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CALIFORNIA STATE ALLOCATION BOARD

PUBLIC MEETING

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WEST SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA 95605

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APPEARANCES:

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT:

GAYLE MILLER, Chief Deputy Director, Policy, Department of Finance, designated representative for Joe Stephenshaw, Director, 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 for Public Instruction

SENATOR SCOTT WILK

SENATOR JOSH NEWMAN

ASSEMBLYMEMBER LAURIE DAVIES

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE ALLOCATION BOARD/OFFICE OF PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION PRESENT:

LISA SILVERMAN, Executive Officer

BARBARA KAMPMEINERT, Deputy Executive Officer

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1       **MS. DAVIES:** I still can't get it.

2       **MS. JONES:** Assemblymember Davies?

3       **MS. DAVIES:** Here.

4       **MS. JONES:** Juan Mireles?

5       **MR. MIRELES:** Here.

6       **MS. JONES:** Jeremy Smith?

7       **MR. SMITH:** Here.

8       **MS. JONES:** Ana Lasso?

9       **MS. LASSO:** Here.

10       **MS. JONES:** Gayle Miller?

11       **MS. MILLER:** Here. We have a quorum. Thank you,  
12 everyone.

13       Pursuant to S.B. 189, we're conducting this meeting  
14 by Zoom. It's also being broadcast in Room 4-221 at the  
15 Ziggurat building at 707 Third Street in West Sac (sic),  
16 if you'd like to provide public comment in person.

17       For the meeting to run efficiently, everyone will be  
18 muted during the meeting. Please use the raise hand  
19 feature when it is time to make a comment, and we will  
20 call on you at that time and unmute you.

21       If you are calling into the meeting and not using  
22 the Zoom or appearing in person, unfortunately, we will  
23 not be able to recognize you at this time but encourage  
24 you to reach out to our team.

25       I would like to note that we will not be holding a

1 closed session. That was previously noticed on the  
2 agenda. And we are thrilled that Senator Newman is  
3 joining us. Thank you very much, Senator. You're  
4 replacing Senator Leyva, not that anyone replaces Senator  
5 Leyva, but we look forward to your leadership on this  
6 Board and hope that you enjoy your time here. And you  
7 get to work with some pretty amazing people.

8 So with that, Ms. Silverman, do you want to present  
9 the minutes?

10 **MS. SILVERMAN:** Sure. The minutes are ready for  
11 your approval.

12 **MS. MILLER:** Great. Any questions or comments?

13 (No audible response).

14 **MS. MILLER:** Any public comment?

15 (No audible response).

16 **MS. MILLER:** Seeing none, I will move approval. May  
17 we have a second?

18 **SENATOR WILK:** Wilk seconds.

19 **MS. MILLER:** Great. Thank you, Senator Wilk. Ms.  
20 Jones, will you take roll on the minutes, please?

21 **MS. JONES:** Certainly. Senator Wilk?

22 **SENATOR WILK:** Yes.

23 **MS. JONES:** Senator Newman?

24 **SENATOR NEWMAN:** Aye.

25 **MS. JONES:** Assemblymember Davies?

1           **MS. DAVIES:** Aye.

2           **MS. JONES:** Juan Mireles?

3           **MR. MIRELES:** Aye.

4           **MS. JONES:** Jeremy Smith?

5           **MR. SMITH:** Aye.

6           **MS. JONES:** Ana Lasso?

7           **MS. LASSO:** Aye.

8           **MS. JONES:** Gayle Miller?

9           **MS. MILLER:** Aye. The minutes are approved.

10           Next, we will move to the executive officer  
11 statement, please, Ms. Silverman.

12           **MS. SILVERMAN:** Yes, we have a few highlights, and  
13 we appreciate your time today, because I understand it's  
14 a consent agenda. We want to make this as quickly as  
15 possible and run efficiently. But we have -- the updates  
16 we wanted to share with the Board tonight was we've been  
17 really busy with school districts that have been impacted  
18 by the recent storms, and so with that, we've been  
19 partnering with the Department of Education and also with  
20 the California Office of Emergency Services and also with  
21 Federal Emergency Management Agency, as well.

22           And again, it's just trying to coordinate with  
23 school districts that have been impacted by the floods,  
24 and we understand, some folks do have insurance, which is  
25 great, to have insurance coverage. But you also may

1 incur costs that may not be -- may be outside the  
2 insurance realm, and that's where our program should come  
3 in and assist districts.

4       So with that, we've been doing a lot of outreach,  
5 and again, we encourage districts with the number of  
6 outreaches that we've had, if you are impacted by any  
7 storms or what's anticipated in the spring with the  
8 runoff, please do not hesitate to call our office. We'd  
9 be happy to help with a site visit and assess with you  
10 whether or not you qualify for the program, for facility  
11 hardship.

12       And then, the next update we wanted to provide --  
13 tucked away in that consent agenda, and we'll get to that  
14 soon, is priority funding apportionments. Although we  
15 did note it was 156.4 million dollars, there has been an  
16 update to that number, so we did a revision package, and  
17 we have 148.2 million. That represents thirty-one  
18 projects. So those projects actually have bond proceeds.

19       And again, we want to remind districts that you have  
20 until July 25th to submit your appropriate documentation  
21 for fund release, and the associated documents, again.  
22 And please come in so you can access your program cash.  
23 This is great news.

24       And then, we have an upcoming priority funding  
25 filing round that starts May 10th, and again, if you have

1 an unfunded approval, and you want to access your program  
2 funds -- because there will be a bond sale, likely in the  
3 fall -- so we want to encourage those districts to submit  
4 those certifications. The certification round opens May  
5 10th, and it closes June 8th.

6 And again, once you do submit that document, we're  
7 encouraging districts to submit on OPSC Online, and your  
8 certification -- if it is submitted before June 8th, or  
9 by June 8th, actually your certification is valid from  
10 July 1st to December 31st of 2023.

11 Another update we wanted to share -- Richmond  
12 Elementary School groundbreaking -- myself and my  
13 colleague, Mr. Watanabe, had an opportunity to go to  
14 Sierra Sands out in the Mojave Desert. Great trip. This  
15 is a great opportunity for Sierra Sands, because they  
16 have partnered with the Department of Defense public  
17 schools on military installations.

18 And as well, we've also partnered with many schools'  
19 grants from our program. They have actually secured 78  
20 million dollars for the rebuilding of Richmond Elementary  
21 School. Fantastic news for them, and looking forward to  
22 that reconstruction of the base school, which is outside  
23 of the naval air weapon station in China Lake. So again,  
24 we're excited about that opportunity for the district,  
25 and this is their third project going through the

1 program.

2       And we also want to highlight -- yeah, it's  
3 exciting -- joint agency virtual office hours. We  
4 actually will have one on Friday, and it will be hosted  
5 from 11 to noon, and we'll be partnering again -- love  
6 the partnerships that we do have -- with the California  
7 Department of Education and the Division of the State  
8 Architect, and again, no appointments are necessary.

9       If you are a school district and you're interested  
10 to find out more information about a program or try to  
11 solve a problem, we're going to actually have this open  
12 forum and then also have breakout sessions. And the  
13 breakout sessions or mini-workshops are really for  
14 assistance and Department of Education application  
15 process and any updates on DSA's publications, as well as  
16 becoming more familiar about the facility hardship  
17 program and OPSC Online.

18       And our next meeting -- the last update is May 24th  
19 via Zoom at 4 o'clock.

20       **MS. MILLER:** Great. Thank you, Ms. Silverman. That  
21 may be one of our last Zoom meetings, unless there's a  
22 law change.

23       In terms of the hardship from the recent flooding,  
24 that's just under our existing hardship, or was there --  
25 you didn't qualify for any federal money, in terms of

1 helping folks recover from that, right? It's just the --

2 **MS. SILVERMAN:** No.

3 **MS. MILLER:** -- existing program, so it's --

4 **MS. SILVERMAN:** By facility --

5 **MS. MILLER:** -- an existing program, and they apply  
6 through hardship. Got it.

7 **MS. SILVERMAN:** Right.

8 **MS. MILLER:** All right.

9 **MS. SILVERMAN:** Facility hardship through our normal  
10 program.

11 **MS. MILLER:** Great. Thank you. And did you do a  
12 blast to all the affected school districts, letting them  
13 know that that was available to them? That's really --

14 **MS. SILVERMAN:** Yeah, we've actually --

15 **MS. MILLER:** I think that's exciting.

16 **MS. SILVERMAN:** -- have it on the page, as well, and  
17 then continued outreach, and we're becoming regular -- we  
18 have frequent meetings with these districts. So we want  
19 to ensure that --

20 **MS. MILLER:** Right.

21 **MS. SILVERMAN:** -- we don't skip a beat --

22 **MS. MILLER:** Great.

23 **MS. SILVERMAN:** -- with them.

24 **MS. MILLER:** Great. Thank you so much for that.

25 It's really important. Any other questions from the

1 Board?

2 (No audible response).

3 **MS. MILLER:** Seeing none, any public comment?

4 (No audible response).

5 **MS. MILLER:** Mr. Watanabe, I can't see both screens.

6 Any public comment?

7 **MR. WATANABE:** Sorry. No.

8 **MS. MILLER:** Okay, thanks. Sorry. No, it's my  
9 fault.

10 Okay. Next, we'll move to the consent agenda,  
11 please, Ms. Silverman.

12 **MS. SILVERMAN:** Consent agenda is ready for your  
13 approval.

14 **MS. MILLER:** Great.

15 **MS. DAVIES:** (Indiscernible, simultaneous speech).

16 **MS. MILLER:** Any public comment?

17 **MR. WATANABE:** No.

18 **MS. MILLER:** Seeing none, Ms. Davies moved. May we  
19 have a second?

20 **SENATOR NEWMAN:** Newman, second.

21 **MS. MILLER:** Senator Newman seconded. Confirming,  
22 Mr. Watanabe, no public comment on the consent agenda?

23 **MR. WATANABE:** That's correct.

24 **MS. MILLER:** Great. Thank you. May we take the  
25 roll, please?

1           **MS. JONES:** Yes. Senator Wilk?

2           **SENATOR WILK:** Aye.

3           **MS. JONES:** Senator Newman?

4           **SENATOR NEWMAN:** Aye.

5           **MS. JONES:** Assemblymember Davies?

6           **MS. DAVIES:** Aye.

7           **MS. JONES:** Juan Mireles?

8           **MR. MIRELES:** Aye.

9           **MS. JONES:** Jeremy Smith?

10          **MR. SMITH:** Aye.

11          **MS. JONES:** Ana Lasso?

12          **MS. LASSO:** Aye.

13          **MS. JONES:** Gayle Miller?

14          **MS. MILLER:** Aye. Thank you very much.

15                 We'll now move on to the financial reports, please,  
16 Ms. Silverman.

17          **MS. SILVERMAN:** Thanks.

18          **MS. MILLER:** The consent calendar is approved.

19 Thank you.

20          **MS. SILVERMAN:** So we actually have the fund release  
21 update, and that's on page stamped page 153. And just to  
22 highlight that the cash that we have been disbursing to  
23 districts -- in disbursements in March, we actually had  
24 about nine million dollars that was disbursed. And  
25 again, I know, now that we go into the direct

1 apportionment model, districts have been coming in for  
2 their cash rather in a quick turnaround time, so again,  
3 we'll be having some updates as a result of the recent  
4 priority funding apportionments as well. So looking  
5 forward to having more funds release in the next upcoming  
6 months.

7 And then, on the status of funds, just to summarize,  
8 the Board did approve in the consent agenda over 238  
9 million dollars in awards. And again, that includes the  
10 priority funding apportionments and also new projects  
11 that received a direct apportionment, and that one's  
12 over -- again, the sum is over 238 million dollars. So  
13 great work, guys.

14 **MS. MILLER:** Yay. Thank you. Great work, team.  
15 And anything on the ninety-day workload or any of the  
16 other reports or information items?

17 **MS. SILVERMAN:** Yeah. The workload's ready for --  
18 if there's any questions by the Board members. I'm not  
19 sure if they have questions related to the ninety-day  
20 workload.

21 **MS. MILLER:** Great. Any questions on the financial  
22 reports or the ninety-day workload?

23 (No audible response).

24 **MS. MILLER:** Any public comment?

25 (No audible response).



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