A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Long Beach Unified School District, County of Los Angeles, California, was held in the Community Room of the Administration Building at 1515 Hughes Way, Long Beach, California, on January 19, 2016.

Present: Members Craighead, Kerr, McGinnis, Meyer, and Williams

Student Member Ayato Hisanago, Sato Academy

Absent: None.

Call to Order

President Williams called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. in Room 464.

Closed Session

President Williams announced that the Board would be considering Items 4, 6, 8 and 10 as listed on the Closed Session agenda.

Call to Order

Having completed the Closed Session, President Williams called the Open Session meeting to order in the Community Room at 5:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Student Member Hisanago.

Report of Closed Session

President Williams reported that the Governing Board had been meeting in Closed Session regarding matters listed on today’s Closed Session agenda and wished to announce that no reportable actions were taken in Closed Session.

Public Hearing

President Williams announced that this was the time set aside for a public hearing on the Adoption of the Bargaining Proposals from California Schools Employees Association (CSEA), Chapter 2, Units A & B, to the Long Beach Unified School District.

There were no speakers and the hearing was declared closed.

Bargaining Proposals to CSEA

President Williams announced the public hearing on the Adoption of the Initial Bargaining Proposals for the California School Employees Association (CSEA), Chapter 2, Units A & B, from the Long Beach Unified School District.

There were no speakers and the hearing was declared closed.

Call for Agenda Items/Adopt Agenda

President Williams asked if Board Members had any items listed on the agenda for separate action.

It was moved by Member Kerr that the agenda be adopted as published.

The motion carried. The vote was unanimous with all five members participating in the vote.

Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Member Meyer that the minutes of January 5, 2016 be approved as written.
The motion carried. The vote was unanimous with all five members participating in the vote.

Communications
Pamela Seki, Assistant Superintendent, OCIPD, introduced Jennifer Crockett, Program Specialist. Ms. Crockett shared that the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards was created in 1987, in part, to raise the teaching standards. It is recognized as a symbol of teaching excellence and great professional growth for teachers.

The district supports and acknowledges the teachers who are newly certified and those who renew their certification. Ms. Crockett presented the teachers in attendance with a certificate, and thanked the Board for their support.

President Williams congratulated the teachers on this distinction.

Hearing of Public Testimony
President Williams asked if there was anyone present who wished to address the Board on matters of school district business listed on the agenda.

The following people spoke regarding the naming of schools:
Tonia Reyes Uranga, LB resident
Jan Burke, LB resident
Camen Perez, Friends of Hon. Jenny Oropeza
Margo Morales, Friends of Jenny Oropeza
Terry Ulaszewski, LB resident
Lynne Oropeza, family of Senator Jenny Oropeza
Ron Arias, Friends of Jenny Oropeza
Theresa Marino, LB resident
Jessica Chetswong, rep. for Councilman Roberto Uranga

Staff Report
None.

Hearing of Public Testimony
President Williams asked if there was anyone present who wished to address the Board on matters of school district business not listed on the agenda.

Lisa Hegrend, resident of Orange, regarding the implementation of SB277
Aliye Aydin, LB resident, regarding SB277
Shanda Lobatos, resident of Anaheim, regarding SB277
Susan Born, resident of Las Flores, regarding SB277
Lauri Halderman, parent, regarding the block schedule at Millikan HS

Personnel
Member Kerr presented the Certificated and Classified Recommendations, prepared by the Deputy Superintendent of Education Services, Human Resource Services, and approved and recommended by the Superintendent.

It was moved by Member Kerr that the Certificated and Classified Recommendations of the Deputy Superintendent of Education Services, Human Resource Services, be approved and authorized.

The motion carried. The vote was unanimous with all five members participating in the vote.

Board
Member Craighead moved approval of the Board Authorizations.
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The motion carried. The vote was unanimous with all five members participating in the vote.

Instruction Report

Member Kerr moved approval of the Instruction Report.

The motion carried. The vote was unanimous with all five members participating in the vote.

Finance Report

Member McGinnis moved approval of the Finance Report.

The motion carried. The vote was unanimous with all five members participating in the vote.

Business Report

Member Meyer moved approval of the Business Report.

The motion carried. The vote was unanimous with all five members participating in the vote.

Purchasing & Contract Report

Member Kerr moved approval of the Purchasing & Contract Report.

The motion carried. The vote was unanimous with all five members participating in the vote.

Superintendent's Items

The Superintendent of Schools, presented the following recommendations:

1. That the Board of Education approve the expulsion for Student # 201003380. This student would not be eligible to apply for readmission until after the end of the 2015-16 spring semester.

It was moved by Member McGinnis that Recommendation No. 1 of the Superintendent of Schools be approved and authorized.

The motion carried. The vote was unanimous with all five members participating in the vote.

2. That the Board of Education approve the expulsion for Student # 200500249. This student would not be eligible to apply for readmission until after the end of the 2015-16 spring semester.

However, staff recommends a suspended expulsion with an opportunity to attend EPHS within LBUSD.

It was moved by Member Meyer that Recommendation No. 2 be approved and authorized.

The motion carried. The vote was unanimous with all five members participating in the vote.

3. That the Board of Education approve the Administrative Assignment as
Assignment

It was moved by Member Kerr that Recommendation No. 3 be approved and authorized.

The motion carried. The vote was unanimous with all five members participating in the vote.

Williams UCP Report

4. That the Board of Education accept and authorize staff to file the Williams UCP Second Quarterly Report. Two complaints were filed, and have now been resolved, with regards to Instructional materials.

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

District Proposals to CSEA

Member McGinnis moved to approve the Adoption of Initial Bargaining Proposals for the California School Employees Association (CSEA), Chapter 2, Units A and B, from the Long Beach Unified School District.

The motion carried. The vote was unanimous with all five members participating in the vote.

Naming of Schools

Member Craighead moved to receive the roster of school name nominations presented by the School Naming Advisory Committee.

Superintendent Steinhauser thanked all those who were in attendance, Dr. Baker and Mr. Zaid, as well as the Committee members. The Committee was to come up with a new Board policy, come up with a list of potential names as well as a list of potentials schools to be renamed. They did a beautiful job.

Dr. Jill Baker, Deputy Superintendent of Schools, stated that this was a culmination of lots of hard work. The roster reflects diversity of thought and people, and additional vetting of names will be done in the future. She acknowledged the work of Mr. Zaid and the Committee members.

David Zaid, Director of Employee Relations, introduced two Committee members who shared their thoughts:

Karen Harper thanked the Board and the Superintendent for opening up the process to community members. She shared her thoughts on the historical, gender and diversity analysis.

Henry Taboada stated that the work and the process had been quite rigorous, and he commended Dr. Baker and Mr. Zaid. He asked that the Board use their work wisely.

The Board members also thanked the Committee for their hard work. They shared their thoughts and asked for clarifications.

The motion carried. The vote was unanimous with all five members participating in the vote.
Report of Board Members

Student Member Ayato Hisanago shared that he is the president of the ASB at Sato Academy of Math and Science. He thanked the Board and his principal, Mona Merlo, for such a unique opportunity. He shared information on the recent events and classes available at Cal State, Long Beach and is pleased to have the up-to-date technology at his school. The Sato students are proud to be attending this school, and they have a strong sense of responsibility, active minds and a great sense of humor.

Member Kerr shared her attendance at the Kindergarten Festival at Dooley ES and the Superintendent Parent Forum. She thanked Superintendent Steinhauser for his availability to parents. Ms. Kerr also noted the additional voting members for the Special Education Community Advisory Committee under the Instruction Report.

Member Meyer thoroughly enjoyed the recent classroom visits to Grant ES and Newcomb MS. He is delighted to see the collaborative work between the students.

Member Craighead visited Bixby ES to see the Robotics program for first graders, using recycled materials. She also enjoyed participating in the Martin Luther King Jr. Parade and touring the Peace Garden.

President Williams added that the classroom visitations are transformational. It is heart-warming to see the same instruction is happening at schools on different parts of the city.

Superintendent’s Report

Superintendent Steinhauser once again thanked Dr. Baker and Mr. Zaid for working so many long hours on the School Naming Advisory Committee.

Mr. Steinhauser commended the student member for an unbelievable school report. That is why we come to work every day. He also thanked his parents, who were in the audience.

Mr. Steinhauser congratulated Cindy Bater, Ronnie Evans and Chris Clifton for receiving the first round of CTE grants from the State. Long Beach USD will receive $5 million and there is a possibility for additional funds if there is leftover money.

Announcements

Member Kerr shared information on the E-waste event at Hughes MS on January 30; teen volunteer opportunities at Rancho Los Cerritos; and a free heart screening at Poly HS on February 6 for any student athlete.

President Williams acknowledged former Board member Mary Stanton, who was part of the School Naming Advisory Committee.
ADJOURNMENT

President Williams adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m. in honor of Shirley Black, former teacher and principal, as well as Artie Boyd, former teacher and baseball coach.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, February 2, 2016 in the Administration Building, 1515 Hughes Way, at 5:00 p.m.

Leticia Rodriguez
Assistant Secretary