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CALIFORNIA STATE ALLOCATION BOARD  
PUBLIC MEETING  
(TELECONFERENCE)

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APPEARANCES:

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

GAYLE MILLER, Chief Deputy Director, Policy, Department of Finance

ANA LASSO, Director, Department of General Services

JEREMY SMITH, Appointee of Gavin Newsome, Governor of the State of California

JUAN MIRELES, Director, School Facilities and Transportation Services Division, California Department of Education, designated representative for Tony Thurmond, Superintendent of Public Instruction

JEREMY SMITH, Deputy Legislative Director

SENATOR CONNIE LEYVA

SENATOR SCOTT WILK

ASSEMBLYMEMBER PATRICK O'DONNELL

ASSEMBLYMEMBER AUTUMN BURKE

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE ALLOCATION BOARD PRESENT:

LISA SILVERMAN, Executive Officer

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES, OFFICE OF PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION (OPSC) PRESENT:

LISA SILVERMAN, Executive Officer

BARBARA KAMPMEINERT, Deputy Executive Officer

LISA JONES, Secretary

MICHAEL WATANABE

OFFICE OF LEGAL SERVICES:

MR. TOM PATTON, ASSISTANT CHIEF COUNSEL

P R O C E E D I N G S

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2  
3 MS. MILLER: Hi, everyone. How are you all  
4 doing? I'm sorry to be a few minutes late and thank you  
5 all for being on time.

6 Senator Wilk, it's so nice to see you. You're on  
7 mute. If we had a dollar for every time I said that, we  
8 would really not have a budget problem.

9 SENATOR WILK: Yeah. Well, my wife prefers me on  
10 mute, that's why that's kind of my standard operating  
11 procedure. No. Happy to be back. Really should have  
12 never left. It was a miscommunication from my staff, so  
13 apologize for that.

14 MS. MILLER: No worries.

15 So I do just want to take a minute to introduce  
16 Ana Lasso. She is the DGF director. She comes to us - was  
17 at LUSD and then at Expo Park in L.A. We are thrilled to  
18 have Ana join us. Obviously, we all know what a big job it  
19 is and we really look forward to working with you, Ana.

20 Do you want to say anything briefly to the Board?

21 MS. LASSO: Thank you, Gayle. No. I just wanted  
22 to say I'm very excited to be here. Education --  
23 educational facilities are some of my favorite topics, so  
24 it's very apropos to actually get to serve on this  
25 allocation board. I'm very excited to be here today and

1 hope to be of help and service to all.

2 MS. MILLER: Okay. Thank you very much.

3 With that, Ms. Jones, will you call the roll to  
4 establish a quorum, please.

5 MS. JONES: I certainly will.

6 Senator Wilk.

7 SENATOR WILK: Present.

8 MS. JONES: Senator Leyva.

9 SENATOR LEYVA: Here.

10 MS. JONES: Senator Roth.

11 Assemblymember O'Donnell.

12 ASSEMBLYMEMBER O'DONNELL: Here.

13 MS. JONES: Assemblymember Cunningham.

14 ASSEMBLYMEMBER CUNNINGHAM: Here.

15 MS. JONES: Assemblymember Burke.

16 ASSEMBLYMEMBER BURKE: Here.

17 MS. JONES: Juan Mireles.

18 MR. MIRELES: Here.

19 MS. JONES: Ana Lasso.

20 MS. LASSO: Here.

21 MS. JONES: Gayle Miller.

22 MS. MILLER: Here.

23 So we have a quorum.

24 MS. JONES: Jeremy Smith.

25 MS. MILLER: Thank you very much.

1 MR. SMITH: Gayle.

2 MS. MILLER: Pursuant to the Governor's  
3 executive --

4 MR. SMITH: Gayle.

5 MS. MILLER: Yes?

6 MR. SMITH: I didn't get to say "here."

7 MS. MILLER: I'm sorry. Well, you don't seem  
8 fully here, Jeremy. Are you?

9 MR. SMITH: My response is here.

10 MS. MILLER: I was just making sure --

11 MR. SMITH: I am here.

12 MS. MILLER: -- Jeremy was fully here and not  
13 partially here. Great. Now we really have a quorum.  
14 Thank you. And we actually do have a relatively brief  
15 meeting.

16 Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order  
17 N-25-20, from March 12th, the meeting is being conducted by  
18 Zoom. It's being physically webcast from the Ziggurat  
19 Building in West Sacramento if anyone would like to provide  
20 public comment in person.

21 In order for the meeting to run efficiently,  
22 please raise your hand in the Zoom feature under reactions.  
23 And, unfortunately, if you're calling into the meeting and  
24 not using the Zoom app, you won't be able to provide public  
25 comment. And the State Allocation Board Meeting from

1 July 28th has been cancelled and will resume in August,  
2 because that's also the legislative spring break -- or  
3 summer break, excuse me.

4 And lastly, upon the conclusion of this public  
5 meeting, the State Allocation Board will meet in closed  
6 session, also via Zoom. You got a note earlier from Sam,  
7 so please check your email for that link to receive and  
8 confirm counsel for legal counsel pertaining to litigation  
9 pursuant to Government Code 11126(e)(1), and then we'll  
10 come back into open session to provide a report out.

11 So with that we are looking to see if we have any  
12 public comments and, if not, a motion to approve the  
13 minutes from April 28th, 2021.

14 ASSEMBLYMEMBER BURKE: So moved.

15 MS. MILLER: Thank you, Ms. Burke.

16 SENATOR LEYVA: Second.

17 MS. MILLER: Thank you, Senator Leyva.

18 I see no public comments.

19 Any objections to a unanimous roll call to  
20 approve the minutes? Seeing none, the minutes are  
21 approved.

22 We will now move on to the executive officer's  
23 statement, please, Ms. Silverman.

24 MS. SILVERMAN: Yeah. It's a great short meeting  
25 today, which is a nice announcement we wanted to share.

1           Just a follow-up from the apportionment activity  
2 last month. The Board did approve \$520 million, which is  
3 great news for the program, and that's a result of the  
4 spring bond sale. But the update we wanted to share was we  
5 did receive over \$180 million in fund release requests, so  
6 yeah, that's great news. Folks are coming in accessing  
7 their cash and that's what we want. So again, we wanted to  
8 share that update.

9           For those folks who haven't come in for their  
10 cash, you have until July 27th to come in and, again,  
11 provide us the appropriate documentation. And then we also  
12 want to encourage districts to come in for the fund release  
13 requests that's electronically through OPSC online.

14           So there's a couple ways you can do it. You can  
15 send it to us by mail, but we want to encourage folks to  
16 send it electronically through OPSC online, but also you  
17 can send it to us via email as well. So just remember the  
18 timeline. It's July 27th. And if you haven't done so,  
19 we'll reach out to you in the next few weeks just to remind  
20 folks, come get your cash.

21           And the second item we wanted to share with you  
22 is there's a current priority funding round that's open  
23 currently and it closes June 10th. And that's really  
24 important. So if you have an unfunded approval that's been  
25 approved by the Board. And then we have quite a bit as far

1 as the consent agenda today. So again, if you have an  
2 unfunded approval, you have the ability to submit for the  
3 certification round and it's really important. The  
4 certification means you have the ability to access cash and  
5 the cash is in fall bond sales. So again, your  
6 certification is valid from July 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup> of  
7 2021. So again, reminder certification rounds are due --  
8 certifications are due June 10th.

9           And then the next item we wanted to also share is  
10 we did have one other training series update and that's,  
11 again, the certification of how to do that -- excuse me,  
12 certification. It was how to access the priority funding  
13 via OPSC online, and that was April 30<sup>th</sup>. And again, it's  
14 really trying to encourage folks to submit electronically  
15 through our office. And again, this is a great tool. Go  
16 green and go electronic process.

17           So again, we're trying to build some nice  
18 features to facilitate the ease of accessing our program  
19 grants and accessing your cash. I mean, what a better way  
20 to use this tool than to use our online feature.

21           And again, just to encourage folks, we had 11  
22 external workshops since the beginning of the year. This  
23 is great information. We have a resource page, so if you  
24 did miss it, there's still an opportunity to come to our  
25 resource page or OPSC YouTube to access this program

1 workshop. Very good information. And we are going to have  
2 further announcements come June. So again, we want to  
3 encourage folks to sign up for our additional workshops and  
4 more announcements in June. I expect probably three more  
5 workshops come late summer and fall. So again, don't fall  
6 asleep. Make sure you access our workshops. They are  
7 going to be great information that we want to share with  
8 you folks and it's really going to be a great opportunity  
9 for all of us.

10 And then with that, I wanted to let you know that  
11 our next meeting is June 23rd.

12 MS. MILLER: Great. Thank you. All good news.  
13 Maybe not quite as good as our almost \$600 million  
14 apportionment, but.

15 Any questions or comments from Board members?

16 Seeing none. Any public comments?

17 Is Mr. Watanabe on, or you don't see anything?

18 MR. WATANABE: Yeah. There's nothing there.

19 MS. MILLER: Okay. Great.

20 So with that, we will move to the consent  
21 calendar, which is our only other action item today.

22 Ms. Silverman.

23 MS. SILVERMAN: Consent is ready for your  
24 approval.

25 MS. MILLER: Great. Any public comments on

1 consent?

2           Seeing none, any questions or comments from Board  
3 members? No. Okay.

4           May we have a motion and a second for the consent  
5 calendar, please.

6           SENATOR LEYVA: So moved.

7           ASSEMBLYMEMBER BURKE: Second.

8           MS. MILLER: Thank you, Senator Leyva. Thank  
9 you, Ms. Burke.

10          Ms. Jones, will you call the roll, please.

11          MS. JONES: Certainly.

12          Senator Wilk.

13          SENATOR WILK: Aye.

14          MS. JONES: Senator Leyva.

15          SENATOR LEYVA: Aye.

16          MS. JONES: Assemblymember O'Donnell.

17          ASSEMBLYMEMBER O'DONNELL: Aye.

18          MS. JONES: Assemblymember Cunningham.

19          ASSEMBLYMEMBER CUNNINGHAM: Aye.

20          MS. JONES: Assemblymember Burke.

21          ASSEMBLYMEMBER BURK: Aye.

22          MS. JONES: Juan Mireles.

23          MR. MIRELES: Aye.

24          MS. JONES: Jeremy Smith.

25          MR. SMITH: Aye.

1 MS. JONES: Ana Lasso.

2 MS. LASSO: Aye.

3 MS. JONES: Gayle Miller.

4 MS. MILLER: Aye.

5 The consent calendar is approved. Thank you very  
6 much.

7 We'll now move to the financial reports, please.

8 MS. SILVERMAN: Yeah. On page 127, although we  
9 did have a short month last month since we did provide the  
10 cash to districts, but on 127, just to summarize just the  
11 last few days of April we did release \$3.3 million in cash.  
12 But you're going to see the trend line go up, because we're  
13 going to be receiving a lot more cash requests from  
14 districts as a result of the spring bond sale, so the trend  
15 line is going to be going up, which is great news.

16 And on page 129 and 130, just to memorialize your  
17 actions this month, you just took, we actually had over  
18 \$260 million in the consent agenda, so that's great program  
19 activity going on this month. So \$260 million in program  
20 grants that we approved as part of the consent agenda. So  
21 this is great. Just wanted to summarize that.

22 MS. MILLER: That's fantastic. Thank you very  
23 much. We really appreciate that.

24 And we're happy -- if it's helpful at all, we can  
25 send you an email with all of the upcoming workshops and

1 deadlines for any of you, especially legislators for your  
2 districts, if you want to get those out so folks know when  
3 to apply and how to get all the information they need. So  
4 please just reach out and we'll get all of that to you.

5           And then I think, Ms. Silverman, we're just  
6 moving to any final reports or any -- oh, you just did the  
7 workload, so we're good.

8           MS. SILVERMAN: Yeah.

9           MS. MILLER: So now any other comments,  
10 questions, public comments?

11           So we are going to adjourn the open session for  
12 now. We do have to come back in and report back from  
13 closed session. You have an email from Sam Gorodo  
14 (phonetic) who sent you the closed session link. So if you  
15 could hop off this link, go into that. And then  
16 Mr. Patton, do we need a quorum to come back and adjourn,  
17 or is it okay if I just come back and --

18           MR. PATTON: Well, I think you need a motion to  
19 adjourn. Actually, Lisa Jones knows the protocol more than  
20 I do. I think you normally move to adjourn.

21           MS. MILLER: Lisa.

22           MS. JONES: Yes. Chair, go ahead and just  
23 announce that we're going into closed session and we'll  
24 leave the public meeting open. Michael Watanabe will  
25 manage that and then we'll all go into closed session.

1 We'll have it and then we'll come out of closed session and  
2 we'll report back in that we were in closed session and now  
3 we're back in public session and then you'll adjourn the  
4 meeting.

5 MS. MILLER: Got it. Okay. Thank you. We'll see  
6 you in a moment. Thanks, everyone.

7 MS. JONES: Thank you.

8 (BOARD MEMBERS ADJOURNED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION)

9 MS. MILLER: We met in closed session and as I  
10 mentioned before we adjourned into closed session, the  
11 State Allocation Board met in closed session via Zoom for  
12 the purposes of conferring with and receiving advice from  
13 legal counsel regarding pending litigation pursuant to  
14 Government Code Section 11126(e)(1). And we met and no  
15 action was taken.

16 So with that we - unless there's any final public  
17 comment or questions? Seeing none, thank you everyone for  
18 joining and we will adjourn our meeting.

19 Take care. Have a good day. Bye.

20 (Whereupon, at 4:12 p.m., the proceedings were  
21 adjourned.)

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