



BOARD MINUTES
April 7, 2023 REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER IN PUBLIC SESSION – The CalAPS regular board meeting was called to order at 5:30p.m. on Tuesday, April 7, 2023, by Alfonso Morales. In attendance were President – Alfonso Morales, Vice President – Maria G. Lopez, Member – Brad Crihfield, Dr. Sue El Hessen and CalAPS CEO Lisa Azevedo. The meeting was called to order in Building A of the Bellflower Unified School District - 16703 South Clark Ave, Bellflower California 90706.

REPLACEMENT PAGES – NONE.

FLAG SALUTE – NONE.

Roll Call – Alfonso Morales, Maria G. Lopez, Erik Linstead, Brad Crihfield and Dr. Sue El Hessen were present along with CalAPS CEO, Lisa Azevedo. Erik Lindstead arrived at 5:33 pm.

CalAPS BOARD COMMUNICATION/INTRODUCTIONS – None.

CalAPS STAFF COMMUNICATION/INTRODUCTIONS – CalAPS CEO, Lisa Azevedo shared that CalAPS and Cerritos College guests were attending the meeting. She explained that students from the CalAPS Crime Scene class would be presenting a demonstration during the non-action item portion of the agenda.

PUBLIC HEARING'S – NONE.

VISITORS' AGENDA ITEMS – NONE.

ACTION ITEMS

STAFF CORRECTIONS – Correction on item 435. Originally it read “Senior Capstone Course” it should read CTE Capstone Course”.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Approval of the minutes from the April 7, 2023 Board Meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Yes: 4 (Lopez, ElHessen, Morales, Crihfield)

No: 0

The motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA – Items 435 & 436 were held for discussion and action.

Agenda – The Board Approves the Consent Agenda

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Yes: 5 (Lopez, Crihfield, Morales, ElHessen, Linstead)

No: 0

The motion carried.

Item 435 CTE Capstone Course

Dr. Sue ElHessen asked if the course was part of an articulation agreement with a college. Mrs. Azevedo explained that the new course was not articulated, but had A-G course approval. Mrs. Azevedo created the course for students that already finished a pathway, but still want to continue studying in the pathway. Dr. ElHessen mentioned that there is a new assembly bill being proposed that focusses on bringing back CTE education to all schools, starting with the middle school age group. She shared that Mike Gibson is advocating for the bill to pass. Mrs. Lopez mentioned that CTE educational programs are to prepare students for career certification, which will assist them in future, employment.

Item 436 CTE Pathway Internship

Dr. ElHessen asked if this course was a capstone course or a new course. Mrs. Azevedo explained that the new course was part of a pathway. She explained that this is another course option for students to take after they have already completed 2 years of a pathway. This course will help students prepare for a career while serving in an internship. Dr. ElHessen mentioned that the BUSD board president, Mayra Garza and herself have been working on an internship program for BUSD. She also mentioned she will have Mayra Garza provide the contact information for the person that will be developing internships for BUSD and have them contact CalAPS to see how they can assist with their internships as well.

Withheld for Discussion and Action – Approval of Items 435 and 436

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Yes: 4 (Morales, Lopez, Linstead, Crihfield, Dr. ElHessen,).

No: 0

The motion carried.

NON-ACTION – The CSI CalAPS class presented the Board with a demonstration of how to properly lift fingerprints. The students asked each member to hold an item, such as a mug or mirror and then place it on a tabletop. Each student lifted fingerprints up from the items and distinguished which type of fingerprints they had. Every Board member received an index card with his or her “lifted” fingerprint.

Mrs. Azevedo presented a PowerPoint showing pictures of before and after of the newly remodeled auto program. She highlighted Cerritos College’s assistance with the rehabilitation. Mrs. Azevedo thanked Joe Mulleary, the automotive program director at Cerritos College for his time and dedication to the program. Board President, Alfonso Morales then read a letter from a student that wanted to thank Mr. Mulleary for his help. Mr. Mulleary was presented a stack of student thank you letters and a plaque in appreciate of his support.

CalAPS acknowledged a second partner from Cerritos College. Mrs. Azevedo showed the before and after photos of the culinary room at Bellflower High School. Chef Michael Pierini helped and provided insight for our remodeled culinary classroom. Chef Michael assisted Mrs. Azevedo with what was going to be needed in the classroom and what was going to work best for the students to have the best culinary experience. Chef Michael was not in attendance, due to illness, but his department Dean, Elizabeth Riley, accepted the award and folder of student letters for him. Board President, Alfonso Morales, read one of the student letters aloud to those in attendance. Both Alfonso and Maria thanked the Cerritos College partners for attending the meeting. Maria mentioned that many students in the local area want to go to Cerritos College because of their views on education.

VISITOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS – NONE.

INFORMATION ITEMS NONE.

CLOSED SESSION – NONE.

ADJOURNMENT – Maria asked what are the summer plans for CalAPS. Mrs. Azevedo shared that CalAPS will be offering a Dual Enrollment Culinary course through Cerritos College. Dr. ElHessen requested to know more about internships happening in the CalAPS program. Mrs. Azevedo mentioned that at the next board meeting CalAPS would have student end of year recognitions. The meeting adjourned without objection at 6:09pm.

The April 4, 2023 regular meeting of the CalAPS Board adjourned at 6:09 PM until the next regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at 6:30pm.