

MINUTES
CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
EDWARD A. GREER EDUCATION CENTER, BOARD ROOM
2832 E. FLAMINGO ROAD, LAS VEGAS, NV 89121

WORK SESSION

Wednesday, June 6, 2018

8:01 a.m.

Roll Call: Members Present
Deanna L. Wright, President
Carolyn Edwards, Vice President
Lola Brooks, Clerk
Linda P. Cavazos, Member
Kevin L. Child, Member
Chris Garvey, Member
Linda E. Young, Member

Pat Skorkowsky, Superintendent of Schools

Also present were: Mary-Anne Miller, Board Counsel, District Attorney's Office; Carlos McDade, General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, Ancillary Support; Jason Goudie, Chief Financial Officer, Finance Department, Operational Services Unit; Kirsten Searer, Chief Communications, Marketing, and Strategy Officer, Communications Office, Ancillary Support; Brad Keating, Coordinator, Office of the Deputy Superintendent; James Ketsaa, Chief, Police Services, Ancillary Support; Mike Barton, Chief Academic Officer, Academic Unit; Mike Blackeye, Lieutenant, Police Services, Ancillary Support; Blake Cumbers, Associate Superintendent, Facilities Division, Operational Services Unit; Michael Wilson, Director, Emergency Management, Ancillary Support; Rick Baldwin, Director, Demographics, Zoning, and GIS Information, Operational Services Unit; Cindy Krohn, Executive Assistant, Board Office; Elizabeth Carrero, Executive Manager/Director II, Office of the Superintendent; Norma Herrera, Administrative Secretary II, Board Office; Chelsie Campbell, Consultant, Triple Sea, LLC; and Detrick Sanford, Consultant, Sanford Innovations.

TELECONFERENCE CALL CONNECTED

Teleconference call with Trustee Edwards was connected at 8:01 a.m.

FLAG SALUTE

Trustee Brooks led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPT AGENDA

Adopt agenda, except note reference material provided for Item 4.02 and move Items 4.03, 4.04, and 4.02 to precede Item 4.01, respectively.

Motion: Brooks Second: Garvey Vote: Unanimous

Trustee Cavazos and Trustee Young were not present for the vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of April 11, 2018, as recommended in Reference 3.01.

Motion: Garvey Second: Brooks Vote: Unanimous

Trustee Cavazos and Trustee Young were not present for the vote.

BOARD MEMBER ARRIVES

Trustee Cavazos arrived at the Board meeting at 8:06 a.m.

BOARD MEMBER ARRIVES

Trustee Young arrived at the Board meeting at 8:08 a.m.

APPROVE ITEMS 4.03 AND 4.04

Approval of Items 4.03 and 4.04, respectively, as follows:

PLANNING AND ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS

Presentation and discussion on 2015 Capital Improvement Program, Revision 3, Planning and Enrollment Projections.

APPROVE 2015 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, REVISION 3

Approval of the proposed 2015 Capital Improvement Program, Revision 3, as recommended by the Bond Oversight Committee on May 17, 2018, as recommended in Reference 4.04.

Mr. Baldwin presented the planning and enrollment projections as shown in Reference 4.03.

Trustee Garvey expressed concern with regard to how new schools would be paid for.

Superintendent Skorkowsky said the additional costs for the schools opening this fall were built into the budget, and Jason Goudie, Chief Financial Officer, Business and Finance Division, has been working with the Nevada Department of Education (NDE) to make changes to the Distributive School Account (DSA) formula to include new schools.

Trustee Garvey said she had concerns that J.D. Smith Middle School had been delayed.

TELECONFERENCE CALL DISCONNECTED

Teleconference call with Trustee Edwards was disconnected at 8:38 a.m.

APPROVE ITEMS 4.03 AND 4.04 (continued)

Trustee Young asked how many magnet schools were in each Trustee's district.

APPROVE ITEMS 4.03 AND 4.04 (continued)

Mr. Baldwin said he did not know but he would be able to provide that information.

Trustee Child said he believes the District should explore expanding magnet schools and career and technical academies (CTAs) throughout the District.

Superintendent Skorkowsky said the intent is not to put a magnet or CTA in every Trustee's district, but that is driven by need so they can work on that.

Trustee Young said each Trustee's district should include a teach academy.

Mr. Cumbers presented the 2015 Capital Improvement Program Revision 3 as shown in Reference 4.04.

Trustee Garvey asked if the J.D. Smith design was completed.

Mr. Cumbers said it was complete, but there were other elements associated with that such as utilities and offsite easements.

Trustee Garvey said perhaps they could have a discussion with North Las Vegas representatives regarding how the District and the City could work together on those issues.

TELECONFERENCE CALL CONNECTED

Teleconference call with Trustee Edwards was connected at 9:02 a.m.

APPROVE ITEMS 4.03 AND 4.04 (continued)

There was some brief discussion regarding possibly accelerating the schedule for J.D. Smith.

Trustee Edwards said she would like to have a midyear opening for William V. Wright Elementary School if at all possible. She asked for clarification regarding Sandy Valley High School.

Public Hearing

Isaac Barron, North Las Vegas City Council, said the construction timeline is only slightly behind, and he questioned how the construction timeline being very close could delay the schedule for J.D. Smith. He said both J.D. Smith and Jim Bridger Middle School are in dilapidated condition. He said a school in the same condition of J.D. Smith would not be tolerated in any other community. He urged the Board to move forward on this.

APPROVE ITEMS 4.03 AND 4.04 (continued)

Public Hearing

Sandy Miller said the population of J.D. Smith Middle School has been long neglected. She said J.D. Smith Middle School was built in 1952 before CCSO became a district in 1956 and with the most economic materials available. She said those kids deserve the same respect as any other kids.

There was discussion regarding the design for the new elementary school at Chapata Drive and Casady Hollow Avenue including capacity, traffic safety, and future growth.

Motion to approve Decision 7 with the caveat that if enrollment for opening year triggers a year-round situation Chapata would open as a year-round school and that the Board of Trustees be provided with the draft Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) by the City of Henderson to vote on prior to bid release.

Motion: Garvey Second: Young Vote: Unanimous

Superintendent Skorkowsky clarified that Sandy Valley High School was not included in the previous discussion but could be brought back to the Board to be addressed.

Trustee Edwards asked why this could not be included here in Revision 3.

Superintendent Skorkowsky said he would ask then that the Board acknowledge that this was not brought before the Bond Oversight Committee (BOC), and if not, it could be taken to the BOC and then come back to the Board with a Revision 4.

Trustee Edwards said she does not have a problem with that unless it delays the timeline for the elementary and high school projects being completed together.

Superintendent Skorkowsky said it could be brought to the BOC at their June 21, 2018, meeting and then to the Board at the Board's July 12, 2018, meeting.

Motion to approve Decision 1 through Decision 6.

Motion: Young Second: Child Vote: Unanimous

RECESS: 10:31 a.m.

RECONVENE: 11:14 a.m.

TELECONFERENCE CALL RECONNECTED

Teleconference call with Trustee Edwards was reconnected at 11:14 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Trustees presented Superintendent Skorkowsky with a gift basket as a retirement gift.

APPROVE BILL DRAFT REQUESTS - 2019 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Approval regarding bill draft requests to be submitted for the 80th Regular Session of the Nevada Legislature, pursuant to NRS 218D.205, as requested.

Ms. Searer, Mr. Keating, Ms. Campbell, and Mr. Sanford presented the Board of School Trustees 2019 Legislative Platform and possible Bill Drafts as shown in Reference 4.02.

BOARD MEMBER LEAVES

Trustee Garvey left the Board meeting at 11:24 a.m.

APPROVE BILL DRAFT REQUESTS - 2019 LEGISLATIVE SESSION (continued)

Trustee Child said there needs to be discussions with legislators to regarding what is needed to adequately fund education.

Trustee Young suggested looking at teacher recruitment and retention in the District and throughout the state.

Trustee Cavazos agreed with including the issue of the need for additional mental health resources and presenting a structure around funding. She suggested presenting options for a specific income stream for school employees.

Trustee Edwards suggested considering including an opt-out option for sex education.

Superintendent Skorkowsky said that could be brought back for discussion on the July 11, 2018, work session agenda.

TELECONFERENCE CALL DISCONNECTED

Teleconference call with Trustee Edwards was disconnected at 11:38 a.m.

APPROVE BILL DRAFT REQUESTS - 2019 LEGISLATIVE SESSION (continued)

Trustee Brooks said Trustees should be given talking points similar to page 1 of 8 when speaking to members of congress. She suggested that the District should ask for everything that it needs and be honest and transparent about what the needs are. She said with regard to the Title I incentives for teachers, they should be more vocal about the negative impact of policies that move teachers from one place to another without regard for existing staff.

Trustee Child suggested working with governmental entities and the business community to get adequate funding for education.

Trustee Cavazos said she would be interested in hearing more about interest based collective bargaining.

TELECONFERENCE CALL CONNECTED

Teleconference call was connected with Trustee Edwards at 11:54 a.m.

APPROVE BILL DRAFT REQUESTS - 2019 LEGISLATIVE SESSION (continued)

Trustee Young said she believes the specific income stream for school employees is an important issue. She said she would also like to focus on additional funds for deferred and preventative maintenance.

Trustee Brooks asked that prior to the discussion regarding the interest based collective bargaining coming back to the Board, the Board be provided with an example of a state that currently utilizes that system successfully and what it looks like.

Trustee Cavazos asked that the information regarding the interest based collective bargaining also include successes and challenges of several states that have used that method.

Trustee Wright suggested also including the high cost of educating special needs students and the need for additional funding.

BOARD MEMBER LEAVES

Trustee Young left the Board meeting at 12:00 p.m.

APPROVE BILL DRAFT REQUESTS - 2019 LEGISLATIVE SESSION (continued)

Trustee Brooks suggested adding that if gun control legislation and red flag laws come up, teachers be included in those who could identify people who might need to have their weapons removed from their homes.

Public Hearing

Sylvia Lazos agreed with the Board working collaboratively with community groups and community partners. She said there is an opportunity here for the Board to be honest and transparent about the needs of the District.

SCHOOL SAFETY

Presentation and discussion on school safety training, procedures, and programs.

Chief Ketsaa, Lieutenant Blackeye, Mr. Wilson, and Dr. Barton gave a presentation on the CCSD Police Department school safety training, procedures, and programs as shown in Reference 4.01.

TELECONFERENCE CALL DISCONNECTED

Teleconference call with Trustee Edwards was disconnected at 12:39 p.m.

SCHOOL SAFETY (continued)

The school safety presentation continued.

AGENDA PLANNING: ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

None.

DISCUSSION AND REQUEST FOR SPECIAL MEETINGS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None.

ADJOURN: 1:08 p.m.

Motion: Child Second: Brooks Vote: Unanimous

Trustee Edwards, Trustee Garvey, and Trustee Young were not present for the vote.