

# CAMBRIAN SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

December 14, 2023

## 1. CALL TO ORDER CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

The president called the Governing Board of Trustees Closed Session to order in the Cambrian Professional Development Center at 6:00 p.m.

- 2. **CLOSED SESSION:** The Board convened in Closed Session to discuss the following:
  - 2.1 Potential Litigation (Govt Code 54956.9(a))-one case
  - 2.2 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (Govt Code 54957)
  - 2.3 Personnel, Unrepresented Management, Supervisory and Confidential Employees (Govt Code 54957)
  - 2.4 Collective Bargaining Session (Govt Code 3549.1 (d)): Cambrian District Teachers Association
  - 2.5 Collective Bargaining Session (Govt Code 3549.1 (d)): California School Employees Association Local 641

## 3. CALL TO ORDER REGULAR BOARD MEETING - 7:00 P.M.

3.1 The president called the regular meeting of the Governing Board of Trustees to order in the Cambrian Professional Development Center at 7:00 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mrs. Janet Gillis, President

Mr. Jarod Middleton, Vice President

Mrs. Carol Presunka, Clerk Mrs. Beth Erickson, Member Mr. Nick Villalobos, Member

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Ms. Kristi Schwiebert, Superintendent

Mrs. Natalie Gioco, Asst. Supt., Personnel Services Ms. Carlena Grandey, Admin. Asst. to Superintendent Mr. Linh Nguyen, Asst. Supt., Educational Services Mr. John Pappalardo, Chief Financial Officer

Mr. Mujtaba Rauf, Director of Information Technology

3.2 Report out of Closed Session

There was nothing to report out from Closed Session.

# 4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Students of the Month led the Pledge of Allegiance.

# 5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

**ACTION:** On a motion by Trustee Villalobos, seconded by Trustee Middleton, the Board adopted the December 14, 2023, agenda. Motion **CARRIED** 5-0

Erickson-Yes; Gillis-Yes; Middleton-Yes; Presunka-Yes; Villalobos-Yes

## 6. CONSENT AGENDA

**ACTION:** On a motion by Trustee Presunka, seconded by Trustee Erickson, the Board adopted the Consent Agenda Items as follows:

- 6.2 Approved the Personnel Report
- 6.3 Approved the Audit Extension from December 15, 2023 to January 31, 2024

6.4 Approved the Annual Out of the County and Overnight Field Trip: Price Percussion Ensemble to Temecula, California

Motion **CARRIED** 5-0

Erickson-Yes; Gillis-Yes; Middleton-Yes; Presunka-Yes; Villalobos-Yes

#### 7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 7.1 Board President Gillis announced that all school sites will be closed for winter break beginning Thursday, December 21 through Wednesday, January 3, 2024. Classes will resume for students on Thursday, January 4, 2024.
- 7.2 Superintendent Schwiebert gave a shout out to the Science Curriculum Adoption Committee. She appreciates all their extra time and work to pilot different science curriculum to better meet the needs of our students. Superintendent Schwiebert also thanked Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services, Mr. Linh Nguyen, for his continued dedication to students and staff.

Superintendent Schwiebert shared that she recently attended Cambrian's Local Control Accountability Plan meeting. It was a collaborative meeting to review and make changes to our Local Control Accountability and Strategic Plan to better meet the needs of our students.

Superintendent Schwiebert thanked Mrs. Nicole Perotti and Ms. Abrielle Parker for organizing the annual Special Olympic events at Bagby Elementary School. It is an amazing event that celebrates the inclusivity of our diverse school community.

Superintendent Schwiebert wished everyone a Happy Holiday and Happy New Year.

## 8. RECOGNITIONS

8.1 Good Apple: Individuals who have gone "the extra mile" for the students of our District were recognized by the Board for their hard work and dedication. Board President Gillis presented them with Good Apple Awards and lapel pins while Superintendent Schwiebert shared with the audience why the individuals were receiving the Good Apple award and thanked them for the support they have provided to our students and district. The recipients were:

Joelle Erich, Fammatre Jamie Taylor, Farnham Nina Le, Price Amber Tanger, Price Nathan Chang, Sartorette Yidam Park, Sartorette Alexandra Miller, Steindorf Nayan Patel, Steindorf Andrew Veggian, Steindorf Cat Burmeister, Steindorf Christine Medower, Steindorf Sarah Howard, Steindorf Supriya Molina Wunsh, Steindorf Tim Claes, Steindorf Anne Mamaghani, Steindorf

8.2 <u>Students of the Month</u>: Students of the Month were recognized for being exemplary students. Superintendent Schwiebert read commendations from each student's teacher and Board members presented certificates to their buddy school students. The Students of the Month were:

Matthew Gimenez, Bagby Kensley McDonald, Fammatre Evelyn Lee, Farnham Matthew Olah, Price Dominic Cimorelli, Price Olive Tran, Sartorette Ira Samal, Steindorf

## 9. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dawn Suiter, community member and former Cambrian parent, voiced her concerns regarding the curriculum for the 5<sup>th</sup> grade Health and Puberty Talk.

Charlotte Kinzel, community member and former Cambrian grandparent, also expressed her concerns regarding the District's chosen curriculum for the 5<sup>th</sup> grade Health and Puberty Talk.

Tim Claes, Cambrian Parent, encouraged families to walk or roll to school.

#### 10. INFORMATION AND STUDY ITEM

10.1 Measure R: Change Orders 1, 3A, and 2D - Modular Classroom Projects: Ms. Cheryl Demeyer from RGM Kramer Inc., presented the change orders in connection with the replacement the oldest portables located at Fammatre, Farnham, Sartorette, and Price Middle School.

**ACTION:** On a motion by Trustee Gillis, seconded by Trustee Presunka, the Board ratified the three (3) necessary change orders, 1, 3A, and 2D, in connection with the Modular Classroom Projects. Motion **CARRIED** 5-0

Erickson-Yes; Gillis-Yes; Middleton-Yes; Presunka-Yes; Villalobos-Yes

10.2 Out of State and Overnight Field Trip: Price Percussion Ensemble to Dayton, Ohio: Mrs. Catherine Lorigan presented the proposed field trip for Price Middle School's Percussion Ensemble to defend their 2019 title and participate in the Winter Guard International World Championship, April 16-21, 2024, in Dayton, Ohio.

**ACTION:** On a motion by Trustee Middleton, seconded by Trustee Presunka, the Board approved the overnight and out of county field trip for Price Percussion Ensemble from Tuesday, April 16, to Saturday, April 21, 2024, in Dayton, Ohio. Motion **CARRIED** 4-0

Erickson-Obstained; Gillis-Yes; Middleton-Yes; Presunka-Yes; Villalobos-Yes

10.3 <u>Budget: First Interim Report 2023-24</u>: Chief Financial Officer, Dr. John Pappalardo, presented the first interim report for Board certification as required by Education Code Sections 35015 and 35035 (g). Dr. Pappalardo shared the general fund assumptions and highlighted the unrestricted and restricted revenues and expenditures. The Board had an opportunity to review the report to ensure the District will be able to meet its financial obligations through June 2024.

**ACTION:** On a motion by Trustee Middleton, seconded by Trustee Villalobos, the Board approved the first Interim Report, found that the District will be able to meet its financial obligations through June 30, 2024, and the two subsequent fiscal years, authorized the Board President to certify and file a "positive" financial certification statement with the Santa Clara Office of Education, and, approved the planning to replace consultants with employees in the area of Speech-Language Pathology (SLP) and Occupational Therapist (OT) positions. Motion **CARRIED** 5-0

Erickson-Yes; Gillis-Yes; Middleton-Yes; Presunka-Yes; Villalobos-Yes

10.4 <u>Annual Developer Fees Report 2023</u>: Dr. John Pappalardo, Chief Financial Officer, summarized the revenue and expenditures of money collected through developer fees.

**ACTION:** On a motion by Trustee Middleton, seconded by Trustee Presunka, the Board accepted the report thereby making it available to the public as statutorily required Government Code section 66006. Motion **CARRIED** 5-0

Erickson-Yes; Gillis-Yes; Middleton-Yes; Presunka-Yes; Villalobos-Yes

10.5 <u>Contract Agreement: California School Boards Association Policy Development Workshop</u>: Superintendent Schwiebert presented the contract agreement with the California School Boards Association to conduct a Policy Development Workshop to ensure our District Board Policies, Procedures, and Board Bylaws, complies with state and federal laws. Contract Amount: \$8,200

**ACTION:** On a motion by Trustee Villalobos, seconded by Trustee Erickson, the Board approved the contract agreement with California School Boards Association to conduct a Policy Development Workshop to ensure our District Board Policies, Procedures, and Board Bylaws, complies with state and federal laws. Motion **CARRIED** 5-0

Erickson-Yes; Gillis-Yes; Middleton-Yes; Presunka-Yes; Villalobos-Yes

10.6 <u>Organizational Meeting: Board Calendar for 2024-25</u>: The Board had the opportunity to discuss potential calendar days for the 2024-25 school Board meetings.

**ACTION:** On a motion by Trustee Middleton, seconded by Trustee Villalobos, the Board approved the 2024-25 calendar for the Board of Trustees meetings. Motion **CARRIED** 5-0

Erickson-Yes; Gillis-Yes; Middleton-Yes; Presunka-Yes; Villalobos-Yes

10.7 <u>Organizational Meeting: Election of Board Clerk</u>: The Board had the opportunity to discuss candidates for the Clerk of the Board of Trustees for the 2024 calendar year.

**ACTION:** On a motion by Trustee Presunka, seconded by Trustee Villalobos, the Board elected Mrs. Beth Erickson as Clerk of the Board of Trustees for the year 2024. Motion **CARRIED** 5-0

Erickson-Yes; Gillis-Yes; Middleton-Yes; Presunka-Yes; Villalobos-Yes

10.8 <u>Organizational Meeting: Election of Board Vice President</u>: The Board had the opportunity to discuss candidates for the Vice President of the Board of Trustees for the 2024 calendar year.

**ACTION:** On a motion by Trustee Erickson, seconded by Trustee Gillis, the Board elected Mrs. Carol Presunka, as Vice President of the Board of Trustees for the year 2024. Motion **CARRIED** 5-0

Erickson-Yes; Gillis-Yes; Middleton-Yes; Presunka-Yes; Villalobos-Yes

10.9 <u>Organizational Meeting: Election of Board President</u>: The Board had the opportunity to discuss candidates for the President of the Board of Trustees for the 2024 calendar year.

**ACTION:** On a motion by Trustee Gillis, seconded by Trustee Villalobos, the Board elected Mr. Jarod Middleton as President of the Board of Trustees for the year 2024. Motion **CARRIED** 5-0

Erickson-Yes; Gillis-Yes; Middleton-Yes; Presunka-Yes; Villalobos-Yes

10.10 Organizational Meeting: Naming of a Board Representative for the County Committee Election 2024: President Gillis stated that Education Code § 35023 requires that the governing board of each school district to select one of its members to vote in the 2024 County Committee election.

**ACTION:** On a motion by Trustee Presunka, seconded by Trustee Erickson, the Board selected Mr. Middleton to vote in the election for members of the County Committee on School District Organization in 2024. Motion **CARRIED** 5-0

Erickson-Yes; Gillis-Yes; Middleton-Yes; Presunka-Yes; Villalobos-Yes

- 10.11 <u>Candidates for the Santa Clara County Committee on School District Organization 2024</u>: President Gillis shared that whenever, there is a Santa Clara County Committee election the Cambrian Board is asked for their input and help to identify and encourage qualified candidates to stand for election to the Santa Clara County Committee.
- 10.12 <u>Call for Nominations for California School Board Association's Delegate Assembly for 2023-25</u>: President Gillis stated that the Delegate Assembly is a vital link in the association's governance structure and sets the general policy direction for the association. Delegates ensure that the association promotes the interests of school districts and county offices of education throughout the state

**ACTION:** On a motion by Trustee Erickson, seconded by Trustee Villalobos, the Board choose to nominate a Mrs. Carol Presunka for the California School Board Association's Delegate Assembly for the 2024-26 term. Motion **CARRIED** 5-0

Erickson-Yes; Gillis-Yes; Middleton-Yes; Presunka-Yes; Villalobos-Yes

- 10.13 <u>California School Board Association Governance Team Learning</u>: The Board had an opportunity to share items that they learned during the 2023 California School Board Association Annual Education Conference. Some of the topics they learned about are:
  - Mental health
  - Equity
  - Mediation
  - Legalities and changes in the law

- Making connections with students
- AI technology
- Brown Act
- Chronic Absentee
- 10.14 <u>Potential Future Board Agenda Items (Cambrian Board Policy 9322)</u>: As outlined in Board Policy 9322, the Board members had the opportunity to request an item to be added to a future Board Agenda. No items were brought forward for discussion.

## 11. COMMUNICATIONS

Trustee Presunka shared about how much she enjoys attending the annual CSBA conference. She finds the topics very interesting and it is a wonderful opportunity to get to know her fellow board members better.

Trustee Gillis expressed her thankfulness for being the Board President for 2023. She enjoyed the opportunity and experience.

## 12. CLOSED SESSION

There was no resumption of closed session.

# 13. ADJOURNMENT

**ACTION:** There being no further business, the December 14, 2023, regular meeting of the Governing Board of Trustees was adjourned at 9:20 p.m. on a motion by Trustee Gillis, seconded by Trustee Middleton. Motion **CARRIED** 5-0

Erickson-Yes; Gillis-Yes; Middleton-Yes; Presunka-Yes; Villalobos-Yes

| Respectfully submitted,                            | Approved and ordered entered into the proceedings of the Cambrian School District on January 18, 2024. |  |
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| Kristi Schwiebert Secretary to the Governing Board | Clerk of Governing Board of Trustees   |  |