



**WOODLAND JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**

January 9, 2021

Consistent with the Shelter in Place orders from the Governor and Yolo County, this meeting was compliant with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20, which allowed for a deviation of teleconference rules required by the Brown Act. In-person attendance was not permitted. The meeting was available for live stream viewing, and recordings are available at <https://livestream.com/wjUSD> (click on the Board Meeting date).

Attendance Taken at 9:01 AM:

Present:

Deborah Bautista Zavala
Kandice Richardson Fowler
Noel Rodriguez
Rogelio Villagrana
Jake Whitaker

Absent:

Morgan Childers
Bibiana Garcia

Updated Attendance:

Bibiana Garcia was updated to present at: 9:08 AM

A. CALL TO ORDER IN OPEN SESSION - 9:00 A.M.

Minutes:

The Board President called the meeting to order in Open Session at 9:01 a.m. via Zoom and the meeting was live streamed and recorded via Vimeo Livestream.

A.1. Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes:

The Board President led the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. APPROVAL OF BOARD AGENDA - ACTION

Motion Passed: Motion was made to approve the agenda. Passed with a motion by Rogelio Villagrana and a second by Deborah Bautista Zavala.

Yes Deborah Bautista Zavala

Absent Morgan Childers

Absent Bibiana Garcia

Yes Kandice Richardson Fowler

Yes Noel Rodriguez

Yes Rogelio Villagrana

Yes Jake Whitaker

C. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS ON SPECIAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA - In-person attendance at the Board Meeting will not be permitted. Please email public comments by 4:00 pm on the Board Meeting date to public.comment@wjusd.org. Per Board Bylaw 9323, comments (emails) received shall be limited to three minutes per person, and the Board shall limit the total time for public comment on each item to 20 minutes. Public comments may also be submitted by voicemail by 4:00 pm on the Board Meeting date, at 530-406-3202, or by mail postmarked on or before the Board Meeting date, at Attn: Public Comment, 435 6th Street, Woodland, CA 95695. The meeting will be available for live stream viewing at <https://livestream.com/wjused> (click on the Board Meeting date).

Minutes:

No public comments were submitted for Special Board Meeting agenda items.

D. GOVERNANCE SUPPORT

D.1. Study Session: Boardmanship

Minutes:

The Board participated in the following activities to support new Board Member orientation and to work on boardmanship. The notes from the discussions are attached.

- Discussion: What values of a learning community do we have in common?
- Activity: Personal Artifact
- Strengthsfinder activity
- Activity/Discussion: What is your purpose for serving on the Board?
- Activity/Discussion: What do we collectively need to work effectively?
- Activity/Discussion: What do we hope to achieve as a Board this year?

E. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes:

The Board President adjourned the meeting at 3:40 p.m.

BOARD CLERK

BOARD PRESIDENT

January 9, 2021 Study Session Notes

Values of a Learning Community:

Noel: Love for learning, to be passionate and determined

Jake: More intelligent together than we are apart, Equity focused

Deborah: Share your passion with others so that we can help students find their passion

Rogelio: We are doing something that matters, Stewardship and service

Bibiana: Resilience, Equity, We are human and reachable

Kandice: Do it well - high expectations, Challenge and support

What is your purpose Activity:

Kandice: Work on policies and practices that allow us to do better

Bibiana: Be the bridge to families and students so that they feel part of their education, Provide equity for our students, Mental health for families so that students are ready to learn

Noel: Improve the quality of education overall, Elevate the importance of literacy, Creating partnerships with community college

Jake: Creating the best practices and processes that we can, Provide best Leadership that we can

Rogelio: To make sure there is youth voice, Family engagement

Deborah: To support and uplift our students, families, staff, and community, and be responsive to current matters

What do we collectively need Activity:

Deborah: Answers to questions, forward inquiries from community, public comments in live format, shared districtwide calendar

Kandice: stakeholder input, data, youth leadership councils, policy-driven committees, consider staff input and engagement

Rogelio: Awareness of our role, responsibilities, and limitations as trustees

Bibiana: Create positive team culture for the board, need information, responsibilities and limitations as trustees

Jake: Mutual trust, diverse perspectives and input in decision-making process, invite as many stakeholders as possible, peer support, accountability, respect for the process, foster a commitment to organization's mission and values

Noel: Respectful and informed communication, access to data, stakeholder (subject matter experts) assistance with COVID that can provide most accurate information

Key:

Information/Data

Stakeholder engagement

Internal supports

Organizational culture

What do we hope to achieve as a group and work as a team Activity:

- 1. Continue to develop relationships between board members**
- 2. Keep our agreements alive**
- 3. Stay updated on strategic priorities at board meetings**
- 4. Revisit what we need as a board**
- 5. Meeting with unique stakeholders**
- 6. Increase local and statewide advocacy via resolution or proclamation**