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Jeff Cuneo, (Trustee Area 2)
Gustavo Arroyo, (Trustee Area 4)
Diana Rodriguez, (Trustee Area 5)
Vacant, (Trustee Area 7)
Asami Saito, Student Member

Thursday, Sept. 4, 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

2014/15-05

1.0 OPEN SESSION / CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 4:40 p.m. by President Woo, and roll was taken.

Members Present:

*President Darrel Woo
Vice President Christina Pritchett
Jeff Cuneo
Diana Rodriguez
Student Member Asami Saito*

Members Absent:

*Second Vice President Jay Hansen (arrived at 5:00 p.m.)
Gustavo Arroyo (arrived at 5:30 p.m.)*

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. However due to developments related to a pending litigation matter which were not known at the time the agenda was posted, President Woo moved to amend the closed session agenda to include Item 3.1(c) the case of SCUSD v. K. H. et al. Case No. USDC 01549. The motion was seconded by Member Rodriguez and was passed unanimously. The Board then 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:

- a) Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(2) of Government Code section 54956.9*
- b) Initiation of litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(4) of Government Code section 54956.9*
- c) The case of SCUSD v. K.H. et.al. Case No. USDC 01549*

3.2 Government Code 54957.6 (a) and (b) Negotiations/Collective Bargaining CSA, SCTA, SEIU, Teamsters, UPE, Unrepresented Management

3.3 Education Code section 35146 – The Board will hear staff recommendations on the following student expulsions:

- a) Expulsion #1, 2014-15*
- b) Expulsion #2, 2014-15*

4.0 CALL BACK TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called back to order at 6:35 by 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 students from A. M. Winn, Andrea Chicas, 7th grade, Jasmine Chicas, 8th grade, and Hellyn Sanchez, 8th grade. Certificates of Appreciation were presented by Vice President Christina Pritchett.

5.0 ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

None

6.0 AGENDA ADOPTION

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

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.

- Darlene Anderson has concerns about how information regarding the summer lunch program was communicated. She also expressed concerns regarding the transportation of Special Education students.*
- Dr. Chiem-Seng Yaangh, Board President of Iu-Mien Community Services, thanked the District for partnering with that organization in hosting an annual Student Leadership Conference. He also thanked Stacey Bell and her staff for their coordination efforts. He then explained that the one day college campus field trip will be held at the University of California, Davis, on Tuesday, October 28th. He asked that the District continue the partnership in the future and also to continue to fund the transportation, food, and printing costs.*
- Stacy Saechao, Board Secretary of Iu Mien Community Services, spoke on her personal experience with the Student Leadership Conference. She also hope for the continued support of the District.*
- Yoon Teurn, a student at the California State University, Sacramento, also spoke of personal experiences with the Student Leadership Conference.*
- Anson Saechow, a student at West Campus High School, spoke of personal experiences with the Student Leadership Conference. He also hopes the District will continue their support and invited the Board to attend the trip to the Davis Campus on October 28th.*
- Tracy Huynh, PTA President of William Land Elementary, spoke about concerns she and the PTA have regarding facility and maintenance concerns at the school site. She thanked Member Hansen for replying to the messages and concerns of the PTA. She spoke specifically on overcrowding and hopes to work with the Board to find creative ways to address challenges resulting from overcrowding.*
- Enoch Young, a William Land Elementary PTA member, spoke on the effects of overcrowding on the school's multi-purpose room.*
- Mark Gomez, a parent of two students one at John F. Kennedy High School and one student at Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary, has concerns about overcrowding and feels there are not enough teachers as a result. He is concerned that his two children in high school are required to take algebra and geometry for their freshman and sophomore years, yet did not have the option to take pre-algebra prior.*
- Ralph Merletti reported that there will be a partial solar eclipse on the afternoon of Thursday, October 23rd. It begins at 1:52 p.m. in Sacramento and will be widely visible across most of North America. He hopes students and others can participate in viewing the eclipse.*
- Max Mendoza gave information on who owns the Woodbine Elementary School property. He would like to see the schools kept clean. He also submitted information from the Americans with Disabilities Act. There are two lights that need to be attended to as well as two ramps and a sidewalk. He is also concerned that pictures he has shown on the overhead in the past do not show in the cable TV airing.*

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 (Gerardo Castillo)*
- 8.1b *Approve Personnel Transactions (Gerardo Castillo)*
- 8.1c *Approve and Adopt Resolution No. 2807: Naming District Representatives for School Facilities Program (Cathy Allen)*
- 8.1d *Approve Resolution No. 2808: Authorizing Delegation of Power to Contract to Include Gerardo Castillo and Cancy McArn (Gerardo Castillo and Cancy McArn)*
- 8.1e *Approve Resolution No.2809: Authorization of Personnel to Sign Orders on District Funds (Gerardo Castillo and Cancy McArn)*
- 8.1f *Approve Resolution No.2810: Authorizing Signature Authority on Documents Transmitted to County Superintendent of Schools (Gerardo Castillo and Cancy McArn)*
- 8.1g *Approve Staff Recommendations for Expulsions #1 and #2, 2014/2015 (Lisa Allen and Stephan Brown)*
- 8.1h *Approve Resolution No. 2805: Providing a Health Center at Hiram Johnson High School and Authorizing Exemption from Local Zoning Ordinances (Cathy Allen and Barbara Kronick)*
- 8.1i *First Amendment to Facilities Use Agreement: Sol Aureus College Preparatory (Sue Lee)*
- 8.1j *Approve Minutes of the August 7, 2014 Board of Education Meeting (José L. Banda)*
- 8.1k *Approve Minutes of the August 18, 2014 Board of Education Special Meeting (José L. Banda)*

Public Comment:

- *Terrence Gladney noted that Items 8.1e and 8.1f are signature authority items. He would like more information made available regarding authorities and suggested that some type of matrix be made available.*

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 COMMUNICATIONS

9.1 Employee Organization Reports:

Information

- *CSA – No report given.*
- *SCTA – Nikki Milevsky, President of the Sacramento City Teacher’s Association, reported on behalf of SCTA.*
- *SEIU – No report given.*
- *Teamsters – No report given.*
- *UPE – No report given.*

9.2 District Parent Advisory Committees:

Information

- *Community Advisory Committee – No report given.*
- *District Advisory Council –Edward Camargo reported on behalf of the District Advisory Council.*
- *School Site Councils – No report given.*
- *District English Learner Advisory Committee – No report given.*
- *Gifted and Talented Education Advisory Committee – No report given.*
- *Indian Education Parent Committee – No report given.*
- *Sacramento Council of Parent Teacher Association (PTA) – Terrence Gladney reported on behalf of the Sacramento Council of Parent Teacher Association (PTA).*

9.3 Superintendent’s Report (José L. Banda)

Information

Superintendent Banda reported on the opening of the new school year. He was able to visit nine schools in various areas during the week. He was impressed by how principals, teachers, custodians, office managers, and parents were all working together to make the first few days incredibly smooth for the students. The year was kicked off with the annual Sacramento Goes Back to School event, which was held at Albert Einstein Middle School. Participants included Vice President Pritchett, Second Vice President Hansen, and State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Torlakson. Mr. Banda went on to say however that he was most impressed with the enthusiasm of Albert Einstein Principal Garrett Kirkland. He also thanked the voters that approved Bond Measures Q and R in 2012. The students came back this year to see significant investments in their school facilities, approximately 25 million dollars worth of work. In fact, tomorrow is the grand opening of a brand new track and field complex at John F. Kennedy High School. Also, as this is the first year of full implementation of

the new state standard, Common Core, students will be working together and engaging with their teachers in ways they have never done before. In closing, Mr. Banda told of his visit with volunteers at the parent center of Cesar Chavez. One of the volunteers there was a retired Fire Department battalion chief who is also a famous Sacramento sculptor. On Tuesday he shared a mock up of a bronze bust of Cesar Chavez that he sculpted and donated to the school. The statue will be installed and unveiled later this year. Mr. Banda then thanked all the volunteers, parents, neighbors, and staff that invest their time and talents into making our schools great on the first day and every day.

9.4 President's Report (Darrel Woo)

Information

President Woo thanked Mr. Camargo for letting the Board know about the beautification project at Pacific Elementary School. President Woo attended that project. He also thanked the neighborhood church for their help in landscaping and moving a great amount of bark. He also went to his area schools on the first day and congratulated the principals, teachers, parents, and students, wishing them well for the first day of school. He also hosted Superintendent Banda at Alice Birney-Waldorf Inspired K-8. He thanked Principal Horning for giving them a tour of the school.

9.5 Student Member Report (Asami Saito)

Information

Student Member Saito said that she and her classmates are happy to be back in the classroom. She also reported that the members of the Student Advisory Council met over the summer and on the first day of school to discuss a survey that they plan to distribute to all high schools in the District to see what problems students may be having. They also plan to create a newsletter to be accessible to the public on-line. Subjects will include student achievement, community events, college and career opportunities, and issues addressed at school board meetings.

9.6 Information Sharing By Board Members

Information

- *Member Arroyo shared that he was also able to visit Will C. Wood, Fern Bacon, and other schools sites on the first day. He was very impressed with the seamless flow due to staff efforts. He reported that last year West Campus reported their three year combined average of API. They were the highest academic ranking high school in Sacramento County and rank 54th in the state per U. S. News and World Report for 2014. This ranking is out of over 2,000 high schools for API scores and college readiness and places them within the top 300 for the country. He also noted that 54 percent of the students are socioeconomically disadvantaged students. He thanked Principal Thomas and all of the staff at West Campus. He also asked the Board President and the Executive Committee to add Coherent Governance to the agenda for the next Board meeting.*
- *Vice President Pritchett welcomed back all students and staff. She visited all of her area schools on the first day and saw that all went perfectly with very little problems. She thanked Superintendent Banda for coming out to tour Albert Einstein Middle School. The school has gone from a low attendance, low achieving school to a great school. Member Pritchett also thanked those that worked the last two week-ends*

of summer at Rosemont High School. There was a revamp of the library and campus clean-up. A special thank you was given to Principal Elizabeth Vigil and staff.

- *Member Rodriguez also welcomed everyone back to school. She advised all to keep that first day excitement going throughout the year. Member Rodriguez will be visiting schools this week. She thanked all that helped get the District off to a great first day and first week. Member Rodriguez then formally asked the Superintendent for a report on how many outside District partners are provided financial resources by the District. This would include staff and busing as well. She also expressed concern about overcrowding at some of the school sites and would like a report of how many schools are experiencing this type of issue. Additionally, Member Rodriguez mentioned total quality management in regard to W. Edward Deming's 14 points of quality management practices and suggested the Board be familiar with the philosophy. She also wants to make sure that the District takes into consideration and responds to training feedback.*

- *Member Cuneo was able to visit some of his area schools too. He went to the Caleb Greenwood kindergarten breakfast. The school now has an additional kindergarten class, for a total of three. The school also was recently authorized as an International Baccalaureate Candidate School.*

- *Second Vice President Hansen reported on the construction work that took place at C. K. McClatchy High School over the summer. The project was on track, and he thanked Cathy Allen and her staff for their help. He also appreciated meeting Superintendent Banda there for the first day of school. He also appreciated hearing from the PTA leaders of William Land Elementary School. Several meetings have been held with District staff to look at the issue. The academic program is doing very well, with 25 to 30 students being added every year due to the Mandarin immersion program. Therefore the overcrowding problem needs to be addressed this year. Also a developer in the immediate community of Leataata Floyd Elementary School and Arthur A. Benjamin Health Professions High School is building 300 to 400 homes. An MOU was signed with the city and the District to develop a working 2.5 acre farm directly adjacent to Leataata Floyd Elementary School. This will be on District owned property and will be called Floyd Farms, and ground can be broken next year. Also, regarding Coherent Governance, Member Hansen looks forward to discussing and feels it should formally be put on the agenda. He also went to Crocker Riverside for their opening day of school.*

10.0 BOARD WORKSHOP/STRATEGIC PLAN AND OTHER INITIATIVES

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

Action

Youth Development Director Stacey Bell and Coordinator Aliya Holmes shared the changes that were made to the Foster Youth Board Policy since presenting at the last Board meeting. They will also work with registrars and school counselors to develop a protocol for issuing partial credits, will formally enroll foster youth into the new Youth Council, and will continue to look for funding to increase services for foster youth.

Public Comment:

- *Darlene Anderson would like a historical perspective of how the District has served foster*
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youth, especially students in Special Education.

Board Member Comment:

- *Second Vice President Hansen stated that he is excited to see what will be done by the department in the future. He appreciates that items were added in the new policy that the Board had asked to be addressed. He also looks forward to seeing what will be accomplished for foster youth, and he would like that process to be tracked so that changes can be made to the policy if necessary going forward.*
- *Member Rodriguez thanked the presenters for incorporating all of the changes and recommendations from the last Board meeting. She is excited about the policy and seeing the work behind it.*

President Woo agreed with Member Hansen and Member Rodriguez's comments and asked for a motion. A motion was made by Vice President Pritchett to approve the new Board Policy No. 5150; this was seconded by Second Vice President Hansen. The motion passed unanimously.

10.2 Presentation on Summer Matters (Lisa Allen and Stacey Bell)

Information

Youth Development Director Stacey Bell presented their agenda. She explained the four bodies of work which she oversees, Youth Engagement, Targeted Prevention and Intervention, Foster Youth Services, and Expanded Learning. Expanded Learning is learning which happens outside of the traditional school day, before school, after school, and during the summer. SummerMatters is part of a larger statewide campaign. The District was the winner of first Summer Matters champion award last year. The summer program is almost entirely funded by grants and categorical funds. Ms. Bell explained all of the internal partnerships which make the program possible. A video was shown, and Coordinator Brit Irby then gave some additional information on opportunities for students provided by Summer Matters. The program just ended the fifth year for the District, and the program has grown exponentially during that time, serving over 4,000 students in 2014. Monroe Howard, a specialist with Youth Development and Support Services, and a lead for Summer Matters, then spoke about a seven week Summer Quest program for first through sixth graders. A video was then shown highlighting the program. Mr. Howard then spoke about the Summer of Service program for sixth, seventh, and eighth graders. There is also a high school version in which students receive five credits upon completion of the program. A video showing student comments was shown. Mr. Howard then spoke on the Ambassador Program, a leadership and workplace experience program. A video showing one of the student ambassadors was then shown. Mr. Howard then spoke about another program, Summer at City Hall. This is an internship program, and approximately 58 District high school students participate. A video was then shown in which two of the student participants spoke about their experience. Mr. Howard then spoke about Sacramento Youth Leadership Program. This program is a two day overnight camp for incoming ninth graders which helps them prepare for high school as freshmen. Mr. Howard spoke on the Geek Squad Summer Academy, a two day camp for 214 fourth through sixth grade students sponsored by Best Buy which included Bowling Green Elementary School, Fern Bacon Middle School, and Phoenix Park community. Lastly Mr. Howard spoke on Go Bananas, a health and wellness and intervention and prevention camp. Ms. Irby then shared some data and feedback from the summer programs and gave next steps. She also described the Freedom School and introduced students from the program who then sang an inspirational song.

Public Comment:

- Darlene Anderson congratulated the staff on the Freedom School presentation, but has concerns about services provided to Special Education students in the summer.
- Paulette Montez has two children that participated in the Summer of Service program. She feels it is a great program.
- Jonathan Hunter, a sophomore from John F. Kennedy High School, shared his experience with Summer of Service. He feels that he has benefited from the program.
- Brianna Lawson, program manager at Golden Empire, has worked closely with the Summer Quest program and its students. She would like to see the District continue to be supportive of the summer programs. She gave examples of student summer projects and activities.
- Derrell Roberts thanked the Board for allowing the Freedom School students to present and also encouraged the Board to look into opportunities of expanding the Freedom School to other communities.

Board Member Comments:

- Vice President Pritchett thanked the presenters for their hard work and dedication and asked that they relay that message also to their staff at the school sites. She requested an invite for herself and the Board to the summer events next year. Ms. Bell answered absolutely.
- Member Rodriguez suggested that parents of the summer program students be included in a parent-participation capacity. She also asked if Dr. Mahon's program, The Visions Summer Academy, is part of Summer Matters. Ms Bell answered that it is not formally part of the Summer Matters campaign, but it is supported of course by the District as that program has been in existence much longer. Member Rodriguez stated she has been involved with Dr. Mahon's program for the past several summers and feels it is an amazing program; she encourages a partnership and conversation with them. Ms. Bell replied that the scope of her work was presented, but she appreciates the opportunity to highlight other things that are happening during the summer as well. Lastly Member Rodriguez commented that she would like to see the summer programs expand to engage even more students.
- President Woo said that he has been coming out to visit the summer programs since 2011, and he is amazed at the expansion that has been done in five years. He looks forward to continued expansion in the future and thanked Ms. Bell for bringing the presentation to the Board.
- Superintendent Banda acknowledged the work of the summer programs. He has been very impressed with the passion and energy the summer staff have for the students. He thanked the presenters.

11.0 FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES / LOCATIONS

- ✓ September 18, 2014 4:30 p.m. Closed Session; 6:30 p.m. Open Session; Serna Center, 5735 47th Avenue, Community Room; Regular Workshop Meeting
- ✓ October 2, 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

Before adjournment Vice President Pritchett relayed that Rob Jones passed away early morning on September 1. Rob Jones was a former Principal at Rosemont High School. He planned, built, and opened Rosemont High School. The football field and sports complex are named for him. He affected many lives in a positive way. There was a moment of silence, and the meeting was adjourned in his memory.

President Woo asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting; a motion was made by Vice President Pritchett and seconded by Member Cuneo. The motion was passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

José L. Banda, Superintendent and Board Secretary

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