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REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION – AGENDA*

Wednesday, December 14, 2005

Call to Order The Presiding Officer will call the Meeting to Order at
5:30 p.m., recess to Closed Session at **5:35 p.m.** and
reconvene in Public Session by **7:30 p.m.**

Roll Call

Members Present: President Terry S. Doran
 Vice President Joaquin Rivera
 Director Shirley Issel
 Director John Selawsky
 Director Nancy Riddle
 Student Director Teal Miller

Administration: Superintendent Michele Lawrence, Secretary

Prior to Closed Session, as necessary, staff/employee comments are taken per
Government Code Section 54957

Recess to Closed Session (Government Code Sections 3549, 1(d), 54956.9(a)
and 54957) and Education Code Section 49819(c)

- a) Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
- b) Consideration of Student Expulsions
- c) Collective Bargaining
- d) Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal /Release
- e) Public Employment Appointment
- f) Liability Claims
- g) Property Acquisition

* Board agenda posted on District website: www.berkeley.k12.ca.us

** The Student Director does not attend Closed Session

***The Berkeley Unified School District intends to provide reasonable accommodations
in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If a special
accommodation is desired, please call the Superintendent's Office 48 hours prior to
the meeting at 510-644-6206***

Teaching and Learning Presentation

Willard's Positive Behavior System -- Robert Ithurburn, Principal

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Persons wishing to address the Board should fill out a card located on the table by the door and submit the completed card to the Board Recorder. Speakers will be selected by lottery. The Public Testimony is limited to 30 minutes – 3 minutes per speaker. Speakers with the same concerns are encouraged to select a spokesperson to address the Board.

- Union Representatives’ Reports
- Committee Reports
- Superintendent’s Report
- Board Members’ Reports

CONSENT ITEMS

These items are considered routine and may be enacted by a single motion. Any items needing discussion may be moved to the appropriate section of the agenda upon the request of any member of the Board.

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| 1.1-C Revised Board of Education Meeting Schedule | <u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve the revised Board of Education Meeting schedule for 2006 | 7 |
| <u>Personnel Services</u> | | |
| 2.1-C Personnel Recommendation | <u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve Personnel Report No. 05-23 which authorizes the implementation of various personnel actions | 9 |
| <u>Educational Services</u> | | |
| 3.1-C Overnight Field Trips | <u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve the overnight field trips for students consistent with District policies and instructional programs | 15 |
| 3.2-C Overnight (Abroad) Field Trip | <u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve the overnight field trip for students to Caracas, Venezuela consistent with the District policies and instructional programs | 16 |

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| 3.3-C New non-public school placement contracts for Special Education students | <u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve the non-public school placements for Special Education students | 17 |
| <u>Business Services</u> | | |
| 4.1-C Approval of Contracts/Purchase Orders for Services Contracts | <u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Authorize the Purchasing Manager and Deputy Superintendent to execute contracts and purchase orders | 19 |
| 4.2-C Listing of Warrants issued in November 2005 | <u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve monthly bill warrants issued in November 2005 | 23 |
| 4.3-C Listing of Payroll Warrants issued in November 2005 | <u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve monthly payroll warrants issued in November 2005 | 26 |
| 4.4-C Resolution No. 05-28 Acceptance of the Washington Grounds | <u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Acceptance of the Washington Grounds | 29 |
| 4.5-C Resolution No. 05-29 Acceptance of Curb Appeal Projects at various sites | <u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Acceptance of Curb Appeal Projects at various sites | 31 |
| 4.6-C Approve environmental consultant contract with Turnstone Consulting | <u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve hire of consultant to evaluate the environmental consequences of Berkeley High School South of Bancroft Master Plan per CEQA | 33 |
| 4.7-C Approve contract with Gelfand Partners Architect | <u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve hire of architect for several projects including stage lights at multiple sites, Berkeley High School field and Emerson floors and paint | 34 |

ACTION ITEMS

These items are presented for action at this time. Some may have been reviewed at a previous meeting.

Personnel Services

2.-1A
Filing vacant Data Processing
Manager position

Staff Recommendation:
Authorize filing of the vacant Data
Processing Manager position

35

Business Services

8:30 p.m.
4.1-A
Certification of First Interim Report

Staff Recommendation:
Accept the Positive Certification of the
First Interim Report, certifying that the
District will be able to meet their financial
obligations for the subsequent year
without significant expenditure reductions
and revenue enhancements

37+
**Under
separate
cover**

4.2-A
Yearly Facilities Plan Modifications

Staff Recommendation:
Review and approve the Yearly Facilities
Plan Modifications

52

CONFERENCE ITEMS

These items are submitted for advance planning and to assist the Board in establishing future agenda items. The Board may, however, take action.

INFORMATION ITEMS

These items are intended to keep the Board informed on various District business matters, which do not require action, by the Board.

Educational Services

3.1-I
Monthly enrollment and ADA reports

Staff Recommendation:
Receive the enrollment and ADA report for
information

56

Business Services

4.1-I
Facilities Plan update

Staff Recommendation:
Receive and accept updated Facilities Plan
for information

80

EXTENDED PUBLIC TESTIMONY

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Schedule of Board of Education Meetings for 2006:

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| January 11 | June 7 |
| January 18 | June 21 |
| February 1 | June 28 |
| February 15 | July 5 – tentative |
| March 8 | August 23 |
| March 15 | September 6 |
| March 22 – Special Meeting | September 13 – Special Meeting |
| April 5 | September 20 |
| April 19 | October 4 |
| April 26 – Special Meeting | October 18 |
| May 3 | November 1 |
| May 17 | November 15 |
| May 24 – Special Meeting | December 6 |
| | December 13 |

ADJOURNMENT

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WHEN YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT AN AGENDA ITEM OR A NON-AGENDA ITEM: Please fill in a **REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION CARD** (located on the side of the Speaker's stand) and give it to the Board Recorder. Speakers will be selected by lottery. Your card must be submitted before the Presiding Officer calls for **PUBLIC TESTIMONY**.

You will be called to speak by the Presiding Officer.
A Speaker has three minutes in which to make his/her remarks.

Any subject related to the District or its educational programs is welcome at the Board of Education Meetings. **However, we respectfully ask that matters pertaining to individual employees of the Berkeley Unified School District be discussed in private. There is an established procedure for making such complaints.** You may obtain information about this procedure from a school or from the Superintendent's Office.

MISSION AND GOALS OF THE BERKELEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Berkeley Unified School District, a diverse community deeply committed to public education, is to ensure that all students discover and develop their special talents, achieve their educational and career goals, become life long learners, and succeed in a rapidly changing society by:

- empowering students, parents and staff,
- providing a strong standards based curriculum, and
- offering alternative learning experiences in a racially integrated, multilingual environment.

VISION

Berkeley Unified School District creates a system that enables every student, including those with diverse needs, to meet or exceed rigorous standards for academic performance. All students will develop the attitudes, skills and habits of mind needed to succeed in and beyond the classroom. The members of this school community share a vision of educational excellence, an appreciation for the partnerships with local government agencies, community based organizations, businesses, institutions of higher education and will work collaboratively to realize this vision.

PERFORMANCE GOALS

- 1. All students will reach high standards, attaining proficiency or better in reading/language arts and mathematics.**
- 2. All limited-English-proficient students will become proficient in English and reach high academic standards, attaining proficiency or better in reading/language arts and mathematics.**
- 3. All students will be taught by highly qualified teachers.**
- 4. All students will be educated in learning environments that are safe, drug-free, and conducive to learning.**