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BOARD OF EDUCATION – MEETING AGENDA*

Wednesday, February 25, 2009

Call to Order The Presiding Officer will call the Meeting to Order at
6:00 pm, recess to Closed Session until and begin the
regular meeting agenda at **7:30 pm**

Roll Call

Members Present:

Nancy M. Riddle, President
Karen Hemphill, Vice President
Shirley Issel, Director
John T. Selawsky, Director/Clerk
Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Director
Eve Shames ** - 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
- c) Collective Bargaining
- d) Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal /Release/Evaluation
- e) Public Employment /Appointment
- f) Liability Claims

Claim Nos. 09-10 and 09-11

Claim Nos. 2006044216, 2004028364, 2004028785, 2006048886

- g) Property Acquisition & Disposal

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

** The Student Director does not attend Closed Session

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REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

Report Closed Session actions

Approve Regular Meeting Agenda of February 25, 2009

TEACHING AND LEARNING

Robert Ithurburn, Principal, Willard Middle School and Michael Williams, Humanities teacher on Culture Fair: Social Studies Project

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

2.1-C Approval of Personnel Report	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Accept Personnel Report No. 09-04 which tracks personnel changes throughout the District	7
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Educational Services

3.1-C Approval of Overnight Field Trip	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve overnight field trip consistent with District policies and instructional programs	9
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Business Services

4.1-C Approval of Contracts and Purchase Orders	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Authorize the Purchasing Manger and/or Deputy Superintendent to execute contracts and purchase orders	10
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4.2-C Emergency Medical Technician Program – San Francisco Paramedic Association Memorandum of Understanding	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve the Berkeley Adult School/San Francisco Paramedic Association Memorandum of Understanding	12
4.3-C Acceptance of Gifts and Donations	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Accept the donations and gifts to the Districts and request staff to extend letter of appreciation	18
4.4-C Approval of Behavioral Intervention Plans Mandated Cost Claim Settlement and Agreement to Waive Future Claims	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve the Resolution to authorize the Superintendent to sign the required waiver	19
4.5-C Ratification to Reimburse Parents for Special Education services provided to student	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve the various parent settlements and/or reimbursements	27
4.6-C Authorization to Increase Contract with Dr. Deborah Karres, Ph.D.	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve the contract with Dr. Deborah Karres, with the Special Education Department	28
<u>Facilities</u>		
5.1-C Approval to Award Piggyback Contract	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Award piggyback contract to Mobile Modular for Portables for the purchase of additional portables at BHS	29
5.2-C Approval to Advertise to Solicit Bids	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve the advertisement to solicit bids for the fire alarm upgrade at the BHS C Building	30
5.3-C Approval of Recommendations Contained Within Citizens Construction Advisory Committee Annual Report	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve recommended items contained within CCAC Annual Report	32

ACTION ITEM

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

General Services

1.1-A Approval of CSBA Delegate Assembly Nominees	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve nominees to CSBA Delegate Assembly Election	34
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INFORMATION ITEMS

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

Personnel Services

2.1-I Decrease the Number of Certificated Employees Due to a Reduction in Particular Kinds of Services	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Receive report as information	44
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2.2-I Criteria for Determining the Order of Seniority	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Receive report as information	49
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Educational Services

3.1-I District Math and E.L.A. Assessment	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Receive District Math and E.L.A. Assessment as information	52
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Facilities

5.1-I Facilities Plan Update	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Receive and accept Facilities Plan update information	71
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5.2-I Maintenance and Measure BB Update	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Receive and accept Maintenance and Measure BB Update	75
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ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS

- Approve Minutes of 1-28-09
- Approve Minutes of 2-11-09

**EXTENDED PUBLIC TESTIMONY
ADJOURNMENT**

Board of Education Meeting Dates for 2009

March 4 - special	April 29	June 17	September 23
March 11	May 13	June 24	October 14
March 25	May 27	August 12	October 28
April 15	June 10	September 9	November 18
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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**

STRATEGIES TO CLOSE THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP

- A. Continue to build and implement a pre-K-12 comprehensive and aligned system of core curriculum, instruction, assessment and intervention**
- B. Strengthen the ability of BUSD staff to educate a diverse student body**
- C. Partner meaningfully with parents pre-K to 12**
- D. Prepare pre-school children for success in elementary school**
- E. Attract, support and retain teachers and administrators of color**