



BOARD MINUTES  
March 10, 2020 REGULAR MEETING

**CALL TO ORDER IN PUBLIC SESSION** – The regular meeting of the CalAPS Board was called to order at 6:31p.m. On Tuesday, March 10, 2020, by Debbie Cuadros. In attendance were President- Debbie Cuadros, Vice President – Briseida Gonzalez, Member – Maria G. Lopez and CalAPS CEO Lisa Azevedo. Clerk – Erik Linstead was not present at this meeting. The meeting was called to order in the Northeast conference room of the Bellflower Unified School District- Building A, 16703 South Clark Avenue, Bellflower, California 90706.

**REPLACEMENT PAGES** – NONE.

**FLAG SALUTE** –Briseida Gonzalez led the pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call** – Debbie Cuadros, Briseida Gonzalez, Erik Linstead, Maria G. Lopez, Laura Sanchez-Ramirez, were present along with CalAPS CEO, Lisa Azevedo.

**CalAPS BOARD COMMUNICATION/INTRODUCTIONS** –

Board member Briseida Gonzalez shared with the Board about the opportunity students have at the Lynwood Unified School District to be covered for a CNA or Phlebotomy course at no cost. A \$5,000 course fee waived.

**CalAPS STAFF COMMUNICATION/INTRODUCTIONS** –

Mrs. Azevedo invited Dr. Isel Taylor and a couple of her students to share with the board their experience in their CalAPS class, specifically with their take home RealCare Baby project. Student Carla, from the Early Childhood Course, shared she has been participating in CalAPS for a year and really enjoys the fieldtrips taken to the elementary sites to further her experience with children. Carla had a take home baby that was assigned by Dr. Taylor and programmed to function like an actual live infant. This meant that the child would need feedings, diaper changes, warmth, comfort (such as rocking or tapping on back), and to be held when crying. Carla shared with the board her frustration and experience with “mock” parenthood. She had to rearrange how she would go about her daily tasks with the child. Carla even shared that her mom had to watch the baby for a few hours so she can go enjoy a school play on the weekend.

Student Zerlin, from the Careers in Education Course, has been taking CalAPS for a year as well and has learned so much in the program with Dr. Taylor. Zerlin emphasized to the board that she has grown as a parent through all the hands-on learning the class does at Ramona Elementary and through the educational fieldtrips they take. She has learned techniques to work with her child at home and has developed patience and understanding for the way different children learn. Zerlin has developed skills in the CalAPS program that have helped her in her everyday life but she has also grown to appreciate the

teachers that are in each classroom. She realized that teaching is not just teaching it is also looking out for a student's physical and mental wellbeing.

Student Karina, from the Careers in Education II Course, shared with the Board that she has applied to the Teacher TRAC Program at Cerritos College now that she has been exposed to the educational world she is certain she wants to pursue a career in Education/Teaching. CalAPS allowed her to get a head start in the field and now she is on her way to become a great teacher. Member, Maria G. Lopez recommended for her to become a Teacher Aid to acquire more in class experience.

**VISITORS' AGENDA ITEMS** – NONE.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

**STAFF CORRECTIONS** – NONE.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES** – Approval of the minutes from the February 11, 2020 meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Yes: 4 (Gonzalez, Sanchez-Ramirez, Cuadros, Lopez)

No: 0

The motion carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA** – No items WITHHELD from the consent agenda.

**AGENDA** – That the Board approves the agenda.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Yes: 4 (Lopez, Sanchez-Ramirez, Cuadros, Gonzalez)

No: 0

The motion carried.

**NON-ACTION** – NONE.

**CLOSED SESSION** – Commenced at 6:54pm.

**ADJOURNMENT** – The meeting was adjourned without objection at 7:17pm.

The March 10, 2020 regular meeting of the CalAPS Board was adjourned at 7:17pm until the next regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, April 7, 2020, at 6:30pm.