6. 2024-2025 Classified Calendar**
- 16.7. 2023-2024 Salary Schedule – Substitutes**
- 16.8. 2023-2024 Salary Schedule 3 – Classified**
- 16.9. 2023-2024 Salary Schedule 8 - Classified Bilingual**

17. BOARD OF TRUSTEES DISCUSSION GUIDE FOR FUTURE RECOMMENDATIONS

18. ADJOURNMENT

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

May 14, 2024 at 4:30 PM

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& Via Zoom Conference