

Santa Ana Unified School District  
1601 East Chestnut Avenue  
Santa Ana, CA 92701

MINUTES

Special Board Meeting - Governance Workshop

Tuesday, February 20, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER

Board President Torres called the meeting to order at 5:27 p.m.

Other Board members in attendance were Mr. Bustos, Ms. Brazer Aceves, and Dr. Rodriguez.

Cabinet members in attendance were Superintendent Almendarez, Dr. Perez, Ms. Flores, Ms. Barquin, Dr. Olamendi, and Mr. Walstrom with Mr. Hacker absent.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Superintendent led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Ms. Torres asked if there was anyone wishing to address the Board related to the Special Board meeting agenda.

There was no one wishing to address the Board.

4. PRESENTATION

4.1 Santa Ana Unified School District Board Priority Metrics Update

Superintendent Almendarez commenced the session and emphasized that the focus is on Student Achievement, Student Wellness, and Organizational Efficiency & Effectiveness. Ms. Torres asked for Board consensus to go by first names for the purpose of the meeting with no opposition.

Dr. Alvarez joined the meeting at 5:33 p.m.

Mr. Almendarez introduced Deputy Superintendent Dr. Lorraine Perez who provided an overview of the presentation. She then introduced Executive Director of Special Education Rae Rice, who presented on student achievement in special education during 2022-23 and the plan moving forward. Ms. Rice introduced Maricela Roque who presented data on student achievement in reading and math. Ms. Roque introduced Director of Secondary Student Achievement, Charter Schools, and College and Career Readiness Celeste Migliaccio, who presented on secondary student achievement data and provided the Board with a book "Grading with Equity". Next was Executive Director of Support Services David Richey and Assistant Director of Support Services Michele DeJournett, who provided an update on chronic absenteeism. Mr. Richey then introduced Family and Community Engagement (FACE) Director Lisa Solomon who provided an update on FACE. Board members asked questions, provided individual input, and requested additional information on: SPED assessments, including laws and practices of Individualized Education Plans (IEP), and students being present during IEPs; Path Conference; disaggregation of data on slides nine (9), eleven (11), and thirteen (13); Fraction Ball/Number Ball; analysis of absences; and an analysis of the FACE model.

Ms. Torres proposed deferring the discussion on Organizational Efficiency and Effectiveness to a later time which will be discussed with Superintendent. There was no opposition from the Board.

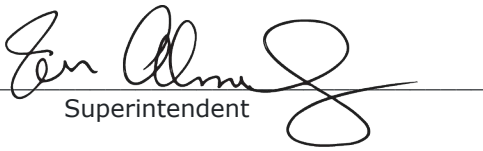
5. ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business to come before the Board, President Torres adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

6. FUTURE MEETING

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education is Tuesday, February 27, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Superintendent