


LA HABRA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
 Minutes of the Special Board of Education Meeting
 500 N. Walnut Street
 La Habra, CA 90631
 June 8, 2023

Board Members Present	Ofelia Hanson, President Emily Pruitt, Vice President Sue Pritchard, Ph.D., Member Adam Rogers, Member
Administrators Present	Mario Carlos, Ed.D., Superintendent
Formal Call to Order	Board President Ofelia Hanson made the Formal Call to Order at 6:00 p.m.
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag	Board President Ofelia Hanson lead the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
Adoption of the Agenda	On a motion made by Sue Pritchard, and a second to the motion made by Adam Rogers, Trustees unanimously adopted the agenda for June 8, 2023.
Public Comment	<p>Sharon Brown spoke on behalf of Louise Gant and expressed her unwaveringly support for her. She cited Mrs. Gant’s professional background, depth of knowledge, and numerous organizations Mrs. Gant is active in. She added Mrs. Gant is familiar with the diverse community and deeply cares for the students and families of La Habra.</p> <p>Regina Cuadra is a proud LHSCD parent. She expressed her gratitude to the Board for always being supportive, dedicated, and transparent. Ms. Cuadra emphasized her appreciation for the handling of the vacant Board position. She has hopes the chosen candidate will represent all families and students and that everyone would accept the choice made by the Board without forcing a special election.</p> <p>Candace Johnson conveyed her support for Justin Rodgers. She mentioned Mr. Rodgers' roles as a father, PTA president, and community leader. She requested that the Board take into account a person who is involved at all levels. She claimed that Mr. Rodgers fosters friendships with parents and families in the community and is excellent at listening to everyone.</p>
GENERAL MATTERS Information Item Provisional Appointee Interviews	<p>The candidates were interviewed in the following order: Linda Gonzales, Justin Rodgers, Rocio Carmona, Louise Gant, and Michelle Beriner.</p> <p>Each candidate was asked the same questions and was given thirty minutes to complete the interview.</p>
Action Item Approval of Provisional Appointee to the La Habra Board of Trustees	<p>Sue Pritchard motioned to select Linda Gonzales as the provisional appointee to the Board of Trustees. Motion not seconded; Motion failed.</p> <p>Sue Pritchard motioned to select Rocio Carmona as the provisional appointee to the Board of Trustees. Motion not seconded; Motion failed.</p> <p>On a motion made by Emily Pruitt, and a second to the motion made by Adam Rodgers, Trustees unanimously approved Justin Rodgers as the provisional appointee to the La Habra Board of Trustees until the November 2024 election.</p>

Board/Superintendent Comments	<p>Trustees provided comments on the following topics and areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thankful for all the applicants who expressed interest in the position. • Congratulations to Justin! We're excited to work alongside him! • They are aware of the various language barriers within the community and they are going to try to bridge that gap. <p>Dr. Carlos provided comments on the following topics and areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thankful to the audience for being present. • Thanked everyone who applied for the vacant position and their interest in serving the students. • Thanked the Board for their participation in selecting an applicant and reminded the Board to keep united for the families and students of the LHCS.
Adjournment	<p>Board President Hanson announced that the next regular meeting will be held on June 15, 2023 at the District Education Center Board Room at 6:00 p.m. There being no further business meeting items before the Board, on a motion made by Sue Pritchard, and a second to the motion by Adam Rodgers the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.</p>
Board Minutes Approved:	<p>June 15, 2023</p> <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 100px;">  Mario A. Carlos, Ed.D. Secretary to the Board </div>