Sacramento City Unified School District
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, December 10, 2009
5:00 p.m. Closed Session
6:30 p.m. Open Session

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

MINUTES
(Amended)
2009-38

Allotted Time

1.0 OPEN SESSION / CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

President Grimes called the meeting to order at 5:22 p.m.
Members present: Arroyo, Bell, Grimes, Houseman, Kennedy, Rodriguez, and Terry.
Member absent: Student Member Fukul.

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 acquisitions.

3.1 Government Code 54957 – Public Employee Performance Evaluation

Title: Superintendent

3.2 Government Code 54956.9 (a) – Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (1 case)

a) SCUSD v. Public Employees Retirement System, et al., Case No. MSC06-00440

3.3 Government Code 54956.9 – Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Government Code section 54956.9 (1 case)

Initiation of litigation pursuant to subdivision (c) of Government Code section 54956.9 (1 case)

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

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

CSA, SCTA, SEIU, Teamsters, UPE, Unrepresented Management – Carol Mignone Stephen

4.0 CALL BACK TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Grimes called the meeting back to order at 6:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jason Harper of Equal Start, Community Partner with Oak Ridge Elementary School.
5.0 ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

None.

6.0 AGENDA TIME FRAME

None.

7.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATION

7.1 CSU Sacramento Student Chapter of Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers (SHPE) (Gustavo Arroyo)

Member Arroyo presented a certificate of appreciation to the CSU of Sacramento Student Chapter of Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers (SHPE) recognizing the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers’ sponsorship of Science Night (Noche de Ciencias) benefiting SCUSD K-12 students and parents on October 9, 2009. The event was held on the campus of CSU of Sacramento with the intention to expose students from elementary, junior high, and high school, from our district and other areas, about the interesting aspects of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM). About eighty parents and students attended.

7.2 California Voices – Center for Multicultural Cooperation (James Brown and Zeniae Scott)

Director of Youth Development, James Brown, said the Center for Multicultural Cooperation (CMC) California Voices is an after school digital story telling program which captures the stories of our community elders who have made a significant contribution to culture, community, and country. California Voices was implemented as a pilot program in the district during the 2007-08 school year. It is currently in 15 of our middle and high school after school programs.

Public Comment
Heidi McLean

8.0 SHARING / LEARNING / COMMUNICATION

8.1 Employee Organization Reports: CSA, SCTA, SEIU, Teamsters, UPE

Information
No reports given.

8.2 District Parent Advisory Committees:

Information
- Community Advisory Committee
- District Advisory Committee
- District English Learner Advisory Committee
- Gifted and Talented Education Advisory Committee
- Indian Education Parent Committee
- 3rd District Parent Teacher Association

Debra Pevee reported for Sacramento Council of PTA’s on the PTA clothes closet.

Information
No other reports were given.

8.3 Board Committee Reports

Information
Board Safety and Violence Committee – Member Arroyo gave a report on the work of the Board Safety and Violence Committee.

Board Comments.

Board Budget Committee – Member Terry gave a report on the work of the Board Budget Committee.

8.4 Superintendent and Staff Report (Jonathan P. Raymond)

Information
Superintendent Raymond reported on the district’s efforts around literacy and the creation of a literacy task force. A video clip of the press conference about the Books To Go Program was shown.

Board Comments.

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President Grimes reported on the recent California School Boards Association (CSBA) annual meeting in San Diego, California.

9.0 STRATEGIC PLAN AND OTHER INITIATIVES

9.1 Independent Audit Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2009, Submitted by Perry-Smith LLP (Patricia A. Hagemeyer)

Chief Business Officer, Patricia A. Hagemeyer, presented the Independent Audit Report for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2009.

Board Comments.

9.2 The State of Black Students’ Education Report 2009 (Roy Grimes and The Black Parallel School Board)

Laila Moore-Akil, Chair of the Executive Council of The Black Parallel School Board, and Darryl White, presented the State of Black Students’ Education Report.

Public Comment
Henry Harry

Board Comments.

9.3 Approve Proposed Revisions to Board Bylaw 9270, Conflict of Interest (Carol Mignone Stephen)

Susan Pointer, Legal Analyst, explained to the board the proposed revisions to Board Bylaw 9270.

2nd Vice President Kennedy moved with a second by Member Terry to approve Proposed Revisions to Board Bylaw 9270, Conflict of Interest.

Action: Motion passed with a 6 to 1 vote with Member Arroyo absent.

9.4 Reallocation of Measure I Bond Funds (Mellissa Truitt)

Associate Superintendent Mellissa Truitt presented an overview of the reallocation of Measure I Bond Funds to the board.

Board Comments.

Public Comment
Heidi McLean

9.5 Resolution No. 2596: Withdrawal from Schools Excess Liability Fund (SELF) (Patricia A. Hagemeyer)

Chief Financial Officer, Patricia A. Hagemeyer, presented Resolution No. 2596 to withdraw from the Schools Excess Liability Fund (SELF) for approval. She stated that we will be bringing this item back for action on the consent calendar at the December 17, 2009 Board meeting.

Board Comments.

9.6 Resolution No. 2597: Reallocating to the State of California District’s Federal Allocation of Authority to Issue Qualified School Construction Bonds (QSCB) (Patricia A. Hagemeyer)

Chief Business Officer, Patricia A. Hagemeyer, presented a resolution requesting reallocation of the Qualified School Construction Bonds.

Board Comments.

9.7 Budget Timeline and Process for 2010-11 (Patricia A. Hagemeyer)

Superintendent Raymond and Patricia Hagemeyer presented the budget timeline and process for the 2010-11 fiscal year.

Member Rodriguez moved with a second by Member Houseman to move this item from conference to action.

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Action: Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Member Arroyo moved with a second by Member Rodriguez to approve the Budget Timeline and Process for 2010-11.

Action: Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

10.0 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.

11.0 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.

11.1 Items Not Subject to Closed Session

11.1a 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)

11.1b Approve the Budget Revision on the 2009-2010 Fiscal Year, for the Period Ending September 30, 2009 (Patricia A. Hagemeyer)


11.1d Approve Revised/Updated/New Position Descriptions (Carol Mignone Stephen)

11.1e Approve the Board of Education Meeting Minutes for September 17, 2009 (Jonathan P. Raymond)

Member Houseman moved with a second by 1st Vice President Bell to approve the Consent Agenda Items 11.1a, b, c, d, and e.

Action: Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

11.2 Items Subject to Closed Session

11.2a District Personnel Transactions (Carol Mignone Stephen)

No vote taken.

12.0 BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION / REPORTS

No reports.

13.0 ITEMS BY BOARD MEMBERS

13.1 Proposed Agenda Items by Board Members

None.

13.2 Information Sharing (if any) by Board Members

Member Terry said there is a Reading First Program the he volunteered for at his Area 3 school, Abraham Lincoln Elementary School and a school the Elk Grove School District which his wife works for. Member Terry encouraged every one to sign up.

Member Rodriguez requested the website be sent to Gail Ferguson, Interim Board Specialist, to be emailed to all Board members.

14.0 REPORTING OUT OF BOARD MEMBERS' REQUESTS

No Reports.

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15.0 FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES / LOCATIONS

✓ Thursday, December 17, 2009, 5:30 p.m. Closed Session; 6:30 p.m. Open Session; Serna Center, 5735 47th Avenue, Community Room; Regular Board Meeting (Board annual organizational meeting)

✓ January 21, 2010, 5:30 p.m. Closed Session; 6:30 p.m. Open Session; Serna Center, 5735 47th Avenue, Community Room; Regular Board Meeting

✓ February 4, 2010, 5:30 p.m. Closed Session; 6:30 p.m. Open Session; Serna Center, 5735 47th Avenue, Community Room; Regular Board Meeting

16.0 ADJOURNMENT

This meeting is being adjourned in memory of Kathy Vona, Coordinator of State Pre-School – HeadStart, who passed away on Sunday, November 22, 2009. Kathy’s first job in our district was in 1987. Over the years Kathy worked in numerous positions that served preschool and school-aged children. She will be missed by the State Pre-School – HeadStart Program. Our condolences go out to her family and friends.

Also, in memory of Sandra Joyce Milton, Cafeteria Manager at Freeport Elementary School, who passed away on Sunday, November 22, 2009. She will be missed by her family, school staff and friends.

Member Terry moved with a second by Member Arroyo to adjourn the meeting in memory of Kathy Vona and Sandra Joyce Milton.

Action: Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

The meeting adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

[Signature]

Jonathan P. Raymond
Superintendent and Board Secretary

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