

**Minutes of the
Regular Board of Education Meeting
Monday, December 16, 2024**



1. GENERAL BOARD FUNCTIONS

1.1 The Meeting was Called to Order by Ms. Nancy Swenson, President of the Board of Education, at 5:040 p.m. on Monday, December 16, 2024; in the Grace E. Horney Board Room of the Gallegos Administration Center, 11627 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California.

1.2 Renewal of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Jose Rodriguez, Clerk of the Board of Education.

1.3 Invocation was delivered by Tyrone Conde, Member of the Board of Education.

1.4 ROLL CALL

Nancy A. Swenson
Linda Salomon Saldaña
Jose J. Rodriguez
Tyrone Conde
D. Mark Morris
Giovanna Perez-Saab
Barbara R. Samperi

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

1.5 APPROVE Agenda for the Organizational Meeting of the Board of Education held on December 16, 2024.

Motion by Linda Salomon Saldana, second by Giovanna Perez-Saab.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yea: Giovanna Perez-Saab, Nancy A Swenson, Linda Salomon Saldana, Tyrone Conde, D Mark Morris, Jose J Rodriguez, Barbara R Samperi

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

There was no correspondence to be received.

1.7 HEAR Special Presentations to Nancy A. Swenson for completing her year term as President of the Board of Education.

Presentations were heard from Mayor Hector Sosa from the City of Downey, President Mariana Pacheco from the Cerritos College Board of Trustees, Ari Ruiz representing Assemblymember Blanca Pacheco and Ivan Sulic representing Supervisor Janice Hahn.

1.8 RECEIVE the Official Canvass Certificate and the Official Statement of Votes Cast by Precinct for the Downey Unified School District Election held in Los Angeles County on November 5, 2024

Motion by Barbara R Samperi, second by Jose J Rodriguez.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yea: Giovanna Perez-Saab, Nancy A Swenson, Linda Salomon Saldana, Tyrone Conde, D Mark Morris, Jose J Rodriguez, Barbara R Samperi

1.9 The Oaths of Office were administered as follows:

Jose J. Rodriguez, Trustee Area 2 by Mrs. Brenda Rodriguez;
Giovanna Perez-Saab, Trustee Area 3 by Joy LoBracco;
Linda Salomon Saldana, Trustee Area 4 by Mr. Jose Luis Salomon
D. Mark Morris, Trustee Area 6 by Mr. Donald LaPlante.

1.10 The Board of Education elected the following officers:

President - Linda Salomon Saldana

Vice President - Jose J. Rodriguez

Clerk - D. Mark Morris

Motion by Tyrone Conde, second by Giovanna Perez-Saab.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yea: Giovanna Perez-Saab, Nancy A Swenson, Linda Salomon Saldana, Tyrone Conde, D Mark Morris, Jose J Rodriguez, Barbara R Samperi

1.11 APPROVE the President's recommendations for the Board of Education members to various responsibilities:

Committee Responsibilities

Audit Committee - Nancy A. Swenson, D. Mark Morris, Tyrone Conde

Budget Committee - Jose J. Rodriguez, Barbara r. Samperi, Nancy A. Swenson

City/School District Task Force - Tyrone Conde, Giovanna Perez-Saab, Jose J. Rodriguez

Delegated Representatives

Representative for Electing Members to the County Committee on School District Organization - D. Mark Morris

Representative for LACSTA - Giovanna Perez-Saab

CSBA Delegate - Linda Salomon Saldana

Motion by Barbara R Samperi, second by Giovanna Perez-Saab.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yea: Giovanna Perez-Saab, Nancy A Swenson, Linda Salomon Saldana, Tyrone Conde, D Mark Morris, Jose J Rodriguez, Barbara R Samperi

1.12 APPROVE the Certification of Signatures for the period of December 2024 to December 2025, or until subsequent action is taken by the Board of Education.

Motion by Barbara R Samperi, second by Jose J Rodriguez.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yea: Giovanna Perez-Saab, Nancy A Swenson, Linda Salomon Saldana, Tyrone Conde, D Mark Morris, Jose J Rodriguez, Barbara R Samperi

1.13 HEAR Public on items not appearing on the Agenda - Please limit your comments to no more than three (3) minutes.

There were no comments to be heard

2. NEXT MEETING

2.1 The next meeting of the Board of Education will be a Regular Meeting to be held on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. in the Grace E. Horney Board Room of the Gallegos Administration Center, 11627 Brookshire Avenue, Downey, California.

3. CLOSED SESSION

3.1 The Board Members did not retire into Closed Session since there were no items to be discussed.

4. ADJOURNMENT

4.1 The Organizational Meeting of the Board of Education was adjourned at 5:35 p.m. in memory of Jose Carmen Moreno and Armando Nogueiras.

DOWNEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Education

Linda Salomon Saldna, President

D. Mark Morris, Clerk