



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION

January 16, 2018

Closed Session 6:00 p.m./Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: Mr. George Neely, President; Mr. Gary Knackstedt, Vice-President; Mr. Joe Nava, Clerk; Ms. Bonnie Cassel; Mr. Ron Freitas; Mr. Ron Heberle; and Dr. Daryl Talken

Administrative Staff: Dr. Cathy Washer, Superintendent; Mr. Leonard Kahn, Chief Business Officer; and Mr. Mike McKilligan, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel

Student Representatives: Ms. Melissa Ann Bongcaron, Ronald E. McNair High School; Ms. Jasmine Villanueva, Tokay High School; and Mr. Rajan Nathaniel, Bear Creek High School

Meeting Recorder: Ms. Valerie McFee, Executive Assistant to the Board

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. at the James Areida Education Support Center, 1305 East Vine Street, Lodi, CA

Public Comment on Closed Session Items

No comments pertaining to the Closed Session agenda were received.

Adjourn to Closed Session

The Board adjourned to Closed Session.

Reconvene Open Session

The meeting was reconvened at 7:06 p.m. Attendance was recorded and President Neely led in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Closed Session

President Neely reported that no action was taken in Closed Session.

Comments From Board President

President Neely commented on his past seven years serving on the Board. He said his major goal for the coming year is to increase communication in the District to staff, students, parents and the community. This involves a new digital presence, changes to the website and reviving relationships with the local media. He envisions communication efforts that get the community involved, including the city councils of Lodi and Stockton and local business owners.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Washer displayed pictures of the Parenting Partners Group at Oakwood Elementary School. Videos of Larson School's "Breakfast Buddies" and Lakewood School's "Circle of Friends" as aired on Good Morning Sacramento were viewed. Dr. Washer explained that the two videos were part of the Kindness

Campaign. Dr. Washer thanked the community for supporting the GOT Kids Crab Feed, which was attended by over 300 participants. She also thanked the many volunteers, student volunteers and donors. The Crab Feed will put over \$20,000 towards GOT Kids' sponsored programs.

Comments From The Public

There were no comments from the public.

Consent Agenda A – Routine Business

Mr. Knackstedt asked to remove Item A-11 and Item A-15 was removed by Michelle Orgon, President, Lodi Education Association

- Item A-1 Changes to the Adopted Budget
- Item A-2 Warrant Report
- Item A-3 Donations
- Item A-4 Contracts List
- Item A-5 Purchase Order Detail Report
- Item A-6 AB 1200 Documents for Lodi Unified School District Employee Group: Lodi Unified School District Administrator Association (LUSDAA)
- Item A-7 AB 1200 Documents for Lodi Unified School District Employee Group: Confidential
- Item A-8 AB 1200 Documents for Lodi Unified School District Employee Group: Lodi Education Association (LEA)
- Item A-9 Resolution 2018-01 Authorization to Advertise and Request for Qualifications for Construction Management Services
- Item A-10 Resolution 2018-02 Authorizing Certain Employees to Sign Orders Drawn on School District Funds
- Item A-12 Approval of Cal 200 PE Minutes Compliance Report
- Item A-13 Quarterly Report Pursuant to the Williams and Valenzuela Settlements
- Item A-14 Confidential Employee Policy Statement
- Item A-16 Minutes of the Organizational Meeting Conducted on December 12, 2017
- Item A-17 Children's Theatre Course of Study
- Item A-18 Addition of ProCare Therapy, Inc. to the 2017-2018 Non-Public Agency Master Contract

Mr. Freitas moved, Mr. Nava seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve Consent Agenda A, as amended.

The Student Representative preferential vote was unanimously aye.

Individual Action on Items Pulled from Consent Agenda A – Routine Business

Item A-11 Resolution 2018-02 Authorizing Tokay High School Bleacher Improvements

Mr. Knackstedt pulled the item due to concerns from constituents regarding spending money on bleachers and not on classrooms. Discussion ensued.

Public Comments

Michael Holst, Athletic Director, Tokay High School

Dr. Talken moved, Mr. Nava seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve Consent Agenda A, Item A-11 Resolution 2018-02 Authorizing Tokay High School Bleacher Improvements.

The Student Representative preferential vote was unanimously aye.

Item A-15 Instructional Calendar for the 2018-2019

Michelle Orgon, President, Lodi Education Association, inquired as to why the calendar did not include teacher work days. Mr. McKilligan explained the intended uses/audiences for the student calendar and the instructional calendar.

Mr. Freitas moved, Dr. Talken seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve Consent Agenda A, Item A-15 Instructional Calendar for the 2018-2019.

The Student Representative preferential vote was unanimously aye.

Consent Agenda B – Student Discipline Cases

- Item B-1 Expulsion: Student #17/18-10-24
- Item B-2 Expulsion: Student #17/18-9-25
- Item B-3 Expulsion: Student #17/18-7-26
- Item B-4 Revoke Suspended Expulsion: Student #16/17-7-74
- Item B-5 Readmission: Student #16/17-9-43
- Item B-6 Readmission: Student #16/17-9-47
- Item B-7 Readmission: Student #14/15-8-22
- Item B-8 Readmission: Student #14/15-6-81

Mr. Nava moved, Mr. Heberle seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve Consent Agenda B, Student Discipline Cases as presented.

Other Action Items

Item OAI-1 Consider Approval of Proposed Revisions to Board Policy and Rule 6142 Curriculum Council

Dr. Washer presented the proposed revision to Board Policy and Rule 6142 and explained that LEA had presented concerns with the current versions. Dr. Washer noted it was a joint effort to bring these proposed changes to Board for consideration.

Public Comments

Michelle Orgon, President, Lodi Education Association
John Hunt, Lodi Pupil Personnel Association

Mr. Heberle motioned, Mr. Nava seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve Item OAI-1 Consider Approval of Proposed Revisions to Board Policy and Rule 6142 Curriculum Council.

The Student Representative preferential vote was unanimously aye.

Personnel Matters

Mike McKilligan, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel, presented Personnel Matters for Board consideration.

Mr. Nava motioned, Dr. Talken seconded and the Board members voted unanimously to approve Personnel Matters, as presented.

Comments

Comments from Student Representatives

Jasmine Villanueva, Tokay High School, and Melissa Ann Bongcaron, Ronald E. McNair High School presented reports from their respective schools.

Comments from Employee Groups

Michelle Orgon, President, Lodi Education Association (LEA), asked how many combination classes are currently operating in the District and how many are slated for next year. Ms. Orgon voiced concerns with Edviate and problems with communication issues pertaining to the RBET (Review Board for Excellence in Teaching) Committee. She commented on the positive changes of the revisions to the Curriculum Council Board Policy and Rule revision.

Comment from Board Members

Mr. Freitas noted that Donations Report indicated that the District received \$75,000 in donations and he thanked the community for their generosity. Mr. Freitas commented on the success of the GOT Kids Crab Feed and thanked Kelly Brown, Event Chairperson, for breathing new life into the event. He thanked Lynn Aebi for doing an amazing job as Coach of the event, Randy Malandro for lending his talents as Master of Ceremonies and Cathy Washer for her amazing desserts.

Mr. Heberle echoed the comments of Mr. Freitas with regards to the success of the GOT Kids Crab Feed. He wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Mr. Knackstedt shared an experience from the Lodi High School staff's Santa Run. He attended the San Joaquin County Section Academic Team Championship. He reported that Lodi High School was in the top five schools in seven out of eight fall sports and with those students maintaining 3.6 or 3.7 grade point averages. He reported on the John Muir School running club.

Mr. Nava thanked the Student Representatives and said he always welcomes their reports. He asked Ms. Lampkin about the District's combination classes. She stated the District currently has 34 combination classes and we are expected to have 28 next year. Mr. Nava noted he doesn't like combination classes; however, he admits that sometimes they are needed.

Dr. Talken echoed Mr. Nava's statements regarding the dislike of combination classes.

Ms. Cassel stated she is happy to know all is well with the Curriculum Council. She thanked Jasmine and Melissa for their reports.

Mr. Neely reported on the RBET Committee meeting conducted the previous week and said it went well. He gave kudos to the Professional Growth Department for arranging the two-day professional

development event for teachers at the beginning of the year. He noted Edivate will be talked about at a future RBET Committee meeting. He attended the "Lodi Has a Dream" event on Monday (Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday). He attended a LCAP meeting with Lodi Education Association and noted the need to produce videos as a resource for those who cannot attend. He acknowledged the Student Representatives for their reports.

Comments From The Superintendent

No further comments.

Report

California School Dashboard for Lodi Unified School District

Lisa Kotowski, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction, and Randy Malandro, Coordinator, Assessment, Research and Evaluation, presented the report of the California School Dashboard as it pertains to the District and explained how schools are judged in multiple categories. The "California Model" was explained. State performance indicators and areas of concern were discussed. Discussion ensued.

Board Discussion

Opportunity for Discussion of Information From The California School Boards Association's (CSBA) Annual Conference and Delegate Assembly Meeting

Mr. Neely reported on the California School Boards Association (CSBA) assembly and conference highlights. He explained that in the coming months CSBA will introduce a grass roots movement with paid political activists assigned to specific areas. Mr. Neely announced that Legislative Action Day is March 13, 2018. He spoke of the issue of adequacy, noting that California schools are underfunded by about \$22 billion a year. He listed the following as LUSD takeaways: Summer Learning Program; Google Culture; Google 10X; TED-Ed; and innovative new recruitment strategies.

Board Advisory Committee Reports

No committee reports were received.

Future Agenda Items

No items for future agenda items were received.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.


Clerk of the Board
President of the Board