

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

Thursday, May 8, 2008

4:07 p.m.

Roll Call:	<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Member Absent</u>
	Terri Janison, Vice President	Mary Beth Scow, President
	Carolyn Edwards, Clerk	
	Shirley Barber, Member	
	Ruth Johnson, Member	
	Larry P. Mason, Member	
	Sheila R. Moulton, Member	

Dr. Walt Rulffes, Superintendent of Schools

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mrs. Janison announced that there were technical difficulties with the speakers and audio equipment this evening.

FLAG SALUTE

Chaparral High School ROTC led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Pastor Bill Hanna, Central Christian Church, performed the invocation.

ADOPT AGENDA

Adopt agenda.

Motion: Edwards Second: Johnson Vote: Unanimous

Mr. Mason and Mrs. Barber were not present for the vote.

APPROVE MINUTES

Special meeting - January 29, 2007

Regular meeting - April 10, 2008

Motion: Johnson Second: Edwards

Mrs. Johnson requested that staff ensure that the request by Superintendent Rulffes on page 2 of the January 29, 2007, minutes was fulfilled.

Vote on Mrs. Johnson's motion was unanimous.

Mr. Mason and Mrs. Barber were not present for the vote.

ADOPT AGENDA (continued)

Motion to reconsider adoption of the agenda to include noting revised backup material for Items 5.18, 5.19, and 5.20; and the correction of the number in Item 5.16 of the base bid for Las Vegas Paving to \$198,550.

Motion: Edwards Second: Johnson Vote: Unanimous

Mr. Mason and Mrs. Barber were not present for the vote.

STUDENT BODY PRESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Mason Cole, student body president at Basic High School, Mary Beth Scow, District A trustee; Nicole Lomeli, student body president at Chaparral High School, Sheila Moulton, District G trustee; Nohea Pinkerton, student body president at Indian Springs High School, Terri Janison, District E trustee; and Mindy Dutson, student body president at Las Vegas High School, Sheila Moulton, District G trustee, gave brief overviews of present and future activities, plans, and goals for their respective schools.

PRESENTATION OF ISO 9001:2000 CERTIFICATE

Maureen Fox, Director, Management Process System (MPS), Office of the Chief of Staff, announced the presentation of the ISO 9001:2000 Certificates to Stephanie Pocchia, Coordinator, Special Education Management Systems (SEMS), Student Support Services Division; Myrna Medina, Administrative Computer Services Specialist, SEMS; and Marguerite Stivers, SEMS Special Education Instructional Facilitator (SEIF) NE.

RECOGNITION AWARDS

Trustee Edwards announced that the Nevada State Parent Teacher Association (PTA) Board honored Mrs. Janison on April 26, 2008, for her commitment and devotion to the children of Clark County with a National PTA Lifetime Achievement Award.

Mrs. Moulton announced that Robert Alfaro, East Region Superintendent, was honored as well at that time as being a great advocate of parents, in addition to Jerry Boles, Principal of Iverson Elementary School.

TEACHER APPRECIATION PRESENTATION

Dr. Rulfes stated that a number of events had been planned to recognize and show appreciation for teachers throughout the district.

Several RAVE Reviews that had been submitted by parents and students were read aloud.

RECESS: 4:48 P.M.

RECONVENE: 5:14 P.M.

BOARD MEMBER ARRIVES

Mrs. Barber arrived at the Board meeting at 5:14 p.m.

ENTERTAINMENT RECOGNIZED

Mrs. Janison acknowledged the musical presentation given during the break by Sedway Middle School Choir. Board members thanked the students; Stanley Allen, Principal; David Burton, Music Specialist; and Marsha Irvin, Region Superintendent.

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON AGENDA ITEMS/RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVE ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of consent agenda, except pulling Item 5.02 for discussion.

Motion: Edwards Second: Johnson Vote: Unanimous

Mr. Mason was not present for the vote.

APPROVE INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS AND SERVICES – TITLE I PROGRAM

Approval to purchase instructional materials and related services, from twelve identified firms at an approximate annual cost of \$4,766,600.00, effective June 1, 2008, through June 30, 2009, to provide supplemental educational experiences in reading and math for students in Grades K-8 at the seventy-six Title I schools, to be paid from Unit 0137, Sponsored Programs G6633015308 and G6633021708, Sponsored Class GL5610000000, GL5640000000, GL5350000000, GL5340000000, GL5810000000, Functional Areas F01001000 and F10002219, Grant 000633, Fund 2800000000, with no impact to the general fund, as recommended in Reference 5.01.

AUTHORIZE NEVADA DRIVER EDUCATION CURRICULUM AND CERTIFICATION PROJECT – NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Authorization to submit and implement, through the Nevada Department of Public Safety – Office of Traffic Safety, the Nevada Driver Education Curriculum and Certification Project to increase the quality of driver education for teens through standardizing classroom curriculum, from the anticipated project period of October 1, 2008, through September 30, 2011, in the approximate amount of \$118,806.45, to be paid from Fund 0280, with no impact to the general fund, as recommended in Reference 5.03.

AUTHORIZE EMPLOYMENT OF OUT-OF-DISTRICT CONSULTANT – TRAINING AND INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS – ADVANCEMENT VIA INDIVIDUAL DETERMINATION (AVID) PROGRAM

Authorization to contract with the AVID Center as an out-of-district consultant, to provide professional development and training, out-of-district-travel, professional membership fees, and instructional materials for continuation of the AVID implementation process, from July 1, 2008, through June 30, 2009, at an approximate cost of \$264,885.00, to be paid from Fund 0280, Internal Order G6668001008; Fund 0280, Internal Order G6610000108; and Fund 0100, Cost Center 1010020110, as recommended in Reference 5.04.

APPROVE LICENSED PERSONNEL LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Approval to grant leaves of absence to licensed personnel (Regulations 4351, 4355, 4356, and Articles 16-1 and 16-9 of the Negotiated Agreement between the Clark County School District and the Clark County Education Association), as recommended in Reference 5.05.

APPROVE STUDENT EXPULSIONS

Approval of student expulsions according to NRS 392.467 (Board Policy 5114 and Regulations 5114 and 5141.1), as listed, as recommended in Reference 5.06.

APPROVE STUDENT WORK EXEMPTIONS

Approval of student work exemptions according to NRS 392.110 (Board Policy and Regulation 5114), as listed, as recommended in Reference 5.07.

RATIFY PURCHASE ORDERS

Ratification of the purchase orders in the total amount of \$8,040,910.20, as listed, as recommended in Reference 5.08.

APPROVE PURCHASING AWARDS

Approval to purchase goods or services in the estimated total amount of \$144,798,581.13 in compliance with NRS 332, as listed, as recommended in Reference 5.09.

RATIFY WARRANTS

Ratification of the warrants as listed in the Bills Payable Transmittal and the Board Memorandum #19-07-08 in the total amount of \$126,449,760.40, as recommended in Reference 5.10.

APPROVE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT, ROOFING CONSULTANT, ROY W. MARTIN MIDDLE SCHOOL REPLACEMENT

Approval to enter into a professional services agreement with Benchmark Roof and Pavement Consulting, Inc. in support of the roofing systems for the roof replacement at the Roy W. Martin Middle School Replacement in the amount of \$59,380.00, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3080000000, Project C0000724; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.11.

APPROVE RENEGOTIATED CONTRACT, ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN SERVICES, DOROTHY SEIGLE DIAGNOSTIC CENTER, 3626 AND 3656 PECOS-MCLEOD INTERCONNECT

Approval of the renegotiated contract with Sweeney Architecture to provide architectural design services necessary to support the renovation and expansion of the facilities located at 3626 and 3656 Pecos-McLeod InterConnect at a total cost of \$786,950.00, to be paid from Building and Sites, Fund 3300000000, Project C0011764; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.12.

APPROVE ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT, GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES, CENTRAL CAREER AND TECHNICAL ACADEMY

Approval to enter into an engineering services agreement with Converse Consultants for geotechnical services in support of the Central Career and Technical Academy in the amount of \$276,805.00, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3080000000, Project C0001547; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.13.

APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD: VOCATIONAL LAB CONVERSION, SOUTHEAST CAREER AND TECHNICAL ACADEMY

Approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for vocational lab conversion at the Southeast Career and Technical Academy, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3080000000, Project C0010977; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.14.

APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD: REMOVE AND REPLACE TENNIS COURTS, GRANT SAWYER MIDDLE SCHOOL

Approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to remove and replace tennis courts at the Grant Sawyer Middle School, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3080000000, Project C0004616; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.15.

APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD: REMOVE AND REPLACE TENNIS COURTS, CHARLES SILVESTRI MIDDLE SCHOOL

Approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to remove and replace tennis courts at the Charles Silvestri Middle School, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3080000000, Project C0004617; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.16.

APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD: REMOVE AND REPLACE TENNIS COURTS, THERON L. SWAINSTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

Approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to remove and replace tennis courts at the Theron L. Swainston Middle School, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3080000000, Project C0004618; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.17.

APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD: CIVIL IMPROVEMENTS, C. T. SEWELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for civil improvements at C. T. Sewell Elementary School, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3080000000, Project C0005106; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.18.

APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD: REMOVE AND REPLACE ASPHALT, K. O. KNUDSON MIDDLE SCHOOL

Approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to remove and replace asphalt at K. O. Knudson Middle School, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3080000000, Project C0010997; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.19.

APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD: REPLACEMENT OF ATHLETIC COURTS AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS, CIMARRON-MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

Approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the replacement of athletic courts and drainage improvements at Cimarron-Memorial High School, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3080000000, Project C0004622; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.20.

RATIFY CHANGE IN SERVICES, ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENTS

Ratification of total change in services to the architectural/engineering services agreements for a net increase of \$64,993.80 for Thomas J. O'Roarke Elementary School and Robert L. Taylor Elementary School Replacement (JMA Architects, Inc.), Carolyn S. Reedom Elementary School (Domingo Cambeiro Professional Corporation), Southwest Career and Technical Academy (Welles Pugsley Architects, LLP), East Career and Technical Academy and Northwest Career and Technical Academy (SH Architecture), as recommended in Reference 5.21.

RATIFY CHANGE ORDERS

Ratification of total change orders for a net increase of \$304,366.91 to the construction contracts to Construct D. L. "Dusty" Dickens Elementary School (Martin Harris Construction), Construct Rancho High School Replacement - Phase II (Rafael Construction, Inc.), and Plumbing and Electrical Modernization at Vail Pittman Elementary School (Cobblestone Construction), as recommended in Reference 5.22.

AUTHORIZE SCHOOL-BASED STUDENT DRUG-TESTING PROGRAM – U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Authorization to submit and implement a three-year project to reduce alcohol and substance abuse among student athletes through implementation of a student drug-testing program at eight district high schools, through the United States Department of Education, from July 1, 2008, through June 30, 2011, in the approximate amount of \$450,000.00, to be paid from Fund 0280, with no impact to the general fund, as recommended in Reference 5.02.

Motion to accept Item 5.02 with the stipulation that no money would be spent out of the general fund at any time to continue drug testing, but if it was decided to do that, it would come back to the Board to discuss options of finding sponsors or utilizing the pay-per-play option.

Motion: Moulton Second: Johnson

Mrs. Moulton stated she appreciated Green Valley's process regarding this item, but her concern was related to the recent budget cuts and the assurance that money from operating funds would not be used for this purpose. She requested fundraising, donations, or a pay-per-play option in order for this program to continue.

Mrs. Janison was in agreement with the motion to give the option to schools and parents.

Vote on Mrs. Moulton's motion was unanimous.

Mr. Mason was not present for the vote.

APPROVE ITEMS 6.01 THROUGH 6.06

Motion to accept Items 6.01, 6.02, 6.03, 6.04, 6.05, and 6.06 as follows:

Motion: Edwards Second: Johnson

Regarding Item 6.01, Mrs. Johnson commented that the idea of charters to provide alternative education was appealing to her.

Regarding Item 6.01, Mrs. Moulton asked for an explanation of the current attendance policy.

APPROVE ITEMS 6.01 THROUGH 6.06 (continued)

Dr. Kyle Konold, Co-Principal, WestCare Charter School, responded that his school's attendance policy mirrors that of CCSD with mailings of truancy letters. He stated attendance is required on site for four hours once a week, and that the distance education component is separate with a ratio of 20 to 25 students to 1 teacher.

Mrs. Moulton asked if alignment issues meet staff requirements.

Dr. Edward Goldman, Associate Superintendent, Education Services Division, responded that it was his opinion that it would meet the requirements of the state, but it was at the Board's discretion whether to approve this item.

Wayne Tanaka, Executive Director and Principal, WestCare Charter School, stated he has shown the parents of support groups a tour through the school to show them there is a consultant present to help with communication in addition to the computer. He also stated there have been monetary donations in support of his school.

Mrs. Moulton asked whether the Nevada Department of Education had voiced any concerns with this charter.

Dr. Konold responded that there were no concerns by the Nevada Department of Education, and they approved all of WestCare's vocational programs. He indicated that teachers will bring in the whole math series and that the curriculum would include a system to motivate students to remain in school to learn vocational skills.

Mr. Tanaka stated this program would allow the students to do credit retrievals. He also stated there is an accountability question as to who is sitting in front of the computer at their home, and through accountability and testing weekly they could determine which students were learning.

Trustee Edwards expressed concern with how to determine whether the students who are credit deficient are capable of the kind of organization and self discipline required to utilize virtual education.

Dr. Konold responded that it was important to maintain students on task on an ongoing, daily basis, and that their main goal was to ensure the students who graduate become active members of society.

Dr. Rulfes stated there are educators who have shared the same concerns about distance education, and he indicated that it would be important to have a system in place to ensure that it was successful.

Mrs. Johnson asked if there was a business plan or target in place in order to determine whether or not distance education is successful. She indicated that she was not receiving a level of confidence from staff. She cautioned that there were different levels of achievement for every student.

BOARD MEMBER ARRIVES

Mr. Mason arrived at the Board meeting at 5:42 p.m.

APPROVE ITEMS 6.01 THROUGH 6.06 (continued)

Mr. Tanaka stated distance learning was still a new frontier, and their aim was to get students to achieve a level of performance which would allow them to get into the work force and to be productive. He stated that they would work diligently to ensure their target is met.

Mrs. Johnson questioned the reluctance on the part of staff to recommend that the Board of School Trustees approve this item.

Dr. Goldman agreed that there was reluctance. He stated he could determine compliance and could recommend this school because they have met statutory requirements, but he cautioned that it was discretionary on the part of the Board of School Trustees to approve the operation of this charter school.

Mrs. Barber asked for information on enrollment numbers and the background of the students enrolled.

Dr. Konold responded that there were 65 students enrolled at that time who come from every region, that 80 percent of students were on probation, and some were socially awkward. He stated it was a safe environment, and there was no transportation involved. He also stated there was a niche for this type of education, and they are fulfilling the need for certain students.

Trustee Edwards amended her motion to take Item 6.01 separately.

Mrs. Johnson, the second, agreed to the amendment.

Vote on Trustee Edwards' motion to accept Items 6.02, 6.03, 6.04, 6.05, and 6.06 was unanimous.

APPROVE AMENDMENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES GOVERNANCE POLICY GP-9

Approval of the amendment of the Clark County School District Board of Trustees Governance Policy GP-9: Meeting Planning, as recommended in Reference 6.02.

APPROVE AMENDMENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES GOVERNANCE POLICY GP-13

Approval of the amendment of the Clark County School District Board of Trustees Governance Policy GP-13: Closed Sessions of the Board, as recommended in Reference 6.03.

APPROVE AMENDMENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES GOVERNANCE POLICY GP-19

Approval of the amendment of the Clark County School District Board of Trustees Governance Policy GP-19: Vacancies on the Board, as recommended in Reference 6.04.

APPROVE AMENDMENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES GOVERNANCE POLICY EL-6

Approval of the amendment of the Clark County School District Board of Trustees Governance Policy EL-6: Financial Condition and Activities, as recommended in Reference 6.05.

APPROVE AMENDMENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES GOVERNANCE POLICY B/SL 5

Approval of the amendment of the Clark County School District Board of Trustees Governance Policy B/SL-5: Monitoring Superintendent Performance, as recommended in Reference 6.06.

APPROVE AMENDMENT OF THE CHARTER OF WESTCARE CHARTER SCHOOL

Approval of the amendment of the charter of WestCare Charter School to provide a distance education component and to change the name of the school from WestCare Charter School to Delta Academy, as recommended to the Board of School Trustees; however, the Board may consider any action, including approval, rejection, or further consideration.

Dr. Rulfes recommended that approval of the item proceed, but after three years when renewal was up, to request a performance review.

Mrs. Moulton asked if this could come back in a year with an evaluation.

Dr. Goldman stated once it was granted, it was granted for the duration of five years.

Mrs. Moulton reiterated her request for a monitoring report after one year.

Motion to accept with an evaluation and a report from staff at the conclusion of the 2008-2009 school year.

Motion: Moulton Second: Edwards

Dr. Goldman assured the Board of School Trustees that there would be an annual compliance and an attempt to provide a school report.

Vote on Mrs. Moulton's motion was unanimous.

APPROVE COMMUNITY LINKAGE MEETINGS

Approval of recommendations for future topics of community linkage meetings, as requested in Reference 6.07.

Mrs. Janison requested that this item be held over for a future Board meeting.

APPROVE REFORM GOVERNANCE IN ACTION TRAINING

Approval of a Board participation resolution and preliminary letter of agreement for consulting services from the Center for Reform of School Systems for Board training, as recommended in Reference 6.08.

Motion to accept with consideration of training next year for the Board of School Trustees and Dr. Rulfes.

Motion: Moulton Second: Mason

Mrs. Johnson stated a concern of hers was to ensure there was a consultant assigned of the Board's choosing.

Trustee Edwards expressed the following concerns: The challenge to have a commitment by all Board members that they would be available for one-and-a-half days every other month; and a concern with the \$60,000 in expenditures. She asked for clarification regarding how this training works with Policy Governance® since it was already in place.

APPROVE REFORM GOVERNANCE IN ACTION TRAINING (continued)

Mrs. Moulton responded that she met with the Public Education Foundation and asked for monetary support for leadership training in the amount of \$25,000, which was granted. She also responded that her travel and training allowance in the amount of \$5,000 or \$6,000 could be utilized for this purpose, and she agreed that commitment on the part of everyone involved was needed. She stated she would not agree to have any money removed from the general fund for this purpose.

Mrs. Janison agreed she liked the project, but because of the timing she preferred to wait until next year to see if the district was in a better place financially.

Mr. Mason asked what would be gained.

Mrs. Janison responded there were 14 pages in the backup material to explain that.

Mrs. Johnson agreed with waiting until next year for a stronger commitment regarding time and resources. She asked that a letter be written to express appreciation on the part of the Board of School Trustees to review the program but to be considered for an invitation again next year.

Mrs. Barber expressed concern that the Board of School Trustees presently does not follow Policy Governance®, and felt that perhaps there was a need for additional training to ensure the Board complies.

Mrs. Moulton withdrew her motion.

Motion to request that Mrs. Scow direct that a letter be written indicating the inability of the Board to give it the commitment it deserves, but to request that CCSD be considered again next year.

Motion: Johnson Second: Moulton Vote: Unanimous

APPROVE ITEMS 7.01 THROUGH 7.08

Approval of Items 7.01, 7.02, 7.03, 7.04, 7.05, 7.06, 7.07, and 7.08 as follows:

Motion: Edwards Second: Mason

Mrs. Moulton requested discussion on Items 7.01, 7.02 and 7.05.

Trustee Edwards amended her motion to approve Items 7.03, 7.04, 7.06, 7.07, and 7.08.

Mr. Mason agreed to Trustee Edwards' amendment.

Vote on Trustee Edwards' motion was unanimous.

APPROVE AMENDMENT OF CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULATION 3537

Approval of the amendment of Clark County School District Regulation 3537, District-Owned Vehicles, as recommended in Reference 7.03.

APPROVE AMENDMENT OF CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULATION 3621

Approval of the amendment of Clark County School District Regulation 3621, Records Retention Schedule, as recommended in Reference 7.04.

APPROVE RESOLUTION AGREEMENT

Approval of the Resolution Agreement regarding the U.S. Department of Education OCR Complaint #10071246 and authorization for Walt Rulfes, Superintendent, to sign the necessary document(s), as recommended in Reference 7.06.

APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT

Approval on settlement of the claim of Lourdes Prieto-Mendoza, in the total amount of \$50,000.00, as recommended in Reference 7.07.

APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT

Approval on settlement of the claim of Nicholas Thompson, in the total amount of \$50,000.00, as recommended in Reference 7.08.

APPROVE ITEMS 7.01 AND 7.02

Approval of Items 7.01 and 7.02 as follows:

Motion: Edwards Second: Johnson

Mrs. Moulton asked Sharon Dattoli, Director II, Demographics, Zoning and GIS Department, if there was ever a time when all tracks were not full and whether roving was always a part of the 12-month calendar.

Ms. Dattoli responded that the year-round calendar actually is for roving. She explained that it may be that one track may be a little heavier than ideal, but not so lopsided that there were empty classrooms.

Dr. Kohut-Rost stated she believed that region superintendents monitor the teacher and student distribution of tracks.

Mrs. Johnson stated before an amendment was done she would like to get an explanation regarding schools that have a decrease in population but are in a Catch-22 where they have been given portables, nobody is roving, but they cannot be nine months because they would lose portables. She asked how to address a situation of cost analysis regarding whether it was more cost effective to allow the school to go to a nine-month calendar and keep portables rather than pay air conditioning costs.

Ms. Dattoli stated that Section B speaks to this issue, and she also stated she would perform a cost analysis.

Vote on Trustee Edwards' motion was unanimous.

APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT – CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICY 7124

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Policy 7124, Converting Elementary Schools To and From Multitrack Year-Round Calendars and Flexible Double Sessions, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on June 26, 2008, as recommended in Reference 7.01.

APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT – CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULATION 7124

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Regulation 7124, Converting Elementary Schools To and From Year-Round Calendars and Flexible Double Sessions, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on June 26, 2008, as recommended in Reference 7.02.

APPROVE AMENDMENT OF CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICY 4390

Approval of the amendment of Clark County School District Policy 4390, Disclosure of Improper District Action, as recommended in Reference 7.05.

Mrs. Moulton expressed concern regarding the verbiage that staff refer to their immediate supervisor to make a disclosure of improper district action because they may actually be the person acting improperly. She asked that verbiage be added indicating where staff may go instead for relief.

Dr. Rulfes suggested that perhaps the Internal Audit Department could oversee these issues.

MEMBER LEAVES DAIS

Mrs. Johnson left the dais at 6:31 p.m.

APPROVE AMENDMENT OF CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICY 4390 (continued)

Motion to accept.

Motion: Moulton Second: Edwards Vote: Unanimous

Mrs. Johnson was not present for the vote.

MEMBER RETURNS TO DAIS

Mrs. Johnson returned to the dais at 6:32 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS/RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT

Cafeteria Issues – James Drake and Lorenda Drake

Mr. Drake, a student at Jo Mackey Elementary School, spoke about breakfast timing issues he has experienced at his school.

Ms. Drake spoke of her son's breakfast timing issues at Jo Mackey Elementary School. She stated it was heartbreaking to hear her son be told he cannot eat breakfast at school.

Jo Mackey Elementary School Climate – Elaine Clermont

Ms. Clermont handed out, and read a part of, the letter she wrote to Jeremy Hauser, Academic Manager, Superintendent's Schools, because problems have not been resolved. She implored that Mrs. Johnson return her phone calls. She stated this was the last time she would address the Board at a Board meeting, indicating that instead she would become creative. She stated the curriculum was not being taught and wanted to know what the Board of School Trustees was going to do about it.

Mrs. Johnson responded that she did get Ms. Clermont's email, and she sent a return email on April 30, 2008, directing her to contact Mrs. Barber as the district representative for her school.

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS/RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT (continued)

Mrs. Barber stated if a parent calls, she attempts to return the call in an attempt to resolve issues as best she can. She apologized to Ms. Drake and stated that the school should make every effort to feed its students.

Mr. Mason asked Dr. Rulffes to come up with some kind of resolution regarding Mr. Drake's breakfast issue and Ms. Clermont's concerns.

Mrs. Johnson asked Dr. Rulffes to set up an appointment with Ms. Clermont, and she requested that staff obtain Ms. Clermont's email address.

Mrs. Barber stated she would also like to be in attendance at that meeting.

TEACHER APPRECIATION PRESENTATION (continued)

Dr. Rulffes gave a presentation acknowledging exemplary teachers in CCSD. He stated billboards would be placed around Las Vegas in recognition of exemplary teachers during the month of May.

Mrs. Moulton expressed gratitude to the teachers and commended Dr. Rulffes for the work he has done in showing appreciation of the teachers.

Mrs. Johnson expressed gratitude to the teachers present and for the video brought forth this evening in honor of teachers.

RECOGNITION AWARDS (continued)

Trustee Edwards announced that the Flying Eagle Award was presented to Mr. Mason during the Native American Senior luncheon for his outstanding service to the Equity and Diversity Education Department.

AGENDA PLANNING

Mrs. Johnson requested an agenda item to discuss the possibility of a rural community education advisor to the Board of School Trustees; the possibility of a facility update at each of the work sessions; an item to get feedback from staff in a work session regarding whether the transportation system could be an enterprise system; and a request for a community linkage to obtain feedback to be able to report to the legislature based on the trends and challenges of education in the future.

Mrs. Moulton stated her term with the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association (NIAA) was coming up and requested an agenda item to discuss that for the end of May.

Mrs. Janison requested an item for discussion regarding the regulation for strengthening the dress code for teachers.

BOARD REPORTS

Trustee Edwards issued a reminder that the Student Advisory Committee meeting was coming up this Monday, May 12, 2008, at 3:30 p.m. in the Board room.

Mrs. Moulton reported briefly about representing CCSD at the Public Education Foundation.

BOARD REPORTS (continued)

Mrs. Janison reported that she attended the Inspiration Awards Ceremony with Mrs. Moulton. She stated the Bond Oversight Committee (BOC) got its first demonstration of the new elementary school prototypes. She also reported that she attended the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department's meeting on gangs at Palo Verde High School on May 7, 2008.

Trustee Edwards reported briefly that she and Mr. Mason attended the Asian Chamber of Commerce scholarship dinner wherein 15 young men and women spoke regarding their goals, future plans, and appreciation of their families.

Mr. Mason briefly reported on his attendance at the Asian Chamber of Commerce scholarship dinner.

Mrs. Johnson reported that members of the Executive Committee for Nevada Association of School Board (NASB) met this week and considered a first draft of a business plan to qualify for grants as a nonprofit organization.

Mr. Mason also reported that he attended an educational forum at College of Southern Nevada (CSN) regarding the importance of education and stated if he could obtain the minutes, he would make them available.

BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATION

Dr. Karlene McCormick-Lee, Associate Superintendent, Superintendent's Schools, stated she attended the annual Magnet School Conference recognizing schools of excellence, and she indicated that Sandy S. Miller Elementary School was recognized as the number one magnet school in the United States.

Mrs. Moulton stated that she would like to have a discussion about what really are region decisions and what really are district decisions. She stated she would also like more information regarding the Best Practice Award just received and about why CCSD qualified for that.

Dr. McCormick-Lee explained that benchmarking of quality has begun in certain schools across the country to participate in best practice and feedback.

Mrs. Moulton suggested discussion regarding what to do if a school was in an emergency lockdown and the fire alarm went off. She stated yesterday she took a tour of the new PBS building and that it was a marvelous building. She also stated there were good presentations during the BOC meeting held today, and she briefly reported on the Standard & Poor evaluation she attended.

ADJOURN: 7:23 p.m.

Motion: Edwards Second: Barber Vote: Unanimous