

MINUTES
CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
VEGAS PBS, ROOM 102
3050 E. FLAMINGO ROAD, LAS VEGAS, NEVADA 89121

BOARD RETREAT

Friday, December 4, 2015

8:47 a.m.

Roll Call: Members Present
Linda E. Young, President
Chris Garvey, Vice President
Deanna L. Wright, Clerk
Kevin L. Child, Member
Erin Cranor, Member
Carolyn Edwards, Member
Patrice Tew, 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, Educational and Operational Excellence Unit; Mike Barton, Chief Student Achievement Officer, Instruction Unit; Jesse Welsh, Academic Manager, Innovative Learning Environments, Innovative Teaching and Learning Unit; James Kuzma, Principal, Rancho High School; Greg Miser, Principal, Del Sol High School; Nadia Steger, Assistant Principal, Del Sol High School; Cindy Krohn, Executive Assistant to the Board, Board Office; Michael Casserly, Executive Director, Council of the Great City Schools; and Corbin White, FranklinCovey Education – Client Partner, State Government Relations.

FLAG SALUTE

Trustee Garvey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPT AGENDA

Adopt agenda.

Motion: Garvey Second: Cranor Vote: Unanimous

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Helen Melendez spoke about suicide awareness and prevention, and she expressed her concern that a program, SOS – Signs of Suicide, has become inactive and is not being used in some of the schools, and that school staff is unaware of this program. She said the screening tool, BSAD – Brief Screen for Adolescent Depression, is also no longer being used.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD (continued)

Trustee Garvey asked that the Board be given an update on those programs that Ms. Melendez spoke about.

CURRENT EDUCATIONAL AND LEGAL ISSUES

Presentation and discussion by Michael Casserly, Executive Director, Council of the Great City Schools, regarding current educational and legal issues, specifically, student achievement for students of color, school-to-prison pipeline, ways public school boards govern, breakup of public school districts, and Website and social media resources available from the Council of the Great City of Schools.

Mr. Casserly reviewed various issues and activities related to education, including the reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), now called the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA); research on the deconsolidation of school districts; and initiatives related to increasing student achievement among African-American males.

Mr. Casserly offered to provide analyses performed on other school districts regarding school district breakups, as well as information related to what the other great city schools are doing in terms of males of color. He said with relation to students of color, if there are additional components the District is adding to their efforts in this area or advancements being made, to give him that information so that it could become part of the report he provides to the White House.

RECESS: 10:54 a.m.

BOARD MEMBER LEAVES

Trustee Cranor left the Board meeting during the recess.

RECONVENE: 11:07 a.m.

THE LEADER IN ME

Presentation and overview of *The Leader in Me* leadership model. Corbin White, FranklinCovey Education – Client Partner, State Government Relations.

Mr. White provided an overview of the Leader in Me program, including programs offered at Harriet Treem, Robert Lake, Sunrise Acres, Paradise, Andrew Mitchell, J. E. Manch, and Mary and Zel Lowman Elementary Schools. He provided that the cost of the program per school would be \$56,000 for the 1st year, \$25,000 for the 2nd year, \$20,000 for the 3rd year, and \$1,500 to sustain the program and \$10,000 for coaching with a 20 percent savings per school by using a transfer model.

BOARD MEMBER LEAVES

Trustee Garvey left the Board meeting at 12:10 p.m.

RECESS: 12:10 p.m.

RECONVENE: 1:02 p.m.

PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION RELATED TO STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Presentation and discussion regarding progress toward Board governance policy, Appendix A, E-2: Student Achievement, Goal #3, related to increasing the percentage of students graduating each year, and Goal #6, related to increasing the number of students completing Advanced Placement and Career and Technical Education courses each year.

Dr. Welsh and Dr. Barton gave an update on Advanced Placement (AP) courses and exams and Career and Technical Education (CTE) courses.

BOARD MEMBER RETURNS

Trustee Cranor returned to the Board meeting at 1:39 p.m.

PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION RELATED TO STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT (continued)

Mr. Kuzma, Mr. Miser, and Ms. Steger shared what programs and actions are taking place in their respective schools in an effort toward increasing student achievement.

AGENDA PLANNING: ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

None.

DISCUSSION AND REQUEST FOR SPECIAL MEETINGS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None.

ADJOURN: 2:29 p.m.

*Motion: Child Second: Cranor Vote: Unanimous
Trustee Garvey was not present for the vote.*