

MEETING MINUTES



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David M. Sander, PH.D.,
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Member
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Member
Linda Budge, Council Member



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Mike Kozlowski, Mayor
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YK Chalamcherla, Council
Member
Rosario Rodriguez, Council
Member
Anna Rohrbough, Council
Member



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Protocol for Agenda Items: (published agenda times are approximate and subject to change)

1. Staff Presentation
2. Board Questions of Staff
3. Comments from Public
4. Board Final Comments and Direction

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Attendees

Attendance Taken at 6:01 PM:

Folsom Cordova USD Board of Education, Present:

Chris Clark, Board Member
Tim Hooey, Board Member
Jennifer Laret, Board Member
Kara Lofthouse, Board Member
David Reid, Board Member
Matthew Mellijor - Advisory Vote, Student Board Member
Van Merrill - Advisory Vote, Student Board Member

Absent: Chris Clark, Board Member

Updated Attendance: Chris Clark, Board Member, was present 6:29 PM

City of Rancho Cordova Council, Present:

David M. Sander, PH.D., Mayor, attended remotely
Siri Pulipati, Vice Mayor
Garrett Gatewood, Council Member
Donald Terry, Council Member
Linda Budge, Council Member
Other:
Micah Runner, City Manager
Stacy Leitner, City Clerk
Adam Lindgren, City Attorney, attended remotely

City of Folsom Council, Present:

Sarah Aquino, Vice Mayor
YK Chalamcherla, Council Member
Rosario Rodriguez, Council Member
Anna Rohrbough, Council Member
Other:
Elaine Andersen, City Manager

Absent: Mike Kozlowski, Mayor

I. 6:00 PM OPEN SESSION

a. Call to Order

Meeting convened at 6:01 p.m. Board President Hooey called the meeting to order.

b. Pledge of Allegiance

Board President Hooey, led the flag salute.

c. Broadcast Statement

Board President Hooey announced the broadcast statement.

d. Roll Call

Superintendent Koligian took roll for Folsom Cordova USD Board of Education. Board Member Clark, absent.

City Clerk, Stacy Leitner, took roll for City of Rancho Cordova Council. All in attendance with Mayor Sander attending remotely.

Additional staff: Micah Runner, City Manager; and Adam Lindgren, City Attorney, attended remotely.

Elaine Andersen, City Manager, took roll for City of Folsom Council. Mayor Kozlowski, absent.

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion Passed: Approve agenda.

Motion made by: Matthew Mellijor - Advisory Vote

Motion seconded by: Kara Lofthouse

Voting:

Chris Clark - Not Present

Tim Hooey - Yes

David Reid - Yes

Jennifer Laret - Yes

Kara Lofthouse - Yes

Matthew Mellijor - Advisory Vote - Yes

Van Merrill - Advisory Vote - Yes

City of Folsom, Motion Passed: Approve agenda.

Motion by Council Member Rohrbough, second by Council Member Chalamcherla.

Mayor Kozlowski, absent.

AYES: 4/0

City of Rancho Cordova, Motion Passed: Approve agenda.

Motion by Council Member Gatewood, second by Council Member Terry.

AYES: 5/0

III. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Board President Hooey welcomed the City of Rancho Cordova and City of Folsom Councils.

Board President Hooey shared a brief historical summary for the purpose of the special joint meeting tonight that is a follow-up from the June 8, 2023, Special Joint Meeting, to review and discuss information provided on the Feasibility Study Report and District Re-Organization, no action will be taken at this meeting.

Board President Hooey welcomed opening remarks by Mayor Sander, City of Rancho Cordova Council, and Vice Mayor Aquino, City of Folsom Council. Mayor Sander and Vice Mayor Aquino, shared opening remarks.

IV. DISCUSSION

a. Review of District Re-Organization and Feasibility Study Report

Superintendent Koligian introduced this item and shared it represented a request by the two city councils, City of Folsom, City of Rancho Cordova; and Folsom Cordova USD Board of Trustees, at the June 8, 2023, Special Joint Board Meeting, to move forward with a reorganization feasibility study report. The District hired School Services of California (SSCAL) to complete this study. She introduced Sean Martin, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, to introduce consultants from SSCAL.

Mr. Martin introduced Brianna García, Vice President; and Matt Phillips, CPA, Director, Management Consulting Services from SSCAL, to present this item. He shared the intent for tonight's meeting was to review the analysis report based on current data of the nine statutory criteria governing reorganizations, required by the California Department of Education (CDE).

Ms. García shared the report is only a feasibility study, hired by the District to do a feasibility study of the potential of splitting the District into two unified school districts. She shared a summary of the steps to begin a formal process of reorganization if chosen. The report presented tonight is information as to the nine criteria that would be reviewed by both the Sacramento County Office of Education (SCOE) and the State Board of Education (SBE) with regard to a potential reorganization.

Ms. García and Mr. Phillips provided a summary of the purpose of the review, the nine statutory criteria and study conclusions of criteria being substantially met or not substantially met; and results of previous studies over the past 23 years.

Nine Statutory Criteria Study's Conclusions that were substantially met or not substantially met:

Substantially Met

1. Adequate Number of Pupils
2. Community Identity
3. Equitable Division of Property and Facilities
5. No Substantial Increase in State Costs
7. No Substantial Increase in School Facilities Costs
8. Increased Property Values

Not Substantially Met

4. Discrimination/Segregation
6. Sound Educational Program
9. Effect on Fiscal Status and Management

Results from Previous Studies:

- March 2000 Study - Study found that criterion 9 was not met
- June 2001 Study - No conclusion reached regarding criterion 9
- November 2002 Findings - SCC found that criteria 4, 5, 6, and 9 were not met
- July 2004 Study - Study found that criteria 4, 6, and 9 were not met

Ms. García, Mr. Phillips, and Mr. Martin, answered Trustee questions.

FCUSD Trustees, City Council Members from the City of Folsom and Rancho Cordova, shared their thoughts on the Reorganization Feasibility Study presented by SSCAL.

Public Comments:

The following parents, employees, and community members shared their thoughts on the reorganization feasibility study presentation:

James Garcia
Joanna Slaughter
David Hatch
Anil Reddy

Any comments submitted in writing using the Google form, are attached to the minutes.

Moving forward with the following suggestions:

- The City of Rancho Cordova to share at an upcoming council meeting to gain community input if there is interest in splitting the district.
- FCUSD staff to meet with neighboring districts who have schools within the City of Rancho Cordova boundaries.

The presentation and report were revised and will be attached to the minutes to include an update on secondary school offerings. The following revisions were made:

- Presentation - page 22 updated to reflect the corrected Teacher Assignment Monitoring rate for Rancho Cordova USD
- Report - list of schools for Rancho Cordova USD was re-sorted in Figures 28 and 29 (pages 40/41) so that the counts matched the appropriate corresponding schools; and the Teacher Assignment Monitoring rates for both Rancho Cordova USD and the Alternative Programs were corrected in Figure 30 (page 43) and the corresponding text just above the figure.

V. ADJOURNMENT

City of Folsom, Vice Mayor Aquino, adjourned the meeting at 10:08 p.m.

City of Rancho Cordova, Mayor Sander, adjourned the meeting at 10:08 p.m.

Folsom Cordova USD, Board President Hooey, adjourned the meeting at 10:08 p.m.