

BERKELEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD UPDATES

At the board meeting on January 12, 2005 the Board discussed the following items:

Report on Closed Session:

The board took action on a Public Employee Dismissal and had discussion on Collective Bargaining and Public Employee Appointment - Superintendent's Evaluation.
The Board also interviewed and selected three candidates (in open session) for the newly formed BUSD Audit Committee;
Two Year Appointments:
Elizabeth Snowden and Isaiah B. Roter
One Year Appointment:
Dan Lindheim

Board Representatives to Board Committees

The Board is seeking applications for vacancies in these areas:
-Facilities Safety & Maintenance Oversight Committee (FSMOC)
-School Construction Oversight Committee (SCOC)

Download applications and more information on the BUSD website: www.berkeley.k12.ca.us

Approval of Agenda:

The Board approved the agenda with the following changes:
Item 3.1-I Monthly Enrollment and ADA Reports was pulled by staff for corrections, and will come back to the Board at a later date.

All consent items were approved.

Educational Presentation:

Jefferson Elementary School:

'Every Day Counts' Math Program

Jefferson Teachers Maggie Riddle and Sally Goldstein made a presentation on the 'Every Day Counts' Supplemental Math Program that they use at Jefferson. As kids go up in grade level, studies show that math skills decrease. The program teaches clear concepts with repetition, essential to students – not only skill development but development of a mathematical disposition. Students learn to expect logic, generate their own mathematical relationships and generate their own problems. No child is left out of this interactive program. For ESL students, everything can be written in different languages.
Watch for a profile on the program on the BUSD website: www.berkeley.k12.ca.us

Action Items

1.1-A Approve Additional Meetings

The Board voted to approve additional board meetings on March 9th and September 14, 2005. The tentative meeting scheduled on July 6th was replaced with a meeting needed on June 29, 2005.

1.2-A Approval of Nutritional Services Document: Suggestions for Healthy Food Choices in Snacks

The Board approved the Healthy Foods Choices document, created to assist parents and staff in providing food and snacks for children that are consistent with the goals of the recently adopted BUSD Food Policy. The report is on page 27 of the electronic board packet on the BUSD website: www.berkeley.k12.ca.us

4.1-A Approval of Implementation of Portions of Measure B Beginning February 1, 2005

The Board approved the recommendation to increase Library Media Technicians at the elementary level by 0.33 FTE effective February 1, 2005. The majority of the Measure B implementation will begin in the 2005-2006 school year.

4.3-A Approve Yearly Facilities Plan Modifications

The Board approved the Modifications of Expenditures and Priorities for Facilities Planning. The report is on page 39 of the electronic board packet on the BUSD website: www.berkeley.k12.ca.us

Information Items:

1.2-I FCMAT Report

The Board received the six month progress report from FCMAT. The January reports continued improvement through the District.
The Executive Report is on page 44 of the electronic board packet on the BUSD website: www.berkeley.k12.ca.us
The complete report is available for review in the Superintendent's office and all branches of the Berkeley Public Library.

The Board received three other information items which can also be found in the board packet on the BUSD website: www.berkeley.k12.ca.us

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