

**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES**  
**GOVERNING BOARD OF THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**Including Closed Session Items**

333 South Beaudry Avenue, Board Room

9:00 a.m., Tuesday, February 8, 2022

The meeting shall be held through teleconferencing pursuant to the provisions of California Assembly Bill 361. Members of the public may observe the meeting [online](#) and offer public comment telephonically.

The Los Angeles Board of Education acting as the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District met in regular session on Tuesday, February 8, 2022, at the Administrative Offices, Board Room, 333 South Beaudry Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

Executive Officer of the Board Amanda Wherritt called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

The following Board Members were present and in-person: Ms. Jackie Goldberg, Mr. Nick Melvoin, Ms. Tanya Ortiz Franklin, and Mr. Scott Schmerelson.

Dr. George J. McKenna, III was present via teleconference at 9:07 a.m.

Ms. Mónica García arrived in-person at 9:12 a.m.

Ms. Kelly Gonez arrived in-person at 9:17 a.m.

Interim Superintendent Megan Reilly was present.

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS (Purpose and Authority)

Ms. Amanda Wherritt, Executive Officer of the Board, announced that the following items would be discussed in closed session:

1. Conference with Legal Counsel

Pending Litigation [Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)]

Cheryl Dorsey v. Los Angeles Unified School District  
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC642829

LAUSD v. Atlas Iron & Metal Co., Inc., et al.  
United States District Court Case No. 2:20-cv-05330

2. Conference with Labor Negotiators (Government Code Section 54957.6)

Negotiator: Dr. Murphy and Mr. DiGrazia  
Employee Organizations:

Associated Administrators of Los Angeles  
California School Employees Association  
Los Angeles County Building and Construction Trades Council  
Los Angeles School Police Association  
Los Angeles School Police Sergeants and Lieutenants Association  
Service Employees International Union, SEIU Local 99  
Teamsters  
United Teachers Los Angeles  
District Represented Employees and Contract Management Personnel

3. Conference with Labor Negotiators (Government Code Section 54957.6)  
Negotiator: Ms. Navera Reed

Superintendent of Schools  
Deputy Superintendent, Business Services and Operations

4. Personnel (Government Code Section 54957)

Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release

Employee Evaluation  
Superintendent of Schools

Public Employment  
Superintendent of Schools  
Deputy Superintendent, Business Services and Operations  
Executive Officer of the Board of Education

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

The following speakers addressed the Board on the items indicated:

Dena Vatcher	Wright STEAM and Gifted Magnet Middle School
Carl Petersen	Charter schools over-allocation fees
Eugenie Lewis	Climate Literacy Resolution
Norah Cunningham	Climate Literacy Resolution
Ronen Pestes	COVID-19 vaccine mandates
Verenice Miron	IDEA and COVID-19 vaccine mandates
Mary Leos-Pacheco	National University virtual high school
Dan Linehan	Climate Literacy Resolution
Valerie Gacula	Climate Literacy Resolution
Kim Neistadt	Climate Literacy Resolution
Antonieta Garcia	Esperanza Charter School
Ronni Solman	Climate Literacy Resolution
David Diaz	Climate Literacy Resolution
David Tokofsky	Charter policy

The following speakers addressed the Board on item 2, Conference with Labor Negotiators:

Diana Guillen  
Rosana Corona  
Maria de la Luz Valdez  
Ubalдина Elvira  
Reyna Mendez

The following speakers addressed the Board on item 3, Conference with Labor Negotiators:

Patricia Montes  
John Doe  
Juan Mangandi

The following speakers addressed the Board on item 4, Personnel:

Alberta B Moore  
Nicolle Fefferman  
Lloyd (last name not given)  
Ana (last name not given)

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The Board recessed the public portion of the closed session meeting at 10:28 a.m. Closed session discussion began at 10:35 a.m. and ended discussion at 2:13 p.m. All Board Members were present for the closed session discussion.

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The Board reconvened the public portion of the closed session meeting at 2:21 p.m.

The following Board Members were present and in-person: Ms. Jackie Goldberg, Ms. Tanya Ortiz Franklin, Mr. Schmerelson, and Ms. Kelly Gonez.

Dr. George J. McKenna, III, Ms. Mónica García and Mr. Nick Melvoin, were absent.

Ms. Wherritt announced the following reportable actions as a result of the closed session discussion:

- The Board of Education approved the dismissal of 8 classified employees and one certificated employee due to non-compliance with the COVID-19 vaccination mandate and one Food Service Manager V.

The vote was 7 ayes.

- The Board of Education authorized the settlement in the case of Cheryl Dorsey v. Los Angeles Unified School District, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC642829. Terms and conditions will be available upon the finalization of the settlement.

The vote was 5 ayes, 1 no, Mr. Schmerelson and 1 abstention, Dr. McKenna.

- The Board of Education approved the non-reelection of 11 Certificated Probationary Employees and the Resignation of 33 Certificated Probationary Employees.

The vote was 7 ayes.

- The Board of Education took action to set incoming Superintendent Alberto Carvalho's start date of February 14, 2022. The amended contract will come before the Board for ratification at the next regular meeting in open session.

The vote was 7 ayes.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Goldberg moved that the meeting be adjourned, and Ms. Gonez seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted.

The meeting adjourned at 2:22 p.m.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD: **MARCH 8, 2022**



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MS. KELLY GONEZ  
PRESIDENT



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AMANDA WHERRITT  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE BOARD