

**SAUSALITO MARIN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
March 25, 2019**

ATTENDANCE

Board Members Present: Ida Green, Bonnie Hough, Debra Turner
Absent: Joshua Barrow, Caroline Van Alst

Interim Superintendent: Terena Mares

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Trustee Hough led the pledge of allegiance.

Contract with Dannis, Woliver & Kelley (DWK)

Superintendent Mares said that coverage for the Willow Creek Academy suit against the District is provided by the Northern California Regional Liability Excess Fund for up to \$100K. As the District needs a depth of experience in charter school law and Proposition 39 litigation in this matter, it would like to hire the services of Sue Ann Salmon-Evans of DWK. Ms. Salmon-Evans's hourly rate exceeds the District's maximum coverage by \$110 per hour. This action will allow the District to cover that difference from its regular legal expenditure budget.

M/s/c Turner/Hough to Approve the Contract with Dannis, Woliver & Kelley

Ayes: Green, Hough, Turner

Noes: None

Absent: Barrow, Van Alst

Proposed Ratification of the Waiver of Actual or Perceived Conflict of Interest by the Lozano Smith Law Firm Regarding the Willow Creek Academy Litigation Matter

Ms. Mares introduced Sue Ann Salmon-Evans of DWK who said that Edward Sklar of Lozano Smith has represented the District in various legal matters in the past. Mr. Sklar is now representing Marin County Office of Education Superintendent Mary Jane Burke.

Ms. Salmon-Evans said that it is not Mr. Sklar's intention to be adverse to the District during his representation of MCOE, but any concerns should be alleviated with the signing of this waiver.

M/s/c Turner/Hough to Approve the Proposed Ratification of the Waiver of Actual or Perceived Conflict of Interest by the Lozano Smith Law Firm Regarding the Willow Creek Academy Litigation Matter, subject to the amendment that the waiver would be withdrawn should an adversity arise between the County Superintendent and the District.

Ayes: Green, Hough, Turner

Noes: None

Absent: Barrow, Van Alst

At 6:20 p.m., the Board convened to closed session.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Open session reconvened at 10:15 p.m.

REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Trustee Green announced that no action was taken in closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

M/s/c Turner/Hough to Adjourn at 10:16 p.m.

Ayes: Green, Hough, Turner

Noes: None

Absent: Barrow, Van Alst

 Bonnie Hough

Signature/Date



Title