


LA HABRA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
 Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting
 500 N. Walnut St.
 La Habra, CA 90631
 November 12, 2015

Board Members	<p>Board Members Present: John A. Dobson, President Elizabeth Steves, Clerk/Vice President Ofelia Hanson, Member Ida MacMurray, Member</p> <p>Board Members Absent: Cynthia Aguirre, Member</p>
Administrators	<p>Administrators Present: Susan Belenardo, Superintendent Karen Kinney, Chief Business Official</p> <p>Administrators Absent: Teresa Egan, Assistant Superintendent</p>
Formal Call to Order	<p>Board President, John A. Dobson, called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 5:03 p.m.</p>
Public Comment on Closed Session Items	<p>Following no public comment, Trustees adjourned to closed session.</p>
Work/Study Session	<p>Trustees began work/study session at 5:30 p.m. Noah Eyre and Chiara Tellini from Imagine Learning provided a presentation of their language and literacy software. Imagine Learning is a blended learning program that provides support to struggling readers, English learners, students with disabilities, and early childhood education students in pre-K through sixth grade. Students within these groups can benefit from the program, and most elementary school students can see an increase in language and literacy proficiency. Noah shared a demonstration of the different grade level lessons from the program, and how they align with the Common Core State Standards (CCSS). The program supports 15 different languages which allow English learners to better understand the lessons. The program offers a one-to-one instruction allowing students to work at a pace that is more comfortable to them. Teachers are able to receive individual reports on their students' progress. The program is imperative for teachers who have students with different needs, as it can help them target those individual needs and get them get back on grade level. The system is web-based which will allow students the ability to access from home. This allows parents to become more involved in their students learning. Districts who have utilized Imagine Learning have seen an improvement on their test scores. Trustees shared questions they had regarding the program.</p> <p>Sheryl Tecker, Director of Programs and Assessment, provided information on developing college and career readiness with MAP and CAASPP resources. MAP is aligned with the CCSS and is a consistent measurement to monitor students' growth across all grade spans. The MAP results assist teachers with identifying their student's instructional levels and how to differentiate the instruction. She shared some of the summary and breakdown reports as well as the student goal setting worksheets. With these reports teachers can identify if students are meeting projected growth targets. For example, on the Student Growth Summary Report for Mathematics, last year's 6th grade students did not make projected growth in mathematics; however 3rd grade students surpassed growth projections</p>

	<p>and are closing the achievement gap. Teachers can also see who is responding to, or in need of, interventions. Teachers can then use the data to properly group the students and identify what standards need to be worked on. The Student Goal Setting Worksheet helps parents and students understand and identify the areas of strengths and weaknesses. Teachers share worksheets with parents at conferences and develop goals for improvement. Sheryl reviewed the CAASPP system and how LHCS D is strategically using CAASPP resources to prepare students for Spring testing. She ended her presentation with a closing thought.....”When we want the elephant to grow, we feed the elephant. We do not weigh the elephant.” This saying reminds us to focus on improving the instructional program rather than focusing on summative test results.</p>
Second Call to Order Regular Meeting	Board President, John A. Dobson, called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:10 p.m.
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag	Board President, John A. Dobson, asked Sheryl Tecker, to lead the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
Report from Closed Session	No report from closed session.
Adoption of the Agenda	On a motion made by Elizabeth Steves, and a second to the motion by Ofelia Hanson, Trustees unanimously adopted the agenda for November 12, 2015.
Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting: October 22, 2015	On a motion made by Elizabeth Steves, and a second to the motion by Ida MacMurray, Trustees unanimously approved the minutes the Regular Meeting of October 22, 2015. ¹
Correspondence	<p>Board Clerk/Vice President, Elizabeth Steves read the following correspondence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On October 30, 2015, Trustees received a letter from David Boyd, OCDE Trustee, District 2, clarifying what actions took place at the Orange County Board of Education meeting regarding CCSS.
Superintendent’s and Trustees’ Report	<p>Superintendent, Susan Belenardo, thanked Vanessa from the Orange County Department of Education for providing everyone with a better understanding of the CCSS and taking the time to visit Imperial and Washington Middle School Math classes. Trustees shared their experience from the visits. They were very impressed how Ms. Ryal’s students were able to quickly pick up on the concept of absolute value. They were thankful to Vanessa for taking the time to do the walk-thru. It was a very informative experience.</p> <p>Dr. Belenardo shared some good news on Washington Middle School. They were featured in the O.C. Register yesterday. The article explained how last week 80 female students were selected to participate with Cal Poly Pomona students in their engineering program. The focus of the article is to help increase representation of minorities and women in engineering jobs. WMS was also visited by our neighboring school, Rancho Starbuck. They did a walk-thru to observe all of the wonderful technology we have available for our students.</p> <p>Dr. Belenardo and Trustees shared their comments from the recent Teacher of the Year Dinner. As always it was a wonderful event. Dana’s family and co-workers were there to show support. Congratulations again to Dana on being nominated as LHCS D Teacher of the Year.</p>

	Dr. Belenardo provided handouts on Supporting Student Success – frequently asked questions, Final Reports for CAASPP Baseline Results by subgroup in Math and ELA, and Final Results on percentages of students who met or exceeded the overall grade level standard in CAASPP.
Public Comment	None
General Matters Action Item: Consent Calendar	On a motion made by Ofelia Hanson, and a second to the motion by Elizabeth Steves, Trustees unanimously approved: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Approval of Independent Contractor Agreements as attached to these minutes.² ➤ Approval of Staff Development for designated employees to attend conferences/workshops as attached to these minutes.³ ➤ Approval of 2015-2016 Membership renewals as attached to these minutes.⁴ ➤ Approval of extra pay requests per employees’ contract provisions and Education Code requirements as attached to these minutes.⁵ ➤ Approval of Certificated and Classified resignations and ratification of new hires as attached to these minutes.⁶ ➤ Approval of Personnel Change of Status as attached to these minutes.⁷ ➤ Approval of the Expenditures Report as attached to these minutes.⁸
Action Item: Annual Organizational Meeting	On a motion made by Ofelia Hanson, and a second to the motion by Ida MacMurray, Trustees unanimously set the date and time for the annual Board of Education Organizational Meeting for Thursday, December 10, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.
Information Item: Board Committee Assignments for 2016	Trustees reviewed this past year’s local/county Board Committee assignments to consider their individual assignments for 2016. Appointments to committees will take place at the Organizational Meeting on December 10 th , and will include the addition of appointments to the Collaborative and Innovation committee.
Action Item: Approval of Second/Final reading to revised Board Policies	On a motion made by Ofelia Hanson, and a second to the motion made by Elizabeth Steves, Trustees unanimously approved second/final reading of revised Board Policy 0450 – Comprehensive Safety Plan, and Board Policy 0520.2 – Title I Program Improvement Schools as attached to these minutes. ⁹
Information Item: Proposed Revision to Board Policy 0200/First Reading	Board President, John A. Dobson, explained that this is the first reading for Board Policy 0200 – Goals for the School District and that it will be brought back for a second and final reading at the next Board meeting with any noted changes, if any.
Information Item: Revised Administrative Regulations	Board President, John A. Dobson, explained that the Administrative Regulations are for information purposes only and do not require approval. He asked if anyone had any questions or concerns regarding the regulations. No questions or concerns were noted.
Action Item: Approval of Waiver of Co-Payment for Reduced Price Meals	On a motion made by Ofelia Hanson, and a second to the motion by Ida MacMurray, Trustees unanimously approved the waiver of the co-payment for reduced price meals as attached to these minutes. ¹⁰
Other Business from the Board	Board Member, Ida MacMurray announced that the LHCS D will be holding a Collaborative meeting on November 30 th between 8:30 – 10:00 and encouraged all Board Members to attend.

	<p>Board Clerk/Vice President, Elizabeth Steves, thanked John for a great year and for being a great mentor. She also thanked Ofelia, Ida, and Cynthia for being such a great team. She is also looking forward to attending IMS Health Fair on November 19th.</p> <p>Trustees shared their experience attending the Fall Festival at IMS. The bands all performed well, the artwork was really good. They were impressed on how the teachers are able to blend the artwork into the subject. The students artistically expressed their learning of Science and Social Science through art.</p>
Adjournment	Board President, John A. Dobson, announced that the next meeting will be held on December 10, 2015 at the District Office Board Room at 7:00 p.m. There being no further business meeting items before the Board, on a motion made by Ida MacMurray, and a second to the motion by Elizabeth Steves, the meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.
Board Minutes Approved:	<p>December 10, 2015</p> <p> Susan Belenardo, Ed.D. Secretary to the Board</p>

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- ¹ Approval of Minutes
 - ² Independent Contractor Agreements
 - ³ Staff Development
 - ⁴ Membership Renewals
 - ⁵ Extra pay Request
 - ⁶ Certificated and Classified Resignations and New Hires
 - ⁷ Change of Status
 - ⁸ Expenditures Report
 - ⁹ Approval of revised Board Policies
 - ¹⁰ Waiver for Reduced Price meals