

## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

# OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

February 16, 2016

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

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

**Administrative Staff:** Dr. Cathy Washer, Superintendent; Mr. Tim Hern, Associate Superintendent/CBO; and Mr. Mike McKilligan, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel

**Student Representatives:** Mr. Dominic Hummel, Lodi High School and Mr. Roman Romero, Ronald E. McNair High School

Meeting Recorder: Ms. Lynn Aebi, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

#### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. at Julia Morgan Elementary School, 3777 A.G. Spanos Blvd., Stockton, CA 95209

#### **Public Comment on Closed Session Items**

No public comments were received prior to Closed Session.

#### Adjourn to Closed Session

The Board adjourned to Closed Session.

#### **Reconvene Open Session**

The meeting was reconvened at 7:10 p.m. Attendance was recorded and President Freitas led in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Freitas asked for a moment of silence in honor of Christina Turner, who passed away earlier this month. Mrs. Turner was a teacher from 2006 to 2016 at Oakwood Elementary School, Morada Middle School and lastly, Lodi Middle School.

## **Closed Session**

President Freitas reported on the following action taken in Closed Session:

**Non-Public School Students** – Mr. Nava motioned, Dr. Talken seconded and the Board voted to approve the placement of Non-Public School Students #2015-16 #'s 98, 99 and 100, as follows:

Ayes: Cassel, Freitas, Heberle, Nava, Neely, Talken, Womack

No: None Absent: None

Abstain: None Motion carried

# Resolution 2016-06 Release/Non-Reelection of Probationary Certificated Employees –

Mr. Womack motioned, Mr. Nava seconded and the Board voted to approve Resolution 2016-06 Release/Non-Reelection of Probationary Certificated Employees, as follows:

Ayes: Cassel, Freitas, Heberle, Nava, Neely, Talken, Womack

No: None Absent: None

Abstain: None Motion carried

# Resolution 2016-07 Release/Non-Reelection of Temporary Certificated Employees –

Mr. Neely motioned, Mr. Nava seconded and the Board voted to approve Resolution 2016-07 Release/Non-Reelection of Temporary Certificated Employees, as follows:

Ayes: Cassel, Freitas, Heberle, Nava, Neely, Talken, Womack

No: None Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion carried

# Superintendent's Report

Dr. Washer thanked the following employees for their assistance with hosting the Board of Education meeting at Julia Morgan Elementary School: Michael Coughlin, Principal, Julia Morgan; the custodial staff at Julia Morgan; and the District Custodial Response Team. Dr. Washer announced the first new preschool started today at Lawrence School with more to follow. Dr. Washer gave an update regarding the Facilities Master Plan community forums and town hall meetings. She announced that the community forums related to high school start time will begin with a meeting on February 29. She will provide additional information as more is available. She announced that Tokay High is hosting a Science Day this Saturday.

#### Comments From The Public

No public comments were received for items not listed on the agenda.

## **Consent Agenda A**

Mr. Heberle removed Item A-5 and Mr. Nava removed Item A-7. No items were removed by the public.

Mr. Neely motioned, Mr. Womack seconded and the Board members voted unanimously, by verbal roll call vote, to approve Consent Agenda A, Routine Business, as amended:

Item A-1 Changes to the Adopted Budget

Item A-2 Contracts List

Item A-3 Warrants

Item A-4 Purchase Order Detail Report

Item A-6 Approval of Resolution 2016-08 Authorizing of One-Time Funds for Outstanding Mandate Claims to the Special Reserve Fund for Capital Outlay (Fund 40)

Item A-8 Job Description for School Readiness and Preschool Specialist

Item A-9 Job Description for Locksmith II

The student preferential vote was unanimously aye.

# Item A-5 Resolution 2016-08 Authorizing the Transfer of One-Time Funds for Outstanding Mandate Claims for the Special Reserve Fund for Capital Outlay (Fund 40)

Mr. Heberle noted that this resolution is similar to the resolution at the last meeting and asked if this reflected additional dollars. Mr. Hern answered that this resolution reflects money that did not make it in the last resolution.

Mr. Heberle motioned, Dr. Talken seconded and the Board members voted unanimously, by voice roll call vote, to approve Item A-5 Resolution 2016-08 Authorizing the Transfer of One-Time Funds for Outstanding Mandate Claims for the Special Reserve Fund for Capital Outlay (Fund 40).

The student preferential vote was unanimously aye.

## Item A-7 Minutes of the Regular Meeting, February 2, 2016

Mr. Nava pulled this item from Consent Agenda A for the purpose of abstaining, as he was absent from said meeting.

Mr. Nava motioned, Mr. Heberle seconded and the Board members voted, by voice roll call vote, to approve Item A-7 Minutes of the Regular Meeting, February 2, 2016 by the following vote:

Ayes: Cassel, Freitas, Heberle, Neely, Talken, Womack

No: None Absent: None

Abstain: Nava Motion carried

The student preferential vote was unanimously aye.

# Consent Agenda B – Student Discipline Cases

Mr. Heberle asked to remove Item B-4 from Consent Agenda B.

Mr. Nava motioned, Mr. Womack seconded and the Board members voted unanimously, by voice roll call vote, to approve Consent Agenda B Student Discipline Cases, as amended:

Item B-1 Expulsion: Student #15/16-11-52 Item B-2 Expulsion: Student #15/16-10-53 Item B-3 Expulsion: Student #15/16-10-54

# Individual Action on Items Pulled from Consent Agenda B – Student Matters

Mr. Neely motioned, Mr. Nava seconded and the Board voted, by voice roll call vote, to approve (Item B-4) Readmission of Student #14/15-7-61 by the following vote:

Ayes: Cassel, Nava, Neely, Talken, Womack

No: Freitas, Heberle

Absent: None Abstain: None

Motion carried

#### Other Action Items

# Measure L Bond Citizens' Oversight Committee Annual Report to Keep the Public Informed of Measure L Bond Expenditures

Warren Sun, Senior Director of Operations and Jeff Seybold, Committee Member, Measure L Bond Citizens' Oversight Committee, presented the annual report.

Mr. Seybold noted that it is the responsibility of the committee to be sure dollars are spent on what was outlined in the bond and not outside of the scope of the bond. Mr. Seybold presented the annual report, including monitoring of ongoing progress, conducted onsite visits, and reviewed the financial audit. The committee concluded that Lodi Unified is within the regulations, other than the allowable tax rate, which the District is currently exceeding.

Mr. Womack motioned, Mr. Nava seconded and the Board members voted unanimously, by voice roll call vote, to accept the Measure L Bond Citizens' Oversight Committee Annual Report.

The student preferential vote was unanimously aye.

## 2016 California School Board Association (CSBA) Delegate Assembly Election

The ballot for the 2016 CSBA Delegate Assembly, Subregion 8-A, San Joaquin County, was presented for consideration. Candidates from Subregion 8-A are Kathy Howe, Manteca USD and Jenny Van De Pol, Lincoln USD. There are currently three vacancies in Subregion 8-A.

Mr. Neely motioned, Mr. Nava seconded and the Board members voted unanimously, by voice roll call vote, to approve Kathy Howe, Manteca USD and Jenny Van De Pol, Lincoln USD as the two candidates they will select on the official 2016 CSBA Delegate Assembly election ballot.

#### Personnel Matters

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

Mr. Nava, motioned, Mr. Womack seconded and the Board members voted unanimously, by voice roll call vote, to approve Personnel Matters, as presented.

**Public Comments** 

Debra Ladwig, President, California School Employees Association (CSEA), Chapter #77

#### Communications

#### **Comments from Student Representatives**

Mr. Dominic Hummel, Lodi High School and Mr. Roman Romero, Ronald E. McNair High School, presented reports from their respective high schools.

#### Comments from Employee Groups

Debra Ladwig, President, California School Employees Association (CSEA), Chapter #77, noted her appreciation for having the Board meeting in Stockton. Ms. Ladwig apprised the Board that CSEA is

involved in signature gathering to support the Children's Education and Health Care Protection Act, Prop. 30, and if anyone is interested, she will add their signature.

#### Comments from the Board

Mr. Nava visited Live Oak and Heritage Elementary Schools and noted he is impressed with the work being done at our elementary schools. He mentioned that McNair High School has a freshman focus group with a motto of "Get Focused, Stay Focused." He noted that 93% of the students who took the course passed. He added that school-wide ineligibility last year was 26%, this year down to 14% and he congratulated the students and staff at McNair High.

Mr. Womack thanked those responsible for facilitating the meeting at Julia Morgan. He thanked the Measure L Committee for their work and the student representatives for the information that they provide. Mr. Womack commented that he works for the San Joaquin District Attorney's Office and his job is to facilitate involvement in a mentoring program, arrange a home visit and to investigate what is going on in a child's life. Education always plays in to this and he complimented Dr. Washer and staff. He gave an example of a LUSD student who needed a plan of action. Dr. Washer and staff laid out such a plan for the student. Mr. Womack noted this is a county-wide program and it is having positive outcomes for students.

Mr. Neely thanked Michael Coughlin for hosting the Board meeting. Mr. Neely thanked Dr. Washer for the innovation going into the new classes.

Dr. Talken thanked staff and complimented the accommodations made to have the Board of Education meeting at Julia Morgan Elementary. He noted the back-to-basics of pencil, paper and voice votes.

Mr. Heberle thanked the student representatives for their reports. He attended the Facility Master Plan town hall meeting at Tokay High School. He commented on the one-time monies and noted he has received a lot of positive feedback that the money is greatly appreciated. He voiced concern that money that is earmarked for a specific purpose/category is spent on those specific items. He noted the positive aspects of the 1:1 device implementation and asked for additional information as to what happens to the existing school site computers, as not all devices work for all purposes. He commended the meeting being at a school site.

Mr. Freitas stated his satisfaction with the meeting being conducted at a school site and thanked Dr. Washer and Mr. Coughlin for facilitating the alternate location. He commented that other schools might volunteer to host a future meeting.

Ms. Cassel attended the Lodi teacher rocket launch at Snow Ranch and read a list of the schools that were represented. She asked for a reminder of the next such rocket launch scheduled for April. Ms. Cassel visited Live Oak Elementary School and read to second graders. Ms. Cassel recalled, for those who might not remember, that Julia Morgan Elementary housed Bear Creek High School students prior to the completion of McNair High School. She congratulated Student Representatives Hummel and Romero on their college selections.

Comments from the Superintendent No further comments.

## Reports

## Joe Serna Jr. Charter School Yearly Report

Elodia Lampkin, Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education and Maria Cervantes, Principal, Joe Serna, Jr. Charter School, presented the report. Ms. Cervantes updated Board on the happenings at the school and discussed the dual immersion focus, afterschool intervention, and outlined their focus for the coming year.

Public Comments

No public comments were received.

## **Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Report**

Lisa Kotowski, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction, presented an overview of the Every Student Succeeds Acts (ESSA). ESSA was implemented after No Child Left Behind ended in December, 2015; however California remains under NCLB through 2016-17. She detailed what is required within the ESSA framework and explained the Title II, Title III and Title IV requirements. Discussion ensued.

Public Comments

No public comments were received.

# **Board Advisory Committee Reports**

Mr. Freitas reported on the first meeting of the newly established Legislative Committee. The group will focus on future legislation that aids the District and will work with groups to learn how to best serve the District. The committee aims to reach out to area elected officials, state, federal and county to let them know what goes on in this District.

Mr. Womack vented frustrations as many attempts have been made to forge a Stockton 2x2 meeting.

# **Future Agenda Items**

Mr. Neely asked that the following two items be placed on a future agenda: a board discussion regarding the idea of a director of academic technology; and instituting a family resource center. Dr. Washer noted that ELD will be included in the program adoption, must go through the Curriculum Council and will be brought to the Board in April.

Mr. Heberle asked for additional information to be given regarding the possibility of a newcomer school being added to the District. Dr. Washer noted that this is part of the current Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) that has been approved and it will be discussed at the March 15 Board of Education meeting. Mr. Freitas asked that the Board meeting of March 15<sup>th</sup> be minimized to allow more time to speak about LCAP.

# Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Clerk of the Board

President of the Board