

Wilmar Union Elementary School District Meeting of the Board of Education Agenda

March 14, 2024, at 4:30 PM

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4:30 PM Regular Meeting Agenda

Call to order and Flag Salute: 4:30

Board Members present: Andrea Balf, Andrea Christensen and Buck O'Hare

1. **Approval of the Agenda:** (If anyone is present for a particular agenda item, the Board may wish to bring that item forward at this time.) Motion to approve agenda.

Motion: Andrea Christensen

Second: Andrea Balf

Ayes: 3 Nays: 0

2. **Public Comment:** At this time members of the public may address the Board on any items, that are not on the agenda, but are of interest to the public and that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. Members may address the Board on particular items on the agenda as they come up during the meeting. In accordance with Board Bylaw 9323, visitors are allowed to address the Board for up to three (3) minutes per individual and up to 20 minutes per topic. The Board President may increase or decrease the time allowed for public comment. The Board values public comments, but by the Brown Act, the Board shall not act upon, respond to, or comment on the merits of any item presented during this period. The Board may ask clarifying questions of the presenter or refer the presenter to a District procedure, if appropriate.

Peter Kostas, SCOE Trustee and representative in the Petaluma area came by to introduce himself and thank the trustees for their hard work and commitment during these trying times.

3. **Interview Candidate for Board Vacancy**

Interviewed the only applicant for the vacant trustee position. The applicant shared his experience, and the board interviewed the applicant by asking questions related to the position.

4. **Voting for Candidate for Board Vacancy. Once selected, the board reserves the right to administer the Oath of Office and administer the candidate.**

Move to close session at 5:45 PM for discussion and voting on the new applicant. Return to open session at 5:01. Candidate was voted into office, and the oath of office was conducted as the final step to onboarding the new trustee.

5. Reports/presentations:

5.1. Superintendent/Principal: Enrollment update, Staff update, Asphalt project on back driveway

Superintendent Hospodar updated the board on the 2024-25 enrollment. Currently, the student population is around 216, down from 223. As a result, Superintendent Hospodar shared with the board the need to eliminate 1 temporary Instructional Aide position. Lastly, Superintendent Hospodar gave an update on the back driveway. The area in question has suffered from the wet winter. Currently, 2 bids are being considered.

5.2. Business Manager: Presentation of Second Interim Report 2023-24

CBO Hale provided the school board with an overview of the Second Interim Report. In summary, the following challenges are coming up in the 2024/25 school year.

- Rising employer pension contribution rates
- New 3-year LCAP Template
- Projected decline in enrollment for Wilmar and California
- Reduced estimated COLA (proposed 0.76%)
- Elimination of discretionary apportionments
- No more COVID funding

The District can offset deficits by...

- Build enrollment
- Track and promote attendance
- Balance the budget
- Build reserves

5.3. Reports from Board Members:

Board member O'Hare brought up the conflict between Little League practice/games and the landscapers mowing schedule. Trustee O'Hare worked with both parties and a temporary solution was found. Suggested that next year's MOU has specific dates/times for mowing and all practices and games work around the mowing schedule.

6. Approval of the Consent Agenda by Consolidated Motion:

6.1.(p.1) Approval of the Minutes of February 8, 2024.

6.2. (p.3) Approve Budget Updates Batch BR24-00049 through BR24-00052

Motion: Andre Balf Second: Andrea Christensen Ayes: 4Noes: 0

7. Action Items:

7.1.(Handout) **Approval of Resolution #2324-4 Authorizing the Reduction of Particular Kinds of Services.** Recommended motion: That the Board approves Resolution #2324-4, that the District reduces Particular Kinds of Services by 1 (temporary-hourly) Instructional Aides as shown in the full resolution.

Motion: Andrea Christensen Second: Andrea Balf Ayes: 4Noes: 0

7.2.(p.4) **Approve the contract with Alma, a Student Information System (SIS and Learning Management System (LMS), yearly contract for the 2024-25 school year.**

Recommended Motion: That the Board approve the contract with Alma, a Student Information System (SIS and Learning Management System (LMS), yearly contract for the 2024-25 school year.

Motion: Andrea Christensen Second: Andrea Balf Ayes: 4Noes: 0

7.3 (p.5) Approve the Board Payment Report. Recommended Motion: That the Board approve the Board Payment Report for February 2, 2024 through March 6, 2024.

Motion: Andrea Christensen Second: Kurosh Tehranchi Ayes: 4Noes: 0

7.4 (p.10) Approve the Second Interim Report for Fiscal Year 2023-24.

Recommended Motion: That the Board approve the Second Interim Report for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

Motion: Kurosh Tehranchi Second: Andrea Christensen Ayes: 4Noes: 0

7.5 Approve April 16, 2024 for the April regular Board meeting. Recommended Motion: That the Board approve April 16, 2024 for the April regular Board meeting.

Motion: Andrea Christensen Second: Andrea Balf Ayes: 4Noes: 0

8. Next Board Meeting: Thursday, April 16, 2024, **4:30 p.m.**

Topics for that meeting:

- Staffing updates
- YouthTruth
- Declaration of Need
- Budget Updates
- 2024-25 Academic Calendar
- Williams Quarterly

9.0 Adjournment: 6:10 (Followed by signing of papers of routine nature.)

Approved By _____
Buck O'Hare, board president