

BERKELEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Minutes, Regular Meeting

Wednesday, November 13, 2013
Berkeley Unified School District
2020 Bonar St
Berkeley CA 94702

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Roll Call 6:30pm

Members Present:

Karen Hemphill, President
Josh Daniels, Vice-President
Judy Appel, Director
Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Director
Julie Sinai, Director
LaJayah Moore, Student Director
Shira Wolkenfeld, Student Director

Administration: Donald E. Evans, Ed.D, Superintendent
Javetta Cleveland, Deputy Superintendent
Neil Smith, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
Delia Ruiz, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

The meeting was called to order at 7:44 pm.

Report Closed Session Actions

- Board heard an update on bargaining unit negotiations
- Board discussed the Superintendent evaluation process

Human Resources

- Board gave direction on an employee settlement agreement

Educational Services

- Board gave direction regarding a student admissions matter

APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA

3.1-P was pulled by staff and rescheduled for the December 11th Board meeting.

3.2-C and 3.3-C pulled for comments and questions

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

Public Testimony

Several people addressed the Board.

UNION REPORT

Rebecca Burke, BFT member, spoke.
Paula Phillips, BCCE President, spoke.
Janet Levenson, UBA President, spoke.

Board Members' Reports

Highlights:

- Teachers and classified staff participated in professional development on November 8th.
- Four BHS seniors have been awarded Division I athletic scholarships.
- BTech students now have full access to Moellering Field.
- Director Leyva-Cutler appointed Ana Hernandez-Tijero to the Youth Commission.
- Several administrators and board members attended Alive and Free training last week.
- The Board has written a letter to the Berkeley Housing Commission regarding the need for housing for our homeless families.
- BOCA has completed its second neighborhood safety walk.
- Several Board members are hosting office hours this month. Schedules are published on the district website.

Superintendent's Report

- Acknowledged elementary and middle school families that attended parent-teacher conferences last week.
- Thanked the North Berkeley Association for supporting the Dine Out event that raised funds for our cooking and gardening programs.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

3.2-C

Approval of Parent Advisory Committee for Local Control and Accountability Plan

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

3.3-C

Approval of Additional Support Staff for Larger Elementary Schools

Staff Recommended staffing model:

Proposed Staffing Model

Position/ Enrollment	< 450 Students	450-499 Students	>500 Students
School Services Assistant	0	.4	.6

Motion by Director Sinai to amend the staff recommended staffing model:

Amended Staffing Model

Position/ Enrollment	< 400 Students	400-499 Students	>500 Students
School Services Assistant	0	.4	.6

Sinai/Leyva-Cutler and approved amended staffing model on a vote of 3-2

Daniels: No

Hemphill: No

Appel: Yes

Leyva-Cutler: Yes

Sinai: Yes

ACTION ITEM

3.1-A – Proposal for Implementation of Common Core State Standards in Math at the secondary schools

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

PRESENTATION ITEM

3.1-P – Safety Audit

Pulled by staff and rescheduled for the December 11th Board meeting.

CONFERENCE ITEMS

1.1-CF – Board Policy Priorities

At the point at which the issue of contracting out services for Board policy compliance was brought up, Director Daniels excused himself from the conversation due to his affiliation with CSBA.

2.1-CF – Elimination/Reduction of Certain Classified Position
Daniels/Sinai and approved on a vote of 5-0

INFORMATION ITEMS


3.1-I – Interdistrict Permit Report
Received for Information

3.2-I – Class Size Report
Received for Information

EXTENDED PUBLIC TESTIMONY

None

President Hemphill adjourned the meeting at 10:38 pm.



Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Clerk

Board of Education