



SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item# 9.1c

Meeting Date: Sept 18, 2014

Subject: Approve August 21, 2014 Board of Education Meeting Minutes

- ☐ 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: Approve Minutes of the Board of Education Meeting for August 21, 2014.

Background/Rationale: None

Financial Considerations: None

Documents Attached:

1. August 21, 2014 Board of Education Meeting Minutes

Estimated Time of Presentation: N/A

Submitted by: José L. Banda, Superintendent

Approved by: N/A



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Sacramento City Unified School District BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING AND WORKSHOP

Board of Education Members

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

Thursday, August 21, 2014

4:30 p.m. Closed Session

6:30 p.m. Open Session

Serna Center

Community Conference Rooms
5735 47th Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95824

MINUTES

2014/15-04

1.0 OPEN SESSION / CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 4:38 p.m. by President Woo and roll was taken.

Members Present:

*President Darrel Woo
Vice President Christina Pritchett
Second Vice President Jay Hansen
Gustavo Arroyo
Jeff Cuneo
Diana Rodriguez
Student Member Asami Saito*

Members Absent:

None

A quorum was reached.

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

No public comment was requested on Closed Session items, 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:

(August 21, 2014 Meeting Minutes)

- a) *Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(2) of Government Code section 54956.9 (1 case)*
 - b) *Initiation of litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(4) 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 *Government Code 54957 – Public Employee Appointment*
 - a. *Principal, Susan B. Anthony Elementary School*

4.0 CALL BACK TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meetings was called back to order at 6:32 p.m. by Board President Woo.

Members Present:

President Darrel Woo

Vice President Christina Pritchett

Second Vice President Jay Hansen

Gustavo Arroyo

Jeff Cuneo

Diana Rodriguez

Student Member Asami Saito

Members Absent:

None

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Angelina Cortez and Sabrina Cortez, students and twin sisters from Bret Harte Elementary School, and Certificates of Appreciation were presented by Second Vice President Hansen.

5.0 ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Dr. Sara Noguchi announced the appointment of Lynne Ruvalcaba as Principal at Susan B. Anthony Elementary School.

6.0 AGENDA ADOPTION

President Woo asked for a motion to adopt the agenda. A motion was made to approve by Member Cuneo and seconded by Member Hansen. The Board voted unanimously to adopt the agenda.

7.0 PUBLIC COMMENT

15 minutes

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.

- *Max Mendoza showed pictures of Woodbine Elementary schools from years past and current. The more current pictures showed that maintenance needs to be done. He also has concerns regarding the ownership of the school and also regarding lights that have been disconnected. He also spoke on a soccer field that was installed at Maple school, yet the school was subsequently closed. Apparently a storm drain was omitted in the construction and so a lot of the sod had to be removed in the correction. He reported that a sign was put up that said "Field Closed". Board President Woo requested copies of the pictures so that the staff can look into these concerns.*
- *Ralph Merletti commented on Item 8.1d of the August 7, 2014 meeting. He noted that the map which was included had an error. He also had a comment regarding charter schools; he is wondering why all of the District schools are not run like charter schools.*
- *Edward Camargo invited the Board to a tree planting event this Saturday at 10:00 a.m. at Pacific Elementary.*

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 Personnel Transactions (Ken A. Forrest)*
- 8.1c *Approve Business and Financial Report: Warrants and Checks Issued for the Period of July 2014 (Ken A. Forrest)*
- 8.1d *Approve Single Plans for Student Achievement for K-12 Schools (School Development and Improvement Plans) (Lisa Allen)*
- 8.1e *Approve Resolution No. 2804: Resolution Regarding Board Stipends (José L. Banda)*
- 8.1f *Approve Minutes of the June 19, 2014 Board of Education Meeting (José L. Banda)*
- 8.1g *Approve Minutes of the July 17, 2014 Board of Education Meeting (José L. Banda)*

Public Comment

None

Board Member Comments

None

President Woo asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. A motion was made by Vice President Pritchett and seconded by Second Vice President Hansen. The Board voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda.

9.0 BOARD WORKSHOP/STRATEGIC PLAN AND OTHER INITIATIVES

9.1 Foster Youth Services: New Board Policy No. 5150 (Stacey Bell, Aliya Holmes, and Lisa Allen)

First Reading

Stacey Bell presented an overview of the Foster Youth Services Department and a new Foster Youth Services Board policy for review. She explained that the presentation will include foster youth data and the Local Control Funding Formula, as well as foster youth engagement. She gave a definition of foster youth and the different types of programs and funding. There are four main bodies of work, expanded learning, youth engagement, targeted prevention and intervention, and foster youth services. Ms. Bell then introduced Aliya Holmes, a Foster Youth Coordinator, who spoke specifically about foster youth. A video was also shown. AB 12 is a law that was passed a few years ago. It extends foster care for youth through the age of 21. Ms. Holmes then went on to explain more about Foster Youth Services and what they do as well as funding. Foster Youth Council was also discussed. Approximately 300 students are served at any given time. Ms. Holmes then went on to talk about Board policy regarding foster youth. There is not currently a District policy in place that addresses foster youth, and the California School Board Association has put forth recommendations for a Foster Youth Services policy. Several key legislative bills have been in place for a number of years to protect the rights of foster youth: AB 490 allows foster youth to remain in their school of origin for the duration of the school year and gives them immediate enrollment into school without having the necessary documents that Districts require. If a foster youth student was placed into a home outside of their school of residence, they would have the right to remain at that school for the remainder of the school year; AB 167 refers to providing foster youth an alternative option who have had school placement changes during their eleventh or twelfth grade year, to obtain a high school diploma based on state requirements as opposed to the District's. (There are specific eligibility requirements in order to qualify for this); AB 1933 extends AB 490 and allows foster youth to remain in their school of origin as well as matriculate to the feeder pattern school for the life of their dependency case; and AB 1909 requires the local education agency to provide notification to a foster youth's child welfare worker and minor counsel 10 days prior to an IEP manifestation, suspension, behavior, or expulsion hearing. Ms. Holmes then went over the key points of the new Foster Youth Board policy that align with current legislation. These things are already being done in the Foster Youth Services Department.

Public Comment

- Terrence Gladney was concerned that almost 100 percent of Foster Youth Services is funded by grants.

Board Member Comments

- *Member Arroyo thanked the presenters for all the work that they do and asked, as the students are not at all times under the guidance of Foster Youth Services staff, what training do staff members outside of Foster Youth Services receive? Ms. Bell replied that integration is key. Also Ms. Holmes provides trainings, and the department tries to be pro-active in its integration and training. Member Arroyo would like to see some concrete implementations and would like to hear more ideas.*
- *Member Rodriguez had two questions. The first was regarding Youth Council; she wanted to know if the District created that. Ms. Holmes answered that yes, it is created through the Foster Youth Department. Member Rodriguez recommended that it be put into the Board policy. The second question was regarding outstanding fees; is volunteer work to pay outstanding fees something that is offered to other students? Ms. Bell answered that yes, it is. Member Rodriguez does not want to give the impression that the opportunity is offered to foster youth but not other students, so she would like wording added that illuminates this.*
- *Member Cuneo thanked the presenters. He then asked if the budget numbers in 2013-14 were the same as presented tonight. This was correct. He then asked how much interaction takes place with the foster youth. Ms. Holmes replied that someone meets with the students on a pretty consistent basis, usually once a week and spending the whole day. Several specialists are assigned to the school sites. Ms. Bell stated that the requirement is to meet once every six months, however the department meets with most students weekly, monthly at a minimum. Member Cuneo stated that the state mandated foster youth must be made a priority; he agrees with that mandate. And if more funds are available, he would like to see more mentoring.*
- *Second Vice President Hansen thanked the presenters for their work. He would like to see some general fund budgeted for Foster Youth Services and their programs. He asked about problems with partial credit. Ms. Bell answered that the Department works very well to provide stability within district when students transfer and in accepting partial credits from other districts when students come in. We do not, however, have an actual protocol in issuing partial credit when students leave. This varies from registrar to registrar. Second Vice President Hansen then asked if that is done with other registrars in the county or is it a state organization of registrars? Ms. Bell answered that there are a lot of recommendations and guidelines, but ultimately it is district responsibility. The regulations say that a district will accept and give partial credits, but not how that is to be done. Second Vice President Hansen asked if the teachers know which students in their class are foster youth. Ms. Holmes replied that sometimes they do. It depends; some students do not want others to know that they are foster youth. Ms. Bell noted that foster youth are identified as such in Infinite Campus. Second Vice President Hansen asked how many foster youth participated in this year's LCAP. Ms. Holmes replied approximately 80. Second Vice President Hansen then stated he agrees with Member Rodriguez's comments. Also, the District does construction projects/labor agreements for the construction of our schools in which we give opportunity for six to twelve students every year to be part of the project. He mentioned this as there may be some foster youth students that might want to participate.*
- *Member Arroyo asked if the training for teachers and staff is available upon request. Ms. Bell replied that the department has a professional development calendar, and when professional development is offered it is opened up to teachers, staff, and administrators. They hold it usually after school. They do a lot of work with Integrated Support/Student Support and Health Services in offering trauma informed training. There are four or five trainings throughout the school year with a community partner that is trauma informed. Also, Ms. Holmes is always available to go out and do additional training at school sites; she does a lot of that in the community. Member Arroyo asked if that is a one-session training. Ms. Bell said they try to have different options, so trauma training that Student Support and Health Services is doing with Another Choice, Another Chance can go from four to eight hours to two days. They have done in-service days in the past, but that has been reduced lately due to time constraints resulting from Common Core.*

- *President Woo had a question regarding the percentage of foster youth that are in special education. He notices that the number of students has continued to diminish. He assumes that assessment has improved and so is glad to see the trend. He commended the presenters for the work they do. In light of Member Rodriguez's earlier comments, he also brought attention to page five of the proposed Board policy and showed that outstanding fees can be prefaced by what is provided by California Education Code. This way it does not look discriminatory in favor of foster youth. President Woo went on to commend the presenters for their hard work.*

9.2 Approve Resolution No. 2805: Providing a Health Center at Hiram Johnson High School and Authorizing Exemption from Local Zoning Ordinances (Jim Dobson and Barbara Kronick)

Conference

Cathy Allen and Barbara Kronick presented. Ms. Kronick introduced Ms. Allen. Ms. Allen explained that this resolution must be adopted by the Board in order to move forward with the health based center at Hiram Johnson High School. An MOU had been entered into with Wellspace several years ago to provide school based health services at Hiram Johnson High School. She asked the Board to recall a resolution was brought before the Board at one point asking the Board to let them present plans to the City of Sacramento versus Division of State Architect, which was approved. Therefore the last thing that needs to be taken care of with this matter is to exempt the project from the local zoning ordinances. Typically where schools are located are zoned residential, so we exempt the school sites from the residential zoning ordinances to accommodate the use at that site. So we must, at the request of the City of Sacramento and Wellspace, is to request that the area where the project is located be exempt from local zoning ordinances so that they can operate the health based center at Hiram Johnson High School.

Public Comment

- *Ralph Merletti feels that the resolution sounds good, but asks that the Board be careful of any business interests of any other possible partnerships. Have the health facility be a center of life rather than anything else.*

Board Member Comments

- *Second Vice President Hansen stated that he did a tour of this facility a few months ago, and he is glad to see that this is moving along. He feels that we should be expeditious with this, and he looks forward to the matter being on the agenda in a couple weeks.*
- *President Woo asked when the Item will be back. Ms Kronick answered that it will be back at the next Board meeting.*

10.0 BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION/REPORTS

Receive Information

10.1 Business and Financial Information:

- *Purchase Order Board Report for the Period of June 15, 2014 through July 14, 2014*

Public Comment

- *Maria Rodriguez had a question on a purchase order. She referred to an item on page 15 of 30 which has a cost of \$66,000 to Tembo Incorporated for web-based school choice calculator. She would like to know who are the intended beneficiaries, how is the progress of the program coming along, and what percentage of the total cost is \$66,000? She is not sure if this is part of the data dashboard project, and she is interested in knowing if this is current expense is part of that project. She is also interested in knowing if the data dashboard project has been dropped or if it is still continuing. She would like qualitative rather than quantitative information that people can use to judge their schools. She also*

mentioned that she would like school choice to be part of parent engagement. She also stated that she is very satisfied with the District. Dr. Noguchi responded that we will get more information to Ms. Rodriguez, and that she does know Tembo is the company by which we are working to complete the GTS (Guide to Success). This is the data dashboards that Ms. Rodriguez was just speaking about. This expense is part of that project. There has been a short lag in some of the work as we are transitioning to the new Superintendent, but it is still very much part of the agenda.

Board Member Comments

None

11.0 FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES / LOCATIONS

- ✓ *September 4th, 2014 4:30 p.m. Closed Session; 6:30 p.m. Open Session; Serna Center, 5735 47th Avenue, Community Room; Regular Workshop Meeting*
- ✓ *September 18th, 2014 4:30 p.m. Closed Session; 6:30 p.m. Open Session; Serna Center, 5735 47th Avenue, Community Room; Regular Workshop Meeting*

12.0 ADJOURNMENT

President Woo asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting; a motion was made by Student Member Saito and seconded by Vice President Pritchett. The motion was passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

José L. Banda, Superintendent and Board Secretary

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