#### Minutes

# Clark County School District

# Regular Meeting of the Board of School Trustees Edward A. Greer Education Center, Board Room

2832 East Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, Nevada 89121

Thursday, January 27, 2022

5:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Members Present

Irene Cepeda, President

Evelyn Garcia Morales, Vice President

Lola Brooks, Clerk

Linda P. Cavazos, Member Danielle Ford, Member Lisa Guzmán, Member Katie Williams, Member

Jesus F. Jara, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools

#### Flag Salute

Trustee Ford led the Pledge of Allegiance with the flag salute led by the Sierra Vista High School ROTC.

# Adoption of the Agenda

Adopt agenda.

Motion: Garcia Morales Second: Cavazos Vote: Unanimous

#### **Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items**

Sarah Park addressed the issue of climate change. She stated that she emailed all Trustees concerning a climate resolution, which she said would allow CCSD to reaffirm its commitment to conserve and sustain. She asked that the Board make the climate resolution an agenda item and pass it.

Jeslyn Cho spoke about why it is important for a school district to make climate resolution a priority. She said climate change is being discussed in the scientific community and amongst politicians but is barley discussed in CCSD's science classes.

Coco Zhang spoke about negative impacts and outcomes associated with climate change and stated that the climate action resolution should be made a priority even in the midst of Covid-19. She said this has been an ongoing issue and is only going to get worse if steps are not taken.

# Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (continued)

Sabdy Cordon expressed urgency in addressing the issue of climate change. She said the District fails to be the example and asked how we can make a change if we do not take action as a District. She said we cannot wait for leaders to find the fix to all environmental problems, and she asked what we have done as a community.

Marisol Ramirez-Buckles shared an excerpt from a poem she wrote titled "Star-Spangled Inequity" as an example of the urgency and overwhelming emotions they feel regarding the climate crisis.

Erika Castro said the Nevada Immigrant Coalition (NIC) is extremely concerned with the lack of transparency and accountability to ensure that all students have the same opportunity to excel. She expressed concern specifically related to English Language Learner (ELL) students that were unaccounted for when transitioning to remote learning during the beginning of the pandemic.

Desiree Rodriguez spoke about the use of pepper spray on students in schools and said those that are put in the most danger are students of color and students without legal status. She shared testimonies from students regarding the use of pepper spray in CCSD. She asked the Board to find an alternative solution.

Autumn Tampa said students have told her and other staff that they are sick or have been exposed to Covid-19 and are being given medication and they are still attending school. She expressed concern that Covid-19 cases are underreported. She also expressed concerns regarding the shortage of substitute teachers and substitute support staff, employees running out of sick leave, and the cost-of-living increase.

Tom Zumtobel provided an update on the Teachers Health Trust (THT) and the progress made to address matters around financial issues, collection outreach efforts, and educator feedback.

Brian Davis addressed CCSD Policy 5112 and said although he has a better understanding of the reason for this, they are not considering the most important thing, which is the mental health and social-emotional wellness of students. He talked about equity for all students and the fact that there are no provisions for teachers.

Candice Davis said CCSD Policy 5112 does more harm than good. She talked about the negative impact this policy will have on her son and all sixth-grade students who are on zone variances and would have to change schools. She said it is wrong to implement change in a manner that may be harmful to children's social-emotional wellness.

Olivia Ivy stated that she has gone to her granddaughter's school to address safety concerns. She said her granddaughter now worries about being attacked at school, and she said she is worried for the safety of the students. She said she is still waiting for the safety plan that she requested from the assistant principal.

# Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items (continued)

Shaun Navarro spoke about the difficult job educators have of educating students under very harsh conditions. He said they deserve support and need to be provided with free personal protective equipment (PPE). He said educators and support professionals are underpaid and should not have to pay for N95 masks. He asked the Trustees to be mindful of what they post online.

Lorena Cardenas said the pandemic has turned the American adults who make the rules into selfish neurotics who have been punishing children. She said Covid-19 policies and protocols have negatively impacted children's mental and physical health.

Vicki Kreidel said the Covid-19 protocols in place for people's safety are not being enforced. She said educators have expressed that some schools are having large parties with no masks, they are not conducting any contact tracing, students and staff are being told to return to school with active Covid-19, and more concerning issues.

# **Approve Adoption of Consent Agenda**

Approval of consent agenda, as submitted, as recommended.

#### Public Hearing

Pastor M. J. Ivy spoke on Item 3.10, and he discussed the connection between expulsions of people of color and the issues of mental health and the need for attention and representation from Black and brown males. He said more Black and brown men are needed in the classroom.

Jamie Tadrzynski spoke on Items 3.10 and 3.14. She said campuses are not safe and students, teachers, and administrators are in danger when there is fighting. She said students need to be provided safe harbors and mental health access and safety precautions. She said overcrowded classrooms, overcrowded cafeterias, and overworked staff are contributing to this issue. She shared that an educator with 20 years' experience was offered a first year contract, which she declined. She said because of this, students will go longer without a qualified teacher. She said the talent is leaving and new talent is not coming because they see that teachers and staff do not matter in this District and that says that students do not matter.

Motion to adopt the consent agenda.

Motion: Williams Second: Brooks Vote: Unanimous

# 3.01 Approval of the Minutes.

Discussion and possible action on the approval of the minutes from the regular meeting of October 28, 2021, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** (Ref. 3.01)

# **Approve Adoption of Consent Agenda** (continued)

# 3.02 Memorandum of Agreement Between the Clark County School District and Acceleration Academies, LLC.

Discussion and possible action on approval to renew a Memorandum of Agreement between the Clark County School District and Acceleration Academies, LLC to provide students with academic programming and supports to targeted student populations, from July 13, 2022, through July 13, 2025, and for the Superintendent of Schools, Clark County School District, and the President and Clerk, Clark County School District Board of Trustees, to sign the Memorandum of Agreement, with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Mike Barton] (Ref. 3.02)

# 3.03 2020-2021 Nevada Revised Statutes 388A.351 – Annual Report of Charter School Performance.

Discussion and possible action on the acceptance of the 2020-2021 Nevada Revised Statutes 388A.351, Annual Report of Charter School Performance, to submit to the Nevada Department of Education, as required by Nevada Revised Statutes 388A.351, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Mike Barton] (Ref. 3.03)

#### 3.04 Travel and Registration: Nevada Distributive Education Clubs of America.

Discussion and possible action on approval to contract with Nevada Distributive Education Clubs of America for registration and lodging for students and advisors to attend the Nevada Distributive of Education Clubs of America State Leadership and Skills Conference on February 14, 2022, through February 16, 2022, at Bally's Las Vegas Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada, for the purpose of improving student leadership skills, effective January 28, 2022, to June 30, 2022, in an amount of \$225,000.00, to be paid from the Perkins Basic Support Grant, Internal Order G6631000522, with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Mike Barton] (Ref. 3.04)

#### 3.05 Travel and Registration: Nevada Future Business Leaders of America.

Discussion and possible action on approval to contract with Nevada Future Business Leaders of America for registration and lodging for students and advisors to attend the Nevada Future Business Leaders of America State Leadership Skills Conference on April 24, 2022, through April 26, 2022, at the Nugget Casino Resort in Reno, Nevada, for the purpose of improving student leadership skills, effective January 28, 2022, to June 30, 2022, in an amount of \$145,000.00, to be paid from the Perkins Basic Support Grant, Internal Order G6631000522, with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Mike Barton] (Ref. 3.05)

# **Approve Adoption of Consent Agenda** (continued)

3.06 Travel and Registration: Nevada Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America.

Discussion and possible action on approval to contract with Nevada Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America for registration and lodging for students and advisors to attend the Nevada Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America State Leadership and Skills Conference on March 8, 2022, through March 11, 2022, at the Grand Sierra Resort and Casino in Reno, Nevada, for the purpose of improving student leadership skills, effective January 28, 2022, to June 30, 2022, in an amount of \$95,000.00, to be paid from the Perkins Basic Support Grant, Internal Order G6631000522, with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Mike Barton] (Ref. 3.06)

# 3.07 Travel and Registration: Nevada Health Occupations Students of America.

Discussion and possible action on approval to contract with Nevada Health Occupations Students of America for registration and lodging for students and advisors to attend the Nevada Health Occupations Students of America State Leadership and Skills Conference on March 13, 2022, through March 16, 2022, at the Nugget Casino Resort in Reno, Nevada, for the purpose of improving student leadership skills, effective January 28, 2022, to June 30, 2022, in an amount of \$145,000.00, to be paid from the Perkins Basic Support Grant, Internal Order G6631000522, with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Mike Barton] (Ref. 3.07)

#### 3.08 Travel and Registration: Nevada Association of SkillsUSA.

Discussion and possible action on approval to contract with Nevada Association of SkillsUSA for registration and lodging for students and advisors to attend the Nevada Association of SkillsUSA State Leadership and Skills Conference on April 4, 2022, through April 7, 2022, at Circus Circus Reno Hotel and Casino in Reno, Nevada, for the purpose of improving student leadership skills, effective January 28, 2022, to June 30, 2022, in an amount of \$130,000.00, to be paid from the Perkins Basic Support Grant, Internal Order G6631000522, with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Mike Barton] (Ref. 3.08)

# 3.09 Memorandum of Agreement Between the Clark County School District and the Victoria's Voice Foundation, Inc.

Discussion and possible action on approval to renew the Memorandum of Agreement with the Victoria's Voice Foundation, Inc., for a Victory Club program in an effort to provide a student-involved, proactive approach to drug awareness, effective January 28, 2022, through January 28, 2024, to be paid from the Victoria's Voice Foundation, Inc., and for the Superintendent of Schools, Clark County School District, and the President and Clerk, Clark County School District Board of Trustees, to sign the Memorandum of Agreement, with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Mike Barton] (Ref. 3.09)

# **Approve Adoption of Consent Agenda** (continued) 3.10 Student Expulsions.

Discussion and possible action on approval of student expulsions according to NRS 392.467 (Board Policy 5114 and Regulations 5114 and 5141.1), as listed, is recommended. (CONFIDENTIAL) (For Possible Action) [Contact Person: Mike Barton] (Ref. 3.10)

#### 3.11 Professional Services — FranklinCovey Client Sales Inc.

Discussion and possible action on authorization to purchase professional learning services and instructional supplies from FranklinCovey Client Sales Inc.; expenditures in the amount of \$19,250.00 have been completed in the 2020-2021 school year; Lois Craig Elementary School proposes additional purchases in the amount of \$71,014.37, effective January 28, 2022, through May 25, 2024, to be paid from Lois Craig Elementary School's General Budget, Fiscal Year 2022, Fund 0100, Cost Center 9110001317, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: RoAnn Triana] (Ref. 3.11)

#### 3.12 Warrants.

Discussion and possible action on ratification of the warrants as listed in the Bills Payable Transmittal and the Board Memorandum to be presented at the Board meeting, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Jason Goudie] (Ref. 3.12)

#### 3.13 Recap of Budget Appropriation Transfers.

Discussion and possible action on authorization to include the Recap of Budget Appropriation Transfers between governmental functions of all funds for the period beginning December 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021, in the official Board minutes as required by Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 354.598005, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Jason Goudie] (Ref. 3.13)

#### 3.14 Licensed Personnel Employment.

Discussion and possible action on approval to employ licensed personnel, as listed, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Nadine Jones] (Ref. 3.14)

#### 3.15 Purchasing Awards.

Discussion and possible action on approval to purchase goods or services in the estimated total amount of \$106,030,000.00 in compliance with NRS 332, as listed, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Mike Casey] (Ref. 3.15)

# 3.16 Purchase Orders.

Discussion and possible action on ratification of the purchase orders in the total amount of \$1,227,660.47, as listed, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Mike Casey] (Ref. 3.16)

# **Approve Adoption of Consent Agenda** (continued)

# 3.17 Professional Services Agreement: Commissioning Services School Replacement at Gene Ward Elementary School.

Discussion and possible action on approval to enter into a professional services agreement for commissioning services with BCC Management, Inc., to provide commissioning services in support of the replacement school mechanical, electrical and plumbing systems at Gene Ward Elementary School in the amount of \$123,850.00, to be paid from the 2015 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3150000000, Project C0001634; and for Mark Campbell, Interim Chief of Facilities, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Mark Campbell] (Ref. 3.17)

# 3.18 Change Order.

Discussion and possible action on ratification of a change order for a net increase of \$11,354.33 plus 14 days to the construction contract for J. T. McWilliams Elementary School (\$11,354.33) (CG&B Enterprises, Inc., – 2015 Capital Improvement Program), is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Mark Campbell] (Ref. 3.18)

# 3.19 Vegas PBS Asset Purchase Agreement Between Sprint Spectrum License Holder, LLC and Clark County School District.

Discussion and possible action on approval to enter into an Asset Purchase Agreement with Sprint Spectrum Lease Holder LLC, for the sale of the Educational Broadband Service television channels in Las Vegas, Pahrump, and Boulder City, effective January 31, 2022, and to invest the proceeds from the sale to replace the spectrum lease payments and purchase new broadcast equipment for Vegas PBS and other purposes determined by the licensee, with no impact to the general fund, and for the President and Clerk, Board of School Trustees, Clark County School District, and the Superintendent of Schools, Clark County School District, to sign the Asset Purchase Agreement, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Mary Mazur] (Ref. 3.19)

# 3.20 Professional Services Agreement: Give Better Group.

Discussion and possible action on authorization to contract with Give Better Group for support for the deployment, accountability, and communication of the District's American Rescue Plan spending priorities, for an approximate total of \$256,000.00, to be paid through the United States Department of Education, Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER III) Fund, Fund 0280, Grant 6619021, effective February 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, is recommended. (For Possible Action) [Contact Person: Kellie Ballard] (Ref. 3.20)

Formative Board Reports and Updates None.

# Public Hearing on and Approval of the New Memorandum of Agreement between the Clark County School District and the Clark County Association of School Administrators and Professional-Technical Employees Regarding Juneteenth holiday

This is the time and place to conduct a public hearing on, discussion of, and approval of the new Memorandum of Agreement between the Clark County School District and the Clark County Association of School Administrators and Professional-Technical Employees regarding Juneteenth holiday. Those wishing to address the Board in person at the meeting may sign up to speak by calling the Board Office at 702-799-1072 during regular business hours. Alternatively, speakers may sign up in person immediately prior to the beginning of the meeting, or comments may be submitted in writing by email to <a href="mailto:BoardMtgComments@nv.ccsd.net">BoardMtgComments@nv.ccsd.net</a> by 2:00 p.m., Thursday, January 27, 2022.

Trustee Cepeda read the public hearing statement.

There was no one wishing to speak on this item.

Luke Puschnig, General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, presented the new Memorandum of Agreement between the Clark County School District and the Clark County Association of School Administrators and Professional-Technical Employees regarding Juneteenth holiday, as shown in Reference 5.01.

Motion to approve.

Motion: Williams Second: Cavazos Vote: Unanimous

# Approve 2021-2022 School Calendars for Staff and Students

Approval to amend the 2021-2022 School Calendar for Staff and the 2021-2022 School Calendar for Students, as recommended in Reference 5.02.

Nadine Jones, Chief Human Resources Officer, Human Resources Division, presented the amended 2021-2022 School Calendar for Staff and the 2021-2022 School Calendar for Students, as shown in Reference 5.02.

Motion to approve.

Motion: Guzmán Second: Garcia Morales Vote: Unanimous

Public Hearing on and Possible Approval of the Modification to the 2021-2023 Negotiated Agreement between the Clark County School District and the Police Officers Association of the Clark County School District approved by the Board of School Trustees on January 13, 2022

This is the time and place to conduct a public hearing on, discussion of, and possible action on approval of the modification to the 2021-2023 Negotiated Agreement between the Clark County School District and the Police Officers Association of the Clark County School District, approved by the Board of School Trustees on January 13, 2022. Those wishing to address the Board in person at the meeting may sign up to speak by calling the Board Office at 702-799-1072 during regular business hours. Alternatively, speakers may sign up in person immediately prior to the beginning of the meeting, or comments may be submitted in writing by email to <a href="mailto:BoardMtgComments@nv.ccsd.net">BoardMtgComments@nv.ccsd.net</a> by 2:00 p.m., Thursday, January 27, 2022.

Trustee Cepeda read the public hearing statement.

There was no one wishing to speak on this item.

Mr. Puschnig presented the 2021-2023 Negotiated Agreement between the Clark County School District and the Police Officers Association of the Clark County School District, approved by the Board of School Trustees on January 13, 2022, as sown in Reference 5.03.

Motion to approve.

Motion: Williams Second: Garcia Morales Vote: Unanimous

# Reorganization of the Clark County School District

Discussion on the implementation of the reorganization of the Clark County School District and compliance with Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 388G.

Trustee Cepeda stated that she brought this agenda item forward so they could have a conversation regarding Assembly Bill (AB) 469.

#### **Public Hearing**

Diana Battista said she is in full support of complying with the law but that her concern is despite being aware of the law, they continue to give more operational power to Superintendent Jara. She said she does not understand why it has been so difficult for the District get to a point of compliance with this law.

Autumn Tampa thanked everyone who opposed this bill being implemented. She said it is her opinion that AB 469 is slowly destroying CCSD. She said it has placed more work on teachers, support staff, and principals, has put more jobs at risk of being privatized, and could allow principals to fire staff without just cause.

# **Reorganization of the Clark County School District** (continued)

Ed Gonzalez said the Nevada State Board of Education has been looking at this for approximately 14 months and there has been some conversation about appointing a Board member to sit on the AB 469 Subcommittee, and he agreed that was a good idea although late in the process. He said it is clear that the District does not want to implement this law. He said they need to put the dollars with the schools, and he asked that the Board follow the law.

Discussion was had with Kellie Ballard, Chief Strategy Officer, Office of the Superintendent, regarding the items that the AB 469 Subcommittee of the Nevada State Board of Education identified as not being done by the District with regard to compliance, the District's response to those items and next steps moving forward, and progress toward compliance and what remains to be done.

Trustee Ford asked how the Board could receive a thorough, comprehensive training on AB 469, including the Board's expectation of oversight and responsibility in communicating it to others.

Ms. Ballard said she believes the State Board Subcommittee is also trying to address that issue. She said she believes the State Board will provide some direction to the Nevada Department of Education (NDE) that might eventually provide an opportunity for training for the Board.

Trustee Brooks said her ask and her goal to resolve this item would be to create a comprehensive District policy that would clearly differentiate the responsibilities granted under Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) or Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) and the responsibilities added to create an environment that fosters autonomy and the accountability that comes with that.

Trustee Brooks named areas of concern or points to consider brought forward by community members, School Organizational Teams (SOTs) or Board members: differentiate between rural and urban districts, create a single policy embedding all components of this law, create a feedback loop cycle, and create a monitoring calendar. She said she would like staff to keep the Board better informed about challenges and conversations they are having at the state level, and she would like the Board to commit to closer monitoring. She stated that the State Board and the Trustees need more detailed financial information regarding the 85-15 challenges that the District is not in compliance with and a breakdown of why they are occurring.

Trustee Brooks said she would like staff to answer the following questions at a future date. She asked what the District's dispute resolution process is for issues related to retaliation or reprisal as a result of the performance of duties for the school organizational precincts. She asked if the Superintendent of Public Instruction notified the Board of any failure to comply with provisions within NAC since they added language requiring that a plan of action be developed in December 2018. She said she would like a greater sense of the timeline in terms of the previous corrective action plan and the development of NAC in 2018.

# Reorganization of the Clark County School District (continued)

Trustee Brooks asked if there is a template for future service level agreements (SLAs). She asked what the schedule would be once the District comes into compliance in terms of the annual process. She touched on how monitoring would come back to the Board and that it be part of the consent agenda or a standalone item that may require approval by the Board. She addressed the fact that there are people who say they do not have paper in their classroom, yet the school has a significant carryover fund balance. She asked if those teachers have a way to advocate directly with SOTs to have their schools purchase the paper for them.

Trustee Garcia Morales agreed with Trustee Brooks' suggestions regarding the development of a District-wide policy, the distinction between rural and urban districts, and the feedback loop and said she would also appreciate some knowledge sharing as part of the feedback loop. She said she also agreed with having a monitoring calendar. She suggested there needs to be a hierarchy of communication between the SOTs and the District and that should be clearly outlined. She said she also appreciated Trustee Brooks' comment regarding school supplies and school carryover funds.

Trustee Cavazos stated in terms of the training component, she is looking forward and considering the bill drafts for 2023. She asked if the District's government affairs staff has been working in any way with the state or legislature regarding this complex bill.

Ms. Ballard said she cannot speak for the government affairs staff regarding any conversations they may have had with the state but said she has had discussions with staff regarding future legislative possibilities.

Trustee Cavazos asked if the Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB) could come present to the Board on all the components of this law.

Mr. Puschnig said he was not aware of any such training but said someone should be able to put together a presentation for the Board.

Trustee Cepeda suggested they ask the State Board about training instead of asking District staff to provide training, which she feels would be inappropriate.

Nicole Malich, Board Counsel, District Attorney's Office, said she would look into the training for the Board.

Trustee Williams appreciated the distinction between rural and urban districts. She asked if staff could provide the Board with quarterly updates going forward and that it be part of the timeline that would outline the progress being made and the challenges, which could then be taken to the State Board or the legislature.

# **Reorganization of the Clark County School District** (continued)

Trustee Cepeda suggested that could be part of the discussion on an upcoming agenda regarding the monitoring calendar.

Trustee Brooks suggested that the Board have some form of policy formation on a future agenda and map this out.

Superintendent Jara suggested perhaps using the monitoring document from NDE as a starting point.

Trustee Ford said she is supportive of something coming forward but said the Board needs to have the training, and she suggested that they prioritize the training and then have a next step action.

# Appointment of a Trustee as a Member of the Assembly Bill 469 Subcommittee of the Nevada State Board of Education

Appoint a Trustee as a member of the Assembly Bill 469 Subcommittee of the Nevada State Board of Education.

Marie Neisess spoke in favor of appointing a Trustee to serve on the AB 469 Subcommittee of the Nevada State Board of Education. She said it is possible that the Board of Education will be making regulations that affect CCSD, and the Trustees' perspective on this Subcommittee will be valuable to the Board of Education.

Diana Battista said there appears to be a conflict of interest in terms of time management and the ability to attend the meetings. She said it is important that the Trustee selected to serve on this Subcommittee is available and wants to be part of the Subcommittee. She questioned why this is not decided by public vote.

There was some discussion about how this item came forward. Trustee Brooks explained that she asked the State Board chair if it would be possible for a Trustee to be on the Subcommittee because she believed there was a gap in communication that needed to be solved.

Trustee Ford said although she agrees with the concept of this item, she is not sure the Board should move forward on it at this moment because of how it developed.

Discussion continued around Trustee Brooks contacting the State Board chair regarding a Trustee being on the Subcommittee and public comment submitted by the Board officers.

Motion to appoint Trustee Guzmán to the AB 469 Subcommittee of the Nevada State Board of Education.

Motion: Ford Second: Cavazos Yeses – 4 (Cavazos, Cepeda, Ford, Guzmán); Noes – 3 (Brooks, Garcia Morales, Williams)
The motion passed.

# **Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items**

Diana Battista spoke about hot boxes being used at Variety on students with disabilities. She said this is a civil rights issue and in Nevada it is illegal to use seclusion on students with disability, yet the concrete seclusion enclosures remain. She said if a student dies after being left in the enclosure, CCSD would be held liable. She asked that the Board place this on an agenda and remove these hot boxes.

Jamie Tadrzynski stated that today is Holocaust Remembrance Day, and she asked that everyone remember and honor the lives of those taken by hate and pledge to do better and to be better.

Dr. Fred Simon said what was put in place at the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic is no longer applicable to the current strains of the virus. He said more children die from the vaccine and from the Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) than they do from Covid-19. He asked that the Board continue to educate themselves and stop ideologic division. He invited the Trustees to attend a Covid symposium on March 26, 2022, free of charge.

Judy Laub said masks are killing children. She said there are studies that show masks are not effective, yet the Board continues to think that it has the power to make people wears them. She disagreed with testing students as well.

Alex Rodriguez said he requested at a previous meeting that the Board have an agenda item to remove all Covid-19 mandates. He said he was serving the Board with a notice of maladministration. He said Governor Sisolak is providing misinformation because mandates are not law.

Fernando Romero said he wrote a letter to Trustee Cepeda, Superintendent Jara and others and said today is the deadline by which the Global Community High School SOT wanted answers to questions they have been asking for over a year. He said they have not gotten any definitive responses. He requested a written response.

**Upcoming Meeting of the Board of Trustees – Wednesday, February 2, 2022, 9:00 a.m.** Trustee Cepeda stated the upcoming meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 2, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. would be held at the Facilities Unit, Building E, conference room 606.

**Adjourn:** 7:17 p.m.

Motion: Garcia Morales Second: Cavazos Vote: Unanimous