

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
1208 Magnolia Avenue, Gardena, CA 90247
9945 Laurel Canyon Blvd., Pacoima, CA 91331
9:00 a.m., Tuesday, February 11, 2025

The Los Angeles Board of Education acting as the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District met in regular session on Tuesday, February 11, 2025, at the Administrative Offices, Board Room, 333 South Beaudry Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

Mr. Michael A. McLean, Executive Officer of the Board of Education, called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

The following Board Members were present: Ms. Sherlett H. Newbill, Dr. Rocío Rivas, and Board President Scott Schmerelson.

Ms. Tanya Ortiz Franklin was present remotely via Zoom.

Mr. Nick Melvoin arrived at 9:07 a.m.

Ms. Karla Griego arrived at 9:15 a.m.

Ms. Kelly Gonez arrived at 9:25 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 Procurement Officer

Director of Facilities Project Execution

Director of Budget Services and Financial Planning

Superintendent's Evaluation

3. Conference with Legal Counsel

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

Doe, John v. Los Angeles Unified School District, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV17920

Doe, John R.J. v. Los Angeles Unified School District, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV35623

Doe, Jane C.R. v. Los Angeles Unified School District, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No: 22STCV13174

Doe, Jane M.R. v. Los Angeles Unified School District, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No: 23STCV14304

Mitchell, Krystyn, et al. v. Los Angeles Unified School District, et al.
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV29869

Anticipated Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9[d][4])

2 cases

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 Procurement Officer
Director of Facilities Project Execution
Director of Budget Services and Financial Planning

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following speakers addressed the Board on the subjects indicated:

Tab 3: Conference with Legal Counsel

- 20 Year LAUSD Educator

Tab 4: Conference with Labor Negotiators

- David Tokofsky, Community Member

General Public Comment

Diana Guillen, Parent	School Safety & Former Superintendent Austin Beutner
Maria Luisa Palma, Oleada Inc.	Prioritize Education and Safety; UTLA
Rae Belisle, Teacher	Declining Enrollment, Virtual Academies and Co-Located Schools at Crenshaw High School
Steve Barr, Future Is Now Schools – Los Angeles	Future Is Now CTE Prep High
Mara Simmons, Future Is Now Schools – Los Angeles	Future Is Now CTE Prep High
Jena Noyes, Parent	Support for School Police
Juan Mangandi, Community Member	Support for School Police
María Daisy Ortiz, Community Member	Parent Involvement and Budget Transparency
Maria Duran, Parent	School Safety & Support for School Police
Channing Martinez, The Strategy Center	Racial Terrorism Against Black Students

Later in the meeting, Tyesha Jackson Wise, Parent, spoke under Tab 3, Conference with Legal Counsel, and Karla Franco, Parent, spoke under Tab 1, Student Discipline Matters.

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The Board recessed the public portion of the closed session meeting at 9:44 a.m. Closed session discussion began at 9:55 a.m. and ended at 1:40 p.m. The following Board Members were present: Ms. Newbill, Dr. Rivas, Mr. Melvoin, Ms. Griego, Ms. Gonez and Board President Schmerelson. Ms. Ortiz Franklin was present via Zoom.

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The Board reconvened the public portion of the closed session meeting at 1:49 p.m.

The following Board Members were present: Ms. Newbill, Dr. Rivas, Mr. Melvoin, Ms. Gonez and Board President Schmerelson. Ms. Ortiz Franklin was present via Zoom.

Ms. Griego was absent.

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, 056-24/25, 057-24/25, 058-24/25, 059-24/25, 060-24/25, 061-24/25, 062-24/25, 063-24/25, 064-24/25, with the recommended dispositions. The Board of Education approved the conditional enrollment of the student in case number 016A-24/25. The vote in both categories was 7 ayes.
- The Board of Education authorized the dismissal of 4 classified and 1 certificated employee. The vote was 7 ayes.
- The Board of Education further approved the non-reelection of 45 certificated probationary employees. The vote was 7 ayes.

- The Board of Education did not appoint the Chief Procurement Officer. The vote was 3 ayes, Mr. Melvoin, Ms. Gonez, Ms. Ortiz Franklin, 4 noes, Ms. Newbill, Dr. Rivas, Ms. Griego and Board President Schmerelson.
- The Board of Education appointed Edward Cadena to the position of Director of Facilities Project Execution with the term beginning on March 12, 2025, and ending on June 30, 2026. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement. The vote was 5 ayes, Mr. Melvoin, Ms. Griego, Ms. Gonez, Ms. Ortiz Franklin and Board President Schmerelson, 1 no, Ms. Newbill, and 1 abstention, Dr. Rivas.
- The Board of Education appointed Nirupama Jayaraman to the position of Director of Budget Services and Financial Planning with the term beginning on March 12, 2025, and ending on June 30, 2026. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement. The vote was 4 ayes, Mr. Melvoin, Ms. Gonez, Ms. Ortiz Franklin and Board President Schmerelson, 1 no, Ms. Newbill, and 2 abstentions Dr. Rivas and Ms. Griego.
- The Board of Education authorized the settlement in the case of John Doe v. Los Angeles Unified School District. 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 John Doe R.J v. Los Angeles Unified School District, et al. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement. The vote was 6 ayes, and 1 no, Ms. Gonez.
- The Board of Education authorized the settlement in the case of Krystyn Mitchell v. Los Angeles Unified School District. 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 1:52 p.m.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD: April 8, 2025



 SCOTT M. SCHMERELSON
 PRESIDENT



 MICHAEL MCLEAN
 EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE BOARD

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