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Mission Statement: The dedicated professionals of Pasadena Unified School District provide a caring, engaging, challenging educational experience for every student, every day in partnership with our families and communities.



**PASADENA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

FEBRUARY 4, 2021

**REVISED
SPECIAL MEETING
NOTICE AND AGENDA**

3:00 PM – OPEN SESSION

**THE ELBIE J. HICKAMBOTTOM BOARD ROOM #236, LOCATED AT 351 S. HUDSON AVENUE,
PASADENA, IS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

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A. Call to Order (3:00 p.m.)

<u>Roll Call – Board Members</u>	PRESENT	ABSENT
Kimberly Kenne – District 1		
Jennifer Hall Lee - District 2		
Patrick Cahalan - District 4		
Tina Fredericks – District 6		

Michelle Richardson Bailey, Clerk – District 3		
Elizabeth Pomeroy, Vice President – District 5		
Scott Phelps, President – District 7		
Brian McDonald, Superintendent		

Pledge of Allegiance

Culture Statement

Pasadena Unified School District shall cultivate a culture of trust where employees, parents, students, and the community are welcomed, valued, and supported. We will collaborate with each other and our partners to achieve academic excellence, pursue continuous personal and professional improvement, and build positive relationships. We will celebrate our strengths and continually embrace opportunities to improve as a community of learners.

B. Public Comment on Agendized Items Only

Members of the public have a right to address the Board concerning any item scheduled for consideration at a special board meeting. Please send your comments prior to the meeting start time to superintendent@pusd.us to be read by the Board Clerk. In your comments, please provide no more than 450 words to keep within the three-minute time limit.

C. Action Item

1) <u>Approval of Revisions to Resolution 2590 – Black History Month – February</u>	ATTACHMENT C MOTION SECOND VOTE
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D. Board Discussion

1) <u>Possible Revisions to Board Protocols</u>	
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E. Adjournment

BOARD OF EDUCATION
PASADENA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

REVISED

RESOLUTION No. 2,590

**CELEBRATION OF
-NATIONAL BLACK HISTORY MONTH
-FEBRUARY 2021**

WHEREAS, the first event was celebrated during a week in February, 1926, ~~encompassing the birthdays of Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass, two key figures in the history of black people; established by Carter G. Woodson in recognition of the historic achievements of Negroes in the United States; and~~

WHEREAS, February is designated as National Black History Month; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme is "The Black Family: Representation, Identity and Diversity," exemplifying ~~black-Black~~ families who offer a rich tapestry of images for exploring black people, past and present; and

WHEREAS, this theme recognizes the struggle for voting rights among both ~~B~~black men and women throughout American history; voter suppression is an ongoing struggle experienced by ~~Black~~ people of color that continues into the 21st century; and

WHEREAS, students learn about the history and achievements of ~~B~~black people throughout the school year. National Black History Month is established in response to the inadequate and often times biased depiction of ~~B~~black history and ~~B~~black communities in history books and schools' curricula of the era; and

WHEREAS, ~~B~~black people helped develop our nation in countless ways, those recognized, unrecognized and unrecorded; and

WHEREAS, the contributions of ~~B~~black citizens, scientists, inventors, educators, farmers, homemakers, and explorers of earth and sky, have been recognized annually during National Black History Month; and

WHEREAS, ~~B~~black citizens have participated in every American effort to secure, protect, and maintain the essence and substance of American democracy; and

WHEREAS, the study of the contributions of ~~B~~black people will help students think critically, judge information related to problems and issues and reach conclusions based on solid evidence;

and be an opportunity for all students in the district to enrich their educational experience and to deepen their understanding of **B**lack history now; and

WHEREAS, the development of the skills learned during National Black History Month will contribute to every student becoming an advocate of the rights of the individual, the rights of minorities, and the rights and responsibilities of citizens in a democracy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Superintendent ~~will~~ shall work with all schools in the Pasadena Unified School District to recognize and celebrate National Black History Month through culturally relevant activities and through in-depth programs to focus the attention and commitment on closing the achievement and equity gaps for **B**lack students and families.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governing Board of the Pasadena Unified School District does hereby recognize the month of February, 2021, as National Black History Month and expects all schools to commemorate this occasion with appropriate and meaningful activities.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 28th day of January, 2021, at the regular meeting of the Pasadena Unified School District Board of Education, Los Angeles County, California.

Scott Phelps, President

Elizabeth Pomeroy, Vice President

Michelle Richardson Bailey, Clerk

Kimberly Kenne, Member

Jennifer Hall Lee, Member

Patrick Cahalan, Member

Tina Fredericks, Member