

NENC Education Committee Meeting Minutes October 7, 2020

1. **Call to Order.** 5:03
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).**

Forsmark, Kozul, Manchester, and Petersen were present.

3. **Approve Minutes from the September 2020 meeting. Can be found at <https://bit.ly/2Gl6Xe6>.**

Forsmark moved to approve, Kozul seconded. Passed 4-0-0

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

No comments were made by one member of the public who was present.

Meredith joined the meeting at 5:07

De La Rosa joined the meeting at 5:09

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

- a. The E-Choices window is now open. Closes November 13. [echoices.lausd.net](http://echoices.lausd.net).
- b. The district has launched a first of its kind testing program for COVID-19
- c. The district is rolling out an in-person tutoring program.
- d. Fewer schools will be used as vote centers this year primarily due to social distancing requirements.

The district is attempting to resolve transportation issues before moving forward with having special education classes resume on campus.

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.**

Board Member Schmerelson did meet with State Superintendent of Education Tony Thurman about the issue. The governor is the only one who can issue this kind of moratorium. Therefore, LAUSD schools are currently reconfiguring to accommodate PROP-39 co-locations.

**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.**

57 schools were over-allocated space during the 2019-20 school year. As a result, \$14.5 million is owed to the LAUSD by charter schools. Of this, \$2.5 million has been paid. <https://bit.ly/31ZDgqH>

**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 including related motion passed by this committee. For Schmerelson's comments see: <https://bit.ly/2TwtTdJ>**

The LAUSD Board Members and the Superintendent are advocating to the county supervisors and state and federal officials to get reimbursed. More than 67 million meals have been provided. <https://bit.ly/31ZTnEC> <https://bit.ly/2JbDMeD>

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

Waiting for PESA to provide letters from the two schools.

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

The project is on hold.

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

Ken Ross has put the project on hold until the new year.

**12. Discuss the Candidate Forum held at last month's meeting.**

No comments or feedback on the instruction by the city to cancel the forum.

**13. Set date and location for the next meeting and receive ideas for future agenda items.**

November 4, 2020, at 5:00.

**14. Adjournment 5:36**