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BOARD OF EDUCATION – MEETING AGENDA*

Wednesday, March 26, 2008

Call to Order The Presiding Officer will call the Meeting to Order at **6:00 pm**, recess to Closed Session at **6:05 p.m.** and reconvene in Public Session by **7:30 p.m.**

Roll Call

Members Present:

John T. Selawsky, President
Nancy Riddle, Vice President
Joaquin J. Rivera
Karen Hemphill
Shirley Issel
Rio Bauce ** - Student Director

Administration: Superintendent William Huyett, Secretary
Javetta Cleveland, Deputy Superintendent
Neil Smith, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services
Lisa Udell, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources

Prior to Closed Session, as necessary, staff/employee comments are taken per Government Code Section 54957

Recess to Closed Session (Government Code Sections 3549, 1(d), 54956.9(a) and 54957) and Education Code Section 49819(c)

- a) Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation/Anticipated
- b) Consideration of Student Expulsions
A0708-01-060495 – Request for Admission
- c) Collective Bargaining
Update
- d) Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal /Release/Evaluation
- e) Public Employment /Appointment
- f) Liability Claims
- g) Property Acquisition

* Board agenda posted on District website: www.berkeley.k12.ca.us

** The Student Director does not attend Closed Session

The Berkeley Unified School District intends to provide reasonable accommodations in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If a special accommodation is desired, please call the Superintendent's Office 48 hours prior to the meeting at 510-644-6206

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

Report Closed Session actions

Approve Regular Meeting Agenda of March 26, 2008

Recognition

Berkeley High School Girls' Basketball Team – Northern California Champions

Teaching and Learning

Principal Janet Levenson of Oxford Elementary: Supporting Family Diversity

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Persons wishing to address the Board should fill out a card located on the table by the door and submit the completed card to the Board Recorder. Speakers will be selected by lottery. The Public Testimony is limited to 30 minutes – 3 minutes per speaker. Speakers with the same concerns are encouraged to select a spokesperson to address the Board.

Union Representatives' Reports
Board Members' Reports
Superintendent's Report

APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR

CONSENT ITEMS

These items are considered routine and may be enacted by a single motion. Any items needing discussion may be moved to the appropriate section of the agenda upon the request of any member of the Board.

Personnel Services

2.1-C Approval of Personnel Report	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve personnel report No. 08-07	8
2.2-C Payroll Specialist	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve reclassification pay rate change for Payroll Specialist	16

2.3-C Delegation of Authority	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Delegate authority to accept resignations from Berkeley Unified School District employees to the administrators named within	17
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Educational Services

3.1-C Approval of Overnight Trips and Out of State Travel	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve the overnight field trips and out of state travel consistent with District policies and instructional programs	18
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3.2-C Approval of Amendments to Discretionary Block Grant	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve the amendments to plans for expenditure of discretionary block grant site funds	21
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3.3-C Approval of BHS Math Grant	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve application for Berkeley High School math grant	23
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Business Services

4.1-C Approval of Contracts/Purchase Orders	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Authorize the Purchasing Manager and/or Deputy Superintendent to execute contracts and purchase orders	25
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4.2-C Approval of Listing of Warrants	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve the listing of warrants issued in February 2008	27
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4.3-C Approval of Listing of Payroll Warrants	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve the listing of payroll warrants issued in February 2008	30
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4.4-C Acceptance of Gifts and Donations	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Accept the donations/gifts to the District and transmit letter of appreciation	33
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4.5-C Approval of Contractors	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve and authorize speech and language contractors	34
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Facilities

5.1-C
Resolution No. 08-46
Approval to Award Replacement

Staff Recommendation:
Approve award of the replacement
of windows for Berkeley Arts
Magnet

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5.2-C
Resolution No. 08-47
Approval to Award Tree Removal

Staff Recommendation:
Approve award of tree removal and
pruning at various sites

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ACTION ITEMS

These items are presented for action at this time. Some may have been reviewed at a previous meeting.

Facilities

8:15 pm
5.1-A
Approval of Recommendation of Surplus
Committee

Staff Recommendation:
Approve the recommendation of the
Surplus Committee for the Sixth
Street property

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CONFERENCE ITEMS

These items are submitted for advance planning and to assist the Board in establishing future agenda items. The Board may, however, take action.

INFORMATION ITEMS

These items are intended to keep the Board informed on various District business matters, which do not require action, by the Board.

Educational Services

3.1-I Monthly School Enrollment Staff Recommendation: **49**
Receive monthly school enrollment and average daily attendance summaries as information

8:30 pm
3.2-I BHS WASC Mid Term Review Staff Recommendation: **72**
Receive the Berkeley High School WASC mid-term review as information **(under separate cover)**

3.3-I College Entrance Requirements Staff Recommendation: **98**
Receive the list of college entrance requirements met by IB courses at BHS as information

Business Services

4.1-I List of Budget Cuts Staff Recommendation: **100**
Receive list of proposed budget cuts as information

Facilities

5.1-I Monthly Facilities Plan Update Staff Recommendation: **104**
Receive and accept Monthly Facilities Plan update as information

ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEM
Approve Minutes of 03-12-08

**EXTENDED PUBLIC TESTIMONY
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

2008 Board of Education Meeting Dates

April 9 April 23 May 14 May 28 June 11 June 25	August 20 September 10 September 24 October 22 October 29 November 12 December 10 - organizational
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ADJOURNMENT

Berkeley Government Access Channel 33

Guidelines for Speakers

You are invited to participate in Meetings of the Board of Education and make your views known at these meetings.

WHEN YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT AN AGENDA ITEM OR A NON-AGENDA ITEM:

Please fill in a **REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION CARD** and give it to the Board Secretary. Speakers will be selected by lottery. Your card must be submitted before the Presiding Officer calls for **PUBLIC TESTIMONY**.

You will be called to speak by the Presiding Officer. A Speaker has three minutes in which to make his/her remarks.

Any subject related to the District or its educational programs is welcome at the Board of Education Meetings. **However, we respectfully ask that matters pertaining to individual employees of the Berkeley Unified School District be discussed in private. There is an established procedure for making such complaints.** You may obtain information about this procedure from a school or from the Superintendent's Office.

MISSION AND GOALS OF THE BERKELEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Berkeley Unified School District, a diverse community deeply committed to public education, is to ensure that all students discover and develop their special talents, achieve their educational and career goals, become life long learners, and succeed in a rapidly changing society by:

- empowering students, parents and staff,
- providing a strong standards based curriculum, and
- offering alternative learning experiences in a racially integrated, multilingual environment.

VISION

Berkeley Unified School District creates a system that enables every student, including those with diverse needs, to meet or exceed rigorous standards for academic performance. All students will develop the attitudes, skills and habits of mind needed to succeed in and beyond the classroom. The members of this school community share a vision of educational excellence, an appreciation for the partnerships with local government agencies, community based organizations, businesses, institutions of higher education and will work collaboratively to realize this vision.

PERFORMANCE GOALS

- 1. Increase the academic achievement of all students through effective instruction and a challenging and engaging curriculum**
- 2. Implement interventions that address barriers to student learning in order to meet the needs of the whole child**
- 3. Establish and maintain the culture and governance necessary to support an environment conducive to learning**