

**SULPHUR SPRINGS UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Regular Meeting of the Governing Board

April 28, 2021

**MINUTES**

Meeting Location:

Zoom and Live Streamed

For Public Access,

<https://youtu.be/DgboVkqa8W0>

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Mr. Ken Chase, President

Mr. Denis DeFigueiredo, Clerk

Mrs. Lori MacDonald, Member

Mrs. Paola Jellings, Member

Mrs. Shelley Weinstein, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Catherine Kawaguchi, Superintendent

Dr. Jezelle Fullwood, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services

Dr. Josh Randall Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

Due to the Executive Order from the Governor to stay home, the Board of Trustees met through Zoom at <https://youtu.be/DgboVqa8W0> as well as the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendents. The meeting was Live Streamed to provide public communication.

**Call to Order,  
Roll Call**

Mr. Chase called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:02PM and noted the roll.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Mrs. Emily Fraker's, Mitchell Community School Kindergarten students, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Agenda,**

*Chase-Aye*

*DeFigueiredo-Aye*

*MacDonald- Aye*

*Jellings-Aye*

*Weinstein-Aye*

The motion was made by Mrs. Weinstein, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote to approve the Agenda.

**Approval of Regular  
Minutes,**

**April 14, 2021**

*Chase-Aye*

*DeFigueiredo-Aye*

*MacDonald- Aye*

*Jellings-Aye*

*Weinstein-Aye*

The motion was made by Mrs. MacDonald, seconded by Mrs. Weinstein, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote to approve the Minutes of the April 14, 2021 Regular Meeting.

**Hearing,**

*Grant of Easement to SCE*

Mr. Chase opened a Public Hearing Session for the purpose of hearing comments and responding to questions regarding the Grant of Easement to SCE. The hearing regarding the Easement was posted at the District Office, school offices and in the local newspaper. As there were no comments or questions, the Public Hearing was closed.

**Consent,**  
*Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald- Aye  
Jellings-Aye  
Weinstein-Aye*

Mr. DeFigueiredo requested removal of item VII.M. Retirement Resolution R-21-21, for separate consideration.

The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mrs. Weinstein, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote to approve Consent Calendar, less item VII.M, as follows:

- Conference Action Report #21-08
- Field Trip Action Report #21-08
- Gift Action Report #21-08
- Personnel Action Report #21-08
- Brandman University Social Worker Field Placement Agreement
- California Baptist University Master Clinical Field Experience Agreement
- Approval of Eide Bailly Consulting Engagement
- Retainer Agreement with Law Offices of Margaret A. Chidester & Associates
- Approval of Change Order No. 1 to Construction Contract between the Sulphur Springs Union School District and AMG & Associates, Inc. to install New Gas Line at Pinetree Community School
- Consider the Addendum to the Negative Declaration Declaring No New Significant Environmental Impacts from the Pinetree Community School Project, Including the Construction of a New Classroom Building and New Student Support Center

**Consent,**  
*Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald- Aye  
Jellings-Aye  
Weinstein-Aye*

Mr. DeFigueiredo recognized and thanked Ms. Cynthia Anderson for her 18 years of service as a noon supervisor in the Sulphur Springs Union School District.

The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mrs. Weinstein, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote to approve Consent item VII.M Retirement Resolution R-21-21.

**Conference,**  
*Opportunity to Refinance  
Debt to Support in  
Reducing the District's  
Structural Deficit*

Mr. Khushroo Gheyara, from CFW Advisory Services, shared information with the Board of Trustees regarding a potential opportunity to refinance debt to lower interest costs and support with reducing the structural deficit on the District's general fund.

**Conference,**  
*Construction Update:  
Sulphur Springs and  
Pinetree Community  
Schools*

Staff provided an update on the Sulphur Springs and Pinetree Community Schools construction projects.

**Conference,**  
*Update: Resume to Full  
Day Instruction*

Staff provided an update regarding the AM/PM Program shifting to a Full Day Program.

**Conference,**  
*Update: SCV Trustees  
Meeting-Work to Support  
Public Service  
Announcement*

Information was shared by Trustee Jellings regarding a Public Service Announcement that some Board Members from the SCV Trustees Association are creating to focus on health and safety.

**Action,**  
*Resolution R-21-15*  
*"California Day of The*  
*Teacher"*  
*Chase-Aye*  
*DeFigueiredo-Aye*  
*MacDonald- Aye*  
*Jellings-Aye*  
*Weinstein-Aye*

The motion was made by Mrs. Weinstein, seconded by Mrs. Lori MacDonald, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote to approve Resolution R-21-15 declaring May 12, 2021, "California Day of The Teacher."

**Action,**  
*Resolution R-21-16*  
*"Classified School*  
*Employee Week"*  
*Chase-Aye*  
*DeFigueiredo-Aye*  
*MacDonald- Aye*  
*Jellings-Aye*  
*Weinstein-Aye*

The motion was made by Mrs. Weinstein, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote, to approve Resolution R-21-16 declaring May 16-22, 2021 as "Classified School Employee Week."

**Action,**  
*Resolution R-21-17*  
*Board of Trustees Making*  
*Appointments to Board of*  
*Directors of Sulphur*  
*Springs Facilities*  
*Corporation*  
*Chase-Aye*  
*DeFigueiredo-Aye*  
*MacDonald- Aye*  
*Jellings-Aye*  
*Weinstein-Aye*

The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mrs. Jellings, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote, to approve the Resolution R-21-17, Board of Trustees of the Sulphur Springs Union School District Making Appointments to the Board of Directors of Sulphur Springs School Facilities.

**Action,**  
*Resolution R-21-18*  
*Board of Trustees of*  
*SSUSD Granting*  
*Easement*  
*Chase-Aye*  
*DeFigueiredo-Aye*  
*MacDonald- Aye*  
*Jellings-Aye*  
*Weinstein-Aye*

The motion was made by Mrs. Weinstein, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and passed by 5-0 by a roll call vote, to approve Resolution R-21-18 of the Board of Trustees of the Sulphur Springs Union School District Granting Easement.

**Action,**  
*Resolution R-21-19*  
*Board of Trustees of*  
*SSUSD Authorizing the*  
*Acquisition of Mowers*  
*Chase-Aye*  
*DeFigueiredo-Aye*  
*MacDonald- Aye*  
*Jellings-Aye*  
*Weinstein-Aye*

The motion was made by Mrs. MacDonald, seconded by Mrs. Jellings, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote, to approve the Resolution R-21-19 of the Board of Trustees of the Sulphur Springs Union School District Authorizing the Acquisition of Mowers and Equipment through a Public Agency Contract.

**Action,**  
*MOU Between SSUSD and*  
*SSDTA Regarding*  
*Overage*  
*Chase-Aye*  
*DeFigueiredo-Aye*  
*MacDonald- Aye*  
*Jellings-Aye*  
*Weinstein-Aye*

The motion was made by Mrs. Weinstein, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote, to approve the MOU Between SSUSD and SSDTA Regarding Overage.

**Action,**  
*MOU Between SSUSD and  
SSDTA Regarding  
Reopening of Schools –  
Special Education  
Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald- Aye  
Jellings-Aye  
Weinstein-Aye*

The motion was made by Mrs. MacDonald, seconded by Mr. DeFigueiredo, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote, to approve the MOU Between SSUSD and SSDTA Regarding Reopening of Schools – Special Education.

**Action,**  
*Selection of Contractor &  
Notice of Award for  
SSUSD Project No. 2021-  
01-PT  
Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald- Aye  
Jellings-Aye  
Weinstein-Aye*

The motion was made by Mrs. MacDonald, seconded by Mr. DeFigueiredo, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote, to approve the Selection of Contractor and Notice of Award for Sulphur Springs Union School District Project No. 2021-01-PT, Construction of Student Support Center, Repurposing of the School Office as Primary Grade Classrooms and Related Site Improvements at Pinetree Community School.

**Action,**  
*Business Services Report  
21-20  
Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald- Aye  
Jellings-Aye  
Weinstein-Aye*

The motion was made by Mrs. Jellings, seconded by Mr. DeFigueiredo, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote, to approve the Business Service Report 21-20.

**Correspondence and  
Board Information**

Mrs. MacDonald stated that she is happy the students are back in school full time.

Mrs. Weinstein stated she is happy everyone is back in school. She appreciates the flexibility of all to make it happen. She shared that she would like to see the District's plan for summer school.

Mrs. Jellings stated that her children are happy to be back in school. She asked what her kids' favorite thing was to do in school. She shared that everyone is happy to be back.

Mr. DeFigueiredo agreed with the excitement and recognition of students back in school full time.

Mr. Chase shares the excitement of students back in school full time, and shared that the next SCV Trustees Association Meeting will be held on May 3, 2021 at 6:30PM.

**Items for the May 12,  
2021 Virtual Meeting**

Expanded Learning Opportunity Grant - Update

**Closed Session**  
*Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald- Aye  
Jellings-Aye  
Weinstein-Aye*

The motion was made by Mrs. Jellings, seconded by Mr. DeFigueiredo, and passed by 5-0 by a roll call vote, to adjourn to Closed Session at 8:41PM for discussion regarding:

- Potential Litigation
- Personnel
  - Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/ Release: Government Code Section 54957
- Labor Negotiations
- Property Negotiations

-CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS pursuant to Section 54956.8 of the Government Code:

Property: Proposed Skyline Ranch school site as identified by Pardee Homes, Developer  
Agency negotiator: Dr. Catherine Kawaguchi, Superintendent; Yuri Calderon, MillerCalderon, Inc.; Michael Toy, Parker & Covert, LLP.

Negotiating parties: Skyline Ranch Developer Pardee Homes  
Under negotiation: Conditions, Price and Terms of Payment

Property: Proposed school site within Spring Canyon development.

Agency negotiator: Dr. Catherine Kawaguchi, Superintendent and Yuri Calderon, Miller Calderon, Inc.

Negotiating parties: Raintree Investment Corporation  
Under negotiation: Location of property, price, and terms of payment.

**Report of Closed Session,**

The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and passed 5-0 by roll call vote, to reconvene to open session at 10:21PM.

There were no comments regarding Closed Session items.

**Adjournment**

*Chase-Aye  
DeFigueiredo-Aye  
MacDonald- Aye  
Jellings-Aye  
Weinstein-Aye*

The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and passed 5-0 by a roll call vote to Adjourn the Board Meeting at 10:23PM.

May 12, 2021

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*Ken Chase*

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Mr. Ken Chase, President

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*D. F. DeFigueiredo*

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Mr. Denis DeFigueiredo, Clerk