

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE
LONG BEACH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

October 17, 2018

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 October 17, 2018.

Present: Members Benitez, Craighead, Kerr, Meyer, and Williams
Student Member Viviana Ibarra, Cabrillo HS

Absent: None.

Call to Order

President Craighead called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. in Room 464.

Closed Session

President Craighead announced that the Board would be considering Item #10 as listed on the Closed Session agenda.

Call to Order

Having completed the Closed Session, President Craighead 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 Ibarra.

Report of Closed Session

President Craighead 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 the Board voted to approve a settlement agreement in a special education matter, providing consideration and a release.

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

Public Hearing

President Craighead announced the Public Hearing on the Williams Sufficiency of Textbooks and Instructional Materials.

Williams
Sufficiency of
Textbooks &
Instructional
Materials

There were no speakers and the hearing was declared closed.

Call for Agenda Items/
Adopt Agenda

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

It was moved by Member Williams 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 October 2, 2018 be approved as written.

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

Communi-
cations

GATE
Teacher
Recognition

Pamela Lovett, GATE Coordinator, stated that she was pleased to recognize and celebrate the hard work and collaborative spirits of our teachers who completed the criteria to obtain Long Beach Unified School District GATE certification. The LBUSD GATE certificate is aligned to the California Department of Education's recommended standards for programs for gifted students, and Ms. Lovett shared some of the criteria.

Madeline Parker, teacher at Bancroft MS, shared her experience and added that she has accidentally become an expert in GATE and she loves sharing these ideas with other teachers that are in her Master's Program. She is very proud to teach in this district, and is thankful for all the support.

Tiffany Martin, teacher at Jefferson MS, shared about her first lesson in a GATE class and how she wasn't familiar with depth and complexity prompts, which motivated her to learn about differentiated strategies. She wants her students to see that it's okay to learn something new and be willing to try. She also appreciates all the support and the opportunities available in the district.

Hearing of
Public
Testimony

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

There was no reply.

Staff Report

None

Hearing of
Public
Testimony

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

Michael Gray, teacher, thanked the Board for the recent workshop on relationship centered schools.

Monique de la Garza, city clerk, spoke regarding National Voter Registration Day. Myra Maravilla, city clerk's office, spoke regarding National Voter Registration Day. Vikki Rice, resident, spoke regarding board member access.

Personnel

Member Williams 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 Williams 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.

Instruction
Report

Member Williams moved approval of the Instruction Report.

President Craighead noted a couple of interesting items in the instruction report. There is a grant proposal for Cabrillo students to travel to Washington, DC on a

cultural enrichment program and then there's an archival display at the Wilson auditorium, which will offer the public a chance to see the history of the school.

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

Finance Report

Member Meyer moved approval of the Finance Report.

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

Business Report

Member Benitez 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

Jill Baker, Deputy Superintendent of Schools, presented the following recommendation:

Williams UCP Report

That the Board of Education receive and file the Williams UCP First Quarterly Report, which had no findings.

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

Member Meyer moved approval of the Williams Sufficiency of Textbooks and Instructional Materials.

Williams Sufficiency of Textbooks & Instructional Materials

Member Benitez inquired if the list of textbooks was available to the public. It was noted that the list is available on our website.

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

Res. 101718-A, Intent to Dedicate Easements

Member Kerr moved approval of Resolution 101718-A, Giving Notice of Intent to Dedicate Easements to the City of Long Beach at Jordan High School Located at 6500 Atlantic Avenue, Long Beach, CA 90805 for Double Check Detector Valve Purposes.

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

Lease-Leaseback Contract

Member Williams moved to approve the Award of Lease-Leaseback Contract for the Jordan High School Major Renovation (Phase 2A) Project ("Project").

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

Lease-
Leaseback
Contract

Member Meyer moved to approve the Award of the Lease-Leaseback Contract for the Stanford Middle School – HVAC and Track & Field Project (“Project”).

Alan Reising, Director, Facilities Branch, shared the process when awarding lease-leaseback contracts using the amended rules from a year ago. Using that process, these two projects were solicited and they received 19 firms that submitted proposals. Upon review, the list went down to eight firms and four proposals were submitted for the Jordan project, Phase 2A. Swinerton Builders was selected and the total cost of the work is \$10,479,104. Erickson-Hall Construction Company was selected to perform that work for the Stanford HVAC and track and field project. They most recently completed the Cleveland and Riley projects, which were quite successful and we are very comfortable with the quality of work they've been providing to the district. The total cost for the Stanford project is \$20,832,442.

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

Pre-Qualified
Program
Support Service
Firms

Member Williams moved Approval of Pre-Qualified Program Support Service Firms.

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

Report of
Board
Members

Student Member Ibarra shared that she is the ASB President at Cabrillo High School. The Cabrillo students and staff are working hard to increase student success and to develop a greater sense of community and school spirit through three branches of student leadership: student council for student life, linked learning student ambassadors for academic and career readiness, and the council of student athletes for athletic sportsmanship.

Their newly adopted motto, Success in the West, highlights who they are. They worked with Superintendent Steinhauser and Councilman Uranga's office to create and install large banners on streets on the west side, showcasing the graduating seniors who were off to college in the fall. The #CollegeBoundJags campaign is something they are very proud of and they hope to make this an ongoing project.

Ms. Ibarra shared about the school's past and upcoming events, including homecoming week. She recognized Mr. Itson, Activities Specialist, and two cabinet members present.

Member Kerr recognized the great things at Cabrillo and thinks their social media game is on point. She loves the initiative taken by the students and their hard work, and they have amazing teachers supporting them.

Member Williams commended Ms. Ibarra for her excellent report and inquired what she would like to major in at UC Davis. She replied that her goal is to become a veterinarian.

Member Benitez also congratulated Ms. Ibarra on her report, she obviously did her homework. He commended the work accomplished by the City Clerk's Office and our respective high schools who participated in the National Voter Registration day. It's a great way to reaffirm our commitment to a genuine and authentic democracy.

Dr. Benitez stated that there will be a wonderful opportunity around our community engagement efforts in the district. A community forum on the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) is planned for Saturday, and it will be the first of five forums. The purpose is not only to learn about the great things that we're doing through our LCAP, but it's also an opportunity for the community to provide input, feedback and suggestions to how we can improve in all areas.

Member Meyer stated that he too, is very proud of the student member. She has demonstrated that she will meet any challenge very well and wished her the best of luck. He had the pleasure of visiting the Educare facility recently, it was a wonderful tour with potential sponsors and he praised Principal Maria Harris.

Mr. Meyer stated that he is very proud of our teaching force in the district and particularly so when one of the teachers is one of his former students. He visited King ES and Sammy Reyburn, who's been an elementary teacher there for 14 or 15 years. He does a wonderful job in the classroom and it was a delight to also meet the principal there, Osvaldo Ocampo. The school is running very smoothly and there is great spirit on that campus.

President Craighead congratulated Superintendent Steinhauser on being honored by the International City Theater recently. She thanked all the teachers, parents, administrators and executive staff who gave up their time on a Saturday to put on the School Site Council Institute. Also something that happens on Saturdays at some of our schools is Saturday school. At Washington MS for example, they are making things so exciting that kids are excited and happy to attend Saturday school.

Lastly, this week at Emerson, Ms. Craighead had the honor of swearing in the student council members. That is an elementary school and it was a lot of fun, and she hopes that these kids who are getting involved on student council and other leadership roles at such a young age will continue to be in those leadership roles and that we will see them in the future.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Baker shared details about the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Forum taking place on Saturday at Cabrillo HS. Flyers were available in the back of the room.

She also invited the public to the second High School Choice Fair on October 27 at Long Beach City College.

Announcements

Member Williams acknowledged and thanked all the teachers to worked the High School Choice Summit, despite the rain.

Member Kerr reminded everyone that Election Day is on November 6th and she encouraged them to vote. For those not registered, you have until Monday to register.

Member Meyer added that NPR Radio, 89.3 FM, was having an open forum at 7pm, discussing the pros and cons of all of the ballot measures. He thinks it would be very beneficial, particularly to our young students who just registered to vote at their high schools.

ADJOURNMENT

President Craighead adjourned the meeting at 5:55 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Wednesday, November 7, 2018 in the Administration Building, 1515 Hughes Way, at 5:00 p.m.

Leticia Rodriguez
Assistant Secretary