

Summit Public Schools California Audit Meeting - December 2, 2020 (Part 2)

Opening Session Transcript (Audio Length: 06 minutes 20 seconds)

Joyce: We have Wade, we just need Mr. Thompson.

Diego: Okay I'm back.

Joyce: Great. I don't see Mr. Thompson. He knows to come back right, Diego?

Andy: Diego is frozen.

Joyce: Diego is frozen.

Andy: Or he's doing a really good job of staying still.

Joyce: It looks like he's coming back.

Andy: Diego's coming back in another zoom window. I don't see Andrew.

Joyce: Yes, there we go. Super.

Diego: Hello.

Joyce: Hello Diego, are you there?

Andy: He's probably gone to get a cup of tea.

Joyce: Well, he was here and then he froze and now it keeps coming back in through a different window and it says connecting to audio. So I hope he's connecting okay.

Diego: Hi all, this Diego. I had to switch over to phone. Our power just went out.

Joyce: Oh no.

Diego: Apologies.

Joyce: Thanks Diego. So at this time if there's any action that was taken in closed session. Could we

have a report out?

Diego: There was no action taken in closed session.

Joyce: Very good. Okay, thank you very much. So at this point, we're at a 2:50, we'll reconvene the meeting and we have one thing to do at this time in the meeting, but I just want to make sure I say this before we adjourn the meeting that Gavin Quang does an amazing job of coordinating and making sure these audits get done in a timely manner, accurately and completely and so he has done an excellent job of leading his team and I am very grateful for all of the work that he and his team put in and I just wanted to make sure everyone knows that he's actually the lead person on the audit work. So thank you, Gavin.

Gavin: Thank you, Joyce. Appreciate the kind words. It's very much a team effort and actually, a very large component of the audit is actually the school site compliance as we have alluded to. A lot of this work is outside of the finance office, outside of our sphere of control and Josh Austean the COO and his team do a fantastic job of staying abreast of all the new operating procedures related to free and reduced forms and attendance and so they also deserve a lot of the credit here as well.

Andy: So I think Joyce and Gavin, I really appreciate each of you providing insight and recognizing the people who do the work. It would be very nice if you could make sure that the gratitude of the audit committee is communicated to the people in the school sites. I particularly am very struck by this point that a great deal of the work has to be done by people out in the sites on a day-to-day basis and I can only sense how much regulatory burden and compliance burden there is and how much effort it must have taken. Sometimes that kind of work is not the most attractive to do and so I would really appreciate if we could communicate to people how much we appreciate that work.

Joyce: We'd be happy to do that and thank you for your kind words. So basically at this point the committee needs to discuss and decide if they're willing to recommend the audit to the board to be approved on December 11th.

Andy: I am very happy to recommend that we approve and recommend or rather recommend that we get the audit approved. Yes, absolutely.

Diego: And I'm in a strong second.

Joyce: That's great. So we don't really have a resolution, but I guess Valeria, is that something they

need to vote on?

Valeria: Oh, that'd be great if we could have a roll call for that vote.

Joyce: So the vote will be on recommending the 1920 audit to the Summit Public Schools board on December 11th for approval.

Andy: So I will propose that?

Joyce: Yes, that's what we are proposing.

Andy: Yes, so I'll propose that motion or do we need to propose and second, or how do we do this?

Joyce: No, I think you just seconded it, and now Valeria is going to do the roll call vote.

Andy: Okay.

Valeria: Roll call vote, Andy.

Andy: Aye.

Valeria: Diego.

Diego: Aye.

Valeria: Great. Thank you.

Joyce: Great. that passes and we appreciate your time. We don't have any other items on the agenda, so I will take a motion to adjourn.

Andy: So moved.

Diego: Second.

Joyce: Valeria, do we need a roll call?

Valeria: Roll call, please. Andy.

Andy: Aye.

Valeria: Diego.

Diego: Aye.

Joyce: Very good. Thank you all for your time today and for being invested in Summit Public Schools and I hope everyone has a happy holiday if we don't talk to you and for Mr. Thompson and Mr. Ambula, we will see you on the 11th.

Andy: Thank you so much.