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**California Online Public Schools (CalOPS)
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS EMERGENCY MEETING**

GOVERNING BOARD for:

- CalCA North Bay**
- CalCA Central**
- CalCA Central Coast**
- CalCA Monterey Bay**
- CalCA Ripon**
- CalCA Southern California**

Thursday, March 19, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. PT

Held at the following locations and via teleconference:

CalCA SoCAL: 33272 Valle Road, San Juan Capistrano,
CA 92675

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I. Call to Order

Ms. Pavlich called the meeting to order at 3:42 p.m. when all participants were present and able to hear each other. The meeting and SoCAL school site was open to the public to attend.

II. Roll Call

Board Members Present at Roll Call: Elaine Pavlich; Diana Rivas, Paul Hedrick and Brooke Watkins (all via phone);

Board Members Absent: Dave Souza, Mike Henjum and Adam Pulsipher;

Guests Present: Franci Sassin, School staff (in person at SoCAL Site); Richard Savage, Executive Director; Marcus White, Kara Mannix, LaChelle Carter, Heather Tamayo, Richie Romero, School staff; Michelle Stewart, SVUSD Authorizer Representative; Eileen Sigmund, Melissa Brown, Donna Kozub Emily Lee and Megann Arthur, Pearson Online & Blended Learning (POBL) staff (via phone).

III. Public Comment

There were no public comments at this time.

IV. Routine Business

a. Approval of Agenda

Ms. Pavlich asked the Board to review the Agenda distributed prior to the meeting and posted by March 19, 2020 in compliance with the Brown Act requirements. There being no further changes noted, the following motion was made and seconded as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Agenda for the March 19, 2020 Emergency Board Meeting, as presented, is hereby approved.

The motion was approved unanimously.

V. Action Items

a. Authorization for Executive Director to direct SCHOOL CLOSURES and such other actions as may be reasonably necessary to address the emergency circumstances presented by the COVID 19 PUBLIC HEALTH SITUATION, including Federal, State and Local emergency declarations and orders

Dr. Savage advised the Board that the State Assembly recently approved Senate Bill 117 which sets forth new guidelines for schools that have closed in the state due to the COVID-19 risk to public health and safety. Additionally, Dr. Savage advised the Board of needs of staff members during this emergency circumstance and his request for the school staff to have some time to adapt to this situation. He expressed to the Board that he wishes to make a decision on closure that is in the best interest of staff and students, and provides for alignment with the aforementioned Senate Bill. Dr. Savage advised the Board that students and staff would continue to have access to lessons and curriculum during any time of school closure, and the Board held discussion on how a closure may affect families, special education population at the school, students graduating at the end of this school year, as well as the school calendar and general workload. There being no further discussion, a motion was made and seconded as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors hereby authorizes the Executive Director, and his designee(s), to take emergency actions as deemed reasonably necessary, including but not limited to the closure of all California Connections Academy schools in response to the California Governor's Executive Order N-26-20 and the federal and statewide declarations of emergency, and based on the public health orders in multiple counties served by the schools, while taking measures to provide any and all educational and related support services to students that may be delivered within the public health guidelines using distance learning and independent study. The Executive Director shall endeavor to promptly notify the Board of all actions taken under this authorization for the duration of the emergency, is hereby approved.

The motion passed unanimously.

VI. Adjournment and Confirmation of Next Regular Meeting on Tuesday, April 28, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. PT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:06 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 28, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. PT.