

NENC Education Committee Meeting Minutes August 5, 2020

1. **Call to Order.** 5:07
2. **Roll Call and determination of a quorum. Members of the committee: Adam Brown (Alternate), Rafael De La Rosa, Anthony Forsmark, Joe Kozul, Betsy Manchester, Christopher Meredith, D. Jane Peros, Carl Petersen (Chair).**

De La Rosa, Kozul, Meredith, Peros, and Petersen were present.

3. **Approve Minutes from the July 2020 meeting. Can be found at <https://bit.ly/312PNbL>**

Meredith moved to approve, Peros seconded. Passed 5-0-0.

4. **Public Comments from stakeholders for non-agenda items.**

No comment from the four members of the public.

5. **Comments/Reports from Representatives of Public Officials: LAUSD BD 3 (Tara Vahdani)**

- a) The district and UTLA came to an agreement as to what the new school year will look like:
  - Students will attend virtually.
  - Teachers can teach from either their home or from the school site.
  - School starts on August 18. The first two days are professional development.
- b) Family Voices/ BD3 [bit.ly/2BJUgym](https://bit.ly/2BJUgym)
- c) Fall Music Program 9/16-12/12. Registration ends on August 23.

There was a question on the delivery of school supplies. Tara will get back to us with an answer.

6. **Update on [call for a moratorium on new PROP-39 co-locations of charter schools on public school campuses during the COVID-19 crisis](#) and motion from this committee.**

- a) Harbor City Neighborhood Council has passed a resolution identical to the one passed by our neighborhood council.
- b) Board Member Schmerelson participated in a meeting with Shirley Elementary School parents and State Superintendent Tony Thurman.
- c) No final decision yet on a waiver from the state.

7. **Status of payments on bills sent by LAUSD to charter schools for Prop-39 co-locations where the actual number of students was less than the charter school estimated.**

Tara will get back to us with additional information.

**8. Discuss LAUSD's Grab and Go program and Board Member Scott Schmerelson's request that the City of Los Angeles reimburse the school district for meals served to adults as part of this program. For Schmerelson's comments see: <https://bit.ly/2TwtTdJ>**

- a) Grab and Go program will continue. So far 50 million meals have been served, approximately 30% to adults.
- b) Letter dated July 29, 2020, asks Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors to assist with securing reimbursement. [https://miro.medium.com/max/500/0\\*1zNfcndebxy-YdRQ](https://miro.medium.com/max/500/0*1zNfcndebxy-YdRQ) and [https://miro.medium.com/max/500/0\\*ug83h6uNLkVx3bz\\_](https://miro.medium.com/max/500/0*ug83h6uNLkVx3bz_)

**9. Update on NPG requested by Parents, Educators/Teachers & Students in Action.**

No update.

**10. Update on NPG requested by Darby Avenue Elementary PTA.**

No update.

**11. Update from Ken Ross about his plan for a NENC SOLELY SPONSORED ENGINEERING/SCIENCE PROGRAM.**

No update.

**12. Discuss the possibility of inviting LAUSD Board District 3 candidates to the next Education Committee meeting (September 2). If the invitation is extended, what format would be used?**

A candidate forum will be included at the next meeting. The following ground rules were agreed on:

OPENING STATEMENTS: A maximum of three minutes per candidate.

QUESTIONS FROM CONSTITUENTS: 30 minutes max. Each candidate will have one minute to answer each question. The questions will be solicited in advance by email and through the Zoom application. A neutral moderator will select the questions to be used.

CLOSING STATEMENTS: A maximum of two minutes per candidate in the opposite order of the opening statements.

**13. Set date and location for the next meeting and receive ideas for future agenda items.**  
September 2, 2020, at 5:00.

**14. Adjournment 5:51**