

Regular Board of Education Meeting 03/09/2021 04:00 PM

Downey Unified School District Meeting held Virtually - Electronically or Telephonically

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Attendees

Voting Members

D. Mark Morris, Board President Barbara Samperi, Board Vice President Martha Sodetani, Board Clerk Giovanna Perez-Saab, Board Member Jose Rodriguez, Board Member Linda Salomon Saldana, 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. D. Mark Morris, President of the Board of Education, at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 9, 2021, 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. Giovanna Perez-Saab, Member of the Board of Education.

3. INVOCATION

Invocation was delivered by Mrs. Martha E. Sodetani, Clerk of the Board of Education.

4. ROLL CALL

Present
D. Mark Morris
Barbara R. Samperi
Martha E. Sodetani
Giovanna Perez-Saab
Jose J. Rodriguez
Linda Salomon Saldaña
Nancy A. Swenson
John A. Garcia, Jr., Ph.D.

5. ADOPT Agenda #19 for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education held on March 9, 2021.

Adopt Agenda #19 for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education held on March, 9, 2021, including corrected page numbers 239 through 243.

Motion made by: Barbara Samperi
Motion seconded by: Martha Sodetani
Voting:
D. Mark Morris - Yes
Barbara Samperi - Yes
Martha Sodetani - Yes
Giovanna Perez-Saab - Yes
Jose Rodriguez - Yes
Linda Salomon Saldana - 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.

 APPROVE Official Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting held on February 10, 2021, as submitted or with necessary corrections.

Motion made by: Giovanna Perez-Saab
Motion seconded by: Barbara Samperi
Voting:
D. Mark Morris - Yes
Barbara Samperi - Yes
Martha Sodetani - Yes
Giovanna Perez-Saab - Yes
Jose Rodriguez - Yes
Linda Salomon Saldana - Yes
Nancy Swenson - Yes

8. RECEIVE the Official 2021 California School Boards Association Delegate Assembly Ballot for Region 24, and CAST vote(s) for no more than six candidates.

The Board of Education received the Official 2021 California School Boards Association Delegate Assembly Ballot for Region 24, and cast votes for the following candidates:

Jan Baird (South Whittier ESD)
Carolyn Castillo (El Rancho Unified SD)
Yesenia Cuaranta (Paramount Unified SD)
Jennifer De Baca Sandoval (Whittier City ESD)
H. Ernie Nishii (ABC USD)
Jorge Tirado (Norwalk-La Mirada Unified SD)

Motion made by: Nancy Swenson
Motion seconded by: Martha Sodetani
Voting:
D. Mark Morris - Yes
Barbara Samperi - Yes
Martha Sodetani - Yes
Giovanna Perez-Saab - Yes
Jose Rodriguez - Yes
Linda Salomon Saldana - Yes
Nancy Swenson - Yes

II. CLOSED SESSION

The Board of Education retired into Closed Session at 4:08 p.m. to discuss Negotiations, Threat to Public Services or Facilities (Government Code Section 54957), and Potential Litigation, and reconvened into Open Session at 5:01 p.m.

III. GENERAL BOARD FUNCTIONS (continued)

1. HEAR Oral Communications from Members of the Board of Education and Superintendent.

Ms. Swenson reported that Warren High School student Amanda Ford was recognized by the Special Olympics North America during Women's History Month. She announced that \$40,000 was raised for TLC at the Virtual 5K and was happy to see that Read Across America was being held virtually and thought we may want to continue that in the future. Ms. Swenson noted that Dr. Mary R. Stauffer passed away on February 11 and stated that she has made a significant impact on this community and the lives of many. Dr. Stauffer was always interested in helping to fund the newest things coming out through her Foundation and enjoyed investing in our students. Ms. Swenson announced there will be a celebration in August, around her birthday.

Mrs. Perez-Saab echoed Ms. Swenson regarding Dr. Stauffer. She noted that there were 1,000 participants in the TLC Virtual 5K and added it was a great event. Mrs. Perez-Saab participated in Read Across American at Rio San Gabriel, Rio Hondo and Imperial Elementary Schools. She congratulated Downey High School for their eSports championship win and enjoyed seeing it featured on Channel 7. Mrs. Perez-Saab thanked our staff, families, teachers and students for their hard work during Distance Learning and appreciated the staff trainings that have been offered. Mrs. Perez-Saab closed by thanking Dr. Stauffer for her investment in our kids and noted that she will be greatly missed.

Mrs. Sodetani shared a story former Supervisor Don Knabe told of a lunch meeting with Dr. Stauffer where she got him to match her donation to GOOD, which ended up being \$10,000, noting that she gave so much to our community. Mrs. Sodetani thanked Jay Waldron and the Warren High School ASB for organizing the American Red Cross Blood Drive. She had the pleasure of reading for the schools during the virtual Read Across America and enjoyed visiting a classroom at Rio Hondo Elementary School.

Mr. Rodriguez had the opportunity to attend the Freshman football game, where his kids played, and noted that the event was well run and at 25% capacity with social distancing being enforced. He thanked the staff at Downey High School for keeping everyone safe and was glad to see kids back on the field. Mr. Rodriguez discussed our MADE summer internship program and mentoring for our students in collaboration with the Bayha group, which is impressive. He noted our attendance is going back up and thanked everyone who has been helping at home teaching our kids, noting it takes a village. Mr. Rodriguez thanked Dr. Garcia and administration for all the working getting us back to school as well as the professional presentations, which is allowing us to make the best educated decisions for our kids. He thanked the teachers, parents, kids and staff for their public comments and added that he is committed to making the best decisions for our kids.

Mrs. Saldaña reported that her son has been able to golf again and has participated in four matches, which has been very nice. She had the opportunity to participate in Read Across America at Lewis Elementary School. Mrs. Saldaña shared a Dr. Stauffer story where she told Dr. Stauffer she was the Price PTA President and Dr. Stauffer noted that she had been a PTA President previously; when she asked how Dr. Stauffer was able to do everything, she said she was busy and bossy, noting that Dr. Stauffer was fabulous. Mrs. Saldaña announced the Downey Foundation for Educational Opportunities hired a new Executive Director, Sheila Tetangco-Bartolone who will be a huge asset to the Foundation. She thanked staff for all their work preparing to get our kids back on campus.

Mrs. Samperi shared a funny story of when she was first elected to the Board of Education. She was sitting with Dr. Stauffer at the Rio Hondo Event Center when Dr. Stauffer bluntly asked her what made her qualified to be a Board Member. Mrs. Samperi thanked Ashley Greaney for her work preparing the videos and press releases. She announced that the Spring Parent Academy put on by Veronica Lizardi will be held virtually again this year, which allows many more parents to participate. Mrs. Samperi expressed her appreciation for the information Jennifer Robbins provided on the elementary intervention and student and family engagement work provided during Distance Learning. She thanked the community for the donations on tonight's agenda for TLC.

Mr. Morris had the opportunity to participate in Read Across America as well as watch the eSports video trophy presentation to Downey High School and noted that this sports activity has the best fan attendance of any sport. Mr. Morris reiterated what Dr. Garcia said in the interview, that this sports program is about computers and programing, and is a pathway to help our students get into that industry as a career. He thanked all District and union leadership for negotiating in good faith our Return to School plan. Mr. Morris thanked the parents, students and teachers who wrote to the Board regarding the reopening of schools, giving their input, and noting that in all his years on the Board of Education that this one has had the most input from the community and we listened to every one of them.

Dr. Garcia recognized the teams who worked in collaboration with the District, noting we are all on the same page and return to school will bring a stronger opportunity for our students to learn. He added he is very excited about having our students back on campus, which will look very different but will provide an opportunity to get back into the classroom for those 55% of elementary students who want to return. Dr. Garcia added that we are keeping our students with their current teachers. He reported that our staff have all had the opportunity to be vaccinated thanks to our collaboration with Whittier City School District, PIH, Kaiser and the Department of Public Health.

2. HEAR Public on items not appearing on the Agenda.

There was no response.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by: Barbara Samperi
Motion seconded by: Nancy Swenson
Voting:
D. Mark Morris - Yes
Barbara Samperi - Yes
Martha Sodetani - Yes
Giovanna Perez-Saab - Yes
Jose Rodriguez - Yes
Linda Salomon Saldana - Yes
Nancy Swenson - Yes

- 1. ACCEPT with gratitude and in accordance with Board Policy 6372 the gift donations received through February 2021.
- RATIFY and/or APPROVE conference attendance and actual and necessary expenses, including registration fees; and AUTHORIZE payment of expenses as described herein, as provided by Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 7310, Convention and Conference Attendance.
- 3. RATIFY Agreement for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services Special Education, with the Los Nietos School District, from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.
- 4. APPROVE Written Oversight Agreement for Supervision with Hiroshi M. Sasaki, Ph.D., to provide clinical supervision to Leticia Villalva, District Psychologist, to meet licensing requirements for a doctoral degree.
- 5. APPROVE Settlement Agreement for OAH Case No. 2020100957.
- 6. APPROVE Settlement Agreement for OAH Case No. 2020110601.
- 7. APPROVE Compromise and Release Agreement OAH Case No. 2020120603 for a Downey Unified student from March 9, 2021 through December 31, 2021.
- 8. APPROVE proposed revisions to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 2510, Homeless Students.
- 9. APPROVE Membership to College Board for the 2020-21 school year to provide access to AP as well as other college board resourcing content.
- RATIFY and/or APPROVE per Board Policy 6362 the purchase orders prepared by the Purchasing Department for the 2020-21 fiscal year from January 26, 2021 through February 23, 2021.
- 11. RATIFY the issuance of Payroll Orders for Hourly, Overtime, and Civic Center Work performed by Classified Personnel, Adult School, and Food Services for the month January 2021, covered by Payroll Orders issued through February 2021.
- 12. RATIFY the B Warrants for Downey Unified School District, falling between Warrant Numbers 20160892 and 20167453, issued for payment of authorized purchases or obligations incurred by law or district policy for the period beginning February 1, 2021 and ending February 28, 2021.
- 13. RATIFY Amendment No. 2 with PIH Health Hospitals to extend the current agreement for CTE health occupation students from January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021.

- 14. RATIFY Amendment to Service Agreement No. 202021-50A with Sea Change Therapy to increase Occupational Therapy and Assistive Technology Services for PK-12 Special Education students and extend contract date.
- 15. RATIFY Amendment #4 to Agreement No. 202021-124 with Zoom to provide additional online meeting software to District teachers from February 2, 2021 through April 8, 2021.
- 16. APPROVE Amendment No. 1 to the Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Downey to allow all secondary students of the District to use student ID cards to access Downey City Library Materials.
- 17. RATIFY Agreement for Reimbursement for Off-Site Improvements with the City of Downey from February 15, 2021 through May 14, 2021.
- 18. APPROVE Contract No. C-201819:20:21 with the Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) to provide three 4-hour trainings in Executive Functioning, Explicit Instruction, and Universal Design for Learning for District staff from March 25, 2021 through June 30, 2021.
- APPROVE the Los Angeles County Plan for Expelled Students that addresses the needs of all expelled students in Los Angeles County, as required by EC Section 48926.
- 20. APPROVE Service Agreement No. 202021-259 with Los Angeles County Office of Education to provide professional development workshops for District staff from April 1, 2021 through April 30, 2021.
- 21. RATIFY Service Agreement No. 202021-268 with Olive Crest for Behavior Intervention Implementation Services from January 25, 2021 through April 1, 2021.
- 22. RATIFY Service Agreement No. 202021-270 with Collins Company to provide materials and install a mesh roof shade for the batting cage at Downey High School, from February 9, 2021 through March 31, 2021.
- 23. RATIFY Agreement for Independent Consultant/Professional Services (Construction Related) No. 202021-272 with Aurora Industrial Hygiene, South Pasadena, to provide hazardous materials removal monitoring services for painting projects at Downey High School, in the amount of \$1,385.00, to be charged to Restricted Maintenance Funds. (under separate cover)
- 24. RATIFY Service Agreement No. 202021-273 with The Flippen Group, LLC, for Exceling Virtual Training for Downey Unified staff on February 3, 2021.
- 25. APPROVE Agreement for Construction Services (Small Projects) No. 202021-274 with McCullah Fence Company, Bell Gardens, to remove and replace chain link fencing at Unsworth Elementary School, in the amount of \$5,675.00, to be charged to Deferred Maintenance Funds. (under separate cover)
- 26. APPROVE Agreement for Construction Services (Small Projects) No. 202021-275 with Jolt Electric, Inc., Rancho Cucamonga, to prepare and install flat screen monitors at Gauldin, Imperial, Old River, Rio San Gabriel and Unsworth Elementary Schools, and Columbus High School, in the amount of \$5,825.00, to be charged to Special Resource/Technology Funds. (under separate cover)
- 27. APPROVE Agreement for Independent Consultant/Professional Services (Construction Related) No. 202021-276 with Aurora Industrial Hygiene, South Pasadena, to provide hazardous materials monitoring services at Ward Elementary School and Pace School, in the amount of \$9,255.00, to be charged to Deferred Maintenance Funds. (under separate cover)

- 28. RATIFY Agreement for Construction Services (Small Projects) No. 202021-277 with George's Tree & Landscape Service, Downey, to provide tree trimming and removal services at Downey High School, in the amount of \$3,900.00, to be charged to Restricted Maintenance Funds. (under separate cover)
- 29. RATIFY Service Agreement No. 202021-278 with Haynes Family of Programs STAR Academy for Educational Related Intensive Counseling Services from February 4, 2021 through August 1, 2021.
- 30. RATIFY Service Agreement No. 202021-279 with Haynes Family of Programs STAR Academy for Supplemental Academic Support from February 4, 2021 through August 1, 2021.
- 31. RATIFY Service Agreement No. 202021-280 with Haynes Family of Programs STAR Academy for In-Person College Readiness/Career Awareness Services from February 4, 2021 through June 4, 2021.
- 32. RATIFY Agreement for Construction Services (Small Projects) No. 202021-281 with Hendrix Painting, Inc., Long Beach, to paint the first and second floor interior of the science building at Warren High School, in the amount of \$7,850.00, to be charged to Deferred Maintenance Funds. (under separate cover)
- 33. APPROVE Service Agreement No. 202021-282 with Grupo Crecer to provide parent education workshops virtually via Zoom.
- 34. RATIFY Service Agreement No. 202021-283 with Hathaway-Sycamores Child and Family Services to provide ESS Services Tier 1 from January 26, 2021 through June 30, 2021.
- 35. RATIFY Service Agreement No. 202021-285 with Haynes Family of Programs STAR Academy to provide compensatory education per a CDE corrective from February 10, 2021 through June 30, 2021.
- 36. RATIFY Service Agreement No. 202021-286 with Olive Crest to provide virtual aide support from February 16, 2021 through May 28, 2021.
- 37. RATIFY Service Agreement No. 202021-288 with Haynes Family of Programs STAR Academy for Speech and Language Services from February 16, 2021 through June 4, 2021.
- 38. RATIFY Service Agreement No. 202021-289 with Haynes Family of Programs STAR Academy for Supplemental Academic Support from February 16, 2021 through December 31, 2021.
- 39. RATIFY Service Agreement No. 202021-290 with First Steps for Kids, Inc. to provide Behavior Intervention Implementation and Behavior Intervention Development Services from February 5, 2021 through April 1, 2021.
- 40. RATIFY Independent Consultant Services Agreement No. 202021-291 with Ibis Ausensi for written translation only of various documents for parent trainings, conferences and workshops from February 9, 2021 through June 30, 2021.
- 41. APPROVE Agreement for Independent Consultant/Professional Services (Construction Related) No. 202021-292 with Joseph C. Truxaw and Associates, Inc., Orange, to provide topographic ground surveying services to Stauffer Middle School, in the amount of \$7,900.00, to be charged to Measure O Bond Funds. (under separate cover)
- 42. APPROVE Service Agreement No. 202021-294 with Rob Wiltsey Creative Partners, dba School Shine, to provide video production and video rework services from March 9, 2021

- through June 30, 2021.
- 43. RATIFY Agreement for Construction Services (Small Projects) No. 202021-295 with 3D Concrete, Downey, to pour concrete slabs under bleacher areas at Downey and Warren High Schools, in the amount of \$38,028.00, to be charged to Restricted Maintenance Funds. (under separate cover)
- 44. APPROVE Agreement No. 202021-296 with Cooperative Strategies, LLC to prepare a residential and commercial/industrial development school fee justification study report for the 2021 calendar year.
- 45. RATIFY Service Agreement No. 202021-297 with Capturing Kids' Hearts to provide Exceling Virtually Trainings from February 24, 2021 through March 24, 2021.
- 46. RATIFY Agreement No. 202021-298 with the San Joaquin County Office of Education/CodeStack to use EDJOIN advertising services to advertise for vacant positions within the District from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.
- 47. APPROVE Agreement for Construction Services (Small Projects) No. 202021-299 with Montgomery Hardware Company, Rancho Cucamonga, to furnish and install doors at Alameda, Pace, and Rio Hondo Elementary Schools, in the amount of \$11,077.92, to be charged to Restricted Maintenance Funds. (under separate cover)
- 48. APPROVE Agreement for Independent Consultant/Professional Services (Construction Related) No. 202021-300 with Aurora Industrial Hygiene, South Pasadena, to provide mold inspection services in the T-Portable Buildings at Downey High School, in the amount of \$3,050.00, to be charged to Deferred Maintenance Funds. (under separate cover)
- 49. APPROVE the Memorandum of Understanding with the County of Los Angeles, Department of Public Health, for Department of Public Health Vaccine Administration Project through the Downey Adult School from March 9, 2021 through January 31, 2022.
- 50. RENEW Bid #19/20-06 for Basic Maintenance of Eligible Internal Connections (E-Rate), to AMS.NET, Livermore, in the amount of \$100,829.70, to be charged to the General and E-Rate Funds.
- 51. ACCEPT and APPROVE the use of the County of Los Angeles Contract #MA-IS-2140294-1 for the purchase of office supplies with SourceOne Office Products, Inc., Santa Fe Springs, by the Downey Unified School District, in the estimated amount of \$100,000.00, with no guarantee that this amount will be met or exceeded, on an as needed basis to fill orders for office supply items with the same advantages, terms and conditions.
- 52. ACCEPT and APPROVE the renewal and use of the Fontana Unified School District Bid No. 18/19-1505 for the Purchase of Paper Products for Printing Services with Spicers Paper, Inc., Santa Fe Springs, in the estimated amount of \$150,000.00, with no guarantee that this amount will be met or exceeded, by the Downey Unified School District on an as needed basis to fill orders for copy paper with the same advantages, terms and conditions.
- 53. ACCEPT and APPROVE the use of the Waterford Unified School District Bid #01/17 for School Buses with A-Z Bus Sales, Inc., Colton, in the anticipated annual amount of \$542,776.76, with no guarantee that this amount will be met or exceeded by the Downey Unified School District to fill orders for buses with the same advantages, terms and conditions.
- 54. APPROVE Change Order #1 to Purchase Order #PO1-21*232 for the servicing of audiometer impedance meters and related items at the request of the Deaf and Hard of

- Hearing Program with E3 Audiometrics, Inc., Arlington Heights, Illinois, in the increased amount of \$5,000.00, to be charged to the General Fund.
- 55. APPROVE the increase to Purchase Order #PO2W-20*462 for architectural services for the Stauffer Middle School Modernization Project, with LPA, Inc., Irvine, in the increased amount of \$52,000.00, to be charged to Measure O Bond Funds.
- 56. APPROVE Change Order #1 to Purchase Order #PO3W-21*1503 for additional t-shirts for the TLC 5K Run with Onpoint Game Wear, Pico Rivera, in the increased amount of \$2,840.76, to be charged to the General Fund.
- 57. ACCEPT as complete Request for Qualifications/Proposals (RFQ/P) #2019/2020-01, Energy Efficiency Design and Construction Services for Buildings R, S and Y at Downey High School, with PacificWest Energy Solutions, Inc., Northridge, in the final amount of \$1,297,236.00, to be charged to Deferred Maintenance Funds; and AUTHORIZE the filing of the Notice of Completion with the County Recorder with the 5% retention payment released no sooner than 35 consecutive calendar days following the recording date.
- 58. ACCEPT as complete the exterior painting of Rio San Gabriel Elementary School, against Bid #19/20-08, with AJ Fistes Corporation, Long Beach, in the final amount of \$79,900.00, to be charged to Deferred Maintenance Funds; and AUTHORIZE the filing of the Notice of Completion with the County Recorder with the 5% retention payment released no sooner than 35 consecutive calendar days following the recording date.
- 59. ACCEPT as complete Agreement for Construction Services (Small Projects) No. 202021-250 for tree trimming services at Warren High School with George's Tree & Landscape Service, Downey, in the final amount of \$3,500.00, to be charged to Restricted Maintenance Funds; and AUTHORIZE the filing of the Notice of Completion with the County Recorder with the 5% retention payment released no sooner than 35 consecutive calendar days following the recording date.
- 60. ACCEPT as complete Agreement for Construction Services (Small Projects) No. 202021-266 for tree trimming services at Sussman Middle School with V&E Tree Service, Inc., Orange, in the final amount of \$15,000.00, to be charged to Measure O Bond Funds; and AUTHORIZE the filing of the Notice of Completion with the County Recorder with the 5% retention payment released no sooner than 35 consecutive calendar days following the recording date.
- 61. ACCEPT as complete Agreement for Construction Services (Small Projects) No. 202021-277 for tree trimming services at Downey High School with George's Tree & Landscape Service, Downey, in the final amount of \$3,900.00, to be charged to Restricted Maintenance Funds; and AUTHORIZE the filing of the Notice of Completion with the County Recorder with the 5% retention payment released no sooner than 35 consecutive calendar days following the recording date.
- 62. APPROVE the March 2021 budget transfers and adjustments for the 2020-21 fiscal year.
- 63. RATIFY and/or APPROVE routine Personnel Items until subsequent action is taken by the Board of Education.

V. GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE

 ADOPT Resolution No. 202021-11, for Downey Unified to Approve the Use of Pupil Grant Eligibility for the Construction of the Gymnasium Building at Griffiths Middle School.

Motion made by: Martha Sodetani Motion seconded by: Nancy Swenson Voting:
D. Mark Morris - Yes
Barbara Samperi - Yes
Martha Sodetani - Yes
Giovanna Perez-Saab - Yes
Jose Rodriguez - Yes
Linda Salomon Saldana - Yes
Nancy Swenson - Yes

2. ADOPT Resolution No. 202021-12, for Downey Unified to Approve the Use of Pupil Grant Eligibility for the Construction of the Gymnasium Building at Sussman Middle School.

Motion made by: Barbara Samperi

Motion seconded by: Giovanna Perez-Saab

Voting:

D. Mark Morris - Yes

Barbara Samperi - Yes

Martha Sodetani - Yes

Giovanna Perez-Saab - Yes

Jose Rodriguez - Yes

Linda Salomon Saldana - Yes

Nancy Swenson - Yes

3. ADOPT Resolution No. 202021-13, for Downey Unified to Approve the Use of Pupil Grant Eligibility for the Construction of the Library Building at Sussman Middle School.

Motion made by: Jose Rodriguez

Motion seconded by: Barbara Samperi

Voting:

D. Mark Morris - Yes

Barbara Samperi - Yes

Martha Sodetani - Yes

Giovanna Perez-Saab - Yes

Jose Rodriguez - Yes

Linda Salomon Saldana - Yes

Nancy Swenson - Yes

 REVIEW Resolution No. 202021-14 and the Preliminary Official Statement, authorizing the issuance of Downey Unified School District (Los Angeles County, California) Election of 2014 General Obligation Bonds, Series C, and actions related thereto for adoption at the April 20, 2021 Board of Education Meeting. (under separate cover)

VI. SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE - Instruction

Public comments, concerns and/or questions were submitted via email and read regarding the safe reopening of schools from the following:

Amalia Soto Lynn Huang Tomas Contreras

Public comment and concern was submitted via email and read regarding after school program from the following:

Melanie Gutierrez Chang

Public comment was submitted via email and read thanking the District for keeping the community

updated, informed and for providing meal distribution from the following:

Roxy Alaniz

 HEAR a Return to School update from Dr. Roger Brossmer and Dr. Wayne Shannon, Assistant Superintendents of Educational Services, and DISCUSS the Return to School Plan for the 2020-21 school year.

A consensus was agreed upon to send a recommitment email to secondary families.

2. APPROVE Curriculum Changes to Clock Hours for the Paralegal CTE Program currently being offered from 624 hours to 832 hours.

Motion made by: Martha Sodetani
Motion seconded by: Giovanna Perez-Saab
Voting:

D. Mark Morris - Yes
Barbara Samperi - Yes
Martha Sodetani - Yes
Giovanna Perez-Saab - Yes
Jose Rodriguez - Yes
Linda Salomon Saldana - Yes

3. APPROVE Grant Sub-Agreement between Rancho Santiago Community College District and Downey Unified School District which serves as the Fiscal Agent for the K12 Strong Workforce Program for Los Angeles and Orange Counties from the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office, Workforce and Economic Development Division to sub-grant and contract with Local Educational Agencies to implement career education, K-12 to community college pathway improvement projects that connect to in-demand, high-wage occupations, effective January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023. (under separate cover)

Motion made by: Jose Rodriguez
Motion seconded by: Barbara Samperi
Voting:
D. Mark Morris - Yes
Barbara Samperi - Yes
Martha Sodetani - Yes
Giovanna Perez-Saab - Yes
Jose Rodriguez - Yes
Linda Salomon Saldana - Yes
Nancy Swenson - Yes

VII. SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE - Business

Nancy Swenson - Yes

 RECEIVE Administrative Report: 2020-21 Second Period Interim Financial Report as of January 31, 2021 (under separate cover); and APPROVE Positive Certification that Downey Unified School District can meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the 2020-21 fiscal year.

Motion made by: Barbara Samperi Motion seconded by: Nancy Swenson Voting: D. Mark Morris - Yes Barbara Samperi - Yes Martha Sodetani - Yes Giovanna Perez-Saab - Yes Jose Rodriguez - Yes Linda Salomon Saldana - Yes Nancy Swenson - Yes

VIII. SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE - Personnel

1. APPROVE the Revisions to the Full Distance Learning Memorandum of Understanding between the Downey Education Association and the Downey Unified School District.

Motion made by: Barbara Samperi Motion seconded by: Jose Rodriguez Voting: D. Mark Morris - Yes Barbara Samperi - Yes Martha Sodetani - Yes Giovanna Perez-Saab - Yes Jose Rodriguez - Yes Linda Salomon Saldana - Yes Nancy Swenson - Yes

IX. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

X. NEXT MEETING

The next meetings of the Board of Education will be a Special Meeting to be held on Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at 4:00 p.m., and a Regular Meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 20, 2021, at 4:00 p.m. in the Pace Training Center, 9625 Van Ruiten Street, Bellflower, California.

The meeting was recessed at 6:58 p.m. and reconvened at 7:04 p.m.

XI. CLOSED SESSION

The Board of Education retired into Closed Session at 7:05 p.m. to discuss Negotiations, Threat to Public Services or Facilities (Government Code Section 54957) and Potential Litigation, and reconvened into Open Session at 7:22 p.m.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was adjourned at 7:24 p.m. in memory of Dr. Mary R. Stauffer; Gordon Ballard; Joseph Castellanos; Kevork Kaloustian; Randy Marshman; David Quintero, Sr.; Jeremy Schlittenhart; Daniel Shook and Kyle Thompson.

DOWNEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Board of Education

D. Mark Morris, President	Martha E. Sodetani, Clerk