

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Including Closed Session Items
333 South Beaudry Avenue, Board Room
10:00 a.m., Tuesday, August 6, 2024

The Los Angeles Board of Education acting as the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District met in regular session on Tuesday, August 6, 2024, at the Administrative Offices, Board Room, 333 South Beaudry Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

Mr. Michael McLean, Executive Officer of the Board of Education, called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

The following Board Members were present: Dr. George McKenna III, Dr. Rocío Rivas, Mr. Scott Schmerelson, Mr. Nick Melvoin, Ms. Tanya Ortiz Franklin and Board President Jackie Goldberg.

Ms. Kelly Gonez joined remotely via Zoom at 10:08 a.m.

Superintendent Alberto M. Carvalho was also present.

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (Purpose and Authority)

Mr. McLean announced that the following items would be discussed in closed session:

1. Student Discipline Matters (Education Code Section 48918[c][f])
2. Personnel (Government Code Section 54957)

Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release

Public Employment

Chief of Communications, Engagement and Collaboration
Director of Facilities Planning and Development
Deputy Chief Risk Officer

Superintendent's Evaluation

3. Conference with Legal Counsel

Pending Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9[d][1])

In the Matter of the Dismissal of Yamila Estrada
Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) Case No. 2023070207

Bridge v. Oklahoma State Department of Education
United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit Case No. 24-6072

Doe, John R.W v. Los Angeles Unified School District, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22CHCV00582

Conger, Kristen v. Los Angeles Unified School District
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV27486

Doe, Jane RS. v. Los Angeles Unified School District, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 23STCV23998

Doe, Jane MG v. Los Angeles Unified School District, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24STCV11153

Doe, Jane CB v. Los Angeles Unified School District, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 24STCV05650

4. Conference with Labor Negotiators (Government Code Section 54957.6)

Negotiator: Dr. Murphy
Employee Organizations:

Associated Administrators of Los Angeles
California School Employees Association
Los Angeles County Building and Construction Trades Council
Los Angeles School Police Association
Los Angeles School Police Management Association
Service Employees International Union, SEIU Local 99
Teamsters
United Teachers Los Angeles
District Represented Employees and Contract Management Personnel

Negotiator: Ms. Navera Reed
Unrepresented Employees:

Chief of Communications, Engagement and Collaboration
Director of Facilities Planning and Development
Deputy Chief Risk Officer

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following speakers addressed the Board on the subjects indicated:

Tab 2: Personnel

- Ana Carrion, Parent
- Pablo, Former Employee

Tab 4: Conference with Labor Negotiators

- David Tokofsky, Community Member

General Public Comment

- Maria Luisa Palma, Oleada, Inc., Transparency in the LCAP, budget and safety processes
- Monica Arrazola, Parent, School safety, support for school police
- Diana Guillen, Parent, Incorporate parental input and support parent organizations
- Karla Franco, Parent, Incorporate parental input and support parent organizations
- Maria Daisy Ortiz, Parent, Recited a poem comparing a student's journey to a rose
- Jocelyn Chairez, Former Student, Failing to prepare students for college
- Juan Magandi, Parent, Creating divisions among parent organizations
- Mark Williams, Community Member, Fraudulent bond debt & district covid mandate
- Maria Nichols, Associated Administrators of Los Angeles, Expressed enthusiasm for productive collaboration to create successful schools
- Marcela Garcia, Parent, Racial biases in schools, systemic bullying
- Sofi Ryan, Association of Pupil Services and Attendance Counselors, Challenges faced by pupil services and attendance counselors due of budget reductions

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The Board recessed the public portion of the closed session meeting at 10:42 a.m. Closed session discussion began at 10:50 a.m. and ended at 1:12 p.m. The following Board Members were present: Dr. McKenna, Dr. Rivas, Mr. Schmerelson, Mr. Melvoin, Ms. Ortiz Franklin and Board President Goldberg. Ms. Gonez attended the meeting via Zoom.

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The Board reconvened the public portion of the closed session meeting at 1:19 p.m.

The following Board Members were present: Dr. Rivas, Mr. Schmerelson, Mr. Melvoin, Ms. Ortiz Franklin, and Board President Goldberg.

Dr. McKenna and Ms. Gonez were absent.

Superintendent Alberto M. Carvalho was present.

Mr. McLean announced the following reportable actions resulting from the closed session discussion:

- The Board of Education approved the expulsion of students in case numbers 001-24/25, 002-24/25, and 003-24/25 with the recommended dispositions. The vote was 7 ayes.
- The Board of Education further approved the conditional enrollment of the students in case numbers 001A-24/25 and 002A-24/25 with the recommended dispositions. The vote was 7 ayes.
- The Board of Education authorized the dismissal of 1 classified employee. The vote was 7 ayes.
- The Board of Education appointed Jana Carter to the position of Chief of Communications, Engagement and Collaboration with a term beginning on August 14, 2024, and ending June 30, 2026. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement. The vote was 7 ayes.

- The Board of Education appointed Issam Dahdul to the position of Director of Facilities Planning and Development with a term beginning on October 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2026. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement. The vote was 7 ayes.
- The Board of Education appointed Melissa Hollingsworth to the position of Deputy Chief Risk Officer with a term beginning on August 14, 2024, and ending June 30, 2026. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement. The vote was 7 ayes.
- The Board of Education approved settlement authority in the matter of the dismissal of Yamila Estrada. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement. The vote was 7 ayes.
- The Board of Education authorized the filing of an amicus brief in the case of Bridge v. Oklahoma State Department of Education. The document will be available upon filing. The vote was 7 ayes.
- The Board of Education authorized the settlement in the case Doe, John R.W v. Los Angeles Unified School District, et al. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement. The vote was 7 ayes.
- The Board of Education further authorized the settlement in the following cases: Doe, Jane RS. v. Los Angeles Unified School District, et al., Doe, Jane MG v. Los Angeles Unified School District, et al., and Doe, Jane CB v. Los Angeles Unified School District, et al. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement. The vote was 7 ayes.

ADJOURNMENT

By general consent, the meeting was adjourned at 1:22 p.m.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD: January 14, 2025


JACKIE GOLDBERG
PRESIDENT


MICHAEL MCLEAN
EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE BOARD

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