



**William S. Hart Union High School District  
Regular Meeting of the Governing Board**

January 19, 2022

Closed Session 5:45 p.m.

Public Session 7:00 p.m.

**Minutes  
(Unapproved)**

**I. Instructions for Submitting Public Comment in the Event the Meeting is Recessed and Reconvened via Teleconferencing in a Virtual Format**

**II. Call to Order**

The Regular Meeting of the William S. Hart Union High School District Governing Board was called to order by President Messina, at the Administrative Center, 21380 Centre Pointe Parkway, Santa Clarita, California, at 5:45 p.m.

**II.A. Roll Call and Establishment of Quorum**

Board Members present:

Mr. Joseph V. Messina, President  
Mr. Robert N. Jensen, Jr., Clerk  
Mrs. Linda H. Storli, Assistant Clerk  
Mr. James D. Webb, Member  
Dr. Cherise G. Moore, Member (arrived at 5:47 p.m.)

District Administrators present:

Mr. Mike Kuhlman, Superintendent  
Dr. Michael Vierra, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources  
Mrs. Kathy Hunter, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services  
Mr. Ralph Peschek, Chief Business Officer  
Dr. Collyn Nielsen, Chief Administrative Officer

The President declared a quorum present.

**III. First Closed Session**

**III.A. Public Comments for Closed Session Items**

There were no public comments.

### **III.B. First Closed Session Items**

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:46 p.m. Votes on items discussed in Closed Session were taken in Public Session, as reported below.

**III.B.1. Public Employee Performance Evaluation - Superintendent (2021/22) (per Government Code 54957)**

**III.B.2. Public Employee Appointment/Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Reassignment/Non-reelection (per Government Code Section 54957)**

**III.B.3. Conference with Labor Negotiator: Michael Vierra - Negotiations with Hart District Teachers Association (per Government Code Section 54957.6)**

**III.B.4. Conference with Labor Negotiator: Michael Vierra - Negotiations with California School Employees Association Chapter 349 (per Government Code Section 54957.6)**

**III.B.5. Appointment of Assistant Principal (per Government Code Section 54957)**

### **III.C. Reconvene to Public Session**

The Board returned to Public Session at 7:05 p.m.

## **IV. Organization**

### **IV.A. Report of First Closed Session Action**

See action taken above in II-B - First Closed Session Items.

### **IV.B. Re-Establishment of Quorum**

Board Members present:

Mr. Joseph V. Messina, President  
Mr. Robert N. Jensen, Jr., Clerk  
Mrs. Linda H. Storli, Assistant Clerk  
Mr. James D. Webb, Member  
Dr. Cherise G. Moore, Member (arrived at 7:18 p.m.)  
Miss Pratika Prasad, Student Board Member

District Administrators present:

Mr. Mike Kuhlman, Superintendent  
Dr. Michael Vierra, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources  
Mrs. Kathy Hunter, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services  
Mr. Ralph Peschek, Chief Business Officer  
Dr. Collyn Nielsen, Chief Administrative Officer

The President declared a quorum present.

#### **IV.C. Pledge of Allegiance**

Andrew Taban led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **IV.D. Approval of Agenda**

**Motion Passed:** Approve the agenda. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Linda Storli and a second by Mr. Robert Jensen.

Yes Mr. Robert Jensen  
Yes Mr. Joseph Messina  
Yes Dr. Cherise Moore  
Yes Mrs. Linda Storli  
Yes Mr. James Webb

Student Board Member Opinion: Yes

#### **IV.E. Approval of Minutes**

##### **IV.E.1. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 17, 2021**

**Motion Passed:** Approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 17, 2021, Regular Meeting of December 8, 2021, and the Regular/Organizational Meeting of December 15, 2021. Passed with a motion by Mr. Robert Jensen and a second by Mr. James Webb.

Yes Mr. Robert Jensen  
Yes Mr. Joseph Messina  
Yes Dr. Cherise Moore  
Yes Mrs. Linda Storli  
Yes Mr. James Webb

Student Board Member Opinion: Yes

##### **IV.E.2. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 8, 2021**

##### **IV.E.3. Approval of Minutes of the Regular/Organizational Meeting of December 15, 2021**

## V. Special Items

### **V.A. Extension of Resolution No. 21/22-13 - Determining the Possibility of Holding Governing Board Meetings in a Virtual Format as Authorized by Assembly Bill 361**

**Motion Passed:** Extend Resolution No. 21/22-13 determining the possibility of holding Governing Board meetings in a virtual format as authorized by Assembly Bill 361. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Linda Storli and a second by Mr. James Webb.

Yes Mr. Robert Jensen

Yes Mr. Joseph Messina

Yes Dr. Cherise Moore

Yes Mrs. Linda Storli

Yes Mr. James Webb

Student Board Member Opinion: Yes

There were four public comments. Copies of the resolution and the extension are attached to the agenda of this meeting.

### **V.B. Proclamation Recognizing School Board Recognition Month**

Mr. Kuhlman said January is the time set aside to recognize the work of Board members and expressed thanks and respect on behalf of the District.

### **V.C. Appointment of Assistant Principal**

**Motion Passed:** Appoint Gwendolyn Delgado as assistant principal at Golden Valley High School effective January 19, 2022. Passed with a motion by Dr. Cherise Moore and a second by Mrs. Linda Storli.

Yes Mr. Robert Jensen

Yes Mr. Joseph Messina

Yes Dr. Cherise Moore

Yes Mrs. Linda Storli

Yes Mr. James Webb

Student Board Member Opinion: Yes

## **VI. Recognitions by Board**

## **VII. Communications**

### **VII.A. Board Member Reports**

The following Board members relayed the events they recently attended and/or are interested in: Dr. Moore (attended the inaugural Martin Luther King, Jr., Day Unity Walk, said a new Zonta Club will open at Canyon High School on January 24, said students are planning for a Black History Month art show in February and art should be submitted by January 31), Mr. Webb (thanked staff for helping get students safely back on campus, participated in the Unity Walk,

mentioned Student Television Network awards won by West Ranch and Castaic High Schools), Mrs. Storli (welcomed a new grandbaby), Mr. Jensen (mentioned information about Martin Luther King, Jr., on the inspire kindness website and said he is hoping for a year of kindness and consideration for others), and Mr. Messina (attended the Unity Walk, shared history leading to Martin Luther King, Jr., Day)

### **VII.B. Student Board Member Report**

Miss Prasad said she was honored to be able to speak at the Martin Luther King, Jr., Day Unity Walk. She congratulated students who won Student Television Network awards. She said students want to feel safe at school and asked that everyone please follow COVID protocols.

### **VII.C. Employee Association Leadership**

#### **VII.C.1. Hart District Teachers Association (HDTA) President John Minkus**

Mr. Minkus urged vigilance in keeping up with enforcement of protocols by all employees. He mentioned that the governor's budget has been released and asked the District to put employees ahead of other issues.

#### **VII.C.2. California School Employees Association (CSEA) Chapter 349 President Janice Dennington**

Ms. Dennington introduced herself as the new CSEA President and said she looks forward to the opportunity and a successful year.

### **VII.D. School Site Report - Sierra Vista Junior High School**

Sierra Vista Junior High School principal Marcus Garrett gave a presentation highlighting equity, fairness, and inclusiveness. He shared that 16 percent of the school's population miss out on the opportunity to take elective courses due to required English Learner or Basic Study Skills classes. He outlined the plan for these students to be introduced to electives for the next two quarters on Succeed Tuesdays. He discussed social-emotional supports provided through the Succeed Center, which includes a wellness coordinator, intern social workers, small group counseling, walk in one-on-one services and class activities. A copy of the presentation is attached to the agenda of this meeting.

## **VIII. Public Comments**

- One parent had questions about COVID vaccination clinics on District sites.
- Nine parents and community members expressed concerns about masks and COVID vaccines.
- One parent questioned why only biological parents receive school notifications.
- One parent discussed the limits of board member authority.
- Two parents shared concerns about the America Through the Lens US History textbook.
- One parent said students need a deeper study of civics.

## **IX. Information Items**

### **IX.A. Spring Semester Update**

Mr. Kuhlman said the purpose of the presentation is to share accurate information regarding county requirements. He discussed revised surge protocol health orders including masking, isolation, and quarantine. He said upgraded masks are now required for all staff and recommended for students. Masking is required indoors at all times and outdoors when social distancing is not possible. Isolation requirements for COVID positive cases is 5 to 10 days (less than 10 days with proof of a negative test). Modified quarantine rules apply to student close contacts if masked when exposed. Vaccinated students may remain in school and testing is recommended between days 3 to 5. Unvaccinated students may remain in school and testing is required between days 3 to 5. At-home tests provided by the state are being used for these test to stay practices or for at home access (one per student).

He discussed staffing numbers since the opening of the spring semester and said the District is not planning to close schools. However, if there were not enough staff members available to safely staff a site, a temporary closure of a site would be considered. He said that under Assembly Bill 167 schools must offer independent study to students who are temporarily unable to attend in-person instruction due to quarantine or staffing related closures. A copy of the presentation is attached to the agenda of this meeting.

### **IX.B. Overview of California Governor's Proposed January Budget for 2022/23**

Mr. Peschek shared positive news from the governor's 2022/23 budget proposal and reviewed the U.S. economic outlook. He discussed the Proposition 98 guarantee and said over 60 percent of 2022/23 proposed spending is allotted to on-going funding. The budget proposal includes a 5.33 percent Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA), however, costs also continue to increase, including required retirement contributions. The COLA will apply to categorical programs, including special education. A copy of the presentation is attached to the agenda of this meeting.

### **IX.C. New, Revised, and Deleted Board Policies, Administrative Regulations, and Exhibit - First Reading**

Staff is continuing to work on aligning District policies and administrative regulations with a new Board Manual maintenance system. Mrs. Hunter presented new, revised, and deleted Board policies (BP), administrative regulations (AR), and an exhibit (E) for review. Copies of the BPs, ARs, and exhibit are attached to the agenda of this meeting. Board members may make suggestions before the second reading and approval on February 2, 2022.

#### **IX.D. Williams Report**

Mrs. Hunter reported that there were no Williams Uniform Complaints filed for the period of October 1 – December 31, 2021. A copy of the summary is attached to the agenda of this meeting.

#### **IX.E. Initial Bargaining Proposal from California School Employees Association Chapter 349 to the William S. Hart Union High School District for the 2021/22 School Year**

Dr. Vierra said the initial bargaining proposal from California School Employees Association Chapter 349 to the William S. Hart Union High School District for the 2021/22 school year has been available for review on the District website since January 14. A copy of the proposal is attached to the agenda of this meeting.

#### **IX.F. Initial Bargaining Proposal from the William S. Hart Union High School District to California School Employees Association Chapter 349 for the 2021/22 School Year**

Dr. Vierra said the initial bargaining proposal from the William S. Hart Union High School District to California School Employees Association Chapter 349 for the 2021/22 school year has been available for review on the District website since January 14. A copy of the proposal is attached to the agenda of this meeting.

#### **X. Action Items**

##### **X.A. Public Hearing and Acknowledgment of California School Employee Association (CSEA) Chapter 349's Initial Proposal for Negotiations with the William S. Hart Union High School District for the 2021/22 School Year**

**Motion Passed:** Acknowledge receipt of CSEA Chapter 349's bargaining proposal for negotiations with the William S. Hart Union High School District for the 2021/22 school year. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Linda Storli and a second by Mr. James Webb.

Yes Mr. Robert Jensen

Yes Mr. Joseph Messina

Yes Dr. Cherise Moore

Yes Mrs. Linda Storli

Yes Mr. James Webb

Student Board Member Opinion: Yes

Mr. Messina opened the public hearing to receive comments on California School Employee Association Chapter 349's initial proposal for negotiations with the District for the 2021/22 school year. No comments were received. Mr. Messina closed the public hearing. A copy of the proposal is attached to the agenda of this meeting.

**X.B. Public Hearing and Adoption of the William S. Hart Union High School District's Initial Proposal for Negotiations with California School Employee Association (CSEA) Chapter 349 for the 2021/22 School Year**

**Motion Passed:** Adopt the bargaining proposal from the William S. Hart Union High School District to CSEA Chapter 349 for the 2021/22 school year. Passed with a motion by Mr. Robert Jensen and a second by Dr. Cherise Moore.

Yes Mr. Robert Jensen

Yes Mr. Joseph Messina

Yes Dr. Cherise Moore

Yes Mrs. Linda Storli

Yes Mr. James Webb

Student Board Member Opinion: Yes

Mr. Messina opened the public hearing to receive comments on the District's initial proposal for negotiations with California School Employee Association Chapter 349 for the 2021/22 school year. No comments were received. Mr. Messina closed the public hearing. A copy of the proposal is attached to the agenda of this meeting.

**X.C. Resolution No. 21/22-29 Recognizing February 7-11, 2022, as National School Counseling Week: "School Counseling: Better Together"**

**Motion Passed:** Approve Resolution No. 21/22-29 recognizing February 7-11, 2022, as National School Counseling Week: "School Counseling: Better Together." Passed with a motion by Mr. James Webb and a second by Mr. Robert Jensen.

Yes Mr. Robert Jensen

Yes Mr. Joseph Messina

Yes Dr. Cherise Moore

Yes Mrs. Linda Storli

Yes Mr. James Webb

Student Board Member Opinion: Yes

A copy of the resolution is attached to the agenda of this meeting.

**X.D. Resolution No. 21/22-31 Approving and Adopting an Adjusted Trustee Area Plan Following the Release of the 2020 Census Data**

**Motion Passed:** Adopt Resolution No. 21/22-31 approving and adopting adjusted Trustee Area Map 2. Passed with a motion by Mr. Robert Jensen and a second by Dr. Cherise Moore.

Yes Mr. Robert Jensen

Yes Mr. Joseph Messina

Yes Dr. Cherise Moore

Yes Mrs. Linda Storli

Yes Mr. James Webb

Student Board Member Opinion: Yes



Copies of the resolution and two potential revised trustee area maps are attached to the agenda of this meeting.

**X.E. Reciprocal Use License Agreement between the City of Santa Clarita and the William S. Hart Union High School District for Parking Related to The Cube and Valencia High School**

**Motion Passed:** Approve the Reciprocal Use License Agreement between the City of Santa Clarita and the William S. Hart Union High School District for Parking Related to The Cube and Valencia High School. Passed with a motion by Mr. Robert Jensen and a second by Mrs. Linda Storli.

Yes Mr. Robert Jensen

Yes Mr. Joseph Messina

Yes Dr. Cherise Moore

Yes Mrs. Linda Storli

Yes Mr. James Webb

Student Board Member Opinion: Yes

Board members stated that the crosswalk should be used at all times when crossing Smyth Drive. A copy of the agreement is attached to the agenda of this meeting.

**X.F. Resolution No. 21/22-28 - Approving the Annual Reportable Fees Report for Fiscal Year 2020/21**

**Motion Passed:** Adopt Resolution No. 21/22-28 - Approving the Annual Reportable Fees Report for Fiscal Year 2020/21. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Linda Storli and a second by Mr. James Webb.

Yes Mr. Robert Jensen

Yes Mr. Joseph Messina

Yes Dr. Cherise Moore

Yes Mrs. Linda Storli

Yes Mr. James Webb

Student Board Member Opinion: Yes

Copies of the resolution and report are attached to the agenda of this meeting.

**X.G. Quote for Canyon High School and Valencia High School Stadium Light Replacement Project (Musco Sports Lighting, LLC)**

There was one public comment regarding this item. Board members had questions about the cost of maintaining the current system and the difference in quotes between Canyon and Valencia High Schools. The item was tabled to a future meeting.

**X.H. New, Revised, and Deleted Board Policies and Administrative Regulations - Second Reading**

**Motion Passed:** Approve the following new and revised Board policies: BP 1250 Visitors/Outsiders, BP 3514 Environmental Safety, BP 4131 Staff Development, BP 5020 Parent Rights and Responsibilities, BP 5111 Admission, and BP 5113.12 District School Attendance Review Board. Passed with a motion by Mrs. Linda Storli and a second by Dr. Cherise Moore.

Yes Mr. Robert Jensen

Yes Mr. Joseph Messina

Yes Dr. Cherise Moore

Yes Mrs. Linda Storli

Yes Mr. James Webb

Student Board Member Opinion: Yes

Mrs. Hunter presented a list of new, revised, and deleted Board policies (BP) and administrative regulations (AR) for a second reading. She said BP 4131 was further revised after the first reading to reflect current educational language. No other changes were requested since the first reading on December 8. Copies of the BPs and ARs are attached to the agenda of this meeting.

**XI. Consent Calendar****XI.A. Consent Calendar-Removal of Items**

There were no items removed from the Consent Calendar.

**XI.B. Consent Calendar-Personnel****XI.B.1. Personnel Report No. 21/22-10****XI.B.2. Memorandum of Understanding Between the William S. Hart Union High School District and the Hart District Teachers Association Regarding Hourly Salary for Class Coverage****XI.C. Consent Calendar-Curriculum/Instruction****XI.C.1. Recommendation of Textbook/Instructional Materials Adoption, 2021/22****XI.C.2. Request for Overnight/Out-of-State Trips - Hart, Saugus and West Ranch High Schools****XI.C.3. Request for Overnight/Out-of-State Trip (Ratification) - West Ranch High School****XI.C.4. Agreement with Yale Center for Emotional Intelligence****XI.C.5. Revisions to School Plans for Student Achievement (Hart High School and La Mesa Junior High School)**

**XI.D. Consent Calendar-Business Services**

**XI.D.1. Purchase Order Report**

**XI.D.2. Warrant Register and Revolving Cash Payments**

**XI.D.3. Acceptance of Donation**

**XI.D.4. Acceptance of Monetary Donations**

**XI.D.5. Authorization to Attend Out-of-State Events - Administrative Center**

**XI.D.6. Disposition of Surplus/Obsolete Equipment**

**XI.D.7. Agreement for Student Cellular Hotspot Service (T-Mobile for Education)**

**XI.D.8. Ratification of Work Order Agreement - Public Health Foundation Enterprises, Inc., DBA Heluna Health**

**XI.E. Consent Calendar-Operations**

**XI.E.1. Proposal for Re-Flooring of Rooms 213 and 222 at La Mesa Junior High School (Genesis Floor Covering, Inc.)**

**XI.E.2. Ratification of Contracts Issued Between December 1, 2021, and December 31, 2021, for Miscellaneous Facilities Construction Projects**

**XI.E.3. Notice of Completion - Bid Package No. CAS2110A (Izurieta Fence Company, Inc.) - Castaic High School Fencing Improvements Project**

**XI.F. Consent Calendar-Requests for Information**

**XI.G. Approval of Consent Calendar**

**Motion Passed:** Approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Passed with a motion by Mr. Robert Jensen and a second by Mrs. Linda Storli.

Yes Mr. Robert Jensen

Yes Mr. Joseph Messina

Yes Dr. Cherise Moore

Yes Mrs. Linda Storli

Yes Mr. James Webb

Student Board Member Opinion: Yes

**XII. Items for Future Consideration by the Board**

- Mrs. Storli asked about the cost of adding storage capacity to the solar panels.
- Mr. Webb asked for an update on Crosscultural, Language, and Academic Development (CLAD) certifications.

- Mr. Jensen asked for an update on attendance/enrollment.
- Dr. Moore asked about independent study numbers.

### **XIII. Second Closed Session**

### **XIV. Adjournment**

**Motion Passed:** Adjourn the meeting at 10:01 p.m. Passed with a motion by Mr. Robert Jensen and a second by Dr. Cherise Moore.

Yes Mr. Robert Jensen

Yes Mr. Joseph Messina

Yes Dr. Cherise Moore

Yes Mrs. Linda Storli

Yes Mr. James Webb

Student Board Member Opinion: Yes

Respectfully submitted,

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Joseph V. Messina, President

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Robert N. Jensen, Jr., Clerk

Approved and entered into the proceedings  
of the District:

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Date