

## **BERKELEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

### **Minutes, Regular Meeting**

Wednesday, September 12, 2012  
Berkeley Unified School District  
2134 Martin Luther King Jr. Way  
Berkeley CA 94704

### **OFFICIAL MINUTES**

#### **Roll Call 6:00pm**

Members Present:

John T. Selawsky, President  
Leah Wilson, Vice President  
Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Director/ Clerk  
Karen Hemphill, Director  
Josh Daniels, Director  
Juliette Mueller, Student Director

Administration: Superintendent William Huyett, Secretary  
Javetta Cleveland, Deputy Superintendent  
Neil Smith, Assistant Superintendent of Educational  
Services  
Delia Ruiz, Assistant Superintendent of Human  
Resources

President Selawsky called the meeting to order at 7:51 pm

#### **Report Closed Session Actions**

No actions to report. The Board heard an update from staff regarding negotiations with BCCE. The Board provided feedback to staff about negotiations.

#### **APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA**

**Leyva-Cutler/Wilson** and approved on a vote of 5-0

5.1-A moved to Consent

4.1-A moved to Consent

3.1-I No presentation needed

5.1-I No presentation needed

4.1-C (3) Selawsky recused

3.1-C Pulled by Leyva-Cutler

4.1-C Pulled by Leyva-Cutler

Student Director Juliette Mueller was sworn in by President Selawsky.

## **RECOGNITION**

New BUSD administrators were introduced: Charity DaMarto, Supervisor of Family Engagement and Equity, Manuel Enriquez, LEARNS Program Supervisor, Pamela Goo, Risk Manager, Chris Harell, Vice Principal of Longfellow Middle School, Gayle Hughes, Principal of Thousand Oaks Elementary School, Kathryn Singh, Principal of LeConte Elementary School, Edith Smiley, Coordinator of the Independent Studies Program.

## **Public Testimony**

A community member addressed the Board regarding cuts to funding for the McKinney Vento program that supports homeless students. A BHS teacher and BUSD parent addressed the Board regarding the nomination of Dr. Ed Heatley. She stated that Dr. Heatley presented a resolution to the Board in Chino Hills in support of Prop. 8. A BHS teacher spoke against the nomination of Dr. Ed Heatley. He does not believe that he supports the democratic process. A community member spoke about Dr. Heatley's connection to the Broad Academy. A BUSD teacher expressed her concern about Dr. Heatley's career path and lack of classroom and school site administration experience. He has also not spent an extended period of time at any one school district. A leader from By Any Means Necessary asked the Board to not hire Dr. Heatley.

## **UNION REPORT**

Paula Phillips, BCCE President, thanked the Board for slowing down the Superintendent search process. BCCE was not involved in the site visit to Dr. Heatley's District. She stated that district staff has not consulted with BCCE around professional development for classified staff.

Cathy Campbell, BFT President, discouraged the Board from hiring a Broad Academy graduate for Superintendent. She encouraged the Board to not increase the compensation for the Superintendent position.

## **Board Members' Reports**

Director Daniels: Appreciated the time community member have put into the Supt. Search process.

Director Hemphill: Announced that BHS is hosting a welcome for African American and Latino families this Saturday at 9:30 am.

Director Leyva-Cutler: Tomorrow night is Middle School open house and the following Thursday is the BHS open house.

Vice President Wilson: Thanked Alex Angel for speaking tonight. The decision is very difficult. She expressed appreciation for a positive phone

call from a Willard teacher regarding her son. She is in support of initial positive contact between teachers and parents.

Student Director: Introduced herself to the community. She is a junior at BHS enrolled in the IB program.

### **Superintendent's Report**

Thanked parents and staff that came out and supported the district at the Solano Stroll. The official API scores will not be released by the state until later this month.

### **APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR**

5.1-A moved to Consent

4.1-A moved to Consent

4.1-C (3) Selawsky recuses

3.1-C Pulled by Leyva-Cutler

4.1-C Pulled by Leyva-Cutler

**Wilson/Hempill** and approved unanimously and revised 5-0

4.1-C (1) McKinney Vento

\*\*To be brought back at the October 10th meeting for discussion by the Board\*\*

4.1-C (5)

Not all sports that have events off site receive transportation. Director Hemphill would like information in Friday notes.

**Leyva-Cutler/Hemphill** and approved unanimously 5-0

### **ACTION ITEMS**

2.1-A

Reduction/Elimination of Certain Positions in the Early Childhood Education Program

**Hemphill/Wilson** and approved unanimously 5-0

3.1-C

Approval of Child Development Contract with CDE for 2012-13

**Hemphill/Leyva-Cutler** and approved unanimously 5-0

4.1-A

Approval of Resolution No. 13-001, Temporary Borrowing Between Funds or Resolution No. 13-006 Issuance of Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes to Meet Current District Financial Obligations

**Moved to Consent**

4.2-A  
2011-2012 Unaudited Actuals  
**Wilson/Daniels** and approved unanimously 5-0

5.1-A  
Approval of Facilities Financial Plan Update  
**Moved to Consent**

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

3.1-I  
Report on Berkeley Adult School Benchmarks

Received for Information (*No presentation required*)

5.1-I  
BB Financial Update Report Received for Information

Received for Information (*No presentation required*)

### **ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS**

Approve Board of Education Minutes:  
August 22, 2012  
**Hemphill/Wilson** and approved unanimously 5-0

### **EXTENDED PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Todd Kerr from the Berkeley Times announced upcoming plans and changes for the Berkeley Times.

President Selawsky adjourned the meeting at 9:38 pm.

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Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Clerk  
Board of Education