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BOARD OF EDUCATION – MEETING AGENDA*

Wednesday, April 11, 2007

Call to Order The Presiding Officer will call the Meeting to Order at
5:30 p.m., recess to Closed Session at **5:35 p.m.** and reconvene
in Public Session by **7:30 p.m.**

Roll Call

Members Present:

Joaquin J. Rivera, President
John Selawsky, Vice President
Karen Hemphill, Director
Shirley Issel, Director
Nancy Riddle, Director
Mateo Aceves** - Student Director – **excused absence**

Administration:

Superintendent Michele Lawrence, Secretary
Eric D. Smith, 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
Student Case No. 0607-43-122193
Student Case No. 0607-41-052492
Student Case No. 0607-46-062294
Student Case No. 0607-42-060489
Student Case No. 0607-44-061892
Student Case No. 0607-45-121093
Student Case No. 0607-49-092893
- c) Collective Bargaining
- d) Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal /Release/Evaluation
- e) Public Employment /Appointment
- f) Liability Claims
- g) Property Acquisition

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** 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

CALL TO ORDER

Report Closed Session actions

Approve Agenda

Approve the Regular Meeting Agenda of April 11, 2007

TEACHING AND LEARNING

Lori Barnes, Kirstin Snyder, and Jeannie Wang from Emerson Elementary on Lesson Study Project on Problem Solving in Math

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
Superintendent's Report
Board Members' Reports

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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.

General Services:

1.1-C
Approve Resolution No. 07-51
in Support of Assembly Bill 333 –
Establishes the California School Library
Equitable Access to Digital Resources and
Online School Database Programs

Board Member Recommendation: **8**
Approve Resolution No.07-51 in
Support of Assembly Bill 333

1.2-C
Acceptance of Gifts/Donations to the
District

Staff Recommendation: **15**
Accept the donations and gifts to
the District and issue a letter of
appreciation to donor

Personnel Services

2.1-C Approve Personnel Report	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve Personnel Report No. 07-06that tracks personnel changes throughout the District	16
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Educational Services

3.1-C Approve non-public school placements for Special Education students	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve placements at non-public schools for special education students	22
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3.2-C Approve overnight field trips and out of state travel requests	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve overnight field trips and out of state travel requests consistent with District policies	24
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Business Services:

4.1-C Approve Contracts and Purchase Orders	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Authorize the Purchasing Manager and/or Deputy Superintendent to execute contracts and purchase orders	26
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4.2-C Approve Listing of Warrants issued in March 2007	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve the listing of warrants issued by the District in Mach 2007	31
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4.3-C Approve Listing of Payroll Warrants issued in March 2007	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve the listing of payroll warrants issued by the District in Mach 2007	34
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4.4-C Approval to hire Project Manager to manage the Pre-Kindergarten projects	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve hire of Project Manager to manage the Pre-Kindergarten projects	37
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4.5-C Approval to extend professional services for three vendors concerning the completion time for the King Dining Commons	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve extension of Professional Services for three vendors concerning the completion time for the King Dining Commons	38
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ACTION ITEMS

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

General Services

1.1-A Board Policy 3552 on Peanuts/Nut Derivative Products	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve Board Policy 3552 on Peanuts/Nut Derivative Products served in school lunches	39
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Personnel Services

2.1-A Approve Classified Layoffs	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve Reduction or Elimination of Specified Classified Positions	41
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Educational Services

3.1-A Approve New Mandarin Language Classes at BHS	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve New Mandarin Language Courses to be taught in September at Berkeley High School	44
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3.2-A Course Approval for New Elective Course at King Middle School	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve new life skills courses at King Middle School	54
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Business Services

4.1-A Approve FCMAT Purchasing Department Study Implementation Plan	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve FCMAT Purchasing Department Implementation Plan and direct staff to proceed with recommendations as specified	64
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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.

Business Services

8:45 pm	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u>	75
4.1-CF	Discussion regarding solar energy pilot project and funding options	
Resolution No. 07-50		
Solar Project at Washington Elementary School including applying for funds from OPSC and ratification of application for PG&E Funds		
4.2-CF	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u>	79
Resolution No. 07-49	Discuss Resolution No. 07-49	
Facilities Financial Plan Update and History	Facilities Financial Plan Update and History	

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	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u>	85
2007 API School Rankings	Receive report on 2007 API School Rankings as information	
3.2-I	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u>	87
AR 5141.32 – Health Screening for School Entry	Receive Administrative Regulation 5141.32 – Health Screening for School Entry as information	
3.3-I	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u>	91
Student National Origin Report	Receive Student National Origin Report (SNOR) required annually by all school districts as information	
3.4-I	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u>	97
R-30 Language Census	Receive Annual R-30 Language Census report as information	

Business Services

4.1-I	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u>	99
Facilities Plan Update	Receive Facilities Plan Update as information	

**EXTENDED PUBLIC TESTIMONY
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Schedule of Board of Education Meetings for 2007:

April 25	September 5
May 9	September 19
May 23	October 10
June 6	October 24
June 20	November 14
June 27	November 28 – tentative
August 22	December 12 - organizational

ADJOURNMENT

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Berkeley Government Access Channel 33**

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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**