



Meeting Minutes

**Special Board of Education Meeting
08/17/2021 04:00 PM**

Closed Session 4:00 p.m.; Open Session 5:00 p.m.
Downey Unified School District - Board of Education
Room
11627 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, CA 90241

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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, August 17, 2021, in the Grace E. Horney Board Room of the Gallegos Administration Center, 11627 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, 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, 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 #4 for the Special Meeting of the Board of Education held on August 17, 2021.

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

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 Negotiations and Threat to Public Services or Facilities (Government Code Section 54957), and reconvened into Open Session at 5:02 p.m.

III. GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

1. HEAR Public on items appearing on the Agenda.

There was no one to be heard on items appearing on the Agenda.

2. 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 2021-22 school year.
3. REVIEW and APPROVE the 2021-22 Board of Education Goals.

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

IV. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

Ms. Saldaña moved and Mrs. Samperi seconded the request for a Food Services update at the next Board Meeting.

V. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Board of Education will be a Regular Meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 7, 2021, at 5:00 p.m. in the Grace E. Horney Board Room of the Gallegos Administration Center, 11627 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California.

The meeting was recessed at 6:29 p.m. and reconvened at 6:37 p.m.

VI. CLOSED SESSION

The Board of Education retired into Closed Session at 6:38 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 7:18 p.m.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The Special Meeting of the Board of Education was adjourned at 7:20 p.m. in memory of Lovey Angel Ada Cesena, Duane Ekstrand and Joseph Sapia.

DOWNEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education

D. Mark Morris, President

Martha E. Sodetani, Clerk