

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 21, 2017

8:01 a.m.

Roll Call: Members Present
Deanna L. Wright, President
Linda E. Young, Vice President
Carolyn Edwards, Clerk
Lola Brooks, Member
Kevin L. Child, Member
Erin Cranor, Member
Chris Garvey, 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; Kim Wooden, Deputy Superintendent, Office of the Deputy Superintendent; Rick Neal, Chief Operating Officer, Operational Services Unit; Mike Barton, Chief Academic Office, Academic Unit; Joe Caruso, Deputy Chief of Staff/Liaison to the Board, Office of the Superintendent; Kristine Minnich, Assistant Superintendent, Assessment, Accountability, Research and School Improvement, Educational and Operational Excellence Unit; Blake Cumbers, Associate Superintendent, Facilities Division, Operational Services Unit; Jeff Wagner, Director IV, Construction Management, Operational Services Unit; Ruby Alston, Director II, Facilities and Bond Fund Financial Management, Operational Services Unit; Linda Perri, Director II, Real Property Management, Operational Services Unit; Rick Baldwin, Director II, Demographics, Zoning, and GIS Information, Operational Services Unit; Kenneth Retzl, Coordinator III, Research, Instructional Services Unit; Tammy Malich, Assistant Superintendent, Education Services Division; Kellie Ballard, Director, Educational and Operational Excellence Unit; Greta Peay, Director, Equity and Diversity Education Department, Office of the Superintendent; Louis Markouzis, Principal, Mary and Zel Lowman Elementary School; Elizabeth Carrero, Executive Manager/Director II, Office of the Superintendent; Cindy Krohn, Executive Assistant, Board Office; and Jeanetta Hawthorne, Administrative Secretary II, Board Office

TELECONFERENCE CALL CONNECTED

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

FLAG SALUTE

Trustee Young led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPT AGENDA

Adopt agenda, except note reference material provided for Item 3.01.

Motion: Young Second: Cranor Vote: Unanimous

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Frances Martin said there is an ongoing problem with transparency at the school level, and this has the potential to jeopardize the success of the reorganization of the school district.

Adam Berger provided information related to the amount of money made by health insurance companies. He said as the Board considers health insurance options for teachers, they should look at for profit and not-for-profit companies.

APPROVE REORGANIZATION OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Approval by the Board of School Trustees on issues related to the plan to reorganize the Clark County School District.

Superintendent Skorkowsky noted that the Community Implementation Council (CIC) meeting for June had been canceled, and a meeting would take place in July.

Ms. Wooden, Mr. Neal, Dr. Barton, and Ms. Ballard presented a status update on the reorganization of the school district, as shown in Reference 3.01.

TELECONFERENCE CALL DISCONNECTED

Teleconference call with Trustee Edwards was disconnected at 8:25 a.m.

BOARD MEMBER ARRIVES

Trustee Edwards arrived at the Board meeting at 8:25 a.m.

APPROVE REORGANIZATION OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT (continued)

The presentation on the reorganization of the school district continued.

Trustee Young recommended that a glossary of terms be developed. She also recommended developing a demographic of the School Organizational Teams (SOTs) in terms of ethnicity, gender, economic status, et cetera.

Trustee Brooks asked for a presentation from the compliance subcommittee. She also asked that the Board receive an update on the human capital management system implementation plan.

APPROVE REORGANIZATION OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT (continued)

The Trustees expressed support of the reorganization and the work that needs to take place to move it forward and their support of the Superintendent and his staff to do the work necessary to comply with the law.

Public Hearing

Frances Martin encouraged the Board to develop regulations to guide the SOTs and school administrators and protect the rights of students, parents, and teachers. She offered possible solutions.

APPROVE COMMUNITY IMPLEMENTATION COUNCIL

Approval by the Board of School Trustees on issues related to the Community Implementation Council, including, but not limited to, requests for assistance and recommendations to the Community Implementation Council, as it pertains to the Reorganization of the Clark County School District.

Superintendent Skorkowsky said the CIC meeting was scheduled for July 12, 2017, at 1:00 p.m.

PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION RELATED TO ANNUAL SURVEY RESULTS

Presentation and discussion regarding the annual survey results of Central Services and School-Based Staff, related to Assembly Bill 469, Section 31.

Ms. Minnich, Mr. Retzl, Dr. Peay, Dr. Malich, and Mr. Markouzis presented the central services survey results and analysis as shown in Reference 4.01.

RECESS: 11:22 a.m.

RECONVENE: 11:32 A.M.

APPROVE 2015 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, REVISION 2

Approval of the proposed 2015 Capital Improvement Program, Revision 2, as recommended by the Bond Oversight Committee on May 18, 2017, as recommended in Reference 4.02.

Mr. Cumbers, Ms. Alston, Mr. Baldwin, Ms. Perri, and Mr. Wagner presented the 2015 Capital Improvement Program, Revision 2, as shown in Reference 4.02.

Public Hearing

Sally Tilley said her church is next to John C. Fremont Professional Development Middle School, and the church has had a partnership with the students and staff of Fremont. She said they would like to see Fremont continue as a K-8 community school in the future with a continued partnership with UNLV for the preparation of future teachers.

Mike Tack talked about the partnership between Fremont Professional Development Middle School and UNLV, and he expressed the community's excitement for the new plan for Fremont.

APPROVE 2015 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, REVISION 2 (continued)

Trustee Child broached the idea of designing a K-8 program for J.D. Smith Middle School. He asked if that could still be considered as a possibility.

Trustee Edwards asked that she be included in the discussion with the community regarding the delay of El Capitan and Gomer. She expressed appreciation to Clark County Commissioners for the approval of Harvey N. Dondero Elementary School's addition and to Commissioner Steve Sisolak for not holding that project up despite his concerns regarding Open Schools Open Doors. She said she agreed to work with Commissioner Sisolak on that issue. She said in terms of Sandy Valley, perhaps the scope of Phase 3 needs to be changed but not completely dismissed. She said the District committed to a high school for that community, but she said the scope may need to be scaled down.

Trustee Garvey asked if there had been any conversations about the tax abatement issue and the possibility of the county reassessing property values.

Superintendent Skorkowsky said a meeting with legislative representatives, a trustee, and a commissioner could be set up to begin that discussion.

Trustee Wright said the Chapata and Casady community should be given an update on the construction of the schools. She said the opening of the schools should still be slated for 2019.

Trustee Young suggested that the District incorporate a program for students related to the building and zoning of schools. She also spoke in favor of diversity in terms of the individuals and companies involved in the District's building program.

BOARD MEMBER LEAVES

Trustee Child left the Board meeting at 1:07 p.m.

APPROVE 2015 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, REVISION 2 (continued)

Trustee Garvey asked to be provided with the percentage of the cost for personnel for the bond.

Motion to approve items 1 through 11 as outlined in Reference 4.02, with the caveats noted during the discussion.

Motion: Edwards

Trustee Garvey said Trustee Child requested that the Board ask the Bond Oversight Committee (BOC) to have a discussion regarding the C. P. Squires Elementary School, J. D. Smith Middle School issue.

Trustee Cranor seconded Trustee Edwards' motion.

Superintendent Skorkowsky said he would have Dr. Barton work with staff and the BOC to see what could be done.

Vote on Trustee Edwards' motion was unanimous.

BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATION

Trustee Cranor shared that she would be resigning as CCSD School Board Trustee to return to school in the fall.

The Trustees expressed their appreciation for Trustee Cranor's work on the Board and contributions to the District and to the community she served and for the opportunity to work with her.

AGENDA PLANNING: ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Trustee Edwards requested an agenda item for the June 29, 2017, Board meeting to discuss the process for appointing a new Board member.

Trustee Cranor said there also needs to be an agenda item to discuss filling the Audit Advisory Committee vacancies.

Superintendent Skorkowsky said staff would begin the application process for filling the Audit Advisory Committee vacancies.

DISCUSSION AND REQUEST FOR SPECIAL MEETINGS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None.

ADJOURN: 1:24 p.m.

*Motion: Edwards Second: Brooks Vote: Unanimous
Trustee Child was not present for the vote.*