

**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES**  
**GOVERNING BOARD OF THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**Including Closed Session Items**  
333 South Beaudry Avenue, Board Room  
9:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 17, 2023

The Los Angeles Board of Education acting as the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District met in regular session on Tuesday, October 17, 2023, at the Administrative Offices, Board Room, 333 South Beaudry Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

Executive Officer of the Board Michael McLean called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

The following Board Members were present: Dr. George J. McKenna, III, Dr. Rocio Rivas, Mr. Scott Schmerelson, Mr. Nick Melvoin, and Board President Jackie Goldberg.

Ms. Kelly Gonez arrived at approximately 9:03 a.m.

Ms. Tanya Ortiz Franklin arrived at approximately 9:15 a.m.

Superintendent Alberto Carvalho was 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
    - Deputy Director of Facilities Program Support Services
    - Deputy Chief Procurement Officer
  - Superintendent's Evaluation
3. Conference with Legal Counsel
  - Pending Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9[d][1])
    - Nolasco, Edwin v. Los Angeles Unified School District
    - Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV02062

Doe, Jane C.J., et al. v. Los Angeles Unified School District; Curtis Johnson  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV25004

Los Angeles Unified School District v. JUUL, et al.  
San Bernardino Superior Court Case No. CIV DS 1932301

Shaw v. Los Angeles Unified School District  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV36489

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:

Deputy Director of Facilities Program Support Services  
Deputy Chief Procurement Officer

PUBLIC SPEAKING

The following speakers addressed the Board on the subjects indicated:

Tab 1: Student Discipline Matters

- Jose Moreno, Parent
- Victoria Moreno, Parent
- Victoria Garcia, Parent

Tab 2: Personnel

- Thomas McCluskey, Teacher
- Mary M. Zakrasek, California Safe Schools
- Carl Petersen, Parent
- Manuk Grigoryan, Parent

Tab 3: Conference with Legal Counsel

- David Tokofsky, Community Representative

- Greg Mason, Community Representative

General Public Comment

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| • Maria Luisa Palma, Parent             | School level public budget system access                              |
| • Katherine Gardner, Parent             | Inclusion of LGBTQ+ students  |
| • Jill Lee, Community Member            | Integrated Pest Management Policy                                     |
| • Norma Gonzalez, Parent                | Community Advisory Committee membership                               |
| • Diana Guillen, Parent                 | District English Learner Advisory Committee                           |
| • Matthew Kogan, District Employee      | Career Technical Education (CTE) programs                             |
| • Robert Yorgason, Teacher              | CTE programs  |
| • Robina Suwol, California Safe Schools | Integrated Pest Management Policy                                     |
| • Tina Christopulos, Parent             | Supports the inclusivity for all students, and<br>the vaccine mandate |
| • Maria Daisy Ortiz, Parent             | Support for parent engagement   |
| • Juan Jose Mangandi, Parent            | Support for parents   |
| • Karla Franco, Parent                  | Incidents at South Gate High School                                   |
| • Melina Virrueta, Student              | Dental Assistant course at East Los Angeles<br>Occupational Center    |
| • Ruvisela Gutierrez, CTE Teacher       | Dental Assistant course at East Los Angeles<br>Occupational Center    |
| • Marilyn Papiewski, CTE Teacher        | Tenure for CTE Teachers   |

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The Board recessed the public portion of the closed session meeting at 10:34 a.m. Closed session discussion began at 10:40 a.m. and ended at 1:15 p.m. The following Board Members were present: Dr. McKenna, Dr. Rivas, Mr. Schmerelson, Mr. Melvoin, Ms. Gonez, Ms. Ortiz Franklin, and Ms. Goldberg.

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The Board reconvened the public portion of the closed session meeting at 1:20 p.m.

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

Dr. McKenna was absent.

Superintendent Carvalho was present.

Mr. McLean announced the following reportable actions as a result of the closed session discussion:

- The Board of Education approved the expulsion of students in case numbers 018-23/24, 019-23/24, 020-23/24, 021-23/24, 022-23/24 with the recommended dispositions.

The vote was 7 ayes.

- The Board of Education further approved the conditional enrollment of the student in case number 006A-23/24 with the recommended dispositions.

The vote was 7 ayes.

- The Board of Education authorized the dismissal of 1 Certificated employee.

The vote was 4 ayes, 3 noes. Dr. McKenna, Mr. Schmerelson, and Ms. Gonez

- The Board of Education authorized the dismissal of 1 Certificated employee.

The vote was 6 ayes, 1 no. Mr. Schmerelson

- The Board of Education authorized the dismissal of 1 Certificated employee and 2 classified employees.

The vote was 7 ayes.

- Pursuant to California Education Code Section 35031 the Board acted to non-reelect the Deputy Chief Business Officer of Finance position consistent with his retirement date and authorized the requisite notification.

The vote was 7 ayes.

- The Board of Education approved an employment agreement with Chris Alejo in the position of Deputy Director of Facilities Program Support Services with a term ending June 30, 2024. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement.

The vote was 7 ayes.

- The Board of Education approved an employment agreement with Matt Friedman in the position of Deputy Chief Procurement Officer with a term ending June 30, 2025. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement.

The vote was 7 ayes.

- The Board of Education authorized the settlement in the case of *Nolasco, Edwin v. Los Angeles Unified School District*, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV02062. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement.

The vote was 7 ayes.

- The Board of Education authorized the settlement in the case of *Doe, Jane C.J., et al., v. Los Angeles Unified School District*; Curtis Johnson, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV25004. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement.

The vote was 7 ayes.

- The Board of Education authorized a filing in the case of *Shaw v. Los Angeles Unified School District*, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV36489. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement.

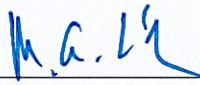
The vote was 6 ayes, 1 no, Mr. Melvoin.

ADJOURNMENT

On general consent, the meeting adjourned at 1:23 p.m.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD: **JUNE 3, 2025**

  
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MS. JACKIE GOLDBERG  
PRESIDENT

  
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MR. MICHAEL MCLEAN  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE BOARD

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