Sacramento City Unified School District

BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING

Board of Education Members
Diana Rodriguez, President (Trustee Area 3)
Darrel Woo, Vice President (Trustee Area 6)
Jeff Cuneo, Second Vice President (Trustee Area 2)
Ellyne Bell, MA, LMSW (Trustee Area 1)
Donald Terry (Trustee Area 3)
Gustavo Arroyo (Trustee Area 4)
Patrick Kennedy (Trustee Area 7)
Isaac Gardon, Student Member

Thursday, March 1, 2012
4:30 p.m. Closed Session
6:30 p.m. Open Session

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

MINUTES
2012-06

1.0 OPEN SESSION / CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 4:40 p.m. by President Rodriguez.
Members Present: Arroyo, Cuneo, Kennedy, Rodriguez, Terry and Woo.
Members Absent: Bell and Student Member Gardon.

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

None.

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 – Jess Serna

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

3.4 Government Code 54957 – Public Employee Performance Evaluation:
Title: Superintendent

4.0 CALL BACK TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called back to order at 7:15 p.m. by President Rodriguez.
Members Present: Arroyo, Bell, Cuneo, Kennedy, Rodriguez, Terry, Woo and Student Member Gardon.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Monica Perez a 10th Grade student at Hiram Johnson High School
  • Presentation of Certificate
5.0 ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

None.

6.0 AGENDA ADOPTION

First Vice President Woo made a motion to remove item 10.1k from the consent agenda, seconded by Second Vice President Cuneo. The motion carried unanimously.

First Vice President Woo made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Member Terry. The motion carried unanimously.

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.

Jeri Boe commented on the proposed closure of Fremont School for Adults.
Chris Bolshazy commented on the layoffs and budget cuts.
Rodrigo Lopez commented on the proposed closure of Fremont School for Adults.
Linda Tuttle commented on recent articles in the Sacramento Bee.
Curry Mayer commented on the Our Children Our Future Initiative.

8.0 COMMUNICATIONS

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

Scott Smith spoke on behalf of SCTA.
Chris Bolshazy spoke on behalf of SEIU.

8.2 District Parent Advisory Committees:

- Community Advisory Committee
- District Advisory Council
- School Site Councils
- District English Learner Advisory Committee
- Gifted and Talented Education Advisory Committee
- Indian Education Parent Committee
- Sacramento Council of Parent Teacher Association (PTA)

Lourdes Jimenez-Price reported on behalf of the District Advisory Council.
Terrence Gladney reported on behalf of the Sacramento Council of Parent Teacher Association (PTA).

8.3 Superintendent’s Report (Jonathan P. Raymond)

The Superintendent reported on “The Sacramento Way” and the transition process at Freeport Elementary School.

8.4 President’s Report (Diana Rodriguez)

President Rodriguez responded to recent comments in the Sacramento Bee.
President Rodriguez recognized the Rancho Cordova Mayor and City Council Members.
President Rodriguez reported on the transition conferences held at Freeport Elementary School.

8.5 Student Member Report (Isaac Gardon)

Student Member Gardon commented on the activities of the Student Advisory Council and the difficult budget decisions that the Board faces.

8.6 Information Sharing By Board Members

First Vice President Woo reported on the recent CSBA meeting he and President Rodriguez attended.
Member Bell reported on the Adult Education Committee meeting she attended.
Member Terry invited everybody to the Essence of Rosemont event on April 13th.
9.0 STRATEGIC PLAN AND OTHER INITIATIVES

9.1 Resolution No. 2687 Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of the 2011-12 Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes (TRAN)  

Action

Patricia Hagemeyer presented Resolution No. 2687 to the Board for approval.

Mac Worthy commented on the item.

Member Terry asked clarifying questions regarding the presentation.

Member Kennedy made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2687, seconded by Member Terry. The motion carried with 6 yes votes, 0 no votes and 1 abstention with President Rodriguez abstaining.

9.2 Transition Plan Update for Freeport Elementary School  

Information

Lisa Allen, Amy Whitten and Amaya Weiss presented information regarding the transition plan for Freeport Elementary School.

Christie Wells-Artman commented on the presentation.
Alex Visaya commented on the presentation.

Member Arroyo asked clarifying questions and commented on the presentation.
President Rodriguez commented on the presentation.

9.3 Resolution No. 2690: Closure of A.M. Winn Elementary School  

Conference/Action

Superintendent Raymond and Mary Shelton presented Resolution No. 2690 to the Board for its consideration.

Patricia Rohlfes commented on the presentation.
Natalia Poberezinskik commented on the presentation.
Robert Whitehead commented on the presentation.
John Moore commented on the presentation.
Matt Phillips commented on the presentation.
Mac Worthy commented on the presentation.
Linda Budge commented on the presentation.
Robert McGarvey commented on the presentation.
Dan Skoglund commented on the presentation.
Ken Cooley commented on the presentation.
David Sander commented on the presentation.

Member Kennedy asked clarifying questions and commented on the presentation.
Member Terry asked clarifying questions and commented on the presentation.
Second Vice President Cuneo asked clarifying questions and commented on the presentation.
Member Arroyo asked clarifying questions and commented on the presentation.

Mary Shelton presented information regarding the costs for both a Waldorf program and a Russian-Immersion program to the Board.

Superintendent Raymond responded to Member Arroyo’s questions.

Member Arroyo asked clarifying questions and commented on the presentation.
Member Kennedy asked clarifying questions and commented on the presentation.
Member Terry commented on the presentation.

First Vice President Woo asked clarifying questions and commented on the presentation.

First Vice President Woo made a motion to move the item from conference to action, seconded by Member Terry. The motion carried unanimously.

First Vice President Woo made a motion to follow the staff’s recommendation to not approve Resolution No. 2690 which would result in not closing A.M. Winn Elementary School and to approve the creation of a Design Team for A.M. Winn Elementary School.

President Rodriguez restated the motion.

Member Terry seconded the motion.

Second Vice President Cuneo commented on the motion.
Member Terry commented on the motion.
Member Kennedy commented on the motion.
Member Arroyo commented on the motion. President Rodriguez asked clarifying questions and commented on the presentation.

Patricia Hagemeyer responded to President Rodriguez’ questions. Superintendent Raymond responded to President Rodriguez’ questions.

The motion to not approve Resolution 2690 and create a Design Team for A.M. Wimm carried with 6 yes votes, 0 no votes and 1 abstention with President Rodriguez abstaining.

9.4 Design Team Updates

Lisa Allen, Mary Hardin Young and Sara Noguchi provided information and updates on the Design Teams at School of Engineering and Sciences, John Still Elementary/Middle School and Freeport Elementary School, Caleb Greenwood K-8 School, and Kit Carson Middle School.

First Vice President Woo asked clarifying questions and commented on the presentation. Member Terry asked clarifying questions and commented on the presentation. Second Vice President Cuneo asked clarifying questions and commented on the presentation. President Rodriguez asked clarifying questions and commented on the presentation.

9.5 Charter School Renewal Petition – George Washington Carver School of Arts and Science, a Waldorf-Inspired High School

Chiem-Seng Yaungh presented the Charter School Renewal Petition for George Washington Carver School of Arts and Science to the Board for approval.

Member Bell asked clarifying questions and commented on the presentation.

First Vice President Woo made a motion to extend the meeting until 10:55 p.m., seconded by Second Vice President Cuneo. The motion carried unanimously.

Second Vice President Cuneo asked clarifying questions and commented on the presentation. Member Terry asked clarifying questions and commented on the presentation. Member Kennedy asked clarifying questions and commented on the presentation. Member Terry responded to Member Kennedy’s questions. Student Member Gardon commented on the presentation.

Second Vice President Cuneo made a motion to approve the Renewal Petition for George Washington Carver School of Arts and Science, seconded by Member Arroyo. The motion carried unanimously.


Chiem-Seng Yaungh presented the Charter School Renewal Petition for Sacramento New Technology High School to the Board for approval.

Second Vice President Cuneo asked clarifying questions and commented on the presentation. Member Terry asked clarifying questions and commented on the presentation. Legal Counsel responded to Member Terry’s questions. Second Vice President Cuneo responded to Member Terry’s questions. President Rodriguez asked clarifying questions regarding the presentation. Superintendent Raymond responded to Board Members’ questions.

President Rodriguez asked the Board Members if they would entertain a motion to table this item and bring it back at a later meeting.

Member Terry asked the Board to move this item forward.

Legal Counsel responded to Member Terry’s questions.

Member Arroyo asked clarifying questions and commented on the presentation.

Member Terry withdrew his motion.

Member Kennedy commented on the presentation.

Second Vice President Cuneo made a motion to table the item and bring it back in two weeks, seconded by Member Arroyo.

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Second Vice President Cuneo made an amendment to bring it back in a month as he will not be present at the next Board meeting. Member Arroyo agreed to the amendment. The motion carried unanimously.

10.0 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.

10.1 Items Subject or Not Subject to Closed Session: Action

10.1a 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)

10.1b Approve Personnel Transactions (Jess Serna)

10.1c Approve 2012 California School Boards Association (CSBA) Delegate Assembly Election for Subregion 6-B (Sacramento County) (Jonathan P. Raymond)

10.1d Approve Resolution No. 2691 Adopting Specifications of the Election Order and for Consolidation with Statewide General Election (Jonathan P. Raymond)

10.1e Approve Sutter Middle School Field Trip to Ashland, Oregon, March 21-23, 2012 to attend the Shakespeare Festival (Mary Shelton)

10.1f Approve John F. Kennedy High School Field Trip to Washington, D.C. May 13-18, 2012 (Mary Shelton)

10.1g Approve Sutter Middle School Field Trip to Ashland, Oregon, March 7-9, 2012 to attend the Shakespeare Festival (Mary Shelton)

10.1h Approve C.K. McClatchy High School Field Trip to Ashland, Oregon April 24-26, 2012 to attend Shakespeare Festival (Mary Shelton)

10.1i Approve Sutter Middle School Field Trip to Ashland, Oregon, March 19-21, 2012 to attend Shakespeare Festival (Mary Shelton)

10.1j Approve Sutter Middle School Field Trip to Ashland, Oregon, March 19-21, 2012 to attend Shakespeare Festival (Mary Shelton)

10.1k Approve Board of Education Contract for Legal Services (Diana Rodriguez)

10.1l Approve Sacramento New Technology High School Field Trip to Puerto Rico, May 30 – June 6, 2012 (Mary Shelton)

Item 10.1k was removed from the agenda.

First Vice President Woo asked that item 10.1c be pulled from the consent agenda to clarify that the approval would be to place the district’s vote for Second Vice President Cuneo and to not exercise the other two votes. Member Kennedy seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

First Vice President Woo moved the rest of the consent agenda, seconded by Member Terry. The motion carried unanimously.

11.0 BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION / REPORTS

Receive Information

11.1 Business and Financial Report:
- Purchase Order Board Report for the Period of January 15, 2012 through February 14, 2012
- Enrollment and Attendance Report for Month 5 Ending January 27, 2012

The information was received.

12.0 BOARD DEBRIEFING OF MEETING

None.
13.0 FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES / LOCATIONS
✓ March 15, 2012 4:30 p.m. Closed Session; 6:30 p.m. Open Session; Serna Center, 5735 47th Avenue, Community Room; Regular Workshop Meeting
✓ April 12, 2012 4:30 p.m. Closed Session; 6:30 p.m. Open Session; Serna Center, 5735 47th Avenue, Community Room; Regular Meeting

14.0 ADJOURNMENT

Student Member Gardon made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Member Terry. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 p.m.

Jonathan P. Raymond
Superintendent and Board Secretary

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