

BERKELEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Minutes, Regular Meeting

Wednesday, June 10, 2009
Berkeley Unified School District
2134 Martin Luther King Jr. Way
Berkeley CA 94704

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Roll Call 6:00pm

Members Present:

Nancy Riddle, President
Karen Hemphill, Vice President
John T. Selawsky, Director / Clerk
Shirley Issel, Director
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)

President Riddle convened the regular meeting at 7:30 pm

REPORT CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

The Board discussed property acquisition and disposal and employee discipline/release with no action taken. They also reviewed CAHSEE Waivers which will be an action item in public session.

On motion by **Selawsky** and seconded by **Leyva-Cutler**, the Board voted unanimously to renew the contract for the Director of Fiscal Services.

The Board also voted to approve the recommendation to dismiss a classified employee

Selawsky/Hemphill and approved unanimously

APPROVE REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Vice President Hemphill requested that items 2.2-C, 3.3-C and 4.1-C be pulled for questions/comments

Selawsky/Leyva-Cutler and approved unanimously as revised

Teaching and Learning

Becca Todd, BUSD's District Library Coordinator presented a report on how reading is supported and stimulated through its library services

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

- Two students from the Black Student Union presented demands related to race issues at BHS
- Pastor Michael McBride expressed his concerns outrage around racial events at BHS
- Tim Donnelly commented on the new responsibilities classified employee face since the implementation of ULSS
- Troy Thompson who operates the Kids in Motion program at John Muir discussed how the change in rental rates at that site have impacted his program
- Peggy Scott commented on the lack of compliance, parity, imbalance and leadership around the SGC
- Margit Roos-Collins remarked about parent participation on the SGC
- Skip Weyman and Anita Thompson talked about the IA bidding process

COMMITTEE REPORT

Nancy Hofer, representing the P&O Committee discussed class size reduction

UNION REPORT

Paula Phillips from BCCE shared her thoughts about classified members' appointment or election to the SGC and also briefly remarked on the special education bidding process

Cathy Campbell of BFT commented on the recently agreed upon tentative agreement. She also reflected on the issue of critical need for active and focused efforts to recruit, hire, support and retain more teachers of color

RECOGNITION

Eve Shames, outgoing Student Director was recognized for her year of service

INFORMATION

Item 3.1-I – Committee to Review Governance at BHS
Jim Slempp and Christina Faulkner gave a Presentation and report to the Board that provided an overview of the procedures of these two committees, including composition, selection process and responsibilities.

4.1-I – Staff recommendations on Governor’s May revised budget reductions

Both reports received as information

CONSENT CALENDAR

Selawsky/Issel and approved as revised

Item 2.2-C – MOU BUSD/SF State University
Hemphill/Selawsky and approved unanimously

Item 3.3-C – Staff Acceptable Use Policy
This item was tabled until a future meeting

4.1-C

Selawsky/Hemphill and approved unanimously

ACTION ITEMS

2.1-A - Ratification of BFT and BUSD
Tabled until next Board meeting

3.1-A - Class Size
Selawsky/Hemphill and approved unanimously

3.2-A – Professional Development
Selawsky/Hemphill and approved unanimously

3.3-A – Parent Outreach
Leyva-Cutler/Selawsky and approved unanimously

3.4-A - PIO
Selawsky/Leyva-Cutler and approved unanimously

3.5-A -School Safety Plans
Deferred until next meeting

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ITEM

5.1-I – Facilities Plan

Approval of Minutes of
5-13 and 5-27
Defer until next Board meeting

President Riddle adjourned the meeting at 11:00 pm

John T. Selawsky, Clerk
Board of Education

