

**Berkeley Unified School District  
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**BOARD OF EDUCATION – MEETING AGENDA\***  
Wednesday, April 15, 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  
Cliff Wong, Acting 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. 0809-27-053196.

c) Collective Bargaining

d) Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal /Release/Evaluation

e) Public Employment /Appointment

f) Liability Claims

Claim Nos. 2006048886, 2006045891, 08 BSD 002, 07 BSD 0025, 07  
BSD 0115 and 00 BSD 0000

g) Property Acquisition & Disposal

\* Board agenda posted on District website: [www.berkeley.k12.ca.us](http://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 April 15, 2009

### **RECOGNITION**

Jill Bergan, King Middle School Science Teacher for her recognition by the National Science Teachers' Association

### **TEACHING AND LEARNING**

Improving English Language Arts Instruction through Coaching and Collaboration:  
Cheryl Wilson, Principal, Le Conte Elementary School

### **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

Staff Recommendation:  
Accept Personnel Report No. 09-07  
which tracks personnel changes  
throughout the District

**8**

**Educational Services**

3.1-C Approval of Overnight Field Trips	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve the overnight field trips consistent with District policies	<b>12</b>
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**Business Services**

4.1-C Approval of Contracts and Purchase Orders	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Authorize the Purchasing Manager or Deputy Superintendent to execute contracts and purchase orders	<b>15</b>
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4.2-C Approval of Memorandum of Understanding for Rubicon Programs	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve the Berkeley Adult School/Rubicon Programs Memorandum of Understanding	<b>17</b>
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4.3-C Approval to Amend Contracts with Consultants for the Fiscal Services Department	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve contracts with consultants for the Fiscal Services department	<b>25</b>
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4.4-C Acceptance of Gifts and Donations to the District	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Accept the donations and gifts to the District and request staff to extend letter of appreciation	<b>26</b>
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4.5-C Approval to Apply for the EPA Grant for Clean Diesel	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Authorize the Transportation Manager or the Deputy Superintendent to apply for funding for Clean Diesel under the EPA Grant	<b>27</b>
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4.6-C Approval of Contract with Berkeley/Albany YMCA and the Berkeley Unified School District for Cal SAFE Programs	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve increase of contract for FY 2008-09 between Berkeley /Albany YMCA and BUSD for Cal SAFE Program	<b>29</b>
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**Facilities**

5.1-C Approval to Award the Bid for the Modernization of Longfellow Annex	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve bid for the modernization of Longfellow Annex	<b>30</b>
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5.2-C Approval to Advertise for Additional Portables at Berkeley High School Project	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve to advertise for additional Portables at Berkeley High School	<b>33</b>
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5.3-C Approval to Advertise for Willard and Jefferson Roof Projects	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve to advertise for the Willard And Jefferson Roof projects	<b>35</b>
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5.4-C Ratification of an Application to the Department of Energy for Funds to Create a Comprehensive Solar Study	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve application to the Department of Energy for funds to create a comprehensive solar study	<b>37</b>
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**ACTION ITEMS**

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

**Personnel**

2.1-A Approval of Classified Layoffs	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve classified layoffs	<b>54</b>
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**Educational Services**

3.1-A Approval of Proposed Mural at King Middle School	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve the proposed mural at King Middle School	<b>57</b>
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3.2-A English Language Arts Textbook Adoption for Middle School	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve <u>Pearson Literature California Reading and Language</u> and <u>Pearson Language Central</u> for adoption	<b>58</b>
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**Facilities**

5.1-A Approval of Process to Examine Capacity at K-5 Schools and possible zone modifications	<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Approve process to examine capacity at K-5 schools and possible zone modifications	<b>60</b>
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5.2-A Approval of Facilities Initiatives	<u>Staff Recommendations:</u> Approve facilities initiatives	<b>62</b>
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<b>9:00 pm</b>		<u>Staff Recommendation:</u>	<b>65</b>
5.3-A		Approve report from the City Wide Pool Task Force and recommend that the City proceed with environmental analysis of the preferred option and the alternatives <b>(separate cover)</b>	
Accept the Report from the City Wide Pool Task Force and Recommend the City Proceed with Environmental Analysis of the Preferred Option and the Alternatives			

**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**

			<b>68</b>
3.1-I		<u>Staff Recommendation:</u>	
Plan to Close the Achievement Gap		Accept the 2009-2010 Plan to Close the Achievement Gap for information	

			<b>86</b>
3.2-I		<u>Staff Recommendation:</u>	
IEP Compliance Report		Receive IEP Compliance Report as information	

**Business Services**

			<b>89</b>
4.1-I		<u>Staff Recommendation:</u>	
Adult Education Budget Reductions		Receive report of proposed budget reductions for Adult Education as information	

			<b>93</b>
4.2-I		<u>Staff Recommendation:</u>	
Monthly School Enrollment and Average Daily Attendance Summaries		Receive this monthly enrollment and average daily attendance summary report for information	

<b>8:30 pm</b>			
4.3-I		<u>Staff Recommendation:</u>	<b>117</b>
Safe Routes to Schools		Safe routes to school consultants will make a presentation	

**Facilities**

			<b>118</b>
5.1-I		<u>Staff Recommendation:</u>	
Facilities Construction Financial Update		Receive and accept Facilities Construction Financial update	

**ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEM**

Approve Minutes of 3-25-09

**EXTENDED PUBLIC TESTIMONY  
ADJOURNMENT**

**Board of Education Meeting Dates for 2009**

April 29	August 12
May 13	September 9
May 27	September 23
June 10	October 14
June 17	October 28
June 24	November 18
	December 9 - org

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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

### **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