



# SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item# 10.1i

**Meeting Date:** May 15, 2014

**Subject:** Approve Minutes of the April 24, 2014 Board of Education Meeting

- Information Item Only
- Approval on Consent Agenda
- Conference (for discussion only)
- Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated: \_\_\_\_\_)
- Conference/Action
- Action
- Public Hearing

**Division:** Superintendent's Office

**Recommendation:** N/A

**Background/Rationale:** N/A

**Financial Considerations:** N/A

**Documents Attached:**

1. April 24, 2014 Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes

<p><b>Estimated Time of Presentation:</b> N/A <b>Submitted by:</b> Sara Noguchi, Ed.D., Interim Superintendent <b>Approved by:</b> N/A</p>
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# Sacramento City Unified School District BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING AND WORKSHOP

## Board of Education Members

Patrick Kennedy, President (Trustee Area 7)  
Darrel Woo, Vice President (Trustee Area 6)  
Christina Pritchett, Second Vice President (Trustee Area 3)  
Jay Hansen, (Trustee Area 1)  
Jeff Cuneo, (Trustee Area 2)  
Gustavo Arroyo (Trustee Area 4)  
Diana Rodriguez (Trustee Area 5)  
Margarita Kovalchuk, Student Member

Thursday, April 24, 2014

4:30 p.m. Closed Session

6:30 p.m. Open Session

Serna Center

Community Conference Rooms  
5735 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Sacramento, CA 95824

## **MINUTES**

2014-10

### **1.0 OPEN SESSION / CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL**

*The meeting was called to order at 4:36 p.m. by President Kennedy and roll was taken.*

#### *Members Present:*

*Patrick Kennedy, Board President  
Darrell Woo, Board Vice President  
Gustavo Arroyo  
Jeff Cuneo  
Diana Rodriguez*

#### *Members Absent:*

*Jay Hansen  
Christina Pritchett, Second Vice President  
Margarita Kovalchuk, Student Board Member*

*A quorum was reached.*

### **2.0 ANNOUNCEMENT AND PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION**

*There was one Public Comment requested on Closed Session item 3.5:*

- Bernadette Austin from Domus Development spoke about the binder of information provided to the Board of Education and a letter of support from Dr. Richard Pan, Assemblymember. Ms. Austin also has posters available.*

*Member Rodriguez asked President Kennedy if the speaker would be available during closed session if the Board has a question and he indicated it would be discussed in Closed Session. No other comments were requested and the Board retired to Closed Session.*

### **3.0 CLOSED SESSION**

*While the Brown Act creates broad public access rights to the meetings of the Board of Education, it also recognizes the legitimate need to conduct some of its meetings outside of the public eye. Closed session meetings are specifically defined and limited in scope. They primarily involve personnel issues, pending litigation, labor negotiations, and real property matters.*

#### *3.1 Government Code 54956.9 - Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation:*

- a. Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Government Code section 54956.9 (1 case)*
- b. Initiation of litigation pursuant to subdivision (c) of Government Code section 54956.9 (1 case)*

#### *3.2 Government Code 54957.6 (a) and (b) Negotiations/Collective Bargaining CSA, SCTA, SEIU, Teamsters, UPE, Unrepresented Management*

#### *3.3 Government Code 54957 – Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release*

#### *3.4 Education Code section 35146 – The Board will hear staff recommendations on the following student expulsions:*

- a. Expulsion #5-2013/14*
- b. Expulsion #6-2013/14*
- c. Expulsion #7-2013/14*
- d. Expulsion #8-2013/14*
- e. Expulsion #9-2013/14*

#### *3.5 Conference with Real Property Negotiators*

*Property: 1619 N Street, Sacramento*

*District negotiator: Cathy Allen, Assoc. Supt.*

*Negotiating parties: District and Residential Equity, LLC; District and Sac. Native American Health Center, Inc./Domus Development*

*Under negotiation: Price and terms*

#### *3.6 Government Code 54957 Public Employee Appointment*

- a. Principal, David Lubin Elementary School*
- b. Principal, Edward Kemble Elementary School*
- c. Principal, H.W. Harkness Elementary School*
- d. Principal, John Bidwell Elementary School*
- e. Principal, Phoebe Hearst Elementary School*

#### *3.7 Government Code 54954.5 Public Employment*

*Title: Superintendent*

### **4.0 CALL BACK TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

*The meeting was called back to order at 6:31 p.m. by President Kennedy.*

*Members Present:*

*Patrick Kennedy, Board President  
Darrell Woo, Vice President  
Gustavo Arroyo (Left at 7:05 p.m.)  
Jeff Cuneo  
Jay Hansen  
Diana Rodriguez  
Margarita Kovalchuk, Student Board Member*

*Members Absent:  
Christina Pritchett, Second Vice President*

*The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the winners of the Think Clean Contest:*

*1<sup>st</sup> Place: Berenice Vargas, 4<sup>th</sup> grade student from Oak Ridge Elementary  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Dylan Brousseau 5<sup>th</sup> grade student, Javien Camacho 4<sup>th</sup> grade student, and  
Billy Dodd 5<sup>th</sup> grade student from the Mark Twain START Program  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Velveth Escamilla 5<sup>th</sup> grade student from Cesar Chavez Elementary School*

*Certificates of Appreciation were presented to the group by Board President Kennedy, Member Arroyo and Member Rodriguez.*

## **5.0 ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

*President Kennedy announced that Expulsion #8-2013-14 was removed.*

*Interim Superintendent Noguchi announced the principal selections for the 2014-15 school year. She spoke about the group as a whole. The group collectively has over 100 years of experience in the District. The vote for each of the candidates were unanimous votes of 6-0, with Member Pritchett absent. Interim Superintendent Noguchi announced the selections:*

- Richard Dixon, Principal of David Lubin Elementary School*
- Dr. Mary Alvarez-Jett, Principal of Edward Kemble Elementary School*
- Isabel Govea, Principal at H.W. Harkness Elementary School*
- Shannon Henry, Principal of John Bidwell Elementary School*
- Nathan McGill, Principal of Phoebe Hearst Elementary School*

## **6.0 AGENDA ADOPTION**

*President Kennedy asked for a motion to adopt the agenda as amended. Vice President Woo made the motion to adopt the agenda and the motion was seconded by Member Cuneo. The Board voted unanimously to adopt the Agenda with Second Vice President absent.*

## **7.0 PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Members of the public may address the Board on non-agenda items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. Please fill out a yellow card available at the entrance. Speakers may be called in the order that requests are received, or grouped by subject area. We ask that comments are limited to two (2) minutes with no more than 15 minutes per single topic so that as many people as possible may be heard. By law, the Board is allowed to take action only on items on the agenda. The Board may, at its discretion, refer a matter to district staff or calendar the issue for future discussion.*

- Kendra Thao, Executive Director of the Hmong Women's Heritage Association, expressed her*

- *concerns about the layoff of the School, Family and Community Partnerships Trainer, Noue Leung.*
- *David Fisher, Second Vice President of Sacramento City Teachers Association (SCTA), spoke about the SCTA scholarships for high school seniors and informed the Board the process has begun.*
- *Laura Rios, a parent of a student in the District, spoke about the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) and asked for more parent engagement.*
- *Terrence Gladney spoke about the classified positions that are being laid-off from programs that are funded by the LCFF and spoke in support of Noue Leung.*
- *Manida Organong spoke on behalf of the Earl Warren Elementary School parents in support of Noue Leung.*
- *Angie Sutherland, a parent of Hubert Bancroft student, thanked the Board for the responses to the questions she had in February on the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP). She also spoke in support of the School, Family and Community Partnerships Trainer position.*
- *Grace Trujillo thanked the Board for the responses to her recent questions and Interim Superintendent Noguchi for the compromise on the Common Core.*
- *Arthur Aleman spoke in support of the School, Family and Community Partnerships Trainer position.*

## **8.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

*Generally routine items are approved by one motion without discussion. The Superintendent or a Board member may request an item be pulled from the consent agenda and voted upon separately.*

### **8.1 Items Subject or Not Subject to Closed Session:**

- 8.1a *Approve Grants, Entitlements and Other Income Agreements, Ratification of Other Agreements, Approval of Bid Awards, Approval of Declared Surplus Materials and Equipment, Change Notices and Notices of Completion (Ken A. Forrest)*
- 8.1b *Approve Business and Financial Report: Warrants and Checks Issued for the Period of March 2014 (Ken A. Forrest)*
- 8.1c *Approve Personnel Transactions (Ken A. Forrest)*
- 8.1d *Approve Sutter Middle School Field Trip to Ashland, Oregon  
April 29 – May 1, 2014 ( Lisa Allen and Mary Hardin Young)*
- 8.1e *Approve Board of Education Meeting Calendar for 2014-15 School Year  
(Dr. Sara Noguchi)*
- 8.1f *Approve Minutes for March 20, 2014 Regular Board of Education Meeting  
(Dr. Sara Noguchi)*
- 8.1g *Approve Minutes for April 3, 2014 Regular Board of Education Meeting  
(Dr. Sara Noguchi)*
- 8.1h *Approve Staff Recommendations for Expulsion #5-2013/14, Expulsion #6- 2013/14, Expulsion #7-2013/14, ~~Expulsion #8-2013/14~~, and Expulsion #9-2013/14 (Lisa Allen and Stephan Brown)*

*President Kennedy reported an error in Item 8.1a. On page two of three, the contract amount on Bid number 700-0262/700-0327 should be \$988,783 because it covers two school sites.*

*President Kennedy also reiterated that Expulsion #8-2013/14 in Item 8.1h had been removed.*

Public Comment

*None*

Board Member Comments

*None*

*President Kennedy asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Vice President Woo made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as amended and Member Cuneo seconded the motion. The Amended Consent Agenda was approved by a unanimous vote with Second Vice President Pritchett absent.*

**9.0 BOARD WORKSHOP/STRATEGIC PLAN AND OTHER INITIATIVES**

**9.1 Common Core State Standards Secondary Mathematics Course Sequence  
(Dr. Olivine Roberts and Dr. Iris Taylor)**

**Information**

*Chief Academic Officer Dr. Olivine Roberts introduced Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction Dr. Iris Taylor and explained that Dr. Taylor would be presenting the information on the Common Core State Standards Secondary Mathematics but that she would be available to answer any questions. Dr. Taylor presented information about the pathway options for high school math, secondary course sequence, integrated pathway rationale, and provided a comparison of traditional math vs. integrated math for secondary grades. Dr. Taylor shared steps taken for stakeholder engagement and the next steps, including expanding parent/community communications and engagement.*

Public Comment

*None*

Board Member Comments

*Student Board Member Kovalchuk had a question about instructional materials and college readiness. Dr. Taylor responded.*

*Member Hansen requested another measurement be added. He would like student input to be considered. President Kennedy asked if the District was on track for implementation compared to other Districts. Dr. Taylor replied that the District is in-line with other Districts in the region.*

**9.2 Guide to Success Overview: District and Site (Dr. Teresa Cummings)**

**Information**

*Chief Accountability Officer Dr. Teresa Cummings introduced Assistant Superintendent of Performance Management, Penny Schwinn, Will C. Wood Principal Tuan Duong, and District Public Engagement Volunteer and parent Nora Castro. Dr. Cummings presented information regarding a balanced accountability framework Guide to Success (GTS.) Information was provided about the planning process, targeted stakeholders, the Public Engagement Volunteer (PEV) cycle, and the design process. Penny Schwinn provided information about parent engagement and the Guide to Success tools. Ms. Castro provided input from a parent's perspective on the PEV cycle and Principal Duong gave input from the principal's perspective. Dr. Cummings talked about the next steps that include conducting a beta year trial of the District and Site GTS in 2014-15 and the plan to begin full implementation in 2015-16.*

Public Comment

None

Board Member Comments

Member Hansen had questions about the timeline for implementation. Dr. Cummings indicated that the District plans to begin having information available to principals in May and will bring the item back before the Board for approval before it is made available to the public.

Interim Superintendent reiterated that it would be brought back before the Board in May or June.

Member Cuneo thanked staff for their hard work and that it is a priority. He believes making all children college-ready is important.

Member Rodriguez commented about the incentive for parents to continue taking the surveys. Dr. Cummings responded that the stakeholders are encouraged to continue taking the surveys because their input is being implemented.

Vice President Woo thanked staff for their hard work and made the suggestion the language of education be made more parent-friendly.

President Kennedy also appreciated staff's work and agreed that we need to use more parent-friendly language in the parent-portal and to use focus groups from the existing survey-takers. He recommended there be another Board workshop on the GTS.

Interim Superintendent Noguchi commented that she appreciated the Board members' comments about the language being used and that the Three Pillars and Strategic Plan are due to be revised next year and re-writing them using parent-ese rather than educator-ese will be helpful to parents. She thanked staff for their work.

**10.0 BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION / REPORTS**

**Receive Information**

*10.1 Business and Financial Information (Amended):*

- Cash Flow Report for the Period Ending ~~January 31, 2014~~ February 28, 2014
- ~~Purchase Order Board Report for the Period of February 15, 2014 through March 14, 2014~~
- Report on Contracts within the Expenditure Limitations Specified in Public Contract Code (PPC) section 20111 for the Period of January 1, 2014 through February 28, 2014

**President Kennedy made a correction to the Cash Flow Report and to the Purchase Order Board Report as reflected above. The Business and Financial Information was received by the Board.**

*10.2 Head Start/Early Head Start Reports*

**The Head Start/Early Head Start Reports were received by the Board.**

*10.3 Board Ad Hoc Committee Meeting Information*

- Facilities Committee

**The Facilities Committee information was received by the Board.**

Public Comment

None.

Board Member Comments

None.

## **11.0 FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES / LOCATIONS**

***President Kennedy reported the May 7, 2014 Tentative Special Board Meeting will not need to be held.***

- ✓ *May 1, 2014 4:30 p.m. Closed Session; 6:30 p.m. Open Session; Serna Center, 5735 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Community Room; Regular Workshop Meeting*
- ✓ ~~*May 7, 2014 Tentative Special Board Meeting*~~
- ✓ *May 15, 2014 4:30 p.m. Closed Session; 6:30 p.m. Open Session; Serna Center, 5735 47<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Community Room; Regular Workshop Meeting*

## **12.0 ADJOURNMENT**

*President Kennedy requested a motion be made to adjourn the meeting. Student Board Member Kovalchuk made the motion and it was seconded by Member Rodriguez. The motion to adjourn the meeting was voted on and passed unanimously with Member Arroyo and Second Vice President Pritchett absent. The meeting was adjourned 9:24 p.m.*

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*Sara Noguchi  
Interim Superintendent and Board Secretary*

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