

BERKELEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Minutes, Regular Meeting

Wednesday, March 27, 2013
Berkeley Unified School District
2134 Martin Luther King Jr. Way
Berkeley CA 94704

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Roll Call 6:30pm

Members Present:

Leah Wilson, President
Josh Daniels, Vice-President
Judy Appel, Director
Karen Hemphill, Director
Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Director
Juliette Mueller, Student Director

Administration: Javetta Cleveland, Co-Superintendent
Neil Smith, Co-Superintendent

The meeting was called to order at 7:47 pm.

Report Closed Session Actions

The Board discussed and received an update on Collective Bargaining – Negotiations

Student Services

Consideration of Student Expulsion - Stipulated Expulsion
Case No. 1213-09-051606

Daniels/Appel and approved with amendments on a vote of 5-0

APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA

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

4.1-A moved to consent

3.1-C pulled by Director Leyva-Cutler

RECOGNITION

Berkeley High School Girls Varsity Basketball Team, Northern California
Champions

Public Testimony

Several people addressed the Board.

UNION REPORT

Paula Phillips, BCCE President, spoke.

Cynthia Allman, BFT Executive Secretary, spoke.

Board Members' Reports

President Wilson: Gave parting remarks and expressed gratitude for her fellow Board members and staff.

Vice President Daniels: Announced that the District was recognized nationally for our music program. He will feel the loss of Director Wilson's presence on the Board.

Director Appel: Visited Malcolm X Elementary School this week and was very impressed with their work and initiatives. Met with the BHS Professional Development staff and is excited about the changes taking place and the work being done. She wished Director Wilson luck in her new career and thanked her for her service.

Director Hemphill: Reviewed the status and timeline of the Superintendent search. Thanked Leah Wilson for her service to the Board.

Director Leyva-Cutler: Announced the Caesar Chavez commemorative period and outlined some of the activities taking place in our schools and community affiliated with the commemorative period.

Student Director: Announced the BIHS art show and BHS talent show.

Superintendent's Report

Supt. Smith thanked our music teachers and Suzanne McCulloch for the performing arts showcase they put on this past Sunday. He thanked Director Wilson for her service and time. He appreciated her focus on African American student achievement. Supt. Cleveland recognized the BHS Lady Jackets. She congratulated the BHS Jazz Band for their performance at Yoshi's. She also thanked Director Wilson for her service and for the support she offered her in her role as co-superintendent.

APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR

Wilson/Appel and approved unanimously 5-0

3.1-C

Leyva-Cutler/Wilson and approved unanimously 5-0

ACTION ITEMS

1.1-A

Approval of Process to Fill Board Vacancy by Appointment
(Wilson recused)

Leyva-Cutler/Hemphill and approved as amended, to include the application, on a vote of 4-0

2.1-A

Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators
Daniels/Wilson and approved on a vote of 5-0

4.1-A (moved to consent)

New Bond Issuance for Measure I (Resolution # 13-052) and Refunding of General Obligation Bonds (Resolution 13-051)

PRESENTATION ITEMS

3.1-P

Presentation on Career and Technical Education
Received Presentation

INFORMATION ITEMS

3.1-I

Proposed New BHS Textbooks in Plant Biology, Horticulture, Environmental Science, Intro to Cultural Anthropology, Classic Readings in Cultural Anthropology, and Spanish for Health Care Workers as a First Reading for adoption consideration

Received as Information

ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEM

1.2-A

Election of Board President effective April 1, 2013
(Wilson recused)

Director Appel nominated Director Hemphill; Director Leyva-Cutler seconded the nomination.

Appel/Leyva-Cutler and approved on a vote of 4-0

EXTENDED PUBLIC TESTIMONY

None

President Wilson adjourned the meeting at 10:34 pm.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Beatriz Leyva-Cutler", written over a horizontal line.

Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Clerk
Board of Education