Sacramento City Unified School District

BOARD OF EDUCATION

REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, October 7, 2010
4:30 p.m. Closed Session
6:30 p.m. Open Session

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

MINUTES
2010-22

1.0 OPEN SESSION / CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 4:35 p.m. by President Bell.

Present were: Members Arroyo, Bell, Grimes, Houseman, Kennedy and Terry. Absent were Members 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 54956.9 – Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation:
   a) SCUSD v. Girard & Vinson, et al., Sacramento County Superior Court; Court Case No. 04AS02414 (1 case)

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) Assistant Principal, Sam Brannan Middle School

3.6 Education Code 35146 – The Board will hear staff recommendation on the following student expulsion:

   Expulsion #1 2010/2011

3.7 Government Code 54957 – Public Employee Performance Evaluation:
   a) Superintendent
4.0 CALL BACK TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 6:36 p.m.

Members Present: Arroyo, Bell, Grimes, Houseman and Student Member Fong. Absent were Members Kennedy, Rodriguez and Terry.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Amelyka Hendrix, a ninth grader at John F. Kennedy High School.

- Presentation of Certificate

5.0 ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Superintendent Raymond announced the appointment of Darrin Greer as Assistant Principal of Sam Brannan Middle School by a unanimous vote.

6.0 AGENDA ADOPTION

Item 9.1 and 9.2 were switched. A motion was made by Second Vice President Grimes, seconded by Member Houseman to adopt the agenda. 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.

Rob Lopez commented on the gifting of the fitness center to Hiram Johnson High School.
Martina Cruz Rivas commented on safety concerns and parent participation at Hiram Johnson High School.
Darlene Anderson commented on African American parents’ rights.
Teresa Jones commented on resource materials and other concerns at Hiram Johnson High School.
Leo Heredia commented on safety concerns at Hiram Johnson High School.
Soledad Cuevas commented on textbook and scheduling issues at Hiram Johnson High School.
Alex Visaya commented on the marketing plan for George Washington Carver.
Felicia Borges commented on the gifting of the fitness center to Hiram Johnson High School.
Carlos Rico gave his time to Martina Cruz Rivas who commented on English language learner issues.

8.0 COMMUNICATIONS

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

Nikki Milewsky reported on behalf of SCTA.
Quincey Ballard reported on behalf of SEIU.
No other reports were given.

8.2 District Parent Advisory Committees:

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

Karen Cochrane reported on the activities of the District Advisory Council.
No other reports were given.

8.3 Student Member Report (Arthur Fong)

Student Member Fong reported on the activities of the Student Advisory Council.

8.4 Superintendent’s Report (Jonathan P. Raymond)

Superintendent Raymond commented on the concept of shared leadership.

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President’s Report (Ellyne Bell)

President Bell reported on arts education programs in the district.

Information

8.6 Information Sharing By Board Members

Member Rodriguez reported on her attendance at the NALEO Education Summit.
Member Houseman commented on regularly visiting schools.
Member Arroyo commented on the community meeting to be held at Hiram Johnson on October 14th.
Member Terry invited everyone to the Rosemont High School Homecoming parade.

9.0 STRATEGIC PLAN AND OTHER INITIATIVES

9.1 Refinance of 2001 and 2002 Certificates of Participation
(ÖE-5 – Financial Planning) (Patricia A. Hagemeyer)

Member Terry recused himself due to a conflict of interest.

Patricia Hagemeyer presented three options for the refinancing of the 2001 and 2002 Certificates of Participation.

President Bell asked for staff’s recommendations as to which option to choose.
Member Houseman asked questions regarding the presentation.
Member Rodriguez asked questions regarding the presentation.
Member Arroyo asked questions regarding the presentation.
Member Houseman asked additional questions.
Second Vice President Grimes asked questions regarding the presentation.
President Bell asked follow-up questions.
Member Rodriguez asked follow-up questions.

Second Vice President Grimes made a motion to move it from conference to action, seconded by Member Houseman. The motion carried unanimously.

Member Arroyo asked a clarifying question.

Darlene Anderson commented on the item.

Member Houseman asked questions regarding the comments.

Member Houseman made a motion to adopt medium risk option, seconded by President Bell.
Members Bell, Houseman and Grimes voted yes; Members Arroyo and Rodriguez voted no, Member Terry abstained, Member Kennedy was absent. The vote was 3 votes yes, 2 no, 1 abstention, therefore the motion failed.

Member Grimes commented on the item.
Legal Counsel commented on the process for putting it on the next agenda.

Member Houseman made a motion to table item, seconded by Second Vice President Grimes. It was decided to put the item on the agenda on the October 19th Board meeting.

Member Arroyo further commented on the item.

9.2 2010 STAR Results (R-2 – Academic Achievement, OE-9 Communicating with the Public) (Mary Shelton)

Mary Shelton presented the 2010 STAR results.

Second Vice President Grimes commented and asked questions on the presentation.
Member Houseman commented and asked questions on the presentation.
Member Terry asked questions on the presentation.
Superintendent Raymond responded to the questions asked.
Member Rodriguez commented on the presentation.
Student Member Fong commented on the presentation.
Member Rodriguez asked questions regarding the presentation.
Member Houseman commented on the presentation.

Darlene Anderson commented on the presentation.
Heidi McLean commented on the presentation.

9.3 Revision of Board Bylaw 9270 – Conflict of Interest (GC-8 – Conflict of Interest) (Robert Garcia)

Robert Garcia presented the proposed revision to Board Bylaw 9270.

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Member Rodriguez asked a question regarding the process of revising Board policies. President Bell responded to the question. Member Houseman commented on the process.

Member Houseman moved, seconded by Member Terry to move from conference to action. The Board voted unanimously to move it from conference to action with Members Arroyo, Grimes and Kennedy absent. Legal counsel responded to questions regarding ad hoc committees.

Member Rodriguez commented on the coherent governance policy.

Member Terry made a motion to approve revision of Board Bylaw 9270, seconded by Member Houseman. Members Bell, Houseman, Terry and Fong (advisory) voting yes. Member Rodriguez voted no. The motion failed. Members Kennedy, Grimes and Arroyo were absent.

9.4 Revision of Charter Application Review Process
(OE-10 – Instructional Program) (Mary Shelton)
Postponed.

9.5 Public Hearing on Charter School Petition – Visionary Institute of Math and Science (VIMSI) (OE-10 – Instructional Program) (Chien-Seng Yaungh)
President Bell opened the public hearing.
Staff of VIMSI presented their petition to the Board.
Member Houseman asked a question regarding the presentation.
Member Terry commented and asked questions regarding the presentation.
Member Rodriguez asked questions regarding the presentation.

9.6 Coherent Governance Policy Operational Expectations
(OE Policy 8) (Jonathan P. Raymond)
Postponed.

10.0 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.

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 (Robert Garcia)

10.1c Approve Board of Education Meeting Minutes for September 2 and 16, 2010 (Jonathan P. Raymond)

10.1d Approve Board of Education Calendar, January through June, 2011 (Jonathan Raymond)

10.1e Luther Burbank High School Sports Complex - Resolution for Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) and Mitigation Monitoring Plan (MMP) (Jim Dobson)

10.1f Approve Resolution No. 2635: Estimated Gann Appropriation Limitation for 2010-2011 and Gann Amendment Calculation, 2009-2010 Appropriations Limitation (Patricia A. Hagemeyer)

10.1g Approve C.K. McClatchy High School Field Trip to St. Mark’s School of Texas in Dallas, Texas on October 14-16, 2010 (Lisa Allen)


10.1i Approve Staff Recommendations for Expulsion #1 2010/2011 (Mary Shelton and Dave Rodriguez)

10.1j Resolution No. 2636 Authorizing Competitive Negotiation for Data Dashboard Development and Implementation (Public Contract Code 20118.2)
Member Rodriguez asked that item 10.1j be pulled.

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A motion was made by Member Terry to approve consent agenda with the exception of 10.1f, seconded by Houseman. The motion carried unanimously with Members Arroyo, Grimes and Kennedy absent.

Member Rodriguez asked clarifying questions regarding item 10.1f.

Member Terry made a motion to approve 10.1f, seconded by Member Houseman. The motion carried unanimously with Members Arroyo, Grimes and Kennedy absent.

11.0 BOARD DEBRIEFING OF MEETING

Board members discussed how the meeting was conducted.

12.0 FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES / LOCATIONS

✔ October 12th, 2010, 6:00 p.m., Budget Workshop; Serna Center, 5735 47th Avenue, Community Room; Special Board Meeting

✔ October 19th, 2010, 4:30 p.m. Closed Session; 6:30 p.m. Open Session; Serna Center, 5735 47th Avenue, Community Room; Regular Board Meeting

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

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

Member Terry made a motion to adjourn in memory of Gil Ramirez, seconded by Member Houseman. The motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Jonathan P. Raymond
Superintendent and Board Secretary

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