

BERKELEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD UPDATES

At the board meeting on January 14, 2004 the Board took action on the following items:

Report of Closed Session:

The Board had discussion on item a, conference with counsel on existing litigation, no action was taken.

- Superintendent/Board Reports

Superintendent Lawrence advised the Board of her plans to get community input On the budget reduction process. Dates selected (in addition to the Board meeting on Feb. 4) were Feb. 5 & 9 for community meetings.

Director Doran appointed Willard student Nicolas Savage-Wilkins to the Youth Commission, and Director Riddle appointed Bill Flounders to the Maintenance Committee.

President Selawsky is reviewing candidates and would welcome interested applicants.

Consent Items:

- Business and Operations

4.4-C Budget Development Timelines

The Board approved the Revised Budget Development Timelines for fiscal year 2004-2005. The impact on the timeline is based on the State Budget being approved. The revised timelines are available on the Web site: www.berkeley.k12.ca.us

4.5-C Emergency Approval to Suspend Bid Requirements for Flood Restoration

The Board approved Resolution 03-29: Emergency Approval to Suspend Bid Requirements for Flood Restoration Remediation Work at Malcolm X School. Following heavy rains a significant portion of the site received flood damage. Section 20113 of the Public Contract Code authorizes the Board to make emergency

purchases without soliciting bids if it is necessary to continue existing classes and avoid danger to life or property.

4.6-C Approval of Three Landscape Architect Firms for All BUSD K-12 Sites

The Superintendent removed the request for approval of item 4.6-C pending the recommendation of the Maintenance Committee.

Action Items:

- Business and Operations

4.1-A Yearly Facilities Plan Modifications

The Board voted approval of changes that they had directed staff to make in the current plan at the December 17, 2003 Board meeting. Modifications included the elimination of planned revenue from BSEP Fund 7, a decrease in planned expenditures for the communications system at BHS, and minor reductions in reserve budgets for completed projects.

Information Items:

- General Services

1.1-I FCMAT Second Six-month Study

The Board accepted the second FCMAT six-month review for publication and distribution. The study shows significant improvements in all areas, and particularly those the Board had previously identified as targeted areas. The study is available on-line with a link from the BUSD Web site: www.berkeley.k12.ca.us, and at all five Berkeley public libraries.

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