



Board of Education Minutes

Thursday, July 22, 2021 at 6:30 PM

2300 Crenshaw Boulevard, Torrance, CA 90501

1. Call Meeting to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 6:47 p.m.

1.1. Roll Call

Member Cochran and Member Han were absent.

Member Wagner arrived late.

1.2. Pledge of Allegiance

Member Strutzenberg lead the pledge of allegiance.

2. Approval Agenda

2.1 Approve the July 22, 2021 agenda.

Move:___ Second:___ Vote:___

MB ___ NC ___ JC ___ BF ___ JH ___ CM ___ RS ___ MW ___

Moved by: Bill Fournell

Seconded by: Nancy Cobb

Ayes: Rolf Strutzenberg, Bill Fournell, Carliss McGhee, Matthew Brach, and Nancy Cobb

Carried 5-0

3. Commendations / Recognition:

None

4. Student Voices:

None

5. Program Highlight:

None

6. Public Comment

Individual speakers shall be allowed three (3) minutes to address the Board on each agenda or non-agenda item. The Board shall limit the total time for public input on each item to 20 minutes.

6.1. Board Agenda Items: Any member of the audience may speak to any agenda item by submitting a request on socialroc.communitybydligent.com. This link can be accessed on the SoCal ROC website at the top right hand corner. Requests may also be made by emailing info@scroc.k12.ca.us.
None

6.2. Topics Not on Agenda: Anyone in attendance may address any issue by following the same procedure process listed above. Since the Board cannot take action on items which are not on the agenda, such items may be referred to the Superintendent for handling. Individuals interested in speaking to items which are not on the agenda will be called upon at this time.

7. Acknowledgement of Correspondence to the Board

None

8. Superintendent's Remarks

Superintendent Helaire shared that the summer session will be ending in two weeks. A total of 105 adult students registered in the seven intensive classes offered. Superintendent Helaire commented that fall registration started for both high school and adult students. Adult fall enrollment is looking good. Staff believes that the marketing with Ideation has helped. Superintendent Helaire also shared that he will be speaking at the Kiwanis Club this September where he will be sharing the importance of CTE and the programs offered at the Center. Superintendent Helaire stated that Assembly Member Al Muratsuchi sent a letter regarding ROC/Ps receiving additional funds from the CTEIG.

9. Staff Reports

None

10. Consent Calendar

Member Strutzenberg pulled item #6.

Approve items 1-5 & 7-9.

Moved by: Carliss McGhee

Seconded by: Bill Fournell

Ayes: Rolf Strutzenberg, Bill Fournell, Carliss McGhee, Matthew Brach, and Nancy Cobb

Carried 5-0

10.1. APPROVE BOARD MINUTES OF JUNE 2020

[Board Minutes.pdf](#) 

10.2. APPROVE PAYROLL WARRANT REPORT JUNE 2021

[Payroll Report June 2021.pdf](#) 


10.3. APPROVE B WARRANT REPORT JUNE 2021

[B Warrants Report.pdf](#) 

10.4. APPROVE B WARRANTS ISSUED WITHOUT PURCHASE ORDERS FOR JUNE 2021

[B Warrants without Purchase Order.pdf](#) 

10.5. APPROVE PERSONNEL ASSIGNMENT ORDERS

[Personnel Assignment Order.pdf](#) 

10.6. APPROVE PURCHASE ORDER REPORT JUNE 2021

Member Strutzenberg inquired on the two large expenditures for the electrical lab.

Superintendent Helaire stated that this is a cost that is expended up front and will hopefully be recuperated with the revenue the program generates.

10.7. APPROVE REVOLVING CASH FUND JUNE 2021

[Revolving Cash June 2021.pdf](#) 

- 10.8. APPROVE SOCAL ROC RECOGNITION ACCOUNT JUNE 2021

[SoCal ROC Recognition Account.pdf](#) 

- 10.9. APPROVE AFFILIATION AGREEMENTS

[AA Board Item .pdf](#) 

**MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR
NUMBERS 1 THROUGH 9**

Move: ___ Second: ___ Vote: ___

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Carried

11. Personnel

None

12. Business Services

- 12.1. Approve Purchase of Capital Outlay Equipment - H. Smith
Superintendent Helaire commented that the Center must indicate how the Carl Perkins funds will be spent every year. This year, a programmable conduit bender unit will be purchased for the General Electrician program. Board approval is required for any capital outlay equipment purchase.

Member Strutzenberg asked what was Carl Perkins.

Superintendent stated that Carl Perkins is a federal funding to states and discretionary grantees for the improvement of secondary and postsecondary career and technical education.

Member Strutzenberg questioned if the Center has researched to find the best price for this item.

Superintendent Helaire stated that the staff will make sure we find the best pricing.

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Moved by: Rolf Strutzenberg

Seconded by: Carliss McGhee

Carried

- 12.2. Approve acceptance of gifts donated to the Center - J. Pesavento
Dr. Pesavento acknowledged the power pressure washer
donated to the Center and commented that the donation will be used
in the maintenance department.

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Moved by: Nancy Cobb

Seconded by: Bill Fournell

Carried

- 12.3. Discuss Possible Partnership with Meritize - A. Helaire/P.
O'Connell

Dr. Pesavento stated that Meritize will be able to help students
pay for enrollment by applying for small student loans.

Mr. O'Connell commented that The Meritize platform provides
merit-based funding options for career training programs to help
students get started. Meritize believes past achievements are an
important indicator of students potential. The company looks
beyond FICO scores and income, using previous academic
achievements or military history to enhance credit evaluation
and loan options. Mr. O'Connell presented a PowerPoint
showing the proposal for some SoCal ROC programs.

Member Fournell asked if this was just being offered to adults
students.

Superintendent remarked that that was correct. He noted that
additional courses might be added in the future.

President Brach asked for staff to generate some figures to see
how loans might affect our students.

[Meritize Proposal.pdf](#) 

- 12.4. Discuss FIN Prep Classroom Inquiry - A. Helaire/S. Barr
Superintendent Helaire

[Room Grid Fall 2021.pdf](#) 

13. General Services

Discuss Future of SoCal ROC

14. Board Members' Remarks

Member Wagner thanked Superintendent Helaire for his hard work and dedication to the Center. He also thanked Superintendent Helaire for keeping the Board Members informed with weekly updates.

Member Strutzenberg commented that tonight's Board meeting led into one of the best discussions and interaction with Board Members. He shared that he appreciates everyone's input.

Member Fournell shared that he is looking forward to students returning to in-person learning this fall.

Member Cobb shared that she asked Superintendent Helaire for a report that indicated the number of high school students enrolled in SoCal ROC summer programs. She stated that she was surprised to see that there were no high school enrollments. Member Cobb encouraged Board Members to promote the programs at the Center to their districts.

Member McGhee thanked President Brach for his leadership. She invited Superintendent Helaire and Member Cobb to visit the YWCA.

President Brach commented that he likes the direction of the Board and all the informative discussions.

15. Adjournment

15.1. Adjourn Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Move: ___ Second: ___ Vote: ___

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Moved by: Bill Fournell

Seconded by: Michael Wagner

Carried



President

18 Aug 21

Date