

# Regular Board of Education Meeting Tuesday, December 17, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.

The Azusa Unified School District Board of Education met at the Azusa Unified School District Office, 546 S. Citrus Avenue, for the Regular Board of Education Meeting.

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# **1.0 Preliminary**

### 1.1 Call to Order

The Board President will call the Board of Education Meeting of the Azusa Unified School District to Order.

### 1.2 Roll Call

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board President take roll call. The following Board of Education Members were present:

Gabriela Arellanes Sandra Benavides Adrian Greer Carlos Ramos Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña

#### 1.3 Approval of Agenda

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve agenda.

#### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Adrian Greer) Moved, Member (Gabriela Arellanes) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve agenda'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **4** Nay: **0** Abstain: **1**. The motion Carried. **4** - **0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes

Carlos Ramos Abstain Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes

### 1.4 Administration of Oath of Office for Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña and Carlos Ramos

To view the entire Oath of Office, click here

The Oath of Office is performed in order to meet the legal requirements of Education Code 60 and Board Bylaw 9224.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Oath of Office be administered for Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña and Carlos Ramos.

# 1.5 Election of Board Vice President Gabriela Arellanes as Board President from December 2024 to December 2025

The Election of Board President is in accordance with Board Bylaw 9100, which states that the Board of Education shall rotate Officer duties as follows: 1. Board President 2. Board Vice President 3. Board Clerk 4. Board Member Seat 1 5. Board Member Seat 2 After serving one year, the Offices/Seats will shift as follows: • Board President  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2 • Board Vice President  $\rightarrow$  Board President • Board Vice President • Board Clerk • Board Clerk • Board Clerk • Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1 When a new Board Member is elected/appointed to the Board of Education, they will begin in Board Member Seat 2.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education elect Board Vice President Gabriela Arellanes as Board President from December 2024 to December 2025.

# **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Sandra Benavides) Moved, Member (Adrian Greer) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education elect Board Vice President Gabriela Arellanes as Board President from December 2024 to December 2025'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion Carried. **5** - **0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes

# 1.6 Election of Board Clerk Sandra Benavides as Board Vice President from December 2024 to December 2025

The Election of Board Vice President is in accordance with Board Bylaw 9100, which states that the Board of Education shall rotate Officer duties as follows: 1. Board

President 2. Board Vice President 3. Board Clerk 4. Board Member Seat 1 5. Board Member Seat 2 After serving one year, the Offices/Seats will shift as follows: • Board President  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2 • Board Vice President  $\rightarrow$  Board President • Board Clerk  $\rightarrow$  Board Vice President • Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Clerk • Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1 When a new Board Member is elected/appointed to the Board of Education, they will begin in Board Member Seat 2.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Board of Education elect Board Clerk Sandra Benavides as Board Vice President from December 2024 to December 2025.

# **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member **(Gabriela Arellanes)** Moved, Member **(Carlos Ramos)** Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended that the Board of Education elect Board Clerk Sandra Benavides as Board Vice President from December 2024 to December 2025'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes

# 1.7 Election of Board Member Adrian Greer as Board Clerk from December 2024 to December 2025

The Election of Board Clerk is in accordance with Board Bylaw 9100, which states that the Board of Education shall rotate Officer duties as follows: 1. Board President 2. Board Vice President 3. Board Clerk 4. Board Member Seat 1 5. Board Member Seat 2 After serving one year, the Offices/Seats will shift as follows: • Board President  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2 • Board Vice President  $\rightarrow$  Board President • Board Vice President • Board Clerk • Board Clerk • Board Clerk • Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Clerk • Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Clerk • Board Clerk • Board President • Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Clerk • Board Clerk • Board 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Clerk • Board 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Mem

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education elect Board Member Adrian Greer as Board Clerk from December 2024 to December 2025.

# **ORIGINAL** - Motion

It is recommended the Board of Education elect Board Member Adrian Greer as Board Clerk from December 2024 to December 2025.

### **AMENDED - Motion**

Member **(Sandra Benavides)** Moved, Member **(Carlos Ramos)** Seconded to approve the **AMENDED** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education elect Board Member Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña as Board Clerk from December 2024 to December 2025'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes

# 1.8 Election of Board President Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña as Board Member Seat 1 from December 2024 to December 2025

The Election of Board Member Seat 1 is in accordance with Board Bylaw 9100, which states that the Board of Education shall rotate Officer duties as follows: 1. Board President 2. Board Vice President 3. Board Clerk 4. Board Member Seat 1 5. Board Member Seat 2 After serving one year, the Offices/Seats will shift as follows: • Board President  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2 • Board Vice President  $\rightarrow$  Board President • Board Clerk • Board Vice President • Board Clerk • Board Clerk • Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Clerk • Board Clerk • Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Clerk • Board Clerk • Board Clerk • Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Mem

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education elect Board President Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña as Board Member Seat 1 from December 2024 to December 2025.

#### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

It is recommended the Board of Education elect Board President Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña as Board Member Seat 1 from December 2024 to December 2025.

#### **AMENDED - Motion**

Member (**Gabriela Arellanes**) Moved, Member (**Sandra Benavides**) Seconded to approve the **AMENDED** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education elect Board Member Adrian Greer as Board Member Seat 1 from December 2024 to December 2025'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes

Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña Yes

# 1.9 Election of Board Member Carlos Ramos as Board Member Seat 2 from December 2024 to December 2025

The Election of Board Member Seat 2 is in accordance with Board Bylaw 9100, which states that the Board of Education shall rotate Officer duties as follows: 1. Board President 2. Board Vice President 3. Board Clerk 4. Board Member Seat 1 5. Board Member Seat 2 After serving one year, the Offices/Seats will shift as follows: • Board President  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2 • Board Vice President  $\rightarrow$  Board President • Board Clerk  $\rightarrow$  Board Vice President • Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Clerk • Board Vice President • Board Clerk • Board Clerk • Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Clerk • Board Clerk • Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Clerk • Board Clerk • Board 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 1  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2  $\rightarrow$  Board Member Seat 2

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education elect Board Member Carlos Ramos as Board Member Seat 2 from December 2024 to December 2025.

### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Gabriela Arellanes) Moved, Member (Adrian Greer) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education elect Board Member Carlos Ramos as Board Member Seat 2 from December 2024 to December 2025'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion Carried. **5** - **0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes

# 2.0 Items From the Floor/Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda Items

#### 2.1 Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda Items

The Board of Education encourages public input. When the public wishes to address the Board of Education on closed session agenda items they may fill out a blue card or raise their hand while in Zoom attendance. The Board of Education will take blue card requests first, followed by speakers in Zoom attendance. Board Members are not permitted to respond to public comments. A member of the staff will contact you if information is needed. Thank you for your participation. Individuals participating in public comment must adhere to the following guidelines: 1. No speaker may yield their time to another individual speaker; 2. Speaker must be present when their name is called in order to be heard; 3. Maximum speaking time is 3 minutes.

#### 3.0 Closed Session

# 3.1 Student Matter: Final Settlement for Office of Administrative Hearing (OAH) Case #2024100322; Student #24-25:01-14

Student Matter: Final Settlement for OAH Case #2024100322; Student #24-25:01-14.

# 3.2 Public Employee Appointment/Complaint/Discipline/Dismissal/Release of Employee/Transfer (Government Code Section 54957)

Public Employee Appointment/Complaint/Discipline/Dismissal/Release of Employee/Transfer (Government Code Section 54957)

# 3.3 Conference with Labor Negotiators

Conference with Labor Negotiators to review with the District's Labor Negotiators on mandatory subjects of bargaining with Azusa Educator's Association, Azusa Federation of Adult Educators, and California School Employees Association (Government Code Section 54957.6). District representatives shall be Jorge A. Ronquillo, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources; Latasha D. Jamal, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services; Arturo Ortega, Superintendent; and Norma Carvajal-Camacho, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services.

#### 4.0 Open Session

#### 4.1 Pledge of Allegiance

To view the entire pledge of allegiance, <u>click here</u> I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

#### 5.0 Report/Action of Closed Session Matters

Board of Education President Gabriela Arellanes reported the Board of Education adopted Final Settlement for OAH Case #2024100322; Student #24-25:01-14.

#### 6.0 Recognition and Awards

# 6.1 Recognition of Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña for Service as Board of Education President

To view the entire recognition, <u>click here</u>

The District wishes to express its appreciation of Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña for service as Board of Education President.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education recognize Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña for service as Board of Education President.

### 7.0 Items From the Floor/ Public Comment on Agenda or Non Agenda Items

### 7.1 Public Comment on Agenda or Non-Agenda Items

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# 8.0 Comments, Reports, and Requests by the Board of Education

#### 8.1 Comments, Reports, and Requests by the Board of Education

Board of Education Members may choose to provide comments, reports, and/or make requests.

#### <u>Sandra Benavides</u>

To view the entire comments click, click here

- Congratulated Board Members Carlos Ramos and Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña
- Wished the Azusa community a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

#### <u>Adrian Greer</u>

To view the entire comments, <u>click here</u>

- Welcomed new Board Member Carlos Ramos and thanked Board Member Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña for her continued service
- Extended thanks and congratulations to the City of Azusa's new and continued council members
- Wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

#### <u>Carlos Ramos</u>

To view the entire comments, <u>click here</u>

- Thanked the Board Members for the warm welcome and expressed excitement about being a new Board Member
- Wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

### Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña

To view the entire comments, click here

- Welcomed Board Member Carlos Ramos
- Enrolled in the Nutrition Services Pre-Apprentice Program
- Attended:
  - Azusa High School Loteria Night
  - Champ graduation
  - California Teachers Association Service Center One Council School Board Dinner

### **Gabriela Arellanes**

To view the entire comments, <u>click here</u>

- Thanked Azusa Unified School District teachers for their hard work
- Encouraged everyone to enjoy the break

### 9.0 Comments and Reports by Student Board Member, Superintendent, and Cabinet

# 9.1 Comments and Reports by Student Board Members, Superintendent, and Cabinet

Student Board Members, Superintendent, and Cabinet may provide comments and reports.

#### Arlette Torres

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- Congratulated Emmanual Serrato, who was the recipient of a Quest Bridge Scholarship, which will provide him with a full ride to Duke University
- Announced:
  - Over 30 students participated in on-the-spot admissions day at AHS on December 13, 2024
  - Drama club performed at Lee Elementary School on December 16, 2024

#### Adrian Herrera

To view the entire comments, <u>click here</u>

- Announced:
  - A successful first-trimester awards ceremony
  - A great start to soccer season with a 7-6 win over Mount Olive
- Thanked:

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- The Board of Education and the Superintendent for the opportunity to attend the 2024 CSBA Conference
- Everyone, for the opportunity to represent Sierra High School as the in-person student Board Member

### Arturo Ortega

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- Congratulated:
  - Board Member Carlos Ramos and welcomed him to the team
  - Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña for another four years and thanked her for her service as the Board President
  - New Board President Gabriela Arellanes, Board Vice President Sandra Benavides, and Board Clerk Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña
- Thanked Ms. Arias for opening up her classroom to him and allowing him to give her kindergarten class a reading lesson

# <u>Norma Camacho-Carvajal</u>

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- Echoed the congratulations to the Board Members on their new positions
- Thanked Azusa Pacific for their partnership with the CHAMP program and congratulated the participants from Valleydale Elementary School and Murray Elementary

# <u>Latasha D. Jamal</u>

To view the entire comments, <u>click here</u>

- Echoed the congratulations to the Board Members on their new positions and thanked Board Member Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña for her service as Board President
- Thanked Student Board Member Adrian Herrera for his in-person service
- Announced:
  - The continued roll-out of the Centegix badges to AUSD staff
  - Gladstone Middle School gym floor is near completion

# Jorge A. Ronquillo

To view the entire comments, <u>click here</u>

- Congratulated the Board of Education Members on their new positions and welcomed new Board Member Carlos Ramos
- Thanked the Azusa Management Association for a successful holiday event

• Announced the recognition of the 2024 -2025 Classified Employee of the Year at the January 14, 2025, Board Meeting

### 10.0 Consent Agenda

### 10.1 Approval of Consent Agenda

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered by the Board of Education to be routine and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no discussion of these items unless requested by a Board of Education Member. If a Board of Education Member requests discussion, that item will be removed from Consent Agenda and considered separately.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve Consent Agenda.

#### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Adrian Greer) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve Consent Agenda'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion Carried. **5** - **0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# A) Curriculum and Instruction

# 10.2 Approval of Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and 4C LAB - Gladstone Middle School

4C LAB will provide a twelve-week creative art residency, one day each week, at Gladstone Middle School. Conducted by experienced teaching artists, each workshop will focus on visual arts, movement, theater games, spoken word, and mental wellness. AUSD has worked with 4C LAB since 2023.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and 4C LAB - Gladstone Middle School.

# **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (**Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and 4C LAB - Gladstone Middle School'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 10.3 Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and University of Southern California School of Dramatic Arts (USC)

Using theater arts as a program model, USC will provide services in the goal areas of youth leadership development, social-emotional wellness, and community and civic engagement. USC will offer their students to AUSD and use them as mentors to high school students and their families by providing effective ways to build compassion, empathy, and respectful civic engagement in discussion of intergroup issues and then work to address and counter identified anti-bias behavior in AUSD's school community. This is the first time AUSD is working with USC.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve MOU between AUSD and USC.

# **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Adrian Greer) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve MOU between AUSD and USC'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 5 - 0

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 10.4 Approval of Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office (LADA)

LADA sponsors Project Legal Enrichment and Decision-Making Program (Project LEAD). Project LEAD is a law-related education program that places prosecutors, investigators, and other criminal justice professionals in public school classrooms to teach fifth grade students about the criminal justice system and the importance of decision-making and consequences that stem from certain actions. This is the first time AUSD is working with LADA.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and LADA.

Member **(Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña)** Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and LADA'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 10.5 Approval of Gladstone Middle School (GMS) Field Trip to Washington, D.C. and New York City

GMS 7th and 8th grade students will have the opportunity to participate in a trip to Washington, D.C. and New York City, with EF Tours, from March 29 - April 2, 2026. The visit is aligned with the California History Social Science Standards and gives students first hand experience of American history. The trip will be supervised by GMS teachers and parents. This will be the second year Azusa Unified School District will be working with EF Tours. Board of Education approval is required as the trip includes overnight travel.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve GMS field trip to Washington, D.C. and New York City.

#### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member **(Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña)** Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve GMS field trip to Washington, D.C. and New York City'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 10.6 Approval of Contract between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and Mobile Zoo of Southern California, Inc.

The Mobile Zoo of Southern California will provide students with relevant, rigorous, and engaging opportunities to engage in academic language rehearsal. Mobile Zoo of Southern California will set up a live exhibit that all Murray Elementary students

can experience. AUSD has been working with Mobile Zoo of Southern California since 2015.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve contract between AUSD and Mobile Zoo of Southern California, Inc.

### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member **(Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña)** Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve contract between AUSD and Mobile Zoo of Southern California, Inc'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 10.7 Approval of Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and Mobile Ed Productions, Inc.

The Mobile Ed Productions, Inc. Crime Scene Science assembly will engage all Murray Elementary students by solving the mystery case of the cat-napper. In this interactive program, students will use the Scientific Method as their guide to navigate the twists and turns of the investigation. As the case unfolds, students will learn about fingerprinting, chemical indicators, and footprint impressions by using logic, critical thinking and science experiments. AUSD has been working with Mobile Ed Productions, Inc. since 2015.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and Mobile Ed Productions, Inc.

#### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Adrian Greer) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and Mobile Ed Productions, Inc'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 10.8 Approval of Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and Colgate-Palmolive Company

The Colgate-Palmolive Company will provide free dental screenings and oral health education to AUSD elementary students. This is the first time AUSD will be working with Colgate-Palmolive Company.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and Colgate-Palmolive Company.

# **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Adrian Greer) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and Colgate-Palmolive Company'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 10.9 Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and AUMT Institute

In partnering with AUMT Institute, Azusa Adult Education Center (AAEC) will be able to offer a professional quality phlebotomy program to it's students, preparing them for the current demands of the job-market. This is the first time AUSD will be working with AUMT Institute.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve MOU between AUSD and AUMT Institute.

# **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member **(Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña)** Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve MOU between AUSD and AUMT Institute'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 10.10 Approval of Resolution #24-25:14 Resolution Authorizing Continued Funding Application

The adoption of the Resolution Authorizing Continued Funding Application for the California State Preschool Program (CSPP) certifies the approval of the Azusa Unified School District's (AUSD) Board of Education to enter into a transaction with the California Department of Education (CDE) for the purpose of providing child care and development services through CSPP. The adoption of the resolution also authorizes designated personnel Arturo Ortega, Superintendent; Norma Camacho, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services; and Jenny Le, Director of Early Childhood Education to sign contract documents for Fiscal Year 2025–2026, the Continued Funding Application, and all related contract documents. AUSD has been partnering with the CDE since 2016 in order to provide early childhood education programs through CSPP.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve Resolution #24-25:14 Resolution Authorizing Continued Funding Application.

# **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member **(Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña)** Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve Resolution #24-25:14 Resolution Authorizing Continued Funding Application'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

#### **B)** General Functions

# 10.11 Approval of Minutes of Regular Board of Education Meeting on November 12, 2024

The Secretary of the Board of Education shall keep minutes and record all official Board of Education actions. Any minutes kept for Board of Education meetings held in closed session shall be kept separate from the minutes of regular and special meetings.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve minutes of Regular Board of Education Meeting on November 12, 2024.

# **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Adrian Greer) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve

minutes of Regular Board of Education Meeting on November 12, 2024'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 10.12 Approval of Resolution #24-25:12 Certification of Signatures of Board of Education Members and Authorized Employees of Azusa Unified School District (AUSD)

The certification of signatures of the Board of Education Members and authorized employees to sign warrants, orders for salary payment, and notices of employment and contracts is made in accordance with the provisions of Education Code 35143, 42632, and 42633.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve Resolution #24-25:12 Certification of Signatures of Board of Education Members and Authorized Employees of AUSD.

# **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Adrian Greer) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve Resolution #24-25:12 Certification of Signatures of Board of Education Members and Authorized Employees of AUSD'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 10.13 Approval of Resolution #24-25:13 Designating January As Board of Education Recognition Month

The Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) declares an appreciation to the members of the Board of Education and proclaims the month of January as Board of Education Recognition Month. We urge all community members to join us in recognizing the dedication and hard work of School Board Members and work with them to create an education system that meets the needs of our children. AUSD has approved this resolution since January 2024. **Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve Resolution #24-25:13 Designating January As Board of Education Recognition Month.

### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Adrian Greer) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve Resolution #24-25:13 Designating January As Board of Education Recognition Month'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 10.14 Approval of Board of Education Meeting Calendar for 2025-2026

The Board of Education Calendar is designed to allow Board of Education members time to address important District issues.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve Board of Education Meeting Calendar for 2025-2026.

# **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Adrian Greer) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve Board of Education Meeting Calendar for 2025-2026'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

#### **C) Business and Finance**

# 10.15 Ratification/Approval of Purchase Orders and Warrants

All purchase orders and warrants are in accordance with the budget guidelines for the 2024-2025 school year.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education ratify/approve attached purchase orders and warrants.

Member **(Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña)** Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education ratify/approve attached purchase orders and warrants'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 10.16 Approval and Acceptance of Donations

Per Board Policy 3290, the Board of Education is required to take action to accept donations. The District regularly receives donations of goods and/or money to supplement student programs. The students will benefit greatly from these donations.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that Board of Education approve and accept these donations.

### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Adrian Greer) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended that Board of Education approve and accept these donations'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion Carried. 5 - 0

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 10.17 Approval of Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and MB Painting & Remodeling Inc.

The District has received three quotes to complete the Hodge Elementary painting project, the lowest quote is \$145,000 from MB Painting and Remodeling Inc. This will enhance the appearance of the buildings and extend the useful life of the facilities. AUSD has been working with MB Painting and Remodeling Inc. since June 2022. **Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and MB Painting & Remodeling Inc.

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Adrian Greer) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and MB Painting & Remodeling Inc'.Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 10.18 Approval of Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and M & R Painting & Decorating, Inc.

The District has received three quotes to complete the Longfellow Elementary School painting project, the lowest quote is \$69,950 from M & R Painting & Decorating, Inc. This will enhance the appearance of the buildings and extend the useful life of the facilities. AUSD has been working with M & R Painting & Decorating, Inc. since July 2024.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and M & R Painting & Decorating, Inc.

#### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member **(Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña)** Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and M & R Painting & Decorating, Inc'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 10.19 Approval of Fiscal Services Department Obsolete Equipment List 2024-2025

The Fiscal Services Department is committed to maintaining a safe work environment, which has prompted us to remove outdated printing equipment that is as old as 34 years. When it becomes necessary to dispose of District-owned equipment and materials, we adhere to Board Policy 3270 regarding the Sale and Disposal of Books, Equipment, and Supplies. **Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve Fiscal Services Department obsolete equipment list 2024-2025.

#### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Adrian Greer) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve Fiscal Services Department obsolete equipment list 2024-2025'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

#### D) Human Resources

# 10.20 Ratification/Approval of Certificated and Classified Board of Education Personnel Report and Extra Duty Report

The Personnel and Extra Duty Reports serve as a comprehensive summary of personnel activities. This encompasses personnel hiring, changes, resignations, and any additional earnings through extra duties. Each of these actions necessitates approval from the Board of Education, ensuring alignment with the District's operational needs and standards. By approving the Personnel and Extra Duty Reports, the Board of Education formally acknowledges and finalizes these staffing decisions. This structured approval process guarantees that District schools, offices, and facilities maintain sufficient staffing levels with qualified personnel. Such oversight supports the seamless operation and effectiveness of the entire organization.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education ratify/approve Certificated and Classified Board of Education Personnel Report and Extra Duty Report.

#### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Adrian Greer) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education ratify/approve Certificated and Classified Board of Education Personnel Report and Extra Duty Report'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes

Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

#### 10.21 Approval of Minimum Wage Compensation Increase

The State of California requires a minimum wage of \$16.50 per hour effective January 1, 2025.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve the minimum wage compensation increase.

# **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Adrian Greer) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve the minimum wage compensation increase'.Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion Carried. **5** - **0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

#### 11.0 Items pulled from Consent Agenda

# 11.1 Approval of Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and 4C LAB - Elementary Schools

4C LAB will provide a four-week multi-disciplinary arts program, one day each week, at each of the AUSD elementary schools. Conducted by experienced teaching artists, each workshop will focus on visual arts, movement, theater games, spoken word, and mental wellness. AUSD has worked with 4C LAB since 2023.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and 4C LAB - Elementary Schools.

#### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Adrian Greer) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve agreement between AUSD and 4C LAB - Elementary Schools'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes

Carlos RamosYesYolanda Rodriguez-PeñaYesAdrian HerreraYes (Student Preferential Vote)

### 12.0 Curriculum and Instruction

### 12.1 Presentation of 2024 Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) California (CA) Dashboard

To view the entire presentation, click here

California has adopted an accountability system that incorporates eight state priorities reported in the CA Dashboard. The CA Dashboard provides information on school and district progress.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education receive presentation of 2024 AUSD CA Dashboard.

### **13.0 General Functions**

### **13.1 Presentation of Updated Surplus Property Timeline**

To view the entire presentation, click here

Staff will provide an update to the Board of Education on our surplus property timeline. The update will include the most up-to-date information on surplus property and related action items.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education receive presentation of Updated Surplus Property Timeline.

# 13.2 Discussion of Board of Education Committees December 2024 to December 2025

The Board of Education will discuss Board of Education Committees and Board Member preferences.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education discuss Board of Education Committees December 2024 to December 2025.

# 13.3 Appointment of Board of Education Member Representative to the Azusa Golden Days Committee

Azusa Unified School District believes it is beneficial to have strong partnerships with the City of Azusa. Therefore, each year the Board of Education appoints a representative to the Azusa Golden Days Committee.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education appoint a Board of Education Member representative to the Azusa Golden Days Committee.

#### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Carlos Ramos) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education appoint

Board of Education Vice President Sandra Benavides as representative to the Azusa Golden Days Committee'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 13.4 Appointment of Board of Education Member Representative to the Azusa Parks and Recreation Commission

Azusa Unified School District believes it is beneficial to have strong partnerships with the City of Azusa. Therefore, each year the Board of Education appoints a representative to the Azusa Parks and Recreation Commission.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education appoint a Board of Education Member representative to the Azusa Parks and Recreation Commission.

# **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member **(Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña)** Moved, Member **(Carlos Ramos)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education appoint Board of Education Vice President Sandra Benavides as representative to the Azusa Parks and Recreation Commission'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 13.5 Appointment of Board of Education Member Representative and Alternate to the Los Angeles County Committee on School District Organization

Pursuant to Education Code Sections 35023 and 72403, it is recommended that each year, one member and an alternate from the Board of Education be appointed to serve as the Board of Education's voting representative to the Los Angeles County Committee on School District Organization.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education appoint Board of Education Member representative and alternate to the Los Angeles County Committee on School District Organization.

Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Moved, Member (Sandra Benavides) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education appoint Board of Education Members Adrian Greer as representative and Carlos Ramos as alternate to the Los Angeles County Committee on School District Organization'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 13.6 Appointment of Board of Education Member Representative and Alternate to the Los Angeles County School Trustees Association (LACSTA)

The role of the LACSTA representative is to vote on all LACSTA matters; communicate between the Executive Board, LACSTA, and the local Board; and, to serve on the legislative committee. Therefore, each year, the Board of Education appoints a representative and alternate to LACSTA.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education appoint Board of Education Member representative and alternate to LACSTA.

#### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Sandra Benavides) Moved, Member (Carlos Ramos) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education appoint Board of Education President Gabriela Arellanes as representative and Board of Education Member Carlos Ramos as alternate to LACSTA'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 13.7 Appointment of Two Board of Education Member Representatives to the Two Plus Two Committee

Azusa Unified School District believes it is beneficial to have strong partnerships with the City of Azusa. Therefore, each year the Board of Education appoints two Board of Education Member representatives to the Two Plus Two Committee. **Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education appoint two Board of Education Member Representatives to the Two Plus Two Committee.

Member **(Carlos Ramos)** Moved, Member **(Sandra Benavides)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education appoint Board of Education President Gabriela Arellandes and Board of Education Clerk Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña as representatives to the Two Plus Two Committee'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 13.8 Appointment of Board of Education Member Representative to the Wellness Committee

It is important Board of Education Member representative has the opportunity for in-depth knowledge of our wellness policy.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education appoint Board of Education Member representative to the Wellness Committee.

### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Sandra Benavides) Moved, Member (Carlos Ramos) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education appoint Board of Education Clerk Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña as representative to the Wellness Committee'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

#### **14.0 Business and Finance**

# 14.1 Approval of 2024-2025 Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) First Interim Financial Report

To view the entire report, click here

It is a requirement under Education Code Sections 35035(g), 42130, and 42131 as amended by Assembly Bill (AB) 1200 (Chapter 1213/1991), that school districts prepare and submit interim financial reports twice annually to their Governing Boards. AUSD is submitting the 2024-2025 First Interim Report with a "positive" certification and projects that reserves will meet the minimum 3% for economic uncertainties for the current and two subsequent years, as required by the Los Angeles County Office of Education and the State of California.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve 2024-2025 AUSD First Interim Financial Report.

### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (**Carlos Ramos**) Moved, Member (**Adrian Greer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve 2024-2025 AUSD First Interim Financial Report'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 14.2 Approval of Bid Award for Parking Expansion Project for Murray ES, Valleydale ES, Magnolia ES, and Paramount ES

On November 20, 2024, the District solicited formal bids from various contractors. The bid request was issued for the following school sites for their parking expansion project: 1. Murray ES 2. Valleydale ES 3. Magnolia ES 4. Paramount ES Four responses were received and evaluated. Staff recommends awarding AFE Sports the bid. Completing this project will expand the parking at the school sites. **Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve bid award for parking expansion project for Murray ES, Valleydale ES, Magnolia ES, and Paramount ES.

#### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Adrian Greer) Moved, Member (Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve bid award for parking expansion project for Murray ES, Valleydale ES, Magnolia ES, and Paramount ES'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 14.3 Approval of Resolution #24-25:15 Authorizing the Award for the Access Control System Project and Approval of the Agreement between Azusa Unified School District (AUSD) and Safe and Sound Security, Inc.

The District conducted a formal competitive bid process. However, that process did not result in any responsive bidders. As a result, the District was able to directly negotiate an agreement with Safe and Sound Security, Inc., resulting in the need to adopt and approve this Resolution. The District, in consultation with its legal counsel, has negotiated an agreement with Safe and Sound Security, Inc. for security solutions and to perform the work related to the Access Control System Project at a cost not-to-exceed Six Million Fifteen Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Five and 28/100 Dollars (\$6,015,455.28) ("Agreement"). District staff now requests the Board of Education's approval of the Resolution and Agreement and requests the Board's authorization to take any action necessary to effectuate the intent of the Resolution and Agreement pursuant to the Access Control System Project.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve Resolution #24-25:15 authorizing the award for the Access Control System Project and approve the agreement between AUSD and Safe and Sound Security, Inc.

### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member (Adrian Greer) Moved, Member (Carlos Ramos) Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve Resolution #24-25:15 authorizing the award for the Access Control System Project and approve the agreement between AUSD and Safe and Sound Security, Inc'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

# 14.4 Approval of Bid Award for Gladstone Middle School (GMS) Roof Replacement Project

On December 3, 2024, the District formally requested bids from roofing contractors to replace the roof at GMS. Four bids were received and evaluated, with Best Contracting Services, Inc. emerging as the lowest bidder. Staff recommends awarding the bid to Best Contracting Services, Inc. Completing this project will enhance the longevity of the buildings at GMS.

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve bid award for GMS roof replacement project.

Member **(Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña)** Moved, Member **(Carlos Ramos)** Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve bid award for GMS roof replacement project'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

### 15.0 Adjournment

#### 15.1 Adjournment

**Recommendation:** It is recommended the Board of Education approve adjournment of the Regular Board of Education Meeting.

### **ORIGINAL** - Motion

Member **(Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña)** Moved, Member **(Adrian Greer)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'It is recommended the Board of Education approve adjournment of the Regular Board of Education Meeting'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **5** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 5 - 0** 

Gabriela Arellanes	Yes
Sandra Benavides	Yes
Adrian Greer	Yes
Carlos Ramos	Yes
Yolanda Rodriguez-Peña	Yes
Adrian Herrera	Yes (Student Preferential Vote)

The Regular Board of Education Meeting adjourned at 8:54 pm.

Clerk