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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Friday, July 12, 2019

Board Member(s) Present
Richard Bookwalter – President
Sharon Pavlovich – Vice President
Laura Hayth – Secretary
Denise Miller
Beata Morcos

Board Staff Present
Heather Martin, Executive Officer
Jody Quesada, Analyst
Reza Pejuhesh, Legal Counsel

Friday, July 12, 2019

10:30 am - Board Meeting

1. Call to order, roll call, establishment of a quorum.

The meeting was called to order at 9:38 a.m., roll was called, a quorum was established.

2. Public comment session for items not on the agenda.

President Bookwalter offered the floor to all members of the public in attendance for comments as well as the opportunity them to introduce themselves at will.

Alberto Stevans, OT asked for a written response to an inquiry that he emailed to the Board regarding clarification on a continuing education he took.

Executive Officer Heather Martin asked Mr. Stevans to speak with her during the break so that she could address his questions.

Daniel Gardner, OT introduced himself and stated that he was in attendance to earn continuing competence units.

Dawn James, Doctor of Physical Therapy and professor introduced herself and stated that she was in attendance to support Francisco Alvarado during his hearing.

Lisa Jordan former Administrative Coordinator for Los Angeles Unified School District in charge of Related Services stated that she was in attendance to support Francisco Alvarado during his hearing.

3. President's Remarks – Informational only; no Board Action to be taken.

President Bookwalter stated that there would be a hearing allowing respondent Francisco Alvarado to provide oral argument followed by the Board entering in to a Closed Session to deliberate on the hearing and additional disciplinary matters. Mr. Bookwalter stated that the Board would enter back in to open session and then immediately adjourn the meeting.

4. Board Member Remarks – Informational only; no Board Action to be taken.

There were no Board Member remarks.

5. Respondent Francisco Alvarado to provide oral argument for Board consideration, per Government Code section 11517(c)(2)(E)(ii), after rejection of proposed decision issued by an Administrative Law Judge.

The Honorable Matthew Goldsby presided over the hearing.
Attorney Negin Yamini represented Francisco Alvarado during the proceedings.
Deputy Attorney General Christina Thomas represented the State of California during the proceedings.

6. The Board may convene in CLOSED SESSION pursuant to Government Code Section 11126(c)(3) to deliberate Agenda Item 5 and vote on the above matter and other disciplinary matters.

The Board convened in Closed Session at 11:17 a.m.

Return to Open Session.

The Board returned to Open Session at 12:41 p.m.

7. Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 12:42 p.m.