

Union City Area School District
SCHOOL BOARD REORGANIZATION MEETING
Virtual Meeting
December 3, 2020

Board President George Trauner called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The salute to the flag and a moment of silence were observed.

Roll Call by the Secretary

Stephen Gilbert, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, Barbara Miller, David Robinson, Kimberle Thomas, and George Trauner were present via Zoom. Blain Blakeslee and Brian Gregor were absent.

Others Present

Matthew Bennett, Tara Lineman, Ann Sill and Michael Swanson via Zoom.

Motion to Suspend

Mr. Hopson moved, Dr. Miller seconded to suspend the operation of the provision of Policy 006.1 which states “A majority of Board members shall be physically present at a Board meeting when Board member(s) attend through electronic communication.” This suspension shall be in effect through the end of tonight’s final Board.

Roll Call Vote: Stephen Gilbert, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, Barbara Miller, David Robinson, Kimberle Thomas, and George Trauner voted yes. Blain Blakeslee and Brian Gregor were absent. Motion carried.

Announcement by President Trauner

- Tonight's meetings are being broadcast as a live YouTube stream via the link in the banner of the home page of the District website. Additionally, Zoom is hosting and being utilized by those providing public comment.
- My fellow Board members, the Superintendent, the Board Secretary, and various Administrators are attending via Zoom or by phone from their homes. A test was conducted through both mediums prior to tonight's meeting for technology set-up only and no business was discussed.
- As always, an opportunity for Public Comment will take place tonight during the meetings. Those wishing to comment regarding tonight’s regular meeting need to pre-register no later than 6:10 p.m. tonight by accessing the Zoom registration information located in the link in the banner at the top of the homepage of the District website (www.ucasd.org).
- Tonight's meetings are being recorded and will be available on the District website by next Tuesday, December 8, via a link under the Quick Links box from the home page.
- If the January 2021 School Board Committee of the Whole meeting will also be held virtually, notice will be publicized on our website.

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Approval of Agenda

Dr. Miller moved, Mr. Hopson seconded to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Stephen Gilbert, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, Barbara Miller, David Robinson, Kimberle Thomas, and George Trauner voted yes. Blain Blakeslee and Brian Gregor were absent. Motion carried.

Election of President Pro-Tem

Mr. Trauner asked for nominations for President Pro-Tem. Mr. Gilbert nominated Mr. Trauner, seconded by Dr. Miller. There were no other nominations.

With Mr. Trauner as the sole nominee, he asked all those in favor of Mr. Trauner as President Pro-Tem for the remainder of the Reorganization meeting say “Aye.”

Roll Call Vote: Stephen Gilbert, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, Barbara Miller, David Robinson, Kimberle Thomas, and George Trauner voted in favor of Mr. Trauner. Blain Blakeslee and Brian Gregor were absent. Motion carried.

Mr. Trauner announced that he would preside as President Pro-Tem for the remainder of the Reorganization meeting.

Prior to election for the President and Vice President, Mr. Trauner announced the following:

1. The affirmative vote of the majority of the members present is required for the office of President and Vice President. Tonight with seven board members present, the office of President and Vice President requires four affirmative votes.
2. According to Board policy #9348, these will be in rotating alphabetical order (and only if there is more than one nomination).
3. Seconds are not required for the nomination of the election of President and Vice President but are permitted.
4. No abstentions are permitted.

There were no questions.

Election of President – one-year term

Mr. Trauner opened the floor for nominations for the office of President of the Union City Area School District Board of Directors for a one-year term. Dr. Miller nominated Mr. Trauner. There was no second and no other nominations.

Mr. Trauner stated if there was no objection, he would declare the nominations closed. There were no objections and the nominations were declared closed.

Mr. Robinson moved, Mr. Hopson seconded to elect Mr. Trauner as President of the Union City Area School District Board of Directors for a one-year term.

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Roll Call Vote: Stephen Gilbert, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, Barbara Miller, David Robinson, Kimberle Thomas, and George Trauner voted in favor of Mr. Trauner. Blain Blakeslee and Brian Gregor were absent. Motion carried.

Mr. Trauner announced that he (George Trauner) would serve as the President of the Union City Area School District Board of Directors for a one-year term.

Election of Vice President – one-year term

Mr. Trauner asked for nominations for the Vice President of the Union City Area School District Board of Directors. Mr. Gilbert nominated Mrs. Lewis. There was no second and no other nominations.

Mr. Trauner stated if there was no objection, he would declare the nominations closed. There were no objections and the nominations were declared closed.

Mr. Hopson moved, Mrs. Thomas seconded to elect Mrs. Lori Lewis as Vice President of the Union City Area School District Board of Directors for a one-year term.

Roll Call Vote: Stephen Gilbert, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, Barbara Miller, David Robinson, Kimberle Thomas, and George Trauner voted in favor of Mrs. Lewis. Blain Blakeslee and Brian Gregor were absent. Motion carried.

Mr. Trauner announced that Mrs. Lori Lewis would serve as Vice President of the Union City Area School District Board of Directors for a one-year term.

Adoption of dates, place and time for meetings for 2021

Dr. Miller moved, Mr. Robinson seconded to adopt the 2021 School Board meeting dates, place and time, as presented. [See Supplemental enclosed in the Minutes Book]

Roll Call Vote: Stephen Gilbert, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, Barbara Miller, David Robinson, Kimberle Thomas, and George Trauner voted yes. Blain Blakeslee and Brian Gregor were absent. Motion carried.

Mr. Trauner announced that the dates, place and time of the 2021 School board meetings set as listed.

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Adjournment

Mr. Trauner asked for a motion to adjourn the 2020 Reorganization Meeting. Mr. Hopson moved, seconded by Mrs. Thomas.

Roll Call Vote: Stephen Gilbert, Douglas Hopson, Lori Lewis, Barbara Miller, David Robinson, Kimberle Thomas, and George Trauner voted yes. Blain Blakeslee and Brian Gregor were absent. Motion carried.

Mr. Trauner thanked the Board for their support in electing him as President once again.

He declared the Reorganization meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ann Sill
School Board Secretary