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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 4:04 p.m. on Tuesday, May 18, 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. Martha Sodetani, Clerk of the Board of Education.

3. INVOCATION

Invocation was delivered by Mrs. Barbara R. Samperi, Vice President 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 #24 for the Special Meeting of the Board of Education held on May 18, 2021.

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

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. SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE - Personnel

1. RECEIVE the 2021 Downey Unified School District Board of Education Bargaining Proposal(s) from Downey Education Association/California Teachers Association/National Education Association.

Motion made by: Nancy Swenson

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

2. DECLARE a Public Hearing to hear public response to the 2021 Bargaining Proposal(s) from Downey Education Association/California Teachers Association/National Education Association.

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

There was no response.

Ms. Swenson moved, Mrs. Perez-Saab seconded, and the motion carried unanimously, that the Board of Education Close the Hearing.

3. PRESENT the 2020-21 Downey Unified School District Board of Education Bargaining Proposal(s) with Downey Education Association/California Teachers Association/National Education Association.

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

4. DECLARE a Public Hearing to hear public response to the 2020-21 Initial Bargaining Proposal(s) with Downey Education Association/California Teachers Association/National Education Association.

Motion made by: Martha Sodetani
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

There was no response.

Ms. Seenson moved, Mrs. Samperi seconded, and the motion carried unanimously, that the Board of Education Close the Hearing.

5. RECEIVE 2021-24 Initial Bargaining Proposal(s) from Downey Education Association/California Teachers Association/National Education Association.

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. DECLARE a Public Hearing to hear public response to the 2021-24 Initial Bargaining Proposal(s) from Downey Education Association/California Teachers Association/National Education Association.

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
Nancy Swenson - Yes

There was no response.

Ms. Swenson moved, Mrs. Samperi seconded, and the motion carried unanimously, that the Board of Education Close the Hearing.

7. PRESENT the 2021-24 Downey Unified School District Board of Education Bargaining Proposal(s) with Downey Education Association/California Teachers Association/National Education Association.

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

8. DECLARE a Public Hearing to hear public response to the 2021-24 Initial Bargaining Proposal(s) with Downey Education Association/California Teachers Association/National Education Association.

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

There was no response.

Mrs. Samperi moved, Ms. Swenson seconded, and the motion carried unanimously, that the Board of Education Close the Hearing.

III. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

IV. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Board of Education will be a Regular Meeting to be held on Tuesday, June 1, 2021, at 4:00 p.m., in the Pace Training Center, 9625 Van Ruiten Street, Bellflower, California.

V. CLOSED SESSION

The Board of Education retired into Closed Session at 4:18 p.m. to discuss Negotiations. Ms. Swenson left at 5:13 p.m. The Board of Education reconvened into Open Session at 5:59 p.m.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The Special Meeting of the Board of Education adjourned at 6:00 p.m. in memory of Harvey Berg and Ronda Garcia.

DOWNEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education

D. Mark Morris, President

Martha E. Sodetani, Clerk