

# **BERKELEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

## **Board of Education**

**1231 Addison St., Berkeley, CA 94702**

**510-644-6206**

### **Official Minutes**

August 15, 2018

President Daniels called the meeting to order at 7:33pm. He reported that the Board convened to Closed Session at 6:00pm.

#### **Roll Call**

Board of Education:

Josh Daniels, President – Present

Judy Appel, Vice President – Present

Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Director/Clerk – Present

Karen Hemphill, Director – Present

Ty Alper, Director -- Present

Arvin Hariri, Student Director, BHS – Present

Administration:

Donald E. Evans, Ed. D, Superintendent

Pasquale Scuderi, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services

Pauline Follansbee, Interim Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

Evelyn Tamondong-Bradley, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

Lyz Chairez, Recorder

#### **Swearing in of New Student Director**

President Daniels swore in BHS student Arvin Hariri.

#### **REPORT CLOSED SESSION**

President Daniels reported out on closed session:

#### **Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(a)) – One (1) Potential Case**

The Board received update and discussed. No action taken

#### **Public Employment Appointment (Government Code Section 54957)**

Principal, Longfellow

Motion to approve the appointment of Stacey Wyatt as the new principal at Longfellow:

Alper/Hemphill and approved 3-0  
Josh Daniels, President – *Yes*  
Judy Appel, Vice President – *Absent*  
Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Director/Clerk – *Absent*  
Karen Hemphill, Director – *Yes*  
Ty Alper, Director -- *Yes*

#### Principal, Early Childhood Education

Motion to approve the appointment of Alicia Magallanes as the new principal for early childhood education:

Alper/Hemphill and approved 3-0  
Josh Daniels, President – *Yes*  
Judy Appel, Vice President – *Absent*  
Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Director/Clerk – *Abstained*  
Karen Hemphill, Director – *Yes*  
Ty Alper, Director -- *Yes*

#### **Public Employment (Government Code Section 54957)**

##### Executive Director, Facilities

The Board discussed this matter; no action taken.

#### **Collective Bargaining Government Code Section 54957.6(a) (District Negotiator: Evelyn Tamondong-Bradley) BCCE and BFT Negotiations**

The Board received an update and discussed; no action taken.

#### **Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Government Code Section 54956.8)**

District Negotiator: David Soldani, Legal Counsel; Negotiating Party: City of Berkeley; Property: 1231 Addison; Under Negotiation: Status Update

The Board received an update and discussed; no action taken.

#### **OPEN SESSION**

##### **APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

Motion to approve agenda:

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

#### **PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

A total of eight people addressed the Board:

Three comments in support of the proposed sustainability plan.

Three comments in opposition to the Judicial Watch's request  
One comment sharing the success of green dot training.  
One comment in request of a response to a complaint filed earlier this year.

### **UNION COMMENTS**

BFT President Cathy Campbell commented in response to a PRA request from the Freedom Foundation and asked that BUSD reject this request and not share employee information with outside organization.

Linette Robinson addressed the Board as the newly appointed BCCE President. She commented on negotiations and advocated for increase in compensation for classified staff.

### **BOARD MEMBER AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS**

**Director Leyva-Cutler** stated that as we prepare to welcome our students back into our schools, we should keep in mind the various ways in which students experienced their summer break. While some may have had the opportunity to vacation and enjoy a fun summer, others experienced some sadness and hardships. She encouraged staff to show empathy as they greet, acknowledge and interact with students.

**Director Hemphill** welcomed back staff and shared that she hopes that all sites are focusing on attendance and are willing to work with families facing obstacles that prevent students from attending school. She added that she looks forward to the U9 and the work directed at improving our math pedagogy.

**President Daniels** shared that he had the opportunity to stop by at the annual management retreat where he greeted all of the administrators. He reported that he and the Superintendent met to plan out the remaining seven School Board meetings for this calendar year. He also shared that his son will be starting Kindergarten.

**Superintendent Evans** welcomed staff back. He reported that the management and principals' retreats went well. He is looking forward to the first day of school.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar:

Hariri/Alper and unanimously approved 5-0.

**Berkeley Public School Fund Update -Presentation**

*Allotted time: 15 min*

*Actual time: 10 min*

Erin Rhoades reported that BPSF has invested \$90,000 into Berkeley schools so far. Most recently, their focus has been on finding ways to support BHS math. She added that BPSF plans to partner with organizations to support the New Generation Science Standards (NGSS), 2020 Vision and to expose students to the arts. She looks forward to continued collaboration with BUSD to deliver a high quality education for all students. Questions and appreciative comments followed.

**Update on Career Technical Education (CTE) Programs—Discussion**

*Allotted time: 30 min*

*Actual time: 43 min*

CTE Director Wyn Skeels reported that the Governor's final budget yielded two streams of money dedicated to CTE. He presented an overview of the existing sectors, as well as the newly added engineering and design sector, and plans for the facilities that will house CTE offerings. He also reported that there are currently three full sections and all have full sign-ups. Questions and discussion followed.

**Opportunities to Apply for and Receive Facilities Funds from the Office of Public School Construction (OPSC) – Discussion**

*Allotted time: 30 min*

*Actual time: 15 min*

K-12 Facilities Consultant Bill Savidge presented funding opportunities that BUSD facilities can benefit from. He provided an overview of criteria necessary for BUSD to qualify as a recipient and a modernization eligibility update for the various sites. He clarified that BUSD has only been eligible for modernization funding. The current number of closed facilities disqualifies BUSD from receiving funding to build new facilities. Questions and comments followed.

**Public Hearing for and Approval of Additional Proposal for Successor Agreement Between the District and Local 21 Professional and Technical Engineers AFL-CIO (Time Certain: 9:30pm)**

President Daniels opened public hearing for this item at 9:50 PM.

No one came forward.

President Daniels closed public hearing for this item at 9:50 PM.

Motion to approve the additional proposal for successor agreement between BUSD and Local 21:

Alper/Hariri and unanimously approved 6-0.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**9:53PM**