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Educational Service Center
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I. Call to Order

President Saint called the special meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

II. Roll Call of Members

In-Person: Directors Saint, Colling, Goodvin and Greenwell

Remotely Present: Directors Alarcon-Flory, Albert, and Scarlett

III. Approval of Agenda

Director Taylor moved and Director Colling seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried 7-0.

IV. Items of Presentation, Discussion, and/or Action

A. Reopening for Public Attendance at Future Board Meetings – President Saint

Director Greenwell moved and Director Goodvin seconded the motion to discuss reopening for public attendance at future Board meetings.

Board members shared their viewpoints on reopening Board meetings to the public and gained Board consensus to do so. President Saint engaged Board members in discussion as to what reopening to the public would look like, and asked the District to work through that process for the July 20, 2020 Board meeting.

Attorney Maureen Heffernan noted that the Governor's Proclamation impacting public meetings remains in force through July 25, 2020 and recommended substantial compliance with public health guidelines in reopening.

Dr. Gausman stated the District will require everyone to wear a face mask when entering our facilities, buses, larger groups, etc., but that masks will not be mandatory in the classroom. Director Goodvin made the suggestion to schedule another Special Board meeting to address the pros and cons of wearing masks in an effort to gain some consistency for teachers.

Dr. Gausman asked the Board to allow the District some flexibility in making these decisions.

Director Greenwell requested that *Return-to-Learn Plan Update* be added to the July 20 Board agenda to provide the public with an update.

President Saint reiterated the Board's position to reopen Board meetings back up to the public by following the CDC guidelines.

Directors Greenwell and Taylor withdrew their original motion.

Director Greenwell moved and Director Scarlett seconded the motion to reopen Board meetings to the public with proper guidelines and social distancing in place. After a roll call vote, motion carried 7-0.

V. Adjourn

Director Colling moved and Director Alarcon-Flory seconded the motion to adjourn the special meeting. Motion carried 7-0, and the special meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Jeremy Saint, Board President
SCCSD Board of Directors

Cynthia A. Lloyd, Board Secretary
SCCSD Board of Directors