Sacramento City Unified School District
BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES 2010-19

Thursday, August 19, 2010
4:30 p.m. Closed Session
6:30 p.m. Open Session

Serna Center
Community Conference Rooms
5735 47th Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95824

1.0 OPEN SESSION / CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 4:37 p.m. by President Bell.
Members Present: Bell, Grimes, Kennedy and Terry. Absent were Members Arroyo, Houseman, Rodriguez and Student Member Fong.

2.0 ANNOUNCEMENT AND PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN 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 54957.9 (a) – Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (1 case)

   a) SCUSD v. Girard & Vinson, et al., Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 04AS02414

3.3 Government Code 54957.6 (a) and (b) Negotiations/Collective Bargaining

   CSA, SCTA, SEIU, Teamsters, UPE, Unrepresented Management – Robert Garcia

3.4 Government Code 54957 – Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release

3.5 Government Code 54957 – Public Employee Appointment/Employment:
   a) Chief Accountability Officer
   b) Chief Family and Community Engagement Officer
   c) Principal, Parkway Elementary School
   d) Principal, C.B. Wire Elementary School
   e) Principal, Sutter Middle School
   f) Assistant Principal, Rosemont High School
   g) Assistant Principal, John F. Kennedy High School

4.0 CALL BACK TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called back to order at 6:31 p.m. by President Bell.
Members Present: Arroyo, Bell, Grimes, Kennedy, Rodriguez, Terry and Student Member Fong. Absent was Member Houseman.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chang Thao, an eleventh grader at Hiram Johnson High School.

5.0 ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Superintendent Raymond announced the following appointments:
With a vote of 4 yes, 1 no with Member Rodriguez voting no, Member Arroyo abstaining and Member Houseman absent, approved the appointment of Mary Shelton as Chief Accountability Officer.

With a vote of 5 yes, 1 no with Member Rodriguez voting no and Member Houseman absent, the appointment of Bao Moua as Principal of C.B. Wire Elementary School.

With a vote of 5 yes, 1 no with Member Rodriguez voting no and Member Houseman absent, the appointment of Erik Swanson as Principal of Sutter Middle School.

With a vote of 5 yes, 1 no with Member Rodriguez voting no and Member Houseman absent, the appointment of Nathan Miguel, Assistant Principal of Rosemont High School.

With a vote of 5 yes, 1 no with Member Rodriguez voting no and Member Houseman absent, the appointment of Al Rogers, Assistant Principal of John F. Kennedy High School.

Superintendent Raymond reported that the appointment of the Chief Family and Community Engagement Officer will be announced at the next Board meeting and that there is no appointment of the Principal at Parkway Elementary School at this time.

6.0 AGENDA TIME FRAME

There were no changes to the agenda time frame.

7.0 BUSINESS MEETING AND REPORTS

7.1 Coherent Governance Operational Expectations (OE) Conference/Action
Policy 1 (Jonathan Raymond)

Superintendent Raymond presented Operational Expectations 1.

Member Terry made a motion to move from conference to action, seconded by Second Vice President Grimes. Motion carried unanimously with Member Houseman absent.

Second Vice President Grimes made a motion to approve, seconded by First Vice President Kennedy. The motion carried with 5 votes yes, Member Rodriguez abstaining and Member Houseman absent.

7.2 Superintendent’s Report Information

Superintendent Raymond gave an update on the Superintendent’s Priority Schools.

7.3 President’s Report (Ellyne Bell) Information

President Bell reported on the new Board agenda format.

8.0 CONSENT AGENDA 2 minutes

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: Action

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 (Patricia A. Hagemeyer)


8.1c Approve Personnel Transactions (Robert Garcia)

8.1d Approve Board of Education Meeting Minutes for August 5, 2010 (Jonathan P. Raymond)

8.1e Approve High School Course of Study: Humanities: World Civilization 1-2 P (Beatriz Chávez)

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8.1f  Approve Intervention Instructional Materials for Fern Bacon Middle School/Superintendent's Priority School (Mary Shelton)

8.1g  Approve High School Course of Study: United States Government AP (Beatriz Chacon)

Member Arroyo asked that items 8.1f and 8.1g be pulled.

A motion made by First Vice President Kennedy, seconded by Member Terry to approve the consent agenda with the exception of items 8.1f and 8.1g. The motion carried unanimously with Second Vice President Grimes and Member Houseman absent.

Member Arroyo asked questions and commented on item 8.1f. Superintendent Raymond responded to Member Arroyo’s comments and questions. Chief Accountability Officer also responded to Member Arroyo’s comments and questions.

Member Rodriguez commented on item 8.1f.
Member Terry commented on item 8.1f.
Member Rodriguez asked a further question on item 8.1f.
First Vice President Kennedy commented on item 8.1f.

Carl Pinkston commented on item 8.1f.

Member Rodriguez further commented on item 8.1f.
Member Arroyo asked about the curriculum adoption process.
Member Terry further commented on item 8.1f.

A motion was made by Member Terry, seconded by First Vice President Kennedy to approve item 8.1f. The motion carried unanimously with Second Vice President Grimes and Member Houseman absent.

Member Arroyo asked questions regarding item 8.1f and the selection process.
Member Rodriguez commented on Member Arroyo’s questions.

Superintendent Raymond responded to Member Arroyo and Member Rodriguez’ comments.

A motion was made by Member Terry, seconded by First Vice President Kennedy to approve item 8.1f. The motion carried unanimously with Second Vice President Grimes and Member Houseman absent.

8.2  Business and Financial Report:

Receive Information

- Report on Contracts within the Expenditure Limitations Specified in PCC 2011-1 for the Period April 1, 2010 through June 30, 2010
- Investment Report as of June 30, 2010

The information was received.

9.0  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.

No public comment was received.

10.0  BOARD WORKSHOP

60 minute presentation/discussion

10.1  Proposed Agenda Format

Conference/Action

President Bell presented the proposed new agenda format for upcoming Board meetings.

Member Terry gave an overview of the new agenda format and what items may or may not be on the two types of agendas. It was noted that there would be a different format for the business meeting and the workshop meeting format. It was clarified that the first meeting of the month would be considered the business format meeting and the second meeting of the month would be a workshop format meeting.

It was noted that the workshop meeting will be more of a discussion format where an issue can be discussed in depth.

Member Terry asked that for each agenda item that a notation be made as to which Coherent Governance Policy each item is aligned. This was followed by general discussion of this

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issue.

There was general discussion as to where to place Public Comment under the new agenda format. It was decided that there would be a table at the back of the room manned by staff to inform the public about the rules for public comment. After much discussion it was decided that Public Comment would come after the Communications section and before any Board action items.

Member Terry briefly explained the format for the workshop format meetings.

First Vice President Kennedy made a motion to move the item from conference to action, seconded by Member Terry. The motion carried unanimously with Second Vice President Grimes and Member Houseman absent.

Member Rodriguez asked clarifying questions regarding the reading out of responses to prior public comments.

Member Terry responded to Member Rodriguez’ questions.

The process for responding to questions from prior meetings was discussed and it was agreed that detailed responses would be posted on the website and verbal responses would be summarized during the Board meeting. It was also agreed that responses would be available at the back of the Board room.

John Fox commented on the new agenda format.
Lourdes Jimenez-Price commented on the new agenda format.

A motion was made by Member Terry, seconded by First Vice President Kennedy to approve the proposed agenda format. The motion carried unanimously with Member Houseman and Second Vice President Grimes absent.

10.2 Monitoring Report Schedule Information

This item was postponed until the next meeting.

10.3 Board Evaluation Process Conference/Action

President Bell reported on the Board evaluation process. She stated that the Board debriefing/evaluation process would ask two questions.

1. Did we work together effectively as a Board at this meeting?
2. Did we achieve our stated goals and make student centered decisions at the Board meeting?

President Bell stated that they would be put out at every Board meeting. The options for answering the questions were a verbal 10-minute section at the end of the meeting and discuss the answers, having a half-sheet of paper where everyone writes something and turn it in to the Board secretary to compile or having a sheet at the back of the room a sheet of post-it paper where everyone could write comments.

Member Terry asked questions regarding the various options.
Member Rodriguez commented on the various options.

A motion was made by First Vice President Kennedy, seconded by Member Terry to move from conference to action. The motion carried unanimously with Second Vice President Grimes and Member Houseman absent.

John Fox commented on the Board evaluation process.

A motion was made by Member Terry, seconded by First Vice President Kennedy to approve the two questions that will be asked at the end of each meeting and will be done verbally for 10 minutes. The motion carried with 4 votes yes, Member Arroyo abstaining and Member Houseman and Second Vice President Grimes absent.

10.4 Information Sharing by Board Members Information

Member Rodriguez reported on the Recognition Certificate Ceremony conducted by the Sacramento Latino Complete Count Committee.

11.0 FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES / LOCATIONS
✓ September 2\textsuperscript{nd}, 2010, 4:30 p.m. Closed Session; 6:30 p.m. Open Session; Serna Center, 5735 47\textsuperscript{th} Avenue, Community Room; Board Meeting
✓ September 16\textsuperscript{th}, 2010, 4:30 p.m. Closed Session; 6:30 p.m. Open Session; Serna Center, 5735 47\textsuperscript{th} Avenue, Community Room; Board Meeting

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A motion was made by Member Terry, seconded by First Vice President Kennedy to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 p.m. The motion carried unanimously with Second Vice President Grimes and Member Houseman absent.

Jonathan P. Raymond  
Superintendent and Board Secretary

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