

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, January 23, 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, January 23, 2024, 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 9:06 a.m.

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

Superintendent Alberto Carvalho was present.

Dr. George J. McKenna, III, was present via teleconference at 9:08 a.m.

Ms. Kelly Gonez, and Ms. Tanya Ortiz Franklin were absent.

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 Human Resources Officer
Deputy Chief Information Security Officer
Senior Director, Black Student Initiatives
Deputy Chief Business Officer, Finance

Superintendent's Evaluation

3. Conference with Legal Counsel

Anticipated Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9[e][3])

1 case

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

Jane S.H. Doe, an individual, et al. v. Los Angeles Unified School District
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 21STCV09899

Jane Doe 7061 v. Los Angeles Unified School District
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV31619

John Doe 1 and 2 v. Los Angeles Unified School District
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV42582

Los Angeles Unified School District v. Atlas Iron & Metal Company, Inc.
United States District Court Case No. 2:20-cv-05330-SB-SK

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 Human Resources Officer
Deputy Chief Information Security Officer
Senior Director, Black Student Initiatives
Deputy Chief Business Officer, Finance

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following speakers addressed the Board on the subjects indicated:

Tab 2: Student Discipline Matters

David Tokofsky, Community Member

General Public Comment

Juan Mangandi, Parent
Norma Gonzalez, Parent
Karla Franco, Parent

Support for parents, and school safety
School safety, and support for school police
School safety

Victoria Irigoyen, Parent

Problem getting her child back in school, failed
Individualized Education Program meeting
Parent engagement in the Local Control
Accountability Plan process

Maria Luisa Palma, Parent

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The Board recessed the public portion of the closed session meeting at 9:25 a.m. Closed session discussion began at 9:40 a.m. and ended at 12:05 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 12:57 p.m.

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

Ms. Gonez was absent.

Superintendent Carvalho was absent.

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 033-23/24, 034-23/24 with the recommended dispositions.
- The Board of Education denied enrollment of the student in case number 011A-23/24.
- The Board of Education approved the conditional enrollment of the student in case number 012A-23/24.

The vote was 6 ayes, 1 abstention. Dr. McKenna.

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

The vote was 6 ayes, 1 abstention. Dr. McKenna.

- The Board of Education appointed Richard Meraz to the position of Deputy Chief Information Security Officer with a term ending June 30, 2026. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement.
- The Board of Education appointed Luis Buendia to the position of Deputy Chief Business Officer, Finance with a term ending December 31, 2023. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement.
- The Board of Education appointed Francisco Serrato to the position of Chief Human Resources Officer with a term ending June 30, 2025. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement.

- The Board of Education appointed Travis Brandy to the position of Senior Director, Black Student Initiatives with a term ending June 30, 2025. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement.

The vote was 6 ayes, 1 absent, Dr. McKenna.

- The Board of Education authorized the settlement of a pre-litigation matter. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement.

The vote was 6 ayes, 1 abstention, Dr. McKenna.

- The Board of Education authorized the settlement of Jane SH Doe v. LAUSD Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 21STCV09899 Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement.
- The Board of Education authorized the settlement of Jane Doe 7061 v. LAUSD, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 22STCV31619. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement.
- The Board of Education authorized the settlement of John Doe 1 and 2 v. LAUSD, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCV42582 Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement.
- The Board of Education authorized the settlement of LAUSD v. Atlas Iron & Metal Co. United District Court Case No. 2:20-cv-05330-SB-SK. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the agreement.

The vote was 6 ayes, 1 abstention, Dr. McKenna.

ADJOURNMENT

On general consent, the meeting adjourned at 1:01 p.m.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD: **APRIL 9, 2024**


MS. JACKIE GOLDBERG
PRESIDENT


MICHAEL MCLEAN
EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE BOARD