

**Fountain Valley School District**  
Superintendent's Office

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

10055 Slater Avenue  
Fountain Valley, CA 92708  
and Videoconference via Zoom  
Meeting Link: [https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_1IBTdr\\_6TU2vCCioUK2wrw](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_1IBTdr_6TU2vCCioUK2wrw)

**April 15, 2021**

**MINUTES**

President Crandall called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 6:34pm.

CALL TO ORDER

The following board members were present:

ROLL CALL

Sandra Crandall	President
Lisa Schultz	President Pro Tem
Jim Cunneen	Clerk
Jeanne Galindo	Member
Steve Schultz	Member

**Motion:** Mrs. Schultz moved to approve the meeting agenda.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Second: Mrs. Galindo

Vote: 5-0

Mr. Cunneen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE OF  
ALLEGIANCE

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

Each year, the Board of Trustees honors those volunteers who have made an outstanding contribution to education in the Fountain Valley School District. The Outstanding Service Award is based on service and leadership given beyond the local school and includes participation on district committees, councils, task forces, as well as local school service. Board President Sandra Crandall presented the 2020-21 Outstanding Service Award to Connie Wadsley. The Board was joined by staff and the community in celebrating Mrs. Wadsley for her dedicated service to the students and staff of the Fountain Valley School District.

OUTSTANDING  
SERVICE AWARDS  
PRESENTATION TO  
CONNIE WADSLEY

Following this, the Board took a brief recess.

The Board of Trustees is pleased to join our staff and community in celebrating Chris Mullin, Principal, Newland School, as Fountain Valley School District’s 2020-21 Administrator of the Year. Mr. Mullin was celebrated this evening by the Board of Trustees, staff and his family.

CELEBRATION OF  
FOUNTAIN VALLEY  
SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ADMINISTRATOR OF  
THE YEAR,  
PRINCIPAL CHRIS  
MULLIN

It is an interest of the Board of Trustees to recognize students who display high achievement, improvement or extraordinary effort. The Board recognized six outstanding students from Gisler School and seven outstanding students from Newland School. From Newland School, the Board celebrated Leo Sandoval (K), Emily Delaney (1<sup>st</sup>), Ava Baran (2<sup>nd</sup>), Joy Gray (3<sup>rd</sup>), Calvin Tang (4<sup>th</sup>), Nolan Merkel (5<sup>th</sup>) and Lamson Tran (5<sup>th</sup>). From Gisler School, the Board honored Thanner Duong (K), Hudson Bui (1<sup>st</sup>), Platon Kopiev (2<sup>nd</sup>), Bailey Nunn (3<sup>rd</sup>), Makyla Dahlen (4<sup>th</sup>) and Shawn Busch (5<sup>th</sup>). The Board was joined by staff, parents and the community in celebrating the fantastic accomplishments of these students.

RECOGNITION OF  
STUDENTS FROM  
GISLER SCHOOL AND  
NEWLAND SCHOOL

Following these recognitions, the Board took a brief recess.

**STAFF REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

The Board of Trustees has received notification of the upcoming Public Hearing on the Personnel Commission’s proposed budget for 2020-21. The Public Hearing shall be held on April 22, 2021 at 3:30PM. Public input will be welcomed.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF  
PUBLIC HEARING  
FOR PERSONNEL  
COMMISSION  
BUDGET (WRITTEN  
ONLY)

Superintendent Dr. Mark Johnson and Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services Dr. Steve McLaughlin led the Board of Trustees through an update and further discussion of the Fountain Valley School District’s 2020-21 COVID-19 Safety Plan (formerly known as Reopening Schools Plan). Dr. Johnson shared a review of direction from the Board given at the special meeting on March 31, and updated guidance for schools given the County’s status in the orange tier. In addition, he reviewed the instructional models apart of the recent announcement that elementary students will be brought back to campus in a modified traditional model. Following this, Dr. McLaughlin shared greater detail of additional in person time for hybrid students including an overview of considerations, elementary students returning to a full day schedule beginning April 26<sup>th</sup>, with modified day on Mondays for teacher planning (as previously done) and full days Tuesday through Friday, with staggered end times for primary and upper

UPDATE AND  
DISCUSSION ON 2020-  
21 COVID-19 SAFETY  
PLAN (FORMERLY  
KNOWN AS  
REOPENING  
SCHOOLS PLAN) FOR  
THE FOUNTAIN  
VALLEY SCHOOL  
DISTRICT

grades, meeting and/or exceeding the State minimum requirements for instructional minutes (meaning there will no longer be a need for asynchronous work). He reviewed, as well, the return to full day schedules for elementary SDC students beginning April 19<sup>th</sup>, again with modified days on Mondays for teacher planning and full days Tuesday through Friday, with staggered end times for primary and upper grades. Following this, Dr. McLaughlin reviewed the current schedule for middle school students, including expanded intervention services two days on campus and during asynchronous times beginning the week of April 26<sup>th</sup>. In addition, he shared the fuller day schedules for middle school SDC students starting April 26<sup>th</sup>. More so, he shared the work being done to provide fuller or full days for our middle school students with an anticipated date of plans finalizing on April 19<sup>th</sup> with an anticipated start date of May 3<sup>rd</sup>, noting the complexity of middle schools. In addition, Dr. McLaughlin shared the superintendent's message regarding FVSDConnected and the limitations on making any moves at this time. Moreover, Dr. McLaughlin shared some dates going forward, including our Connected students joining plans for in person 8<sup>th</sup> grade promotion at their home site, 5<sup>th</sup> grade activities at their home site, lawn signs from home schools, continued enrichment activities and FVSDConnected in person event(s) prior to the end of the year. In closing, Dr. Johnson thanked the many stakeholders that made all of this possible, including our students, teachers, support staff, leaders, parents and families, PTA/PTO, office managers and assistants, site leadership teams, bus drivers, intervention teachers, custodians, ESP/CDC staff, DO staff, Food Services, IT, Human Resources, Business Services, FVSF, City partners, Ed Services, Bilingual support, instructional assistants, noon duty aides, FVSDConnected staff and our of Board of Trustees. He highlighted the FVSD Family and thanked all of the people who have contributed to helping our students through this and bringing them back for a full day.

## **BOARD REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Mr. Schultz's activities since the last meeting included: visits to Plavan and Gisler Schools. He thanked staff for the job they are doing in addition to the parents who have reached out to the Board with their comments. He asked as well that those parents reaching out to the Board join him in writing our President, Governor and legislators requesting additional funding for our teachers, students and classrooms, noting that FVSD is one of the lowest funded districts in the county. In addition, he suggested they also email their student's teacher to express their appreciation for their

efforts. He thanked our teachers and support staff for their efforts to make this district better.

Mrs. Schultz noted missing the opportunity to visit our schools and that she looks forward to the chance to resume these visits in the regular format. She noted that she continues to receive reports from our community members with the desire to get vaccinated. While many have been vaccinated, many more are still anxious for their chance. She noted that vaccinations are making great progress and we are getting so close.

Mr. Cunneen's activities since the last meeting included: governance workshop with fellow trustees and Dr. Johnson, Rotary Most Improved Student virtual celebration and a visit to Newland School. He noted as well the Fountain Valley GPAC joint meeting with Fountain Valley Planning Commission and Fountain Valley City Council to review the draft land use plan adopted by the GPAC and the presentation of an alternative for review with the GPAC on April 22 that will focus on reduced density/height on opportunity sites.

Mrs. Galindo extended her wishes that everyone enjoyed a wonderful spring break. In addition, she congratulated our students recognized this evening, and also commended Mr. Mullin, noting his much-deserved recognition as Admin of the Year this evening. Her activities since the last meeting included: special meeting to discuss additional in person time for hybrid students, visit to Courreges School, and FVSF meeting.

Mrs. Crandall highlighted the great work of the FVSD IT department, the vast responsibilities of this department. She thanked them for their hard in support the needs of our District. Her activities since the last meeting included: CSBA Legislative Action Week virtually, Rotary Most Improved Student recognition, Rotary Every Student Succeeding recognition, visits to Newland, Gisler, Plavan, Oka and Cox, governance workshop with fellow trustees, final bond issuance for Measure O, FVSF meeting, SPC meeting. She thanked her fellow trustees for their service this month.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were eight requests to address the Board of Trustees. Eight commenters addressed the Board regarding opening school for additional in person instruction.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

- Motion: Mr. Cunneen moved to adopt Resolution 2021-17: In Celebration of May 12, 2021 as California’s Day of The Teacher and May 3-7, 2021 as Teacher Appreciation Week. RESOLUTION 2021-17: IN CELEBRATION OF MAY 12, 2021 AS CALIFORNIA’S DAY OF THE TEACHER AND MAY 3-7, 2021 AS TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK
- Second: Mrs. Galindo
- Vote: 5-0
- Motion: Mrs. Schultz moved to adopt Resolution 2021-18: In Celebration of Fountain Valley School District’s Classified Employee Week: May 16-22, 2021. RESOLUTION 2021-18: IN CELEBRATION OF FOUNTAIN VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT’S CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE WEEK: MAY 16-22, 2021
- Second: Mrs. Crandall
- Vote: 5-0
- Motion: Mrs. Schultz moved to adopt Resolution 2021-19: Resolution of Appreciation to Our School Nurses on National School Nurse Day, May 12, 2021. RESOLUTION 2021-19: RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION TO OUR SCHOOL NURSES ON NATIONAL SCHOOL NURSE DAY, MAY 12, 2021
- Second: Mr. Cunneen
- Vote: 5-0
- Motion: Mrs. Crandall moved to approve Proclamation of Appreciation to Our Speech/Language Pathologists During May 2021: Better Speech and Hearing Month. PROCLAMATION OF APPRECIATION TO OUR SPEECH/LANGUA GE PATHOLOGISTS DURING MAY 2021: BETTER SPEECH AND HEARING MONTH
- Second: Mr. Cunneen
- Vote: 5-0
- Motion: Mrs. Galindo moved to approve the Consent Calendar. CONSENT CALENDAR
- Second: Mr. Cunneen

Vote: 5-0

The Consent Calendar included:

- Board Meeting Minutes from March 11<sup>th</sup> regular meeting
- Board Meeting Minutes from March 31<sup>st</sup> special meeting
- Personnel Items (Employment Functions, Workshops/Conferences, and Consultants)
- Donations
- Warrants
- Purchase Order Listing
- Williams Quarterly Report for Third Quarter 2020-21
- Approval of Three-Year Contract for Audit Services with EideBailly
- Surplus Property Declaration for Information Technology Equipment
- Special Education Settlement Agreement 2020-2021 H
- Non-Public Agency Contracts

Non-public school/agency	100% contract cost	Effective dates
Secure Transportation Company, Inc.	\$5,250	3/8/21-6/30/21
Regents of the University of CA at Irvine dba The Center for Autism & Neurodev. Disorders	\$5,000	4/16/21-10/31/21

**SUPERINTENDENT’S COMMENTS/NEW ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

- Dr. Johnson Highlighted the recent last bond issuance of Measure O.
- Mrs. Fullerton Shared details regarding the sale, noting as well the upcoming presentation to the Board in May.
- Dr. Johnson Expressed his appreciation to the Board for passing the resolutions this evening to celebrate our employees, noting the great work of our nearly 700 employees to benefit our nearly 6,400 students. In addition, he highlighted Mrs. Amy Jara who was named a semifinalist for the OCDE Teacher of the Year contest. He noted being proud of her and honored to have her representing our district. In closing, he noted the opportunity to be on our elementary campuses since the announcement of the return to full day instruction. He highlighted the great celebration to come as students are reunited full time and again thanked our staff for their efforts to get us to this point.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Mrs. Crandall announced that the Board would retire into Closed Session. Action was not anticipated. The following was addressed: **CLOSED SESSION**

- Personnel Matters: *Government Code 54957 and 54957.1*

Appointment/Assignment/Promotion of employees; employee discipline/dismissal/release; evaluation of employee performance; complaints/charges against an employee; other personnel matters.

- Pupil Personnel: *Education Code 35146*  
Student expulsion(s) or disciplinary matters for violation of Board Policy 5144.1.
- Negotiations: *Government Code 54957.6*  
Update and review of negotiations with the FVEA and CSEA Bargaining Units with the Board's designated representative, Cathie Abdel.
- Threat to Public Safety or Facilities: *Government Code 54956.5*
- Consultation with Assistant Superintendent, Personnel, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services and Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services: *Government Code 54956.5*

## ADJOURNMENT

**Motion:** Mrs. Galindo moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:04PM.

**Second:** Mrs. Schultz

**Vote:** 5-0

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