

## **BERKELEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

### **Minutes, Regular Meeting**

Wednesday, December 11, 2013  
Berkeley Unified School District  
2134 Martin Luther King Jr. Way  
Berkeley CA 94704

### **OFFICIAL MINUTES**

#### **Roll Call 7:30pm**

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 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 7:43 pm.

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

Collective Bargaining – Update on Negotiations with BCCE and BFT

#### **YEARLY ORGANIZATIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

Election of Officers

President: Josh Daniels

Vice President: Judy Appel

Clerk: Beatriz Leyva-Cutler

Secretary: Supt. Donald Evans

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

#### **Public Testimony**

Several people addressed the Board. Topics discussed include:

- Proposed Board Policy on Gender Identity/Sexual Orientation Harassment (AB 1266).
- Support for the Welcoming Schools curriculum
- Transitional kindergarten enrollment and classroom location
- BPAR Process for teachers

### **SPECIAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

Approval of Proposed 2014 Regular Meeting Dates and Anticipated Topics

- Possible addition of joint session with Berkeley City Council on January 28<sup>th</sup>

**Sinai/Appel** and approved on a vote of 5-0

Approval of Proposed 2014 Committees/Workgroups

- BTSA Consortium Committee to be added: Leyva-Cutler
- Parent Advisory Committee to be added: Hemphill and Appel

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

2014 Board Assignments

- Director Sinai will participate on the Audit Committee
- Director Hemphill will participate in Measure H/Maintenance Oversight Committee

Special Board Meeting Adjourned at 8:59 pm.

Open Regular agenda meeting at 9:00 pm.

### **APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA**

Conference Items 2 & 3 moved to consent.

Presentation requested on Information item 1, 2 and 3

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

### **Public Testimony**

None

### **Board Members' Reports**

Highlights:

- Thanked Director Hemphill for her time as President.
- The Board attended the California School Board Association (CSBA) annual conference.
- The District held a public forum on the new Local Control Funding Formula and Local Control Accountability Plan

- Congratulated Director Daniels on his nomination to President of the Board and Director Appel to Vice Presidency.
- The Kindergarten Fair was a success.
- West Berkeley Library opening this Saturday

### **Superintendent's Report**

- Thanked Director Hemphill for helping him during his transition to Berkeley and congratulated President Daniels and Vice-President Appel.
- Thanked Berkeley Public Schools Fund for awarding so many grants to our teachers and classrooms.

### **CONFERENCE ITEMS**

Proposed Board Policy on Gender Identity/Sexual Orientation Harassment

*Amend Policy Name:* Gender Identity and Access

*Add:* "in a timely manner" to section regarding amending student records to reflect current name and gender.

*Direction:* Any changes to the AR should first be presented to the Board for information.

**Appel/Sinai** and approved unanimously as amended 5-0

Proposed Board Policy on Tobacco Free Schools  
Moved to Consent

Proposed Board Policy on CTE High School Graduation Options  
Moved to Consent

### **ACTION ITEM**

Certification of First Interim Report for the Period Ending October 31, 2013

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

Parent Advisory Committee for Local Control and Accountability Plan  
**Appel/Leyva-Cutler** and approved unanimously 5-0

Yearly Review of Facilities Allocations

The Board directed staff to make the following adjustments to the Facilities Allocations:

- Adjustments for AB8128
- Tracking of funding through Prop 39
- Include possible cost of consolidating the transitional kindergarten program at Malcolm X elementary school.

**Sinai/Appel** and approved unanimously 5-0

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

School Governance Council Diversity Report  
Received for Information

Annual Measure Achievement Objectives for English Learners  
Received for Information

Annual Report on Bullying  
Received for Information

Berkeley High School Construction Update  
Received for Information

First Interim FY 2013-14 Measure BB/H Financial Update Report  
Received for Information

Facilities Plan Update  
Received for Information


**APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR**

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

**EXTENDED PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

None

President Daniels adjourned the meeting at 10:51 pm.

  
Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Clerk  
Board of Education