

BERKELEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD UPDATES

BUSD Board Updates provides highlights of Board Meetings and other Board activities

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At the board meeting on March 10, 2010 the Board discussed the following items:

Report on Closed Session:

The Board considered two Student Expulsions.
Case No. 0910-24-050892: Suspended Expulsion for this semester with a condition that the student receives alcohol and drug counseling; Case No. 0910-26-073093: Suspended Expulsion this semester and the following. The Board also approved the possible re-assignment of a Certificated Administrator, and the Non Re-elect of a Certificated Teacher. There was no other discussion or actions taken in Closed Session.

Superintendent's Announcement:

The Superintendent reported that Berkeley High School Principal Jim Slemp has announced his retirement effective at the end of the 2009-10 school year. The Superintendent expressed appreciation of Principal Slemp's accomplishments in his seven years as the leader of Berkeley High. See the Superintendent's Announcement on Vimeo.com: <http://www.vimeo.com/10115494>

Board Recognition:

The Board recognized Dru Howard and Beth Gerstein for organizing a district wide series of films and discussions at Berkeley Arts Magnet Elementary School on the topic of race. See Board Recognition on Vimeo.com: <http://www.vimeo.com/10115576>

Teaching & Learning Presentation:

Emerson School Principal Susan Hodge and Emerson Teachers present: Power of Emerson Academic Intervention Programs. See Teaching & Learning Presentation on Vimeo.com: <http://www.vimeo.com/10115835>

Public Comment:

See Public Comment on
Vimeo.com: <http://www.vimeo.com/10116671>

Approval of Agenda:

The Board approved the agenda, pulling Consent Item 3.1-C Plan for Summer School 2010, and Director Nancy Riddle recused herself from Consent Items 5.1-C and 5.2-C because they concern Jefferson School, which is located within 500 yards of her residence. **All Consent Items were approved, including these items.** See Approval of Consent Calendar on Vimeo.com: <http://www.vimeo.com/10117152>

Action Items

2.1-A BFT and BUSD Negotiations
8:37 PM Public Hearing on Item 2.1-A

The Board opened a Public Hearing as required before consideration of Action Item 2.1-A, the District and Berkeley Federation of Teachers joint

proposal for negotiation re-opens. There were no comments, and the Public Hearing was closed at 8:38PM. See 2.1-A on Vimeo.com: <http://www.vimeo.com/10121918>

4.1-A Certification of Second Interim Report for Period Ending January 31, 2010

The Board accepted the Positive Certification of the Second Interim Report certifying that the District will be able to meet its financial obligations for the current and subsequent two years. ** Still translating video for Vimeo.com:

Information Items:

3.1-I School Accountability Report Cards (SARC's) 2008-09The Board accepted the School Accountability Report Card (SARC) for the 2008-09 school year. The SARC's are available on the website: <http://www.berkeley.net/index.php?page=school-accountability-report-cards-08-09>

3.2-I Report on Special Education

The Board received a status report on the Executive Director's initial focus areas for the first half of the 2009-10 school year. ** See Item 3.2-I on Vimeo.com: <http://www.vimeo.com/10122116>

4.1-I Staff Proposed Budget Reductions

The Board accepted the Positive Certification of the Second Interim Report certifying that the District will be able to meet its financial obligations for the current and subsequent two years. ** See Item 4.1-I on Vimeo.com:<http://www.vimeo.com/10128046>

5.1-I BB Financial Update Report

The Board received a Measure BB Financial Report updating BB Expenditures from July 1, 2009 to January 31, 2010. ** (No presentation)

Approval of Minutes:

The approval of minutes was tabled due to the lateness of the hour and will return at a later date. **

Complete information about these items is available for review in the March 10, 2010 Board packet, located in the Board Meeting section of the BUSD website: www.berkeley.k12.ca.us

Schedule of Upcoming Board of Education Meetings

- March 24, 2010
- April 14, 2010
- April 28, 2010
- May 12, 2010
- May 26, 2010
- June 9, 2010
- June 23, 2010
- June 30, 2010 (Tentative)

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