

BERKELEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Board of Education
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Official Minutes
November 17, 2021
The Board Meeting was held virtually.

President Ty Alper called the meeting to order at 7:05pm. He reported that the Board convened to closed session at 5:30 pm.

4. Roll Call

Board of Education:

Ty Alper, President - Present

Ka'Dijah Brown, Vice President – Present

Julie Sinai, Director/Clerk – Present

Laura Babitt, Director – Present

Ana Vasudeo, Director -- Present

Anjuna Mascarenhas-Swan, Student Director, BHS – Present

Administration:

Brent Stephens, Ed., D, Superintendent

Ruben Aurelio, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services

Pauline Follansbee, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

Samantha Tobias-Espinosa, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

Rosalina Barrios, Recorder

OPEN SESSION

5. APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Motion to approve agenda:

At the request of President Alper, item 11.6, Approve Contract for Kelp Education for Services Related to the Implementation of the Literacy Action Plan, 2022 was moved to be removed from the consent calendar.

Motion to approve the agenda as amended:

Sinai/Brown and unanimously approved 6-0

6. REPORT CLOSED SESSION

Vice President Brown reported out on closed session:

All school Board Directors were present.

3.1 Superintendent Evaluation (Government Code Section 5495

The Board received an update and provided direction. No action was taken.

7. PUBLIC TESTIMONY

A total of 5 people addressed the Board:

Two Commenters have concerns that the proposed Spanish Language Engagement Specialist position (OFEE) will be put on hold. There is a lack of outreach to Spanish speaking latin families and are urging to fund the position.

Three commenters in support of the development agreement for STAM education for high schoolers and college students. The program will help educate underserved youth.

8. UNION COMMENTS

None

9. COMMITTEE COMMENTS

None

10. BOARD MEMBER AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Members of the Board and the Superintendent provided individual comments.

11. CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar:

Brown/Vasudeo and approved 5-0

Ty Alper, President - *Yes*

Julie Sinai - Director/Clerk - *Yes*

Laura Babitt, Director - *Yes*

Ana Vasudeo, Director - *Yes*

Anjuna Mascarenas Swan, Student Director, BHS - *Yes*

12. DISCUSSION ITEMS

12.1 Update on the 22-23 Budget Development Process (30 min)

Superintendent Stephens is asking the community and Board members for their feedback on the revenue preliminary reductions ahead of the December 15, 2021 meeting. Assistant Superintendent Pauline Follansbee provided an overview of rge budget process for the 2022-23 school year.

12.2 Discussion of Bayer-City of Berkeley 30 year Development Agreement -
Community Benefits for STEAM Education.
Benefits for STEAM Education

BUSD CTE Program Supervisor Wyn Skeeles discussed the historic thirty year extension STEAM developed between Bayer and the City of Berkeley and the benefits it will provide for BUSD students. Recommending to amend section 4 appendix Board docs.

13. PUBLIC HEARING

13.1 Public Hearing on 22-23 Educator Effectiveness Grant Application (5 min)
No one came forward.

15. EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one came forward.

ADJOURNMENT:

8:52 PM