



BOARD MINUTES
September 5, 2023 REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER IN PUBLIC SESSION – The CalAPS regular board meeting was called to order at 5:35p.m. on Tuesday, September 5, 2023, by Alfonso Morales. In attendance were President – Alfonso Morales, Clerk – Erik Linstead, Member – Brad Crihfield and Dr. Sue ElHessen and CalAPS CEO Lisa Azevedo. The meeting was called to order in Building C of the Bellflower Unified School District - 16703 South Clark Ave, Bellflower California 90706.

REPLACEMENT PAGES – NONE.

FLAG SALUTE – NONE.

ROLL CALL – Alfonso Morales, Erik Linstead, Dr. Sue ElHessen and Brad Crihfield were present along with CalAPS CEO, Lisa Azevedo and Executive Director, Arlene Whitney.

CalAPS BOARD COMMUNICATION/INTRODUCTIONS – Member, Brad Crihfield shared with the board that he had a meeting with Victor Palacios our ESports instructor and the future of ESports at Mayfair High School. He shared that Mr. Palacios is committed to his class and eager to give more opportunities to other students. Dr. Sue ElHessen shared that she attended the Somerset Back to School Night. She was able to meet with our CalAPS/BUSD teacher, Mr. Guzman. Mr. Guzman shared what students would be working on for SkillsUSA competition preparation. She also had an opportunity to visit other classrooms and the small garden on campus.

CalAPS STAFF COMMUNICATION/INTRODUCTIONS – CalAPS CEO, Lisa Azevedo introduced Arlene Whitney who shared a slide show presentation of photos from CalAPS Fall Semester courses. Arlene shared that she is eager to continue to learn and see the different courses we offer as well as the different hands on activities the students do in class. She also shared that she had discovered that the CalAPS program had a police mock car that students may use for training purposes. Photos from the ASE Automotive course show the Switch Vehicles that the students will be building and then taking apart. Some of the photos also showed the students exploring an ambulance at the Somerset site. This course is currently offered to eleventh and twelfth grade students. Our new aviation course offers the opportunity for students to become a certified pilot and/or drone certification. We currently have about nine-hundred ninety-eight students in our CTE courses. Brad asked if we were in need of opening or closing any courses for the fall semester. Mrs. Azevedo shared that we did have to close the ESports course. Mrs. Azevedo reminded the board that our courses are a-g approved. The ESports course is now a-g approved for the “d” science category.

PUBLIC HEARING’S – NONE.

VISITORS’ AGENDA ITEMS – NONE.

ACTION ITEMS

STAFF CORRECTIONS – Item 218 was listed on the agenda under public hearing as required. A correction has been made to also have it listed under the consent agenda.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Approval of the minutes from the July 11, 2023 Board Meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

No: 0

CONSENT AGENDA – Item 128 WITHHELD from Consent Agenda.

Agenda – The Board Approves the Consent Agenda

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

No: 0

The motion carried

Item 128 – Dr. Sue ElHessen asked if these excess funds were going to be reallocated to purchase items for classrooms. Mrs. Azevedo explained that these are our usual revenue/carryover funds. These funds are the initial funds that were allocated for the starting of the CalAPS program. The funds are not used as they are to be kept as part of the program reserve. This amount was contributed by BUSD and LUSD to fund the CalAPS program. Brad asked what would happen in an event where the program would have to dissolve. Mrs. Azevedo explain that in an event like this, both districts will have received the money added to the program's initial revenue.

Withheld for Discussion and Action – Approval of item 128

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

No: 0

The motion carried

NON-ACTION – NONE.

VISITOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS – NONE.

STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITION – NONE.

INFORMATION ITEMS – LACOE's Letter of Acceptance and Approval of the 2023 – 2024 Budget

CLOSED SESSION – NONE.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned without objection at 5:51pm

The September 5, 2023 regular meeting of the CalAPS Board adjourned at 5:51 PM until the next regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at 5:30pm.