UNADOPTED MINUTES

Of the Board of Trustees Regular Board Meeting February 21, 2017

1. PRELIMINARY

1. Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order by President Santana at 6:00 PM

Roll call:

Minutes:

Board of Trustees Present

Francisco "Javi" Santana, President Jan Baird, Vice President Sylvia V. Macias, Member Elias Alvarado, Member

Board of Trustee Absent

Deborah Pacheco, Clerk

All Administrators present as listed

2. Flag salute.

Minutes:

The pledge of allegiance was led by South Whittier School District parent Claudia Hernandez-Cipres

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion Passed: Superintendent recommends approval of the February 21,
2017 Agenda as presented.
Motion: Seconded: VOTE: YES 4 NO 0 Abstain 0 Absent 1
By general consent of the Board, agenda items 15.3 and 15.4 were pulled and tabled for a future meeting.
Board approved agenda with above mentioned edits. Passed with a motion by Elias Alvarado and a second by Jan Baird.
Yes Elias Alvarado
Yes Jan Baird
Yes Sylvia Macias
Absent Deborah Pacheco
Yes Francisco "Javi" Santana

3. COMMENTS BY TRUSTEES

Minutes:

Trustee Alvarado had no comments.

Trustee Baird had no comments.

Trustee Santana had no comments.

Trustee Macias complimented Carmela's video newsletter. She stated that it looked fabulous and what a wonderful job they did.

She is pleased to hear of Cal High parent tour coordinated by Mr. Meza and for the upcoming parent tour for Pioneer High School. She thought this was a great method to orient parents with the high school giving them a better understanding of what to expect once their children reach the high school level. She heard a lot of positive and great comments about the tour and very pleased to see that many parents attended and responded to the invitation.

Trustee Macias also attended the Chinese student visit held at GMS and had the opportunity to interact with some of the students visiting from China. This was a lovely group of students and sponsors. This was the first time she had experienced this type of event and hope that it continues in the future.

She appreciated the SPSA (Single Plans for Student Achievement), especially including the summary page to be able to compare changes was extremely helpful and greatly appreciated.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Minutes:

Graciela de la Torre Ferrada expressed the importance of the Board of Trustees to take this opportunity during the search for a new superintendent to select a new superintendent that will help the District grow the academics that she feels have been stagnant for many years. She would like the new superintendent selected to possess the ability to inspire teachers and staff in the District to obtain acceptable grades and standards. She feels that the Latino students are deserving of the same education and opportunities as those in the districts in the surrounding communities. She feels no progress has been made in this area since 1964 when she first came to the district.

Mr. Trevor Shiffermiller, Music teacher at Graves Middle School for the South Whittier School District expressed his concern of agenda item 15.7 on tonight's agenda reducing the music teacher by 75%. His feeling is if the Board approves the resolution tonight the Board would have decided to almost eliminate the music program. He described the benefits of keeping the program and the disadvantages if the program was eliminated. He feels that the music program is a teaching tool to enrich the students. He would like the Board to take everything into consideration about the music program before they take action on this Resolution.

Margie Rodriguez is a community member who presents herself as an advocate for the South Whittier students. Mrs. Rodriguez stated that the Board is to take a look at the low performing tests scores to find ways to improve. She feels that the Board and Superintendent are failing students every year evident by the low performing test scores. Mrs. Rodriguez requested information regarding the "Open Forum" Public Notice posting timeline. This question was addressed by the Board President and a response will be provided to Mrs. Rodriguez as soon as possible.

Eva Barragan is a community member born and raised in the city of Whittier. Mrs. Barragan's daughter attends Carmela Elementary school. Said she loves Carmela Elementary School. She appreciates the her daughter's current teacher updates her on her daughter's academic progress on a regular basis.

She finds the "Dojo" application the teacher utilizes to keep parents informed on student's academic progress is helpful and resourceful. She is disappointed with the South Whittier School District's low test scores and she wonders what the other Districts are doing differently to demonstrate better academic performance than South Whittier School District.

Daniel Monloguge is a community member that recently moved into the city. As a new resident he is concerned about the negative comments that other community members that have children attending the South Whittier School District schools have shared with him. This prompted him to research information on the school Districts that potentially his children would attend once they reach school age. Mr. Monloguge is an educator and understands that the administrators and staff are not intentionally trying to fail the students. He encourages the Board that during the search for a new Superintendent, the Board should be more transparent of the process and consider external candidates that can come into this district offering a different perspective and point of view and try to affect change in order to improve the low test scores and academic achievement. He compared the South Whittier School District test scores with those of Santa Fe Springs School District, which is a very similar District in size and the test scores are noticeably better.

Nelly Pullido a parent attending the Take Note Institute Parent Education Program addressed the Board of Trustees to extend an invitation to Take Note's upcoming graduation. She thanked the Board for supporting the classes. She stressed how important these classes have been not just for her but also for all of her fellow parents who participated. The information is valuable and helps parents to better understand how to work collaboratively with their children to achieve academic success. She and her fellow classmates from the Take Note Institute would be honored if the Board of Trustees attended the graduation. A printed invitation was handed to the Board members with all details of the graduation ceremony.

Enedina Velzaquez (translated Mrs. Velazquez comment from Spanish to English) - Mrs. Velazquez, mother of three children ranging from ages 5, 8, and 14 years old, two of her children attend McKibben Elementary School and one is attending Cal High. Mrs. Velazquez stated that it is an honor to address the Board of Trustees on behalf of her fellow classmates from the Take Note Parent Institute and thanked the Board for giving them as parents the opportunity to participate in this program. She is grateful for the information that she has been learning that helps her to better understand how to be well informed and involved in their children's education. She thanked the Take Note Instructor, Tania Magana for leading by example and always making herself available to answer any questions and for the guidance. Mrs. Velazquez shares the same dream as many other parents of seeing their children excel academically and obtain a university education. She feels that this has been a great opportunity afforded to the parents and is grateful. An invitation was extended to the Board of Trustees to attend the parent graduation ceremony that is scheduled to be held on March 9th at GMS.

Claudia Hernandez-Cipres parent briefly spoke to extend an invitation to the Board of Trustees to attend the Take Note Parent Institute graduation. She stated that these classes have prepared her with the tools needed to help guide her children to achieve academic success and prepare them for their future.

5. REPORTS

1. The Superintendent will report to the Board about various matters involving the District.

Minutes:

Superintendent Baxter asked for a moment of silence to be observed in memory of Keith Boyer slain Whittier Police Officer who was killed in the line of duty over the weekend. He had worked in the Whittier area for many years serving our local communities. His death was such a senseless act and we must be thankful every day for all of our service personnel who are out on our streets protecting us.

Superintendent Baxter also informed the board that a retired teacher, John McCrory passed away on Friday evening after battling a long illness. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

We did hear from the Board of Supervisors that our request to change Board elections to even numbered years has been approved beginning in 2018 and all current board members will have their current term extended by one year.

Superintendent Baxter reported that we were successful in our efforts to increase our credit rating from an A to an A+ rating. This means our bonds can be sold with lower interest rates and can save the tax payers money over the long run. Our bonds will be on the market for sale this week.

We are continuing to do great work through our partnership with the Systems Leadership Collaborative. Each district in the collaborative has identified a school site which will serve as a "learning lab" with a district leader, principal and teachers working together to integrate the LCFF rubrics as part of the improvement process for deepening student learning. We have selected Loma Vista to be our learning lab site.

The GATES Foundation is funding this process to support developing capacity of principals and teacher leaders to engage in the continuous improvement of the teaching and learning model. We will be paired with the Lynwood School District for this portion of the work and we are looking forward to learning from and supporting each other.

Superintendent Baxter shared that Graves Middle School is in the process for redesigning the master schedule from the ground up. The new schedule will result in each student receiving more instructional minutes each day, allow for more students to take electives and will also allow for time to be built into the day for teachers to meet by departments for collaboration. Dr. Fraijo will be bringing an overview of the new schedule to share with the board at an upcoming board meeting.

Superintendent Baxter reminded the public of the Online survey for community and stakeholders interested in providing their input on the new superintendent search will have the opportunity until March $3^{\rm rd}$. The Online survey can be accessed through the District website and will close on Friday, March 3, 2017.

6. CONSENT

Motion Passed: The Superintendent recommends the Board of Trustees approval for Consent agenda items 6.1, 6.2, 6.3, 6.4, 6.5, 6.6, 6.7, 6.8 Motion: ___ Seconded: __ VOTE: YES 4 NO 0 Abstain Absent 1 Passed with a motion by Sylvia Macias and a second by Jan Baird. Yes Elias Alvarado Yes Jan Baird
Yes Sylvia Macias
Absent Deborah Pacheco
Yes Francisco "Javi" Santana

- 1. Approval of Minutes January 17, 2017- Regular Board Meeting (Supplement)
- 2. Approval of Minutes February 7, 2017 Special Board Meeting (Supplement)
- 3. Purchase Order List No. #08 (Supplement)
- 4. Contract/Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) List No. # 12 FY 16-17 (Supplement)

Minutes:

16-17-022A CONTRACTOR: ADDENDUM SUMMIT SPEECH PATHOLOGY SERVICES, INC.; SERVICE: ADDING ADDITIONAL MONEY TO CONTRACT FOR A SPEECH AND LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY ASSISTANT; DURATION: 8/12/16-06/30/2017; COST TO DISTRICT: ORIGINAL AMOUNT: \$138,500.00, ADDED AMOUNT: \$12, 800.00, TOTAL AMOUNT: 151,300.00

- 16-17-077 CONTRACTOR: LISA PALOMINO; SERVICE: TUITION PAYMENT AGREEMENT FOR CLEAR ADMINISTRATIVE CREDENTIAL PROGRAM THROUGH LACOE; DURATION: 2/21/2016-06/30/2023; COST TO DISTRICT: NOT TO EXCEED \$9,800.00 FOR TUITION PAYABLE TO LACOE
- 16-17-078 CONTRACTOR: KRISTINE CARREON; SERVICE: TUITION PAYMENT AGREEMENT FOR CLEAR ADMINISTRATIVE CREDENTIAL PROGRAM THROUGH ACSA; DURATION: 2/21/2016-06/30/2024; COST TO DISTRICT: NOT TO EXCEED \$9,500.00 FOR TUITION PAYABLE TO ACSA
- 16-17-079 CONTRACTOR: LEADERSHIP ASSOCIATES, LLC. EXECUTIVE SEARCH FIRM; SERVICE: TO ASSIST THE DISTRICT IN THE SEARCH FOR THE NEW DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT; DURATION: JANUARY, 2017 UNTIL THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HAS SELECTED A FINIALIST; COST TO DISTRICT: \$22,500.00
- 16-17-081 CONTRACTOR: WESTED; SERVICE: CAL-SCHLS SURVEYS TO PROVIDE DATA IN THE FIVE STATE PRIORITIES FOR THE DISTRICT'S LCAP: IMPROVING ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT, SCHOOL CLIMATE, PUPIL ENGAGEMENT, PARENT INVOLVEMENTAND COMMON CORE; DURATION: 02/22/2017-08/31/2017; COST TO DISTRICT: \$2,312.00
- 16-17-082 CONTRACTOR: OMAR MACIAS; SERVICE: AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS COACH; DURATION: 02/01/17-06/30/17; COST TO DISTRICT: \$832.00
- 16-17-084 CONTRACTOR: PHUONG TRAN; SERVICE: FISCAL SERVICES SUPPORT CONSULTANT; DURATION: 02/25/2017-06/30/2017; COST TO DISTRICT: \$60.00 PER HOUR; NOT TO EXCEED \$9,500

5. Bond Contract/MoU List #02 (Supplement)

Minutes:

B16-17-002 - CONTRACTOR: COLBI TECHNOLOGIES; SERVICE: TO PREQUILIFY CONTRACTORS FOR BOND PROJECTS; DURATION: 02/01/2017-02/01/2018; COST TO DISTRICT: \$4,000.00 ANNUAL SOFTWARE SERVICE FEE + \$85.00/HOUR FOR APPLICATION REVIEW, NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000.00/YEAR

- 6. Travel and Conference Report No.# 09, (Supplement)
- 7. Acceptance of Donations
- 8. Written Communication to the Board of Trustees
- 7. DISCUSSION ITEM Resolution No. 16-17-023 (Supplement)

Minutes:

President opened discussion for item 7 regarding Resolution No. 16-17-023

Trustee Alvarado stated that the Resolution is appropriate under the current political circumstance. As a District we need to step forward and see how to protect the students and families facing the challenges imposed by the government due to being undocumented. As a community we should work together in educating our students to encourage them to become educated and good citizens that will contribute to society. We should provide and have readily available counseling services and other resources for students and families that may need them.

Trustee Macias commented that counseling services are already in place for students and families that may be impacted by this and should they find themselves needing the services.

President Santana read the content of the Resolution proposed to the Board this evening to the audience. Trustee Santana stated that in this day and age our society is faced with much uncertainty. There is much news and media coverage on the steps that are being taken in surrounding cities around that impacts the families and add stress to their daily lives. As a Board and as a District we will try to relieve some stress due to the uncertainty by providing a safe learning environment for the students and their families.

Further direction will be given to the Superintendent on the steps that follow and to be taken. The Resolution presented at tonight's meeting is well written. Any suggestions or questions regarding the Resolution are to be addressed to the Superintendent.

Superintendent Baxter stated that this Resolution will be brought back to the Board of Trustees at the next Board meeting for their review and approval. There will be some change of the wording that will be suggested that will best suit the purpose of this Resolution.

8. GENERAL

1. 2017 CSBA Delegate Assembly Election (Supplement)

Motion Passed: Call for election of a representative(s) to the CSBA Delegate Assembly, Region 24, to serve from April 1, 2017 - March 31, 2019

Board of Trustees voted that the 6 incumbents listed on the CSBA Delegate Assembly ballot are there selected nominees for CSBA Delegate candidates.

Passed with a motion by Sylvia Macias and a second by Jan Baird.

Motion: ___ Seconded: ___ VOTE: YES _4 NO _0 Abstain_0 Absent _1

Yes Elias Alvarado
Yes Jan Baird
Yes Sylvia Macias
Absent Deborah Pacheco
Yes Francisco "Javi" Santana

9. REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF BOARD POLICIES, ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS, AND BOARD BYLAWS

Minutes:

Board Bylaw 9220 - Governing Board Elections Second Reading (Supplement)

Motion Passed: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve Board Bylaw 9220 - Governing Board Elections as presented.

Passed with a motion by Jan Baird and a second by Sylvia Macias.

Motion: Seconded: VOTE: YES 4 NO 0 Abstain 0 Absent 1

Yes Elias Alvarado
Yes Jan Baird
Yes Sylvia Macias
Absent Deborah Pacheco

Yes Francisco "Javi" Santana

Board Policy 4151 Employee Compensation - Second Reading (Supplement)

Motion Passed: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve Board Policy 4151 Employee Compensation as presented.

Passed with a motion by Sylvia Macias and a second by Elias Alvarado.

Motion: ___ Seconded: ___ VOTE: YES _4_ NO _0_ Abstain 0 Absent _1

Yes Elias Alvarado Yes Jan Baird Yes Sylvia Macias Absent Deborah Pacheco

Yes Francisco "Javi" Santana

	3. Board Policy 3470 Debt Issuance and Management - Second Reading (Supplement)
	Motion Passed: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve Board Policy 3470 Debt Issuance and Management as presented. Passed with a motion by Elias Alvarado and a second by Sylvia Macias. Motion: Seconded: VOTE: YES _4 _ NO _ 0 _ Abstain _0 _ Absent _ 1 _
	Yes Elias Alvarado Yes Jan Baird Yes Sylvia Macias Absent Deborah Pacheco Yes Francisco "Javi" Santana
10.	EDUCATIONAL SERVICES 1. 2016 Single Plans for Student Achievement - (SPSA) (Supplement)
	Motion Passed: The Superintendent recommends the Board approve the 2016 Single Plans for Student Achievement and the 2016 Single Plans Expenditure Summaries as presented. Passed with a motion by Jan Baird and a second by Sylvia Macias. Motion: Seconded: VOTE: YES _4_ NO _0_ Abstain_0_ Absent _1_
	Yes Elias Alvarado Yes Jan Baird Yes Sylvia Macias Absent Deborah Pacheco Yes Francisco "Javi" Santana
11.	BUSINESS SERVICES
	1. Approval of Amendment to Option to Lease Real Property and Revised Ground Lease (Supplement)
	<pre>Motion Passed: 3 Actions required by the Board of Trustees for agenda item 11.1:</pre>
	1) Receive Staff's assessment of the proposed final "Amendment to Option to Lease Real Property" and proposed final revised "Ground Lease," and confirm this revised transaction remains the most desirable proposal to the District;
	Passed with a motion by Elias Alvarado and a second by Sylvia Macias Motion: Seconded: VOTE: YES _4_ NO _0 Abstain_0 Absent _1_
	2) Approve the proposed final "Amendment to Option to Lease Real Property" and proposed final revised "Ground Lease" for the Property; and

Passed with motion by Sylvia Macias and a second by Jan Baird Motion: ___ Seconded: ___ VOTE: YES _4 NO _0 Abstain 0 Absent _1

BUSINESS SERVICES - Continued - 3rd action for agenda item 11.1

3) Approve a delegation of authority to the Superintendent, or her designee, to make any final non-substantive revisions staff and legal counsel deem necessary to the documents, and to a) immediately execute the final Amendment to Option to Lease Real Property, and b) execute the Ground Lease upon Storm Properties, Inc.'s future exercise of its option to lease the Property.

Passed with a motion by Elias Alvarado and a second by Sylvia Macias.

Motion: ___ Seconded: ___ VOTE: YES _4 _ NO _ 0 _ Abstain _0 _ Absent _ 1 _

Yes Elias Alvarado Yes Jan Baird Yes Sylvia Macias Absent Deborah Pacheco

Yes Francisco "Javi" Santana

2. Public Disclosure of Proposed Collective Bargaining Agreement in accordance with AB 1200 (Chapter 1213/Statutes 1992), AB 2756 (Chapter 52/Statutes 2004), GC 3547.5 with the South Whittier Teachers Association (SWTA) dated February 6, 2017. (Supplement)

Motion Passed: The Superintendent recommends approval of the Public Disclosure of Proposed Collective Bargaining Agreement as presented. Passed with a motion by Sylvia Macias and a second by Elias Alvarado. Motion: ___ Seconded: ___ VOTE: YES _4 _ NO _ 0 _ Abstain_0 _ Absent _ 1 _

Yes Elias Alvarado
Yes Jan Baird
Yes Sylvia Macias
Absent Deborah Pacheco
Yes Francisco "Javi" Santana

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Minutes:

There were no Public Comments on Closed Session Items

13. CLOSED SESSION

Minutes:

By general consent of the Board, the Board adjourned to Closes Session at $6:46\ \mathrm{PM}$.

1. Conference with Agency Labor Negotiators: South Whittier Teachers Association and California School Employees Association. Agency Negotiators: Gail Baxter, Cecilia Laidemitt, Martha Mestanza-Rojas, Mark Keriakous, James C. Romo, Tina L.Kannarr

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2. Conference Real Property Negotiator

- 1. The property under consideration is situated at Carmela School field, 5.1 acres of land at 13300 Lakeland Road, Whittier, CA 90605, which property is known generally as a portion of the District's Carmela Elementary School site ("Property"). South Whittier School District(Proposed Lessor), Real Property is known generally as a portion of the District's Carmela Elementary School Site ("Property"). South Whittier School District (Proposed Lessor), Real Property Negotiators, Superintendent Gail Baxter, (along with real estate consultants and legal counsel, Andreas Chialtas); and Storm Properties which may lease the property pursuant to applicable California law (Proposed Lessee(s). Instruction to negotiators will concern price and terms of payment associated with the possible lease of the identified Property, or portion thereof. Instruction to Negotiators will concern price and terms of payment associated with the possible amendment of lease terms for the identified Property.
- 3. Classified -Public Employee Appointment/Employment/Evaluation
- 4. Classified Public Employee Dismissal/Release/Discipline/Transfers/Reassignments/Retirement
- 5. Classified Public Employee Request for Medical Leave of Absence/Paid & Unpaid
- 6. Classified Public Employee Request 2016-2017 for FMLA/Leave of Absence/Paid
- 7. Classified Public Employee 2016-2017 Placement on 39-Month Reemployment List as Per ED Code 45192
- 8. Certificated Public Employee Appointment/Employment/Evaluation
- 9. Certificated Public Employee
 Dismissal/Release/Discipline/Transfers/Reassignments/Retirement
- 10. Certificated Public Employee Request for Medical Leave of Absence/Paid
- 11. Certificated Public Employee Request 2016-2017 Placement on 39-Month Reemployment List as Per ED Code Section 44977 and ED Code Section 44978.1

14. OPEN SESSION

Minutes:

By general consent of the Board, the Board reconvened to Open Session at $7:48\ \mathrm{PM}$.

Superintendent Baxter reported that no action was taken in closed session.

15. PERSONNEL SERVICES

1. Classified Personnel Report No. #8 02-21-17-08 (Supplement)

Minutes:

Classified Personnel Report No. 02-21-17-08 was approved by the Board as presented. One item pulled, and tabled for a future meeting.

2. Certificated Personnel Report No.# 02-21-17-08(Supplement)

Motion Passed: The Superintendent recommends approval of the Certificated Personnel Report No. # 02-21-17-08

Passed with a motion by Elias Alvarado and a second by Sylvia Macias.

Motion: ___ Seconded: ___ VOTE: YES _4 NO _0 Abstain_0 Absent _1

Yes Elias Alvarado
Yes Jan Baird
Yes Sylvia Macias
Absent Deborah Pacheco
Yes Francisco "Javi" Santana

3. PUBLIC HEARING: The South Whittier School District to South Whittier Teachers Association (SWTA) Tentative Agreement for 2016-2017 (Supplement 15.4)

Minutes:

Board of Trustees took no action on this agenda item.

Public Hearing agenda item: SWSD to SWTA Tentative Agreement has been pulled and tabled for a future Board meeting.

4. The South Whittier School District to South Whittier Teachers Association (SWTA) Tentative Agreement for 2016-2017 (Supplement)

Minutes:

Board of Trustees took no action on this agenda item.

Agenda item: SWSD to SWTA Tentative Agreement has been pulled and tabled for a future Board meeting.

5. PUBLIC HEARING: Provisional Internship Permit Request: Education Specialist Credential (Supplement 15.6)

1. a) Motion to Open Hearing

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Motion Passed: a) Motion to Open Hearing
Passed with a motion by Sylvia Macias and a second by Jan Baird.
Motion: __ Seconded: __ VOTE: YES _4 NO _0 Abstain_0 Absent _1

Yes Elias Alvarado
Yes Jan Baird
Yes Sylvia Macias
Absent Deborah Pacheco
Yes Francisco "Javi" Santana
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2. b) Motion to Close Hearing

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Motion Passed: b) Motion to Close Hearing
Passed with a motion by Sylvia Macias and a second by Jan Baird.
Motion: __ Seconded: __ VOTE: YES _4 NO _0 Abstain_0 Absent _1
Yes Elias Alvarado
Yes Jan Baird
Yes Sylvia Macias
Absent Deborah Pacheco
Yes Francisco "Javi" Santana
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6. Provisional Internship Permit Request: Education Specialist Credential (Supplement)

Motion Passed: The Superintendent recommends the Board approval of the Provisional Internship Permit Request: Education Specialist Credential for Eduardo Lopez as presented.

Passed with a motion by Sylvia Macias and a second by Jan Baird.

Motion: __ Seconded: __ VOTE: YES _4 NO _0 Abstain_0 Absent _1

Yes Elias Alvarado
Yes Jan Baird
Yes Sylvia Macias
Absent Deborah Pacheco
Yes Francisco "Javi" Santana

7. Resolution No. 16-17-024 - Resolution to Reduce or Discontinue Particular Kinds of Service (Supplement)

Motion Passed: The Superintendent recommends approval of Resolution No. 16-17-024: Resolution to Reduce or Discontinue Particular Kinds of Service.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes:

By general consent of the Board, the Board adjourned to the next regularly scheduled meeting of March 21, 2017 at 6:00 PM, unless otherwise posted.