

## **BERKELEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

### **Minutes, Regular Meeting**

### **OFFICIAL MINUTES**

Wednesday, October 24, 2012  
Berkeley Unified School District  
2134 Martin Luther King Jr. Way  
Berkeley CA 94704

### **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: Javetta Cleveland, Co-Superintendent  
Neil Smith, Co-Superintendent  
Delia Ruiz, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources

President Selawsky called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

### **Report Closed Session Actions**

**Wilson/Leyva-Cutler** and approved on a vote of 5-0 to suspend a classified employee for 30 days.

### **APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA**

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

4.1-C (3) Selawsky recused  
4.6-C Selawsky recused  
3.3-I (No discussion required)  
5.1-I (No discussion required)

### **RECOGNITION**

Rosa Parks Elementary School and King Middle School were recognized for meeting all NCLB student performance targets for two years and exiting Program Improvement Status.

### **Public Testimony**

A parent and community member spoke to the Board regarding the need for a McKinney Vento program for homeless students. He stated that \$17,000 is not enough to fund the program. A Berkeley High parent

liaison spoke about her struggles in helping homeless students. If the McKinney Vento program is not fully funded, more funding and resources will need to be brought to the Family Resource center at BHS to service homeless students and families. They do not have the capacity to service the homeless students to the level that they deserve. A Berkeley High student shared with the Board her experience with the McKinney Vento program and how it has supported her.

### **UNION REPORT**

Paula Phillips, BCCE President, thanked Rosa Parks for including classified staff in staff meetings with teachers. The results of their collaborative efforts have supported student achievement. She would like to see more professional development to help the District come into compliance with OSHA standards.

Brit Alamo, BFT member, urged the Berkeley community to vote yes on Measure N and O in support of Berkeley public pools.

### **Board Members' Reports**

Director Daniels: Gave a “shout out” to the teachers at BHS for their awesome spirit rally dance. He thanked the Berkeley Alliance for their efforts to put on the 2020 Symposium. He encouraged the community to vote in the November election.

Director Hemphill: Mail in ballots have to be received by 8:00pm on November 6<sup>th</sup>. Mail in ballots can also be dropped off at a polling station. She expressed desire to put some board energy around the PLA agreement and its facilitation.

Director Leyva-Cutler: Thanked the student and families that came out to address the Board about the McKinney Vento program. She congratulated Rosa Parks and King for moving out of program improvement.

Vice President Wilson: Reassured the community that the Board feels strongly about supporting homeless students and families in our community.

President Selawsky: The Board will no longer be contracting with the search firm HYA. The Board will be issuing a RFP for a new firm following winter break.

Student Director: She has scheduled meetings with student leaders from all the school schools. She will report out at the next meeting.

### **Superintendent's Report**

The District was very disappointed to lose the McKinney Vento grant this year. The District is interested in continued funding for the program. He outlined a process for Board member requests for data. Board members are to email the co-superintendents their request. They will consult with staff regarding the capacity to respond to the request. There is training tomorrow night for SGC members and leaders. Parent teacher conferences will take place the week of November 5<sup>th</sup>.

Supt. Cleveland stated that the District supplemented the McKinney Vento program last year and funding for bus and BART passes is already built into the budget for this year. The District has developed a plan to provide Cal OSHA training to our employees. The state budget related to school funding includes a contingency for the passage of tax measures on the November ballot. If the initiatives do not pass, the District will lose funding.

### **APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR**

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

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

4.1-A

Temporary Borrowing from the Reserve Fund

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

5.1-A

Approval of Facilities Financial Plan Update

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

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

3.1-I

Report on Adequate Yearly Progress and Academic Performance Index  
Received for Information

3.2-I

Update on Consolidation of Two Way Immersion Program at LeConte  
Received for Information

3.3-I

Class Size Report  
Received for Information

5.1-I  
Facilities Plan Update  
Received for Information

**ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS**

Approve Board of Education Minutes: 09-12-12  
Approve Board of Education Minutes: 10-10-12

**Daniels/Wilson** and approved as amended unanimously 5-0

**EXTENDED PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

None

President Selawsky adjourned the meeting at 9:59 pm.

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Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Clerk  
Board of Education