

Sacramento City Unified School District BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING AND WORKSHOP

Board of Education Members

Jeff Cuneo, President (Trustee Area 2)
Patrick Kennedy, Vice President (Trustee Area 7)
Darrel Woo, Second Vice President (Trustee Area 6)
Jay Hansen, (Trustee Area 1)
Christina Pritchett (Trustee Area 3)
Gustavo Arroyo (Trustee Area 4)
Diana Rodriguez (Trustee Area 5)
Katrina Ye, Student Member

Thursday, March 7, 2013 4:30 p.m. Closed Session 6:30 p.m. Open Session

Serna Center

Community Conference Rooms 5735 47th Avenue Sacramento, CA 95824

MINUTES

2013-05

1.0 OPEN SESSION / CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 4:33 p.m. by President Cuneo.

Members Present: Cuneo, Hansen, Kennedy and Pritchett.

Members Absent: Arroyo, Rodriguez, Woo and Student Board Member Ye.

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
- 3.3 Government Code 54957 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release
- 3.4 Education Code 35146 The Board will hear staff Recommendation on the following student expulsion:
 - *a)* Expulsion #7 2012/2013

4.0 CALL BACK TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Cuneo called the meeting back to order at 6:35 p.m.

Members Present: Arroyo, Cuneo, Hansen, Kennedy, Pritchett, Rodriguez, Woo and Student Member Ye. Members Absent: None.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Helen Caselli, Volunteer at the Adults with Disabilities Program at A. Warren McClaskey Adult Center for 20 years. President Cuneo presented Helen with a Certificate of Appreciation.

5.0 ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

The Board by 5 affirmative votes, with Board Members Arroyo and Rodriguez absent, adopted Resolution

2013-E approving notice of intent to dismiss and statement of charges regarding a certificated employee.

6.0 AGENDA ADOPTION

President Cuneo made a motion to adopt the agenda after pulling items 9.6 and 9.7, seconded by Second Vice President Woo. The motion carried unanimously.

7.0 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.

- Nikki Milevsky commented on items 9.6 and 9.7 regarding contract negotiations.
- Maria Rodriguez commented on Student Board Member Ye's support, district right-sizing and number of questions unanswered by the district.
- Grace Trujillo commented on having a budget committee.
- Larry Tagg commented on school closures.
- Darlene Anderson commented on school closures and the failure of African American students.
- Dannetta Garcia commented on school closures.
- Alex Visaya Jr. commented on the principal, officer and staff of Susan B. Anthony Elementary School and their quick response during a school lock-down.

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 (Richard E. Odegaard)
- 8.1b Approve Personnel Transactions (Jess Serna)
- 8.1c Approve Staff Recommendation for Expulsion #7 2012/2013 (Sara Noguchi and Stephan Brown)
- 8.1d Approve Sutter Middle School Field Trip To Ashland, Oregon, March 13 15, 2013 to attend the Shakespeare Festival (Mary Hardin Young)
- 8.1e Approve Sutter Middle School Field Trip To Ashland, Oregon, March 18 20, 2013 to attend the Shakespeare Festival (Mary Hardin Young)
- 8.1f Approve Sutter Middle School Field Trip To Ashland, Oregon, March 20 22, 2013 to attend the Shakespeare Festival (Mary Hardin Young)
- 8.1g Approve John F. Kennedy Field Trip to Washington D.C. May 4 10, 2013 (Lisa Allen)

- 8.1h Approve Charter School Operational and Special Education MOU for Sol Aureus College Preparatory (S.A.C. Prep) (Jennifer Lopez)
- 8.1i Approve Board of Education Meeting Minutes for February 7, 2013 (Jonathan P. Raymond)
- 8.1j Approve Appointment of Board Member Christina Pritchett to The Parent/Teacher Home Visit Project (Jeff Cuneo)

Vice President Kennedy made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Second Vice President Woo. The motion carried unanimously.

9.0 STRATEGIC PLAN AND OTHER INITIATIVES

9.1 2013-14 Budget Recommendations and Reductions

Conference/First Reading

Richard E. Odegaard, Chief Business Officer presented information to the Board on the 2013-14 Budget Recommendations and Reductions.

Public Comment

- Grace Trujillo commented on embracing the community, developer fees and the Bond Measures.
- Darlene Anderson commented on the role of the Governing Board and the quality of education.
- Jessica Arriaga commented on health care benefits and reducing cost and the Grant Coordinator's position.

Board Comment

- Board Member Pritchett commented on the presentation and asked clarifying questions regarding the Budget Recommendations and Reductions presentation.
- Richard E. Odegaard responded to Board Member Pritchett's questions.
- Vice President Kennedy commented on Jessica Arriaga's comment and asked clarifying questions regarding the Grant Coordinator position.
- Richard E. Odegaard responded to Vice President Kennedy's questions.
- Board Member Rodriguez commented on a conversation with the CBO on the budget and asked clarifying questions regarding their conversation and the Budget Recommendations and Reductions presentation.
- Richard E. Odegaard responded to Board Member Rodriguez' questions.
- Superintendent Raymond also responded to Board Member Rodriguez' questions.
- Board Member Hansen commented on the API scores and positive things happening in the district along with the comment made by Jessica Arriaga regarding health care.
- President Cuneo commented on the Budget Recommendations and Reductions presentation.

9.2 Superintendent Recommendations to Keep Tahoe and Mark Twain Elementary Schools Open and to Revise Fruit Ridge Closure Student Transfer Plan (Resolution No. 2739)

Conference/Action

Jonathan P. Raymond, Superintendent, presented information on Recommendations to Keep Tahoe and Mark Twain Elementary Schools Open and to Revise Fruit Ridge Closure Student Transfer Plan (Resolution No. 2739) to the Board for approval.

Public Comment

- Michelle Bass commented on keeping all the schools open.
- Arthur Aleman commented on the attendance at Joseph Bonneheim, Mark Twain and Tahoe Elementary School and district right-sizing.
- Darlene Anderson commented on public education, closing of schools, and transportation.
- Norma E. Christensen commented on Mark Twain and Tahoe Elementary Schools staying open, declining number of students and school closure.
- Tong Thao commented on the open enrollment process, transportation and the transition plan.
- Liza Trantranon commented on school closure and meaningful communication.
- Jennifer Gomez commented on school closure and the impact on Sacramento's children of color, English language learners and socially economically disadvantage families.
- Mandy Carrillo commented on the closure of Fruit Ridge Elementary School.

- Léo Benett-Cauchon commented on building trust, school closures and amending Resolution No. 2739.
- Elaine Chafoya commented on Mark Twain Elementary School and transportation to school.

Board Comment

- Board Member Arroyo commented on the Tahoe and Mark Twain Elementary Schools remaining open and asked clarifying questions regarding Resolution No. 2739 and the resolution on other elementary schools not closing.
- Superintendent Raymond responded to Board Member Arroyo's questions.
- Legal Counsel also responded to Board Member Arroyo's questions.
- President Cuneo commented on Board Member Arroyo's question regarding the resolution to keep a school open.
- Board Member Rodriguez asked for clarity on President Cuneo's proposal regarding the resolution to close schools.
- President Cuneo commented on the comments made by Board Member Arroyo and made a formal motion.

President Cuneo made a motion to strike the second, third and fourth whereas; second finding and determination which corresponds with the second, third, and fourth whereas. The motion remained open.

- Board Member Rodriguez commented on President Cuneo's motion.
- Vice President Kennedy commented on the public meeting held at Mark Twain Elementary School and commended President Cuneo.

President Cuneo made a motion to move to action, seconded by Board Member Arroyo. The motion carried unanimously.

President Cuneo made a two-fold motion to approve the Superintendent Recommendations to Keep Tahoe and Mark Twain Elementary Schools open, seconded by Second Vice President Woo. President Cuneo made a second motion to adopt Resolution No. 2739 striking the following language that the title will be, Resolution Approving Superintendent's Recommendation to Revise Fruit Ridge Closure Student Transfer Plan, striking whereas paragraphs two, three and four whereas the Board deferred consideration of whether to close etc. whereas community meetings were held to receive etc. whereas the Superintendent at the meeting of March 7th etc. and move to strike the finding and determination number two which corresponds to those paragraphs that were struck above, seconded by Second Vice President Woo.

President Cuneo called for a Roll Call Vote to Approve the Superintendent Recommendations to Keep Tahoe and Mark Twain Elementary Schools Open.

Roll Call Vote:

Arroyo	Yes
Cuneo	Yes
Hansen	Yes
Kennedy	Yes
Pritchett	Yes
Rodriguez	Yes
Woo	Yes
Ye	Yes

Final Vote

Unanimous

President Cuneo called for a Roll Call Vote to Approve the revised Resolution No. 2739: Superintendent Recommendations to Revise Fruit Ridge Closure Student Transfer Plan as outlined above.

Board Comment

- Board Member Arroyo asked the Superintendent for more clarification on what the Transfer Plan consisted of.
- Superintendent Raymond responded to Member Arroyo's question.

Roll Call Vote:

Arroyo No Cuneo Yes

Hansen	Yes	
Kennedy	Yes	
Pritchett	No	
Rodriguez	No	
Woo	Yes	
Ye	No	
Final Vote	4 Yes	
	3 No	

Board Member Hansen made a motion to establish a five-year moratorium on any further school closures as we work through this and the process of transitioning our students to their new schools. The motion remains open for more Board comments.

1 No (Student Vote not counted)

Board Comment

- Board Member Rodriguez commented on a comment made about small high schools that are costing money but would agree to a moratorium of taking the seven schools off and commit to making a plan for school closures.
- Vice President Kennedy stated that we have a Brown Act problem and preferred to go forward.
- Legal Counsel agreed.
- President Cuneo asked Legal Counsel to describe the Brown Act issue.
- Legal Counsel stated that the Brown Act issue is not agented for that kind of motion. Going forward would make the motion void.

More Board discussion.

9.3 School Closure Transition Update

Information

Jonathan P. Raymond, Superintendent along with Ed Manansala and Susan Hulsey presented information to the Board on the School Closure Transition Update.

Public Comment

- Cyndi Salazar commented on Washington Elementary School closure and bussing to another school.
- Jessica Arriaga commented on more notice to attend community meetings and the transition plan update.
- Lisa Romero commented on plan for permit process, after school programs and the transition plan update.
- Darlene Anderson commented on school closures and the open enrollment policy.
- Matt Muller commented on priority open enrollment and access to the district's data base.
- Léo Benett-Cauchon commented on school closures and educational value.
- David Fisher commented on priority open enrollment and C.B. Wire/Peter Burnett Elementary School transition plan.
- Dannetta Garcia commented on the transition plan.
- Arthur Aleman commented on transportation from Joseph Bonnheim and the translation at the community meetings.
- Edward Camargo commented on the transition plan team meetings and priority open enrollment.
- Lydia Cruz commented on "being slapped" by the district and translation at the community meetings.
- Maria Rodriguez commented on the development of the proposed plan and asked who was involved?

Board Member Arroyo moved to extend the Board meeting to 11:30 p.m., seconded by Board Member Rodriguez. The motion carried unanimously.

Board Comment

- Board Member Hansen commented on comments made during public comment regarding priority open enrollment and asked Superintendent Raymond to clarify.
- Superintendent Raymond responded to Board Member Hansen's question regarding priority open enrollment.
- Board Member Pritchett commented on the confusion regarding priority open enrollment and the notification process regarding the transitional plan meetings and asked Superintendent Raymond for clarification.

- Superintendent Raymond responded to Board Member Pritchett's questions and asked Sue Hulsey to respond.
- Board Member Rodriguez commented on priority open enrollment process and transitional plan meeting notifications.
- Susan Hulsey responded to Board Member Rodriguez' questions.
- Superintendent Raymond also responded to Board Member Rodriguez' questions.
- Board Member Rodriguez made a comment regarding Independent Charter Schools.
- Superintend Raymond responded to Member Rodriguez's comment.
- President Cuneo commented on the transitional plan process and the open enrollment process.
- Board Member Arroyo commented on the transitional plan notification process and school closure process.

9.4 Ad Hoc Committee to Assist Board Appointment of 7-11 Members and Repurposing of Facilities Report

Action

President Cuneo presented information to the Board for approval of the Ad Hoc Committee to Assist Board Appointment of 7-11 Members and Repurposing of Facilities Report.

Public Comment

- Darlene Anderson commented on the appointment of members who were affected by the closure.
- Dannetta Garcia commented on the appointment of members who were affected by the closure.

President Cuneo made a motion that the 7-11 committee would be constituted of Board Members Pritchett and Hansen and Vice President Kennedy, seconded by Vice President Kennedy. The motion remained open.

Board Comment

• Board Member Rodriguez commented on the committee selected and asked to make a substitute motion.

President Rodriguez made a motion to suspend the rules and extend the meeting to 12:15 a.m., seconded by President Cuneo. The motion carried with Board Member Arroyo opposing.

Vice President Kennedy withdrew his second on motion made by President Cuneo.

Board Member Rodriguez made a motion to establish an Ad Hoc Committee with Members Arroyo, Kennedy and Rodriguez, seconded by Vice President Kennedy.

Board Comment:

- Board Member Hansen commented on the motion made by Board Member Rodriguez.
- Board Member Pritchett asked for clarity regarding the appointment of committee members to the last 7-11 committee.
- President Cuneo responded to Board Member Pritchett's question.

The motion carried with President Cuneo and Board Member Hansen opposing.

Legal Counsel, Jerry Behrens, commented that a reporting schedule needs to be determined by the Board according to Governance Culture (GC-5).

President Cuneo responded by asking that the committee meet, confer, and come back to the Board with a reporting schedule and other pertinent information.

9.5 Resolution No. 2732: Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of the 2012-13 Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes (TRANS)

Action

Richard E. Odegaard, Chief Business Officer along with Jeff Small of Capitol Public Finance Group presented information on Resolution No. 2732: Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of the 2012-13 Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes to the Board for approval.

Public Comment:

- Grace Trujillo commented on the balloon payment in the TRANS report.
- Darlene Anderson commented on TRANS report.

Board Member Hansen made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2732: Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of the 2012-13 Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes, seconded by Vice President Kennedy. The motion carried unanimously.

9.6 Sacramento City Unified School District's Initial Proposals/Interests Conference/Action for Contract Negotiations with Sacramento Teachers Association (SCTA) – 2013-14 Reopeners

This item was pulled.

9.7 Sacramento City Unified School District's Initial Proposals/Interests for Contract Negotiations with Service Employees International Union (SEIU) – 2013-14 Reopeners

Conference/Action

This item was pulled.

10.0 COMMUNICATIONS

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

Information

No reports given.

10.2 District Parent Advisory Committees:

Information

- 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)

No reports given.

10.3 Superintendent's Report (Jonathan P. Raymond)

Information

No report given.

10.4 President's Report (Jeff Cuneo)

Information

No report given.

10.5 Student Member Report (Katrina Ye)

Information

No report given.

10.6 Information Sharing By Board Members

Information

Public Comment:

• Léo Benett-Cauchon commented on emails he made to Board Members, suspending the rules by the Board, request about the agenda, responding to the community and carrying signs during a Board meeting.

Board Member Rodriguez commented on Item 10.1 Communications being pushed back to the top of the list and asked President Cuneo to consider establishing a Budget Committee.

Board Member Pritchett commented on a student who attended Albert Einstein Middle school whose life was taken much too soon. The Rosemont Community Association hosted a memorial in memory of the student. Please contact the Sacramento Police Department if you have any tips regarding the incident.

Second Vice President Woo informed the Board that he was sworn in on Monday, March 4, 2013, appointed by the President of the California School Board Association (CSBA) as the CSBA's representative on the School Employer Advisory Committee

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, 2013 Through February 14, 2013
- Enrollment and Attendance Report for Month 5 Ending January 25, 2013

Business and financial information was received by the Board.

Public Comment:

• Léo Benett-Cauchon commented on the enrollment and attendance report and closure of elementary schools.

12.0 FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES / LOCATIONS

- ✓ March 21, 2013 4:30 p.m. Closed Session; 6:30 p.m. Open Session; Serna Center, 5735 47th Avenue, Community Room; Regular Workshop Meeting
- ✓ April 4, 2013 4:30 p.m. Closed Session; 6:30 p.m. Open Session; Serna Center, 5735 47th Avenue, Community Room; Regular Workshop Meeting

Vice President Kennedy stated for the record that he will not be at the next meeting on March 21, 2013.

13.0 ADJOURNMENT

Student Board Member Ye made a motion to adjourn the Board meeting at 11:45 p.m., seconded by Board Member Rodriguez. The motion carried unanimously.

Jonathan P. Raymond

Superintendent and Board Secretary

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