



Pursuant to Paragraph 3 of Executive Order N-29-20, executed by the Governor of California on March 17, 2020, and the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health Order of the Health Officer Revised Order Issued May 26, 2020 as a response to mitigating the spread of Coronavirus known as COVID-19 and providing direction for moving the county through Stage 2 of California's Pandemic Resilience Roadmap, the Special Board of Education meeting scheduled for Monday, October 19, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. will allow members of the public to participate and address the Board of Education during the open session of the meeting via teleconference as well as a limited number of in person attendees within Pace Training Center on a first come, first served basis.

Public comments may be submitted in person or by email only. Persons who want to comment on agenda topics only are invited to submit comments via email to publiccomment1019@dusd.net by Monday, October 19, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. All public comments will be read into the record at the meeting. Please limit comments to 300 words or less (3 minutes).

Attendees

Voting Members

- Donald LaPlante, Board President
- Tod Corrin, Board Vice President
- D. Mark Morris, Board Clerk
- Giovanna Perez-Saab, Board Member
- Barbara Samperi, Board Member
- Martha Sodetani, Board Member
- Nancy Swenson, Board Member

Non-Voting Members

- Dr. John Garcia, Jr., Superintendent

I. GENERAL BOARD FUNCTIONS

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was Called to Order by Mr. Donald E. LaPlante, President of the Board of Education at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, October 19, 2020, in the Pace Training Center, 9625 Van Ruiten Street, Bellflower, California.

2. FLAG SALUTE

Renewal of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mrs. Martha E. Sodetani, Member of the Board of Education.

3. INVOCATION

Invocation was delivered by Mrs. Barbara R. Samperi, Member of the Board of Education.

4. ROLL CALL

Present

Donald E. LaPlante
Tod M. Corrin
D. Mark Morris
Giovanna Perez-Saab
Barbara R. Samperi
Martha E. Sodetani
Nancy A. Swenson - electronically

John A. Garcia, Jr., Ph.D.

5. ADOPT Agenda #9 for the Special Meeting of the Board of Education held on October 19, 2020.

Motion made by: Tod Corrin

Motion seconded by: Martha Sodetani

Voting:

Donald LaPlante - Yes
Tod Corrin - Yes
D. Mark Morris - Yes
Giovanna Perez-Saab - Yes
Barbara Samperi - Yes
Martha Sodetani - Yes
Nancy Swenson - Yes

6. RECEIVE correspondence and refer it to the proper order of business or to the Superintendent for handling.

There was no correspondence to be received.

II. CLOSED SESSION

The Board of Education retired into Closed Session at 4:05 p.m. to discuss Potential Litigation, Public Employment - Certificated Administration/Classified Management, Discipline/Dismissal/Release, Negotiations and Threat to Public Services or Facilities (Government Code Section 54957), and reconvened into Open Session at 4:40 p.m.

III. GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

1. HEAR Public on items appearing on the Agenda.

Public Comment was submitted via email by Adriana Thomas requesting when planning for the reopening class schedules to please consider working families, noting that half days make daycare more problematic and suggesting Carpenter be considered as a pilot school reopening with limited amount of students.

2. DISCUSS the Return to School plan for the 2020-21 school year.

Discussion was held regarding the Return to School plan and a consensus was made that due to the fact that Los Angeles County is still in the Purple Tier (widespread), reopening in the Hybrid Model on January 4, 2021, is the decision moving forward if Los Angeles County is in the Red Tier at that time.

IV. NEXT MEETING

The meeting was recessed at 5:04 p.m. and reconvened to 5:13 p.m.

V. CLOSED SESSION

The Board of Education retired into Closed Session at 5:14 p.m. to discuss Potential Litigation, Public Employment - Certificated Administration/Classified Management, Discipline/Dismissal/Release, Negotiations and Threat to Public Services or Facilities (Government Code Section 54957, and reconvened into Open Session at 7:02 p.m.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m. in memory of Blair Bolles, Hanna Campbell, Don Dunn and Timothy Meledy.

DOWNEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education

Donald E. LaPlante, President

D. Mark Morris, Clerk