



BOARD MINUTES
November 7, 2023 REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER IN PUBLIC SESSION – The CalAPS regular board meeting was called to order at 5:36p.m. on Tuesday, November 6, 2023, by Alfonso Morales. In attendance were President – Alfonso Morales, Vice President – Maria G. Lopez, Member – Brad Carihfield, Member- Dr. Sue ElHessen, CalAPS CEO Lisa Azevedo and Executive Director- Arlene Whitney. 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, Dr. Sue ElHessen and Brad Carihfield were present along with CalAPS CEO, Lisa Azevedo and Executive Director, Arlene Whitney.

CalAPS BOARD COMMUNICATION/INTRODUCTIONS – Maria Lopez welcomed the guests in the audience letting them know that she was very happy to have them in attendance. Dr. Sue ElHessen also welcomed the guests and acknowledged how professional the students looked in their EMT uniforms.

CalAPS STAFF COMMUNICATION/INTRODUCTIONS – Mrs. Azevedo shared that the students in attendance were from the EMT Prep course and that they would be demonstrating various skills to the Board. Students will be sharing what they have been learning in the newly developed course. Mrs. Azevedo also noted that a copy of a letter had been provided to each Board member in their binder. The letter was a confirmation letter, from LACOE, accepting the annual audit report.

PUBLIC HEARING'S – NONE.

VISITORS' AGENDA ITEMS – NONE.

ACTION ITEMS

STAFF CORRECTIONS – Mrs. Azevedo reviewed a correction. The Board Meeting Agenda Item previously listed that the next CalAPS Board Meeting would be held Tuesday, December 6, 2023. The date was incorrect. The correct date for the next CalAPS Board Meeting is Tuesday, December 12, 2023. The corrected copy was provided in the member's Board Book.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Approval of the minutes from the September 5, 2023 Board Meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Yes: 4 (Lopez, Carihfield, ElHessen, Morales)
No: 0

CONSENT AGENDA – Approval of the Consent Agenda

Agenda – The Board Approves the Consent Agenda

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

No: 0

The motion carried

Withheld for Discussion and Action – NONE.

NON-ACTION – Mrs. Azevedo introduced the EMT Prep students and instructor. Instructor Anna Marie Cruz shared that students would be working in groups to demonstrate skills they have recently learned in class. Allen Chavez Rivera, Valerie Ordonez and Jacob Ray showed the proper way to perform CPR and how to use on an AED on someone who is non-responsive. The second group of students showed the Board the proper way to administer an EpiPen on someone who is having an allergic reaction. Reasmey Moth and Dominic Bourgeault performed a scenario consisting of someone suffering from anaphylaxis and how EMTs would check to determine if they are in need of an Epi-Pen. The last group of students were Angelina Sanchez and Valerie Mora who showed the board members how to do a proper sling and swathe first aid on someone who had a broken or injured arm. Ava Sanchez finished the presentation by explaining the “ABC” steps to assessing a patient and performing any type of patient care emergency response techniques. She reminded the board that it is always important to think about how to approach a situation. Ava shared that EMS workers need to observe to see if the patient is upset, is it safe to approach the individual, and lastly is there anything hazardous to be aware of in the environment. Mr. Morales asked the instructor, “How does EMS staff perform in chaotic scenarios while remaining calm?” Instructor Anna Marie Cruz shared that EMS staff “have to have a calm approach to avoid adrenaline reactions. That is why you see them walking to approach a situation not running. EMT personnel go down a routine/memorized checklist to assess an emergency situation. All EMT’s have to have a calm state of mind when approaching any patient or scene.” Maria congratulated all the students for being well prepared.

VISITOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS – NONE.

STUDENT/STAFF RECOGNITION – NONE.

INFORMATION ITEMS – NONE.

CLOSED SESSION – The Board went into closed session at 6:18pm. The meeting was then called back into open session at 6:55pm.

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned without objection at 7:05pm

The October 10, 2023 regular meeting of the CalAPS Board adjourned at 7:05 PM until the next regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, December 12, 2023 at 6:30pm.