

BERKELEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Minutes, Regular Meeting

Wednesday, March 12, 2014
Berkeley Unified School District
2134 Martin Luther King Jr. Way
Berkeley CA 94704

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Roll Call 7:45pm

Members Present:

Josh Daniels, President
Judy Appel, Vice-President
Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Director
Julie Sinai, Director
Karen Hemphill, Director
LaJayah Moore, Student Director (excused absence)
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 closed session meeting was called to order at 5:36 pm.

Report Closed Session Actions

- Authority given to Superintendent to issue administrative reassignment letters
- Board heard update on collective bargaining with BFT, BCCE and UBA
- Board gave direction on individual employee assignments
- Board discussed the Superintendent's evaluation

The open session meeting was called to order at 7:41 pm.

Reading of Mission and Meeting Overview

Recognition: 2013-2014 WE CARE Honorees

Anietra Montgomery	Instructional Assistant	Berkeley High School
Alicia Barajas	School Secretary	Rosa Parks Elementary School
Cynthia Richardson	Satalite Operator	Oxford Elementary School
Estella Sisneros	Library Technician	Le Conte Elementary School
Gayle Brown	Instructional Assistant	Malcolm X Elementary School
Jackie Ray Jr.	Custodian II	Cragmont Elementary School
Tracie De Angelis	Admin Coordinator	Human Resources Department
Loren Nakamura	Admin. Coordinator	Operations Department
Geraldine Morgan	Admin. Coordinator	Business Services

APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA

A-5 moved to consent
D-1 moved up on the agenda
D-2 will be the first item discussed

Approved without objection

President Daniels: Yes
Vice-President Appel: Yes
Director Hemphill: Yes
Director Leyva-Cutler: Yes
Director Sinai: Yes
Student Director Wolkenfeld: Yes

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Public Testimony

Sixteen people addressed the Board.
C1-(1) Approval of Human Resources Report
A6-(1) Approval for Staffing Model for Noon Duty
D1-(14) Re-Envisioning the Cooking and Gardening Program

UNION REPORT

Daria Wrubel, BCCE member
Lisa Kelly, BFT member

Committee Comments

Laura Babbit, LCAP/PAC member, spoke

Board Members' Reports

Highlights:

- Appreciation was expressed for Neil Smith and his service to the District.
- Future Board meetings will be held at the new Board Room at 2020 Bonar Street. The entrance is on Addison Street.
- Three Board members will be visiting the Alameda County Community Day School in Hayward
- Director Hemphill attended the Superintendent's Budget Advisory Committee meeting
- Director Sinai appointed Nina Segal to the Berkeley Youth Commission
- Y Plan, a program out of UC Berkeley, will be working with students in the Green Academy to facilitate a student process for the LCAP. The student group will be giving reports to the PAC and Board.
- Thanked students, parents and staff who spoke in support of the Cooking and Gardening program
- Congratulated WE CARE awardees
- The BHS Jazz Program hosted Girls Day to encourage girls to get involved in the program
- March is a month of service at BHS
- BHS students have moved into the new M building
- Student Director Wolkenfeld appointed Finn Colum to the Berkeley Youth Commission

Superintendent's Report

- Congratulations to Washington Elementary School for receiving a \$5,000 grant from PG&E
- 283 African American students are being honored tonight for having a GPA of 3.0 or above at BHS
- Announced the retirement of Neil Smith, Asst. Superintendent of Educational Services. He will retire at the end of June.

APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR

To include item A5

Wolkenfeld/Hemphill and approved unanimously 6-0

President Daniels: Yes

Vice-President Appel: Yes

Director Hemphill: Yes

Director Leyva-Cutler: Yes

Director Sinai: Yes

Student Director Wolkenfeld: Yes

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Maintenance and H/BB Second Quarter FY 2014 Report
2. Facilities Plan Update

ACTION ITEM

1. Approval of Initial Proposal for Successor Agreement from the Professional and Technical Engineers, Local 21
Open Public Hearing: 9:11 pm
Close Public Hearing: 9:12 pm
 - Board accepts and acknowledges the Proposal for Successor Agreement from the Professional and Technical Engineers, Local 21
2. Approval of Initial Proposal for Successor Agreement with Local 21
Open Public Hearing: 9:15 pm
Close Public Hearing: 9:15 pm

Hemphill/Sinai and approved unanimously 6-0

President Daniels: Yes
Vice-President Appel: Yes
Director Hemphill: Yes
Director Leyva-Cutler: Yes
Director Sinai: Yes
Student Director Wolkenfeld: Yes

3. Approval of Certification of Second Interim Report for the period ending January 31, 2014.

Daniels/Appel and approved unanimously 6-0

President Daniels: Yes
Vice-President Appel: Yes
Director Hemphill: Yes
Director Leyva-Cutler: Yes
Director Sinai: Yes
Student Director Wolkenfeld: Yes

4. Approval of 2014 Nominations to CSBA Delegate Assembly
Valerie Arkin, Jamie Yee Hintzke, Amy Miller and Nancy Thomas

Leyva-Cutler/Hemphill and approved unanimously 5-0

President Daniels: Recused due to his employment with CSBA
Vice-President Appel: Yes
Director Hemphill: Yes
Director Leyva-Cutler: Yes

Director Sinai: Yes
Student Director Wolkenfeld: Yes

5. Approval of 2014 Facilities Construction Plan
Moved to Consent

6. Approval of Staffing Model for Noon Duty
Appel/Sinai and approved 5-1

President Daniels: No
Vice-President Appel: Yes
Director Hemphill: Yes
Director Leyva-Cutler: Yes
Director Sinai: Yes
Student Director Wolkenfeld: Yes

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Re-Envisioning the Cooking and Gardening Program
The Board gave direction to bring back a proposal with the following:

- Only a Gardening Program
- Fund the program for PreK-7th grade and Berkeley Technology Academy
- Provide one-time funding for 2014-15 and will consider on going funding during the budgeting cycle.
- Allow PTA fundraising money for additional gardening instruction or cooking instruction to be used for after school programs and in-school programs with principal approval

2. BSEP Measure Planning Update

- The Board heard the proposed timeline and raised no objections.

Motion to extend the meeting to 11:30
Appel/Leyva-Cutler and approved 5-1

President Daniels: No
Vice-President Appel: Yes
Director Hemphill: Yes
Director Leyva-Cutler: Yes
Director Sinai: Yes
Student Director Wolkenfeld: Yes

EXTENDED PUBLIC TESTIMONY

None

EXTENDED BOARD COMMENTS

None

President Daniels adjourned the meeting at 11:11 pm.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Beatriz Leyva-Cutler". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Clerk
Board of Education