

**VALLEY HOME JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**MINUTES**

**Tuesday – September 19, 2023 – 4:00pm**

Room 4 @ Pioneer Ave Campus  
13231 Pioneer Ave, Valley Home, CA

**I. CALL TO ORDER - 4:00 PM / Establishment of Quorum**

The special meeting of the Valley Home Joint School District Governing Board is called to order by Jessica Caudle at 4:05 p.m. on Tuesday, September 19, 2023, in Room 4 at 13231 Pioneer Avenue, Valley Home, California.

**Roll Call**

**Board Members Present:**    \_\_\_P\_\_\_ Jessica Caudle, President  
   \_\_\_P\_\_\_ Chris Hempleman, Clerk  
   \_\_\_A\_\_\_ Shanna Springer, Member  
   \_\_\_P\_\_\_ Michael Hofmann, Member

**Administration Present:**    \_\_\_P\_\_\_ Bill Slikker, Superintendent/Principal

**Flag Salute: Chris Hempleman**

**Staff Present: Holly Benkula**

**Others Present:**

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AS PUBLISHED/AMENDED**

**MOTION PASSED:** Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT AND COMMUNICATION**

Opportunity for the public to address the Board on agenda items only. **Maximum of five (5) minutes per speaker.** The Board is not permitted to act or hear comments on any matter not on the Agenda. If appropriate, a Board member may direct the questions to the Superintendent/Principal or schedule an item for a future board agenda.

Holly Benkula reported she was leading and planning the Washington DC trip and requested that she did not have to utilize PTO while on the trip as she is investing personal time to coordinate the trip by organizing fundraising events.

Holly Benkula reported she would like to attend a conference in Boston, which is free to the school, and will help her with coordinating the trip. Holly requested per diem pay while attending the training.

Holly Benkula reported the Washington DC trip was open to 6-8 graders and was \$2900 per child to go and there were approximately 25 students and 22 chaperones attending.

Holly Benkula reported she was working on additional fundraising. She was working with local restaurants to donate a percentage of sales that would go back to the school.

Jessica Caudle reported she saw the work and Mrs. Benkula is doing regarding the fundraiser, stating she was impressed with the efforts being made and excited for the students.

Mr. Slikker was looking for support from the board to allow Mrs. Benkula to attend the training and be paid per diem while attending. Mr. Slikker received support from Jessica Caudle, Chris Hempleman, and Michael Hofman.

#### **IV. STAFF AND MANAGEMENT REPORTS**

The Superintendent/Principal may report to the Board about various matters involving the district. The Board may ask questions or refer matters to staff.

- A. Discuss resource teaching position.
- B. Washington DC Trip.

#### **V. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

Board members may report on any matter involving the district. No action may be taken unless a matter is listed on a subsequent agenda.

#### **VI. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS**

##### Consent Agenda

##### Notice to the Public

All matters listed under Consent Items are considered to be routine and all will be enacted by one motion and voice vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless the Board of Trustees requests items to be removed from the Consent Items list for separate action. Any such items will be considered after the motion to approve the items on the Consent Items list.

#### **VII. FINANCE / GENERAL BUSINESS**

- A. Discussion / Board Approval Approval of Resolution #23-24-02, Provision Of Sufficient Textbooks and/or Instructional Materials.  
Chris Hempleman motioned to approve with correct date and time, Michael Hofman seconded.

**MOTION PASSED:** Ayes: 3 Nays: 0 Absent: 1 Abstain: 0

#### **IX. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA**

- A. Board member progress.

#### **X. ADJOURNMENT**

Next Regular Meeting date and time: Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

Michael Hofman motioned to approve with correct date and time, Chris Hempleman seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 4:21 PM.