Bellflower Unified School District

Board of Education Regular Meeting
May 22, 2025

Board Room of the District Administration Building
16703 Clark Ave., Bellflower, CA 90706

CLOSED SESSION: 5:00 P.M.
OPEN SESSION: 6:00 P.M.

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AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER IN PUBLIC SESSION

1.1 ROLL CALL

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS – CLOSED SESSION ITEMS: Three minutes may be allotted to each speaker to address Closed Session items only.

3. CLOSED SESSION: Closed Session items may be continued to end of meeting if necessary.

3.1 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL: ANTICIPATED LITIGATION: GOVERNMENT CODE 54956.9, ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, GOVERNMENT CODE 54956.9 (b) (c)

3.2 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL: PENDING LITIGATION: GOVERNMENT CODE 54956.9: 1098110080 v. Bellflower Unified School District

3.3 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL: PENDING LITIGATION: GOVERNMENT CODE 54956.9: 2001018638 v. Bellflower Unified School District

3.4 LABOR NEGOTIATIONS: Government Code 54957.6, District-Negotiator, BTA

4. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION/CALL TO ORDER

5. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

6. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

7. RECOGNITIONS OF STUDENTS / STAFF / COMMUNITY

8. PRESENTATIONS FROM STUDENTS / STAFF / COMMUNITY

8.1 EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

8.2 PTA COMMUNICATIONS

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: District/Community Related Matters and Conferences/Meetings

10. COMMITTEE UPDATES

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA/NON-AGENDA ITEMS: No action or discussion is permitted on any item not included on the posted agenda per GC § 54952.2 (a) except as provided in GC § 54952.2 (b). Public comments are limited to 3 minutes per person, per item unless the Board wishes to waive the time limit. Those who have a group concern are encouraged to select a spokesperson to address the Board. Adverse remarks about a person's race, ancestry, ethnic group identification, religion, color, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, gender, mental or physical disability, or age may not be made. Concerns presented to the Board will be followed up and addressed by the appropriate staff.

12. DISCUSSION ITEMS

12.1 READING DIFFICULTIES RISK SCREENER (RDRS) ADOPTION PRESENTATION

12.2 WORLD LANGUAGE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS ADOPTION PRESENTATION

12.3 REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED LCAP 2025-2026 LOCAL CONTROL AND ACCOUNTABILITY PLAN (LCAP)

13. MAJOR ACTION

13.1 WAIVER OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST IN LEGAL REPRESENTATION OF BUSD AND CALAPS BY SAREGA LAW, APC: The District, being a current member of the JPA, CalAPS and having two members of the Board of Education for BUSD serving on the Board of Directors for CalAPS, creates a potential conflict of interest in the legal representation of the District and CalAPS by Sarega Law, APC. A waiver of conflict of interest, approved by both the Board of Education of the District and the Board of Directors of CalAPS would be required in order for Sarega Law, APC to provide general legal counsel services to CalAPS.

14. CONSENT AGENDA: All matters in this category are considered to be consistent with the Board/District goals, Board Policies, and Administrative Regulations adopted and/or approved by the Board of Education and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is required, items may be withheld from the consent agenda and will be considered separately.

14.1 MINUTES OF THE MAY 7, 2025, SPECIAL MEETING: It is proposed that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the May 7, 2025, special meeting of the Board of Education as presented on the attachment.

14.2 MINUTES OF THE MAY 8, 2025, REGULAR MEETING: It is proposed that the Board of Education approve the minutes of the May 8, 2025, regular meeting of the Board of Education as presented on the attachment.

14.3 RESOLUTION – EXCUSE THE ABSENCE OF A BOARD MEMBER – CRIHFIELD: It is proposed that the Board of Education adopt the Resolution – Excuse the Absence of a Board Member for Brad Crihfield from the May 8, 2025 regular meeting of the Board of Education, as presented on the attachment.

14.4 EMPLOYMENT OF CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL: It is proposed that the Board of Education approve and ratify the employment of certificated personnel as presented on the attachment.

14.5 DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICE OF CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL: It is proposed that the Board of Education approve and ratify the discontinuance of service of certificated personnel as presented on the attachment.

14.6 CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR CABINET EMPLOYEES: The Board of Education recently employed several new members of cabinet. The term of their employment, as written in the current contracts, is set to expire in June of 2026. The Board has engaged in discussion regarding the limited term left on the contracts for cabinet members and expressed a desire to increase the term by one (1) year for each cabinet member.

14.7 NOMINEES TO THE 2024-2025 CITIZENS' TASK FORCE COMMITTEE: It is proposed that the Board of Education approve the nominees made by the school sites and civic organization, as presented on the attachment, to serve on the Citizens' Task Force for the 2024-2025 school year.

14.8 READING DIFFICULTIES RISK SCREENER (RDRS) ADOPTION: Education Code Section 53008 requires all districts to screen each Kindergarten, 1st grade, and 2nd grade students for risk of reading difficulties beginning in the 2025-26 school year. A committee of Kindergarten through 2nd grade teachers from every school site was formed and met to evaluate and rate each screener and share information at their sites. Teachers agreed to recommend the adoption of Amira Learning as the K-2nd screener.

It is proposed that the Board of Education approve Amira Learning as the RDRS screener for Kindergarten, first, and second grades.

14.9 WORLD LANGUAGE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS ADOPTION: World Language teachers from Bellflower HS and Mayfair HS reviewed the elements of multiple instructional materials and agreed on a recommended updated set for the World Language courses offered in our secondary schools.

It is proposed that the Board of Education approve the following World Languages Instructional materials for grades 9-12.

Spanish 1-4 Reporteros (2021), Klett World Languages
Spanish for Spanish Speakers 1 & 2 En voz alta (2023), Carnegie Learning

AP Spanish Language and Culture Temas AP (2024), Vista Higher Learning 7-12

French 1-4 EntreCultures (2025), Wayside Publishing

AP French Language and Culture APprenons (2015), Wayside Publishing

Mandarin (Chinese) 1-3 Authentic Chinese (2024), Phoenix Tree Publishing

AP Mandarin (Chinese) eChinese - digital platform

14.10 AMENDMENT TO ANNUAL CONTRACT LISTINGS AND AGREEMENTS 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR: It is proposed that the Board of Education approve and ratify the amendments to the Annual Contract Listings and Agreements 2024-2025 Fiscal Year as presented on the attachment.

14.11 AMENDMENT TO THE ANNUAL LISTING - MULTI-YEAR CONTRACT AND AGREEMENTS - 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR: It is proposed that the Board of Education approve and ratify the amendments to the Annual Listing - Multi Year Contracts and Agreements - 2024-2025 Fiscal Year as presented on the attachment.

14.12 MULTI-YEAR CONTRACT AND AGREEMENTS – 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR: It is proposed that the Board of Education approve the Multi-Year Contract Listings and Agreements - 2025-2026 Fiscal Year, as presented on the attachment.

15. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS: District/Community Related Matters and Conferences/Meetings.

16. INFORMATION ITEMS

16.1 REQUEST FOR SECONDARY EXTENDED FIELD LEARNING EXPERIENCE

17. ADJOURNMENT