The Los Angeles Board of Education acting as the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District met in special session on Tuesday, June 14, 2016, at 333 South Beaudry, Los Angeles, California.

Board Vice President George McKenna called the meeting to order at 8:09 a.m.

The following Board Members were present: Dr. George J. McKenna, Dr. Ref Rodriguez, Mr. Scott M. Schmerelson, and Dr. Richard Vladovic. Mónica García and President Steve Zimmer arrived at 8:12 a.m. Ms. Mónica Ratliff arrived at 8:31 a.m.

Superintendent Michelle King was present.

OPEN SESSION ITEMS

Mr. Jefferson Crain, Executive Officer of the Board, announced that the following Board Member Resolutions were for initial Announcement and for action at the 1:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting.

A. Mr. Zimmer – Exploring Partnership with City of Los Angeles on College Savings Accounts for LAUSD Students (Res-058-15/16) (For Action June 14, 2016, 1:00 p.m.)

| resolutionResolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District supports the effort to begin exploration of a partnership with the City of Los Angeles on a Los Angeles Promise program to provide a college savings account for every District student, increase financial literacy among District students, and ensure college tuition is not a barrier for student access to college; and, be it finally

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District and City of Los Angeles have a joint interest in ensuring every graduating District student has access to the financial resources necessary to thrive and complete their college education;

Whereas, Research demonstrates that low-income children, with a college savings account, are four times more likely to graduate from college than those without an account;

Whereas, The Fulfillment Fund has had great success building relationships with District students, leading to increased graduation and college entrance rates; and

Whereas, Students from the City of Pittsburgh have benefitted from a similar effort, and the Pittsburgh Promise provides a template for developing a Los Angeles model; now, therefore, I he it

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Resolved, That the Superintendent directs the appropriate departments and /or individuals to work with the Office of Councilmember David Ryu, Los Angeles City Council, the LA Chamber of Commerce, and other possible identified partners to provide further information and return in 180 days with a progress report and recommendation on plan feasibility and planning progress.

B. Mr. Zimmer – The California Education for a Global Economy (CA Ed.G.E.) Initiative (Res-059-15/16) (For Action June 14, 2016, 1:00 p.m.)

Whereas, The California Education for a Global Economy (CA Ed.G.E.) Initiative (Senate Bill 1174) will be on the California ballot as a legislatively referred state statute on November 8, 2016;

Whereas, The proposed measure was sponsored in the California State Legislature by State Senator Ricardo Lara (D-33) as Senate Bill 1174, or the Multilingual Education for a 21st Century Economy Act and Governor Brown signed the legislation on September 28, 2014;

Whereas, On May 13, 2014, the Governing Board of Los Angeles Unified School District unanimously approved the resolution Supporting Senate Bill 1174: To Ensure Students Access to Biliteracy;

Whereas, The CA Ed.G.E. Initiative essentially provides opportunity for parental choice and voice regarding access to language programs that prepare their children to be more competitive in a global economy and provides opportunities for monolingual English speaking students to be instructed to achieve proficiency in another language;

Whereas, The California Ed.G.E. Initiative repeals the onerous English Learner parent waiver requirement and the English-only presumptive placement of English Learners;

Whereas, The California Ed.G.E Initiative also re-affirms English proficiency standards and promotes English as the official language in California; and

Whereas, The California Ed.G.E Initiative emphasizes preparing all students for college and careers in a multilingual 21st century economy; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified District reaffirms its commitment to the ideals of preparing all students for college and careers in a multilingual 21st century that are embedded in the California Ed.G.E. Initiative and expresses its strong support for the Initiative; and, be it finally

Resolved, That the Superintendent direct the Office of Government Relations to communicate the District’s position to the appropriate committees of the State Legislature and the Los Angeles delegation.
C. Mr. Schmerelson, Mr. Zimmer - Fostering Academic Research and Analysis to Support Quality Public Education for All Students (Res-060-15/16) (For Action June 14, 2016, 1:00 p.m.)

Whereas, A quality system of public education is the foundation for democracy and for ensuring that all students are able to achieve their goals and contribute to society;

Whereas, Federal, state and local policies affect public school quality and must be changed to better serve all students equitably;

Whereas, The Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District is responsible for providing excellent and equitable educational programs for over 640,000 students as both the elected board of governance for the District and as the authorizing body of the largest number of charter school in the nation;

Whereas, Charter school density in the Los Angeles Unified District has increased dramatically causing both opportunity and exacerbating stress on the traditional public schools;

Whereas, There is increasing need for collaboration and alignment in a meaningful system that supports the underlying purpose of common schools committed to the potential of all Los Angeles families and to sustaining the civic health of our region;

Whereas, Providing universal access to quality education necessitates a system that ensures collaboration, sustained improvement and equitable distribution of learning opportunities;

Whereas, Such a system should foster informed professional learning that benefits students in both charter and District schools;

Whereas, The Board passed the “Believing in our Schools Again” resolution in May 2015 and in June 2015, the Board passed the “Equity on A-G: Reaffirming Our Commitment to A-G Life Preparation for All” and the “Zero Dropouts in LAUSD” resolutions;

Whereas, Despite progress in raising achievement and an increase in graduation rates, there is still a significant equity gap in almost all measurable student outcome data;

Whereas, The Board has previously affirmed making every possible effort to attract and retain students and parents by engaging with all stakeholders to develop a framework for excellent public schools, and improved outcomes, for every student by relying on tested strategies and forward-thinking new models that include:

- Research-based curriculum and instruction designed to provide all students with equitable and rigorous learning opportunities to equip our graduates with the skills and knowledge necessary for college readiness, career training and preparation for successful lives after high school;
- Community Schools intentionally directed at improving student achievement, through a holistic approach to teaching and learning, by implementing policies and programs that recognize and support the social, emotional, physical and academic needs of all students;
• Accountable school leadership and teaching staff who understand and project a clear vision and high expectations of academic excellence for all students;
• A level playing field for our youngest students, who daily endure the disadvantages of poverty, by providing access to high quality early learning opportunities that are aligned with first-rate early literacy programs;
• Equitably funded, sequential arts and music education curricula that advance creativity, critical thinking, collaboration and communication skills for all students regardless of their socioeconomic status;
• An acknowledgment that student safety is our highest priority and that parents expect their children in our care to be vigilantly protected and educated in secure, well maintained facilities;
• A meticulous and urgent review of our parent engagement efforts that recognizes that we are not always successful in creating welcoming and resource-rich environments and policies that support and encourage critical family involvement in student achievement;
• Aggressive and definitive plans for improving student and staff attendance and reducing our unacceptable dropout rate;
• Bold and consistent advocacy for adequate and equitable local, state and federal funding while improving responsible, transparent and accountable management of public revenues;

Whereas, Ongoing communication, scholarship, and information sharing can promote high-quality education for all students;

Whereas, The L.A. Compact (of which the Board is a signing organization), UNITE-LA, In the Public Interest, and the Advancement Project are organizing a 2016 Symposium on a Quality System of Public Education for All Students that will convene academic researchers and other key thinkers to collectively analyze how best to foster a quality system of education in Los Angeles that works with District and charter schools to support the growth and achievement of all students; and

Whereas, The planned symposium will foreground research on best strategies, policies, and innovations to increase equity, inclusion, and excellence in all public schools and study the effects of increasing charter density in the district; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District encourages and supports the Symposium on A Quality System of Public Education for All Students;

Resolved further, That the Board requests that Symposium participants produce recommendations in the form of a Policy Report or a compilation of Policy Reports on A Quality System of Public Education for All Students;

Resolved further, That the Board requests that the Policy Reports on Quality Public Education for All Students be presented to the Board within 180 days; and, be it finally

Resolved, That the Board will review and thoughtfully consider the research and recommendations produced by the Symposium on A Quality System of Public Education for All Students.
CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (Purpose and Authority)

Mr. Jefferson Crain, Executive Officer of the Board, announced that the following items would be discussed in closed session:

D. Conference with Legal Counsel

Existing Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1))

Chanda Smith v. Los Angeles Unified School District
United States District Court Case No. CV 93-7044-RSWL
United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit Consolidated
Appeal No.’s 14-55224 and 14-55256

Neal Electric Corporation v. Emma Corporation
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 499951

Neal Electric Corporation v. Turner Construction Company
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 561135

Doty Bros. Equipment Co. v. Turner Construction Company
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 561157

Neal Electric Corporation v. S.J. Amoroso Construction Company
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 518061

Neal Electric Corporation v. Suffolk Construction Company
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 501334

John JR Doe v. Los Angeles Unified School District
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 557631

A.B. v. Los Angeles Unified School District
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 532800

L.H. v. Los Angeles Unified School District
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 526154

Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BS 156259

Pending Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2))

United Teachers Los Angeles (UTLA) v. Los Angeles Unified School District
Grievance #2016-100247
E. Personnel (Government Code Section 54957)

Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release

Public Employment

Associate Superintendent, District Operations
Associate General Counsel II
Chief Executive, Project Management and Innovation
Chief of Staff
Construction Manager
Deputy Chief Financial Officer
Deputy Chief Procurement Officer
Director of Food Services
Director of Labor Relations
Executive Director, Adult and Career Education
Executive Director, School Design Options
Facilities Asset Development Director
General Counsel
Senior Executive Director, Parent, Community, and Student Services

Employee Evaluation
Superintendent of Schools

F. Conference with Labor Negotiator (Government Code Section 54957.6)

Negotiator: Ms. Gifty Beets and Mr. Robert Samples
Employee Organizations:

Associated Administrators of Los Angeles
California School Employees Association
Los Angeles County Building and Construction Trades Council
Los Angeles School Police Association
Los Angeles School Police Management Association
Service Employees International Union, SEIU Local 99
Teamsters
United Teachers Los Angeles
District Represented Employees and Contract Management Personnel

G. Student Discipline Matters (Education Code Sections 48918(c), (f))

H. Approval of Notes

The following speakers addressed the Board on the items indicated:

Ms. Karen Arcos, Student
Ms. Louie Mendoza, Parent
Ms. Maria Maldonado, Parent

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Bd. of Ed. Regular Board Meeting (CS)
Minutes, 8:00 a.m., 06-14-16
The following speakers addressed the Board on the items indicated:

Ms. Karen Gliman, Exceptional Children’s Foundation for Early Start
Dr. Meg Palisoc, Synergy Academies
Ms. Kim Dammann, KIPP LA Schools
Ms. Sarah Angel, CCSA
Ms. Maria Posadas, Parent
Ms. Venancio Antonio, Parent
Mr. Carl J. Petersen, Parent
Ms. Frances Moreno, Parent
Ms. Alexandra Mengivar, Parent
Ms. Araceli Cabrera, Parent
Ms. Juana Gutierrez, Parent
Ms. Nelida Mendez, Parent
Mr. Alex Gonzales, Parent
Mr. David Hernandez, Parent

The Board recessed the public portion of the closed session meeting at 9:57 a.m. Closed session discussion began at 10:02 a.m. and ended at 3:05 p.m.

The Board reconvened the public portion of the closed session meeting at 3:11 p.m. The following Board Members were present: Ms. García, Ms. Ratliff, Dr. Rodriguez, Mr. Schmerelson, Dr. Vladovic, and Mr. Zimmer. Dr. McKenna was absent.

Mr. Crain announced the following reportable action:

- The Board of Education approved the expulsions of students in case numbers 061-15/16; 062-15/16; 063-15/16; 064-15/16; 065-15/16; 066-15/16; 067-15/16; 068-15/16; 069-15/16; 070-15/16; 071-15/16; 072-15/16; 074-15/16; 075-15/16; 076-15/16; 077-15/16; and 078-15/16, with the recommended dispositions. The Board of Education additionally approved the conditional enrollment of the student in case number 036A-15/16 who had been expelled from a charter school. The Board of Education also denied enrollment of a student in case number 037A-15/16 who had been expelled from a charter school.

The vote was 7 ayes.
• The Board of Education approved the expulsion of the student in case 073-15/16, with the recommended disposition.

The vote was 6 ayes; 1 absent, Dr. Vladovic.

• The Board of Education authorized the initiation of the dismissal action of 5 elementary school teachers; 2 middle school teachers; 1 high school teacher; and 1 PSA counselor.

The vote was 7 ayes.

• The Board of Education authorized the filing of a request for a rehearing in the Court of Appeals in the Case of Chanda Smith v. Los Angeles Unified School District, United States District Court Case No. CV 93-7044-RSWL. United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit Consolidated Appeal No.’s 14-55224 and 14-55256.

The vote was 4 ayes; 2 noes, Mr. Schmerelson and Dr. Vladovic; and 1 abstention, Dr. McKenna.

• The Board of Education authorized a global settlement of Neal Electric Corporation v. Emma Corporation, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 499951; and all related cases, Neal Electric Corporation v. Turner Construction Company, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 561135; Doty Bros. Equipment Co. v. Turner Construction Company, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 561157; Neal Electric Corporation v. S.J. Amoroso Construction Company, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 518061; and Neal Electric Corporation v. Suffolk Construction Company, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 501334. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the settlements.

The vote was 7 ayes.

• The Board of Education authorized settlement of the case John JR Doe v. Los Angeles Unified School District; Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 557631. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the settlement.

The vote was 7 ayes.

• The Board of Education authorized settlement of the case A.B. v. Los Angeles Unified School District, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 532800. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the settlement.

The vote was 7 ayes.

• The Board of Education authorized settlement of the case L.H. v. Los Angeles Unified School District, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 526154. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the settlement.

The vote was 7 ayes.
• The Board of Education approved the employment agreement with Ms. Melina Sibonay Alvarez as Director of Labor Relations, with the term ending June 30, 2017. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the contract.

The vote was 4 ayes; 3 noes, Mr. Schmerelson, Dr. Vladovic, and Mr. Zimmer.

• The Board of Education approved the employment agreement with Mr. Alex Barrera as Construction Manager, with the term ending June 30, 2017. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the contract.

The vote was 6 ayes; 1 abstention, Ms. Ratliff.

• The Board of Education approved the employment agreement with Mr. George Bartleson as Executive Director, School Design Options, with the term ending June 30, 2017. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the contract.

The vote was 7 ayes.

• The Board of Education approved the employment agreement with Mr. Quinton Dean as Deputy Chief Procurement Officer, with the term ending June 30, 2017. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the contract.

The vote was 7 ayes.

• The Board of Education approved the employment agreement with Mr. David Holmquist as General Counsel, with the term ending June 30, 2018. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the contract.

The vote was 5 ayes; 1 no, Mr. Schmerelson; 1 abstention, Ms. Ratliff.

• The Board of Education approved the employment agreement with Ms. Rowena Lagrosa as Senior Executive Director, Parent, Community, and Student Services, with the term ending June 30, 2017. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the contract.

The vote was 7 ayes.

• The Board of Education approved the employment agreement with Ms. Devora Navera-Reed as Associate General Counsel II, with the term ending June 30, 2017. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the contract.

The vote was 7 ayes.

• The Board of Education approved the employment agreement with Ms. Diane Pappas as Chief Executive, Project Management and Innovation, with the term ending June 30, 2018. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the contract.

The vote was 7 ayes.
• The Board of Education approved the employment agreement with Ms. Alma Pena-Sanchez as Chief of Staff, with the term ending June 30, 2017. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the contract.

The vote was 7 ayes.

• The Board of Education approved the employment agreement with Mr. Earl Perkins as Associate Superintendent, District Operations, with the term ending June 30, 2018. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the contract.

The vote was 7 ayes.

• The Board of Education approved the employment agreement with Mr. Joseph Stark as Executive Director, Adult and Career Education, with the term ending June 30, 2017. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the contract.

The vote was 6 ayes; 1 abstention, Ms. Ratliff.

• The Board of Education approved the employment agreement with Mr. John Walsh as Deputy Chief Financial Officer with the term ending June 30, 2017. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the contract.

The vote was 6 ayes; 1 no, Mr. Zimmer.

• The Board of Education approved notes from previous meetings.

The vote was 7 ayes.

On motion by Ms. García, seconded by Ms. Ratliff, and by general consent the meeting was adjourned at 3:18 p.m.

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