

BERKELEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Minutes, Regular Meeting

Wednesday, June 25, 2008
Berkeley Unified School District
2134 Martin Luther King Jr. Way
Berkeley CA 94704

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Roll Call 6:00 pm

Members Present:

John T. Selawsky, President

Nancy Riddle, Vice President

Karen Hemphill, Director

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.

One community member addressed the Board on an expulsion matter and the Board Recessed to Closed Session (Government Code Sections 3549, 1(d), 54956.9(a) and 54957) and Education Code Section 49819(c)

President Selawsky reconvened the meeting to order at 7:32 pm.

Report on Closed Session Actions

Student Case No. 0708-06-011094

Issel/Rivera and approved on a vote of 3-2 with Directors Riddle and Hemphill voting NO to expel student for one semester

Student Case No. 06070-53-090292 – no action taken

Liability Claim No. 08-19

Rivera/Riddle and approved unanimously on voice vote to approve claim

Liability Claims Nos. 08-21 through 08-24 and 08-29 and 30

Rivera/Riddle and approved unanimously on voice vote to reject all claims

Appointment of Zachary Pless as Program Supervisor for Extended Day Care

Issel/Riddle and approved unanimously on voice vote

The Board also briefly discussed litigation with attorney

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Item 4.2-C – Approval of Listing of Warrants

President Selawsky recused

Item 4.10-C – Approval of Cal-Safe Agreement

President Selawsky recused

Director Rivera pulled Item 4.10-C – Approval of Cal Safe Contract and Item 4.11-C – Authorization to Increase Contract for Special Education Contractors for discussion

Director Hemphill pulled Item 2.2-C – Approval of New Position – LEARNS After School and Item 2.3-C – Approval of New Posting – LEARNS at B-Tech for comments

Vice President Riddle recused on Item 5.1-C – Approval to Reject and Terminate Jefferson Kitchen Remodel

Vice President Riddle requested Items 3.1-A and 4.2-A be moved to Consent

Director Riddle requested Item 3.2-A be moved to Consent

Rivera/Riddle and approved unanimously on voice vote as amended

President Selawsky presented outgoing Student Director Rio Bauce with a recognition certificate for his year of service on the Board of Education

Student Director Bauce introduced the new student Director, Eve Shames.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Stephanie Allen commented and offered her support for the Curvy Derby plan

Richard Moore advocated for the warm water pool

Priscilla Myrick had comments about BUSD fiscal matters

David Jolie of BCM shared comments

George Coates from BCM made remarks

Peter Waller expressed his opinion on the proposed Curvy Derby option

UNION REPORTS

Cathy Campbell from BFT shared remarks

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Vice President Riddle and President Selawsky made comments

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Huyett thanked the Board for their hard work and professionalism. He discussed the idea of a joint agreement with the City to work on the warm water pool issue. He briefly discussed the development of the Board's Mission and Vision statement

APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR

Rivera/Riddle and approved unanimously on voice vote with President Selawsky recusing on Items 4.2-C and 4.10-C and Vice President Riddle recusing on Item 5.1-C

Item 2.2-C – Approval of a New Position – LEARNS After School Program

Riddle/Hemphill and approved unanimously on voice vote

Item 2.3-C – Approval of a New Position – LEARNS After School Program – B-Tech

Hemphill/Riddle and approved unanimously on voice vote

Item 4.10-C – Approval of Cal-Safe Contract

Rivera/Issel and approved on voice vote of 4-1 with use of school district language under Section 15, Non-Discrimination – President Selawsky recused

Item 4.11-C – Authorization for Increase of Contract Amount for Various Contractors for Special Education

Rivera/Issel and approved unanimously on voice vote

ACTION ITEMS

Item 4.1-A – Approval of Budget for 2008-09

Rivera/Riddle and approved unanimously on voice vote and adjusted for TIGG correction

Item 5.1-A – New Curvy Derby Option

Bauce/Rivera and approved unanimously on voice vote as preferred option

Item 5.2-A – Measure BB 2008-09 Plan

Riddle/Issel and approved unanimously on voice vote

CONFERENCE ITEMS

Item 1.1-CF – Discussion of Mission, Vision and Set of Goals

President Selawsky appointed a subcommittee consisting of Board members Riddle and Hemphill

INFORMATION ITEMS

Item 2.1-I – Update on spring 2008 Classified Layoffs

Item 2.2-I – Compliance, Monitoring, Intervention and Sanctions Report

Item 3.1-I – Monthly Enrollment and ADA Report

Item 3.2-I – School Accountability Report Cards

Item 3.3-I – IEP Report

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned in memory of Berkeley resident Michael Rossman by President Selawsky at 9:39 pm.

John T. Selawsky, President

William Huyett, Secretary/Clerk

