

# BERKELEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Minutes, Regular Meeting

## OFFICIAL MINUTES

Wednesday, May 28, 2008  
Berkeley Unified School District  
2134 Martin Luther King Jr. Way  
Berkeley CA 94704

### Roll Call 6:30 pm

Members Present:

John T. Selawsky, President  
Nancy Riddle, Vice President  
Karen Hemphill, Director - **excused absence**  
Shirley Issel, Director  
Joaquin J. Rivera, Director  
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. No one addressed the Board at this time.

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

President Selawsky called the meeting to order at 7:40 pm.

### Report on Closed Session Actions

Student Case No. 0708-24-110492

**Rivera/Riddle** and approved unanimously on voice vote to expel student for current semester and for suspended expulsion for the following semester

Student Case No. 0708-25-082591

**Rivera/Riddle** and approved unanimously on voice vote to expel student for full calendar year

Student Case No. 0708-26-031995

**Riddle/Rivera** and approved unanimously on voice vote to a suspended expulsion for two semesters

Student Case No. 0708-27-021295

**Riddle/Rivera** and approved on voice vote of 3-1 with Director Issel opposing to expel student for full calendar year

The Board received the names of students eligible for CAHSEE waivers  
The Board also discussed three personnel matters

### REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

**Item 3.5-A** – School Site plans were tabled

**Item 3.4-A** – Approval of BHS and B-Tech safety plans were moved to Consent Rivera/Riddle and approved unanimously on voice vote

### **RECOGNITION AWARDS**

The Berkeley Public Education Foundation was presented with the Superintendent’s Superstar Award for its outstanding service and committee to the District

### **TEACHING AND LEARNING**

Greg John, Principal of John Muir and staff presented a report on interventions

### **PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

There were two speakers who commented on the recent immigration raids  
One parent made comments about his daughter

### **UNION REPORTS**

None

### **BOARD MEMBERS’ REPORTS**

Board members made comments

### **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

Superintendent Huyett remarked that the contract bid for the Jefferson kitchen project should be held in abeyance. He thanked Assistant Superintendent Smith for he and his staff’s work in putting together a proposed resolution aimed at narrowing the achievement gap.

### **APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Riddle/Rivera** and approved unanimously on voice vote

### **ACTION ITEMS**

Item 3.1-A – Measure A – Professional Development

**Rivera/Riddle** and approved unanimously on voice vote

Item 3.2-A – Measure A – Visual and Performing Arts

**Rivera/Riddle** and approved unanimously on voice vote

Item 3.3-A – Measure A – Parent Outreach

**Rivera/Riddle** and approved unanimously on voice vote

Item 3.6-A – Approval of Mandarin Course at BHS

**Issel/Rivera** and approved unanimously on voice vote

Item 3.7-A – Approval of Globalization Course at BHS

**Rivera/Issel** and approved unanimously on voice vote

Item 3.8-A – Approval of CAHSEE Waivers

**Rivera/Riddle** and approved unanimously on voice vote

**CONFERENCE ITEM**

Item 3.1-CF – Approval of Textbooks

**Riddle/Issel** and approved unanimously on voice vote for First Reading

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

Item 3.1-I – Professional Development Overview

Item 3.2-I – State and Similar Rankings

Item 4.1-I – Governor’s May Revise

**ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS**

Approval of April 23, 2008 Minutes

**Riddle/Rivera** and approved unanimously on voice vote as revised

Approval of May 12, 2008 Minutes

**Riddle/Rivera** and approved unanimously on voice vote

**EXTENDED PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned by President Selawsky at 9:49 pm

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**John T. Selawsky, President**

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**William Huyett, Secretary/Clerk**

