GOVERNING BOARD SPECIAL STUDY SESSION MINUTES – January 22, 2020

A. Welcome
   Overview
Ms. Hodge welcomed everyone at 5:00 PM. Board Members present: Berdetta Hodge (President), Brian Garcia (Vice President), Andres Barraza, Michelle Helm, and Sandy Lowe. Absent: None.

Dr. Mendivil said the Study Session is an opportunity for the Board to understand the decisions that have been made to provide good instruction and learning experiences for all students. He has asked Mrs. Hilgers and Dr. Aleksic to share the work we have done to date and what our plans are in moving forward.

B. Teaching and Learning
   B-1—Historical Perspective of the Teaching and Learning Journey in TUHSD
Mrs. Hilgers and Dr. Aleksic provided an update on the changes implemented by the Teaching and Learning Department to centralize standards, curriculum, classroom instruction, assessment, grading, and resources across the District. Centralization requires a change in philosophy as well as a cultural shift within the district and by staff who do not have the same autonomy as they did previously. Mrs. Hilgers said decisions are made based on what is best for students.

Mrs. Hilgers, Dr. Aleksic, Dr. Mendivil, Dr. Wilson, Mr. McDonald, and principals Kleve, Banks, Deignan, and Glenn answered the Governing Board’s questions. Members thanked administration and site principals for all the work they do for students.

The Governing Board took a break from 7:21 to 7:28 PM.

C. Public Meetings
   C-1—Safety Protocols
Mr. McDonald and Mr. Cobbs instructed the Governing Board in the protocols that will be followed in the event there is an emergency during a Governing Board meeting.

D. Meeting Closing
   The Special Study Session ended at 7:58 PM.

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