

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, October 2, 2008

4:03 p.m.

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

Dr. Walt Rulffes, Superintendent of Schools

INVOCATION

Reverend Delaney Amstead, Christ Church Episcopal, performed the invocation.

FLAG SALUTE

Palo Verde High School ROTC led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPT AGENDA

Adopt agenda, except delete Item 7.11, and note revised backup material for Items 5.18, 5.19, and 5.20.

Motion: Johnson Second: Edwards Vote: Unanimous

APPROVE MINUTES

Regular meetings – August 14, 2008, and August 28, 2008

Motion: Moulton Second: Edwards Vote: Unanimous

STUDENT REPORTS

Abby Loken, student body president at Laughlin High School, Mary Beth Scow, District A trustee; and Raymond Lewis, student body president at Arbor View High School, Ruth Johnson, District B trustee, gave brief overviews of present and future activities, plans, and goals for their respective schools.

PRESENTATION OF SOCIAL STUDIES CURRICULUM – CURRENT EVENTS

Presentation on the Social Studies curriculum and activities that incorporate current civic events.

Stephanie Hirsch, Coordinator, K-12 Social Studies, Curriculum and Professional Development Division, Clark County School District.

Ms. Hirsch gave a PowerPoint® presentation regarding the social studies initiatives and connections between curriculum and current events.

Board members expressed appreciation to Ms. Hirsch for all her work regarding the social studies curriculum.

PRESENTATION ON THE 2008 COLLEGE FAIR

Presentation on the 2008 College Fair. Brian Myli, Counselor Specialist, Curriculum and Professional Development Division, Clark County School District; and Jessica Festa, Counselor, Sunset East High School, Clark County School District.

Mr. Myli gave a PowerPoint® presentation on the history of the College Fair and spoke of the increase in participants of the yearly College Fair.

Ms. Festa continued the PowerPoint® presentation regarding this year's College Fair to be held at Cashman Center on October 20-21, 2008. She spoke of the assistance offered in obtaining scholarships.

High school students Chai Swadowski and Brandon Jones spoke of the benefits and valuable information available to students who attend the College Fair.

Mrs. Scow suggested getting this information out to parents during Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) meetings.

Mrs. Janison suggested receiving the packet of information through email so that it could be easily forwarded.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mrs. Johnson thanked William Miller, Director II, Department of Student Threat Evaluation & Crisis Response, Student Support Services Division, for his work and his staff for making the crisis response RV equipment available for the trustees to observe this evening.

Trustee Edwards recognized Tom Axtell, General Manager, Vegas PBS, and his staff for their input with regard to the crisis response RV process.

APPROVE ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of consent agenda, as submitted, as recommended.

Motion: Johnson Second: Edwards

Trustee Edwards requested to hear Items 5.02 and 5.03 separately.

Mrs. Johnson agreed to Trustee Edwards' request.

Vote on Mrs. Johnson's motion was unanimous.

AUTHORIZE EMPLOYMENT OF INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS – OCCUPATIONAL AND PHYSICAL THERAPISTS

Authorization to contract with independent contractors to provide occupational and physical therapy services from October 3, 2008, through June 30, 2009, for a total estimated amount of \$900,000.00, to be paid from a reallocation of licensed positions to contracted funding through Fund 0250, FY 09, Cost Center 1025002044, with no impact to the general fund, as recommended in Reference 5.01.

AUTHORIZE TITLE I PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT – TITLE I PROGRAMS

Authorization to pay Texas Station Hotel & Casino for facility rental, goods, and services for two School Climate and Strategies for Teachers to Use in English, Language Arts, Math, and Science workshops for teachers and administrators of Title I middle schools, at a total cost of \$54,082.76, effective August 4, 2008, through August 12, 2008, to be paid from Unit 0137, FY 09, Sponsored Program G6633021709, Sponsored Class 5441000000, Functional Area F10002219, Grant 6633009, Fund 2800000000, with no impact to the general fund, as recommended in Reference 5.04.

AUTHORIZE INSTRUCTIONAL-RELATED, OUT-OF-DISTRICT CONSULTANT – EDEQUITY, INC.

Authorization to employ EDEquity, Inc. to provide 21 days of professional development to site administrators and teachers within the Southeast Region at the rate of \$2,500.00 per day for an approximate total cost of \$52,500.00, effective October 6, 2008, through June 30, 2009, to be paid from Grant 6668009, Project G6668008809, and Fund 280, with no impact to the general fund, as recommended in Reference 5.05.

AUTHORIZE EMPLOYMENT OF OUT-OF-DISTRICT CONSULTANT – COLLEAGUES ON CALL

Authorization to employ John Antonetti, consultant with Colleagues on Call, to provide professional development for 12 schools in the Superintendent's Schools Division effective October 14, 2008, through March 11, 2009, for a total not to exceed \$50,000.00 to be paid from FY 09 Federal Funds, Fund 0280, Internal Order G6633021709, with no impact to the general fund, as recommended in Reference 5.06.

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 5.07.

APPROVE LICENSED PERSONNEL EMPLOYMENT

Approval to employ licensed personnel, as recommended in Reference 5.08.

APPROVE LICENSED PERSONNEL LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Approval to grant leaves of absence to licensed personnel (Regulation 4351), as recommended in Reference 5.09.

RATIFY PURCHASE ORDERS

Ratification of the purchase orders in the total amount of \$13,510,216.74, as listed, as recommended in Reference 5.10.

APPROVE PURCHASING AWARDS

Approval to purchase goods or services in the estimated total amount of \$3,151,000.00 in compliance with NRS 332, as listed, as recommended in Reference 5.11.

RATIFY WARRANTS

Ratification of the warrants as listed in the Bills Payable Transmittal and the Board Memorandum #06-08-09 in the total amount of \$92,155,502.56, as recommended in Reference 5.12.

APPROVE PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT, AMERICAN POWER CONVERSION, INC.

Approval to purchase a preventative maintenance and support contract for existing American Power Conversion, Inc. (APC) Symmetra whole-room, uninterruptable power systems, from APC, at an approximate total cost of \$140,000.00, to be paid from Fund 1000000000, Cost Center 1010001054, as recommended in Reference 5.13.

APPROVE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE LAS VEGAS METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Approval to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department for the use of nine (9) Clark County School District buses from December 28, 2008, through January 1, 2009, and authorization for Jeff Weiler, Chief Financial Officer, Finance and Operations Division, to sign the document, as recommended in Reference 5.14.

APPROVE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT, BUILDING COMMISSIONING SERVICES, HENRY AND EVELYN BOZARTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Approval to enter into a professional services agreement with International Commissioning Engineers, LLC to provide building commissioning services in support of the Henry and Evelyn Bozarth Elementary School in the amount of \$99,500.00, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3080000000, Project C0001555, 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 TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT FOR CLARK COUNTY AT THE RICHARD C. WHITE TRANSPORTATION CENTER

Approval to grant Clark County two temporary construction easements located across the southern portion of the Richard C. White Transportation Center site, and for Jeff Weiler, Chief Financial Officer, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee to sign the granting document, as recommended in Reference 5.16.

APPROVE GRANT OF EASEMENT FOR NEVADA POWER COMPANY AT EVA G. SIMMONS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Approval to grant Nevada Power Company three easements located across the northern and southern portions of the Eva G. Simmons Elementary School site, necessary for the installation of underground cable, and for Jeff Weiler, Chief Financial Officer, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee to sign the granting document, as recommended in Reference 5.17.

APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD: HEATING, VENTILATION, AIR CONDITIONING, AND SCHOOL MODERNIZATION, HERBERT A. DERFELT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for heating, ventilation, air conditioning, and school modernization at the Herbert A. Derfelt Elementary School, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3080000000, Project C0011872, 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: PRECONSTRUCTION SERVICES, CAREER AND TECHNICAL ACADEMY LOCATED AT CHARLESTON BOULEVARD AND DESERT FOOTHILLS DRIVE

Approval of an award of contract to the best qualified construction manager at risk for preconstruction services in support of the Career and Technical Academy located at Charleston Boulevard and Desert Foothills Drive, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3080000000, Project C0001543, 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: HVAC UPGRADE, CIMARRON-MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

Approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for HVAC upgrade at Cimarron-Memorial High School, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3080000000, Project C0002860, 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 \$19,930.00 for J. E. Manch Elementary School Replacement (SSA Architecture, Small Studio Associates, LLC), and Dr. Claude G. Perkins Elementary School (Domingo Cambeiro Professional Corporation), as recommended in Reference 5.21.

RATIFY CHANGE ORDERS

Ratification of total change orders for a net increase of \$1,047,061.70 to the construction contracts for Civil Improvements at Fay Herron Elementary School (Mikon Construction Co., Inc.), and Construct Jesse D. Scott Elementary School (Pace Contracting Co.), as recommended in Reference 5.22.

AUTHORIZE EMPLOYMENT OF OUT-OF-DISTRICT CONSULTANT – ROBERTA HENNIGAN

Authorization to contract with Roberta Hennigan to assist the Superintendent's Schools Division in providing support for five schools designated as Needs Improvement, at the rate of \$2,200.00 per day for 20 days, for a total cost of \$44,000.00, effective October 3, 2008, through May 29, 2009, to be paid from general funds, Internal Order 5320000000, Sponsor Class 1010001580, Functional Area F01001000, Fund 0100, FY 09, as recommended in Reference 5.02.

Trustee Edwards expressed concern with the rate and asked whether an analysis could be made available as to how much is attributed to salary and how much is attributed to travel. She also requested information on how the numbers were arrived at and whether the numbers were competitive in the market.

Jeffrey Weiler, Chief Financial Officer, Finance and Operations Division, responded that he was unaware whether the consultant's fees were broken down, but he indicated that consultants could be required to provide that information in the future.

Dr. Karlene McCormick-Lee, Associate Superintendent, Superintendent's Schools, explained the breakdown of travel expenses for the consultants in Items 5.02 and 5.03. She stated that the \$2,200 was a range given to her after negotiations and through discussions with the consultants as an acceptable market value.

Trustee Edwards expressed concern because of the budget cuts. She reiterated her request for a breakdown of what the \$2,200 covers.

AUTHORIZE EMPLOYMENT OF OUT-OF-DISTRICT CONSULTANT – ROBERTA HENNIGAN

(continued)

Dr. Rulfes questioned whether Trustee Edwards wanted this item brought back with the requested information.

Mrs. Johnson stated that she did not agree with holding this item up at this time, although she agreed the \$2,200 daily rate was high. She stated that before having any further agenda items dealing with consultants, it might behoove the Board to have more discussions in order to establish a range.

Dr. McCormick-Lee questioned whether the request for coming up with a range was for her to establish or the budget department to establish. She stated, as a point of clarification, that unlike CCSD employees, these consultants have to pay their own health insurance, retirement, and other benefits, which was incorporated into their rate.

Dr. Rulfes stated he believed guidelines regarding travel standards for consultants were no different than for CCSD employees.

Mrs. Moulton questioned the following areas: whether there was a way to get consultants to stay for longer periods of time because of the cost of airfare, whether a lesser amount could have been negotiated, and the need to monitor accountability to ensure their worthiness.

Mrs. Janison asked whether there was staff internally to help instead of seeking the out-of-district consultants for these positions.

Dr. McCormick-Lee responded that the district was in a budget crisis, and staff was already overworked because of it. She stated that this would be a temporary, one-year investment resulting in a stronger future.

Mrs. Scow expressed understanding of the need for these temporary consultants. She recommended approving this item tonight, but she asked that in the future there be a point of reference of costs.

Trustee Edwards questioned whether Dr. Rulfes saw this as a critical issue that needs to be addressed with this level of expense.

Dr. Rulfes responded by highlighting the following areas that may be overlooked: it was cheaper to hire a consultant for a temporary, short-term period as opposed to a permanent, full-time employee; consultants may have back-up expenses, including their own support staff that they bring with them, that are included in this amount; and that the best rate was negotiated. He welcomed the suggestion by the Board for monitoring. He stated that it was determined that this was the best opportunity for staff and students.

Trustee Edwards stated she did not see justification for this higher amount compared to other consultants, although she understands hidden costs and costs for benefits.

Motion to accept Items 5.02 and 5.03 with the request for further discussion on the breakdown of consultants' expenses and adding accountability into the proposal.

Motion: Janison Second: Johnson

AUTHORIZE EMPLOYMENT OF OUT-OF-DISTRICT CONSULTANT – ROBERTA HENNIGAN

(continued)

Mrs. Johnson requested an agenda item in the future for further discussion of hiring out-of-district consultants or, in the alternative, to be provided more detailed information regarding the breakdown of costs.

*Vote on Mrs. Janison's motion: Yeses – 4 (Scow, Janison, Johnson, Moulton); No – 1 (Edwards)
The motion passed.*

AUTHORIZE EMPLOYMENT OF OUT-OF-DISTRICT CONSULTANT – JERI BALICK

Authorization to contract with Jeri Balick to assist the Superintendent's Schools Division in providing support for four schools designated as Needs Improvement, at the rate of \$2,200.00 per day for 15 days, for a total cost of \$33,000.00, effective October 3, 2008, through May 29, 2009, to be paid from general funds, Internal Order 5320000000, Sponsor Class 1010001580, Functional Area F01001000, Fund 0100, FY 09, as recommended in Reference 5.03.

This item was taken in conjunction with Item 5.02.

APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES GOVERNANCE POLICY EL-3

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Board of Trustees Governance Policy EL-3: Treatment Of Students And Their Families, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on October 23, 2008, as recommended in Reference 6.01.

Trustee Edwards stated she did not feel the change to number 9 of this policy would be effective. She suggested having the Superintendent provide a monitoring report on that issue instead of the change.

Mrs. Johnson stated she was comfortable with the language.

Motion to approve and request an agenda item allowing the Board to request substitute monitoring data.

Motion: Johnson Second: Janison

Mrs. Moulton questioned what the interpretation might be of the verbiage, "... impact a classroom." She asked if there could be feedback from the Clark County Association of School Administrators and Professional-Technical Employees (CCASAPE) about this issue's correlation between administrators' responsibilities and student achievement.

Mrs. Scow agreed the language was sufficient, but noted that the Board could ask for further information when desired.

Dr. Lauren Kohut-Rost, Deputy Superintendent, Instruction Unit, stated that the verbiage, "... administrative decisions that impact a classroom," that would require notifying parents in advance could burden a school, and she cautioned how broadly that term could be interpreted.

APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES GOVERNANCE POLICY EL-3 (continued)

Mrs. Johnson stated that if this language were accepted, the Superintendent could be relied on for determining a reasonable interpretation. She noted the difficulty parents have at the high school level regarding communication and stated ParentLink® was a step in the right direction.

Mrs. Janison agreed ParentLink® was an incredible tool for administrators to reach out to campuses, although she noted the substitute teacher issue.

Mrs. Moulton stated she would like the Superintendent's current interpretation of this policy in order to determine whether changes were needed.

Trustee Edwards suggested changing the verbiage slightly and to bring this item back with the latest monitoring report interpretation as a first Notice of Intent. She suggested that the verbiage read, "...fail to communicate with families prior to making changes, including, but not limited to, changes to policies, programs, or administrative decisions that directly affect student achievement."

Mrs. Johnson stated that either the reasonable interpretation or the monitoring data should be in response to a policy or language in a policy. She agreed with having this item come back as a first Notice of Intent.

Dr. Rulfes agreed with bringing this item back and requested that the Board designate a member to work with him on it. He stated he would like to increase staff.

Stephen Augspurger, member of CCASAPE, stated that to add more responsibility on administrators would be overwhelmingly burdensome, and he suggested that the Board proceed cautiously with the verbiage and the broad interpretation by the community.

Mrs. Johnson withdrew her original motion.

Motion to bring this item back after further discussion with staff.

Motion: Edwards Second: Moulton

Mrs. Janison agreed with Mrs. Johnson's withdrawal of her motion.

Vote on Trustee Edwards' motion: Yeses – 4 (Scow, Janison, Edwards, Moulton); No – 1 (Johnson)

The motion passed.

RECESS: 5:16 p.m.

RECONVENE: 5:38 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON AGENDA ITEMS/RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Board of Trustees Governance Policy EL-6: Financial Condition and Activities, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on October 23, 2008, as recommended in Reference 6.02.

Motion to accept.

Motion: Edwards Second: Moulton Vote: Unanimous

AUTHORIZE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR – REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL PROCESS

Authorization for a member of the Clark County School District Board of Trustees' Audit Committee to observe the Request For Proposal (RFP) process to obtain an independent financial auditor, as recommended in Reference 6.03.

Motion to invite a member of the audit committee to observe the Request for Proposal (RFP) process to obtain an independent financial auditor.

Motion: Moulton Second: Johnson Vote: Unanimous

APPROVE INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL AUDIT PRESENTATION

Approval for the president of the Clark County School District Board of Trustees to determine who participates in the 2008 fiscal year presentation of the independent financial audit pursuant to NRS 354.624(2)(a).

Motion to have a member of the Audit Committee attend the initial presentation of the independent financial audit.

Motion: Moulton Second: Edwards

Mrs. Johnson questioned whether this had been requested so that there would be no quorum issues.

Mrs. Moulton responded in the affirmative.

Vote on Mrs. Moulton's motion was unanimous.

APPROVE ITEMS 7.02 THROUGH 7.08

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

Motion: Edwards Second: Janison

Mrs. Moulton asked for clarification regarding what the policy was changing.

Mr. Weiler responded that it was to consolidate six policies into one.

Mrs. Moulton asked if a policy still existed regarding the Wellness program and lunch after recess.

Mr. Weiler responded in the affirmative.

Charles E. Anderson, Director of Food Services, Finance and Operations Division, stated this policy comes out of the state, and this was the third and final year for exceptions.

Vote on Trustee Edwards' motion was unanimous.

APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT – CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULATION 3520

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Regulation 3520, Food Service Programs, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on October 23, 2008, as recommended in Reference 7.02.

APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT – CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULATION 3521

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Regulation 3521, Competitive Food Sales, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on October 23, 2008, as recommended in Reference 7.03.

APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT – CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULATION 3522

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Regulation 3522, Free and Reduced-Price Meals for Eligible Students, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on October 23, 2008, as recommended in Reference 7.04.

APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT – CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULATION 3523

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Regulation 3523, Free and Reduced-Price Meals for Eligible Students - Nondiscrimination Assurance, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on October 23, 2008, as recommended in Reference 7.05.

APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT – CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULATION 3524

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Regulation 3524, Free and Reduced-Price Meals for Eligible Students - Parent/Public Notice, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on October 23, 2008, as recommended in Reference 7.06.

APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT – CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULATION 3525

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Regulation 3525, Free and Reduced-Price Meals for Eligible Students - Appeal/Hearing Procedure, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on October 23, 2008, as recommended in Reference 7.07.

APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT – CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULATION 3526

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Regulation 3526, Meals for Participating Students - Meal Credit Procedures, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on October 23, 2008, as recommended in Reference 7.08.

APPROVE AMENDMENT OF CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICY 7223

Approval of the amendment of Clark County School District Policy 7223, Naming of Schools and Education-Related Facilities, as recommended in Reference 7.01.

Mrs. Scow asked whether the Board wished to hold this item over for another meeting when Mr. Mason could be present.

Mrs. Moulton responded that time was of the essence because of the naming of the high schools that would take place on October 16, 2008. She stated she agreed with the policy language as stated.

Motion to approve.

Motion: Moulton Second: Janison

APPROVE AMENDMENT OF CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICY 7223 (continued)

Mrs. Johnson assumed that Mr. Mason had a concern with the two-year restriction for the Board members, and she suggested holding this item until Mr. Mason could address his concerns.

Trustee Edwards agreed with waiting until later in this meeting to address this item.

The maker of the motion and the second agreed to withdraw the motion at this time to await Mr. Mason's arrival.

APPROVE ITEMS 7.09 AND 7.10

Approval of Items 7.09 and 7.10 in compliance, as follows:

Motion: Edwards Second: Johnson Vote: Unanimous

APPROVE MONITORING REPORT – EL-9: COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS – 2007-2008

Approval of the monitoring report for Governance Policy EL-9: Compensation and Benefits – 2007-2008.

APPROVE MONITORING REPORT – EL-10: COMMUNICATION AND SUPPORT TO THE BOARD – 2007-2008

Approval of the monitoring report for Governance Policy EL-10: Communication and Support to the Board – 2007-2008.

APPROVE UPDATE ON K-12 BUDGET REDUCTIONS

Approval regarding an update on K-12 budget reductions, and possible legal action in response to such reductions.

Mr. Weiler stated he did not have any updates on this item.

Dr. Rulfes briefly reported that the state was willing to consider excess enrollment as contributing to the district's reductions in funding in an aggregate way.

Mrs. Janison expressed appreciation on behalf of parents regarding Mr. Weiler's communication at the school level.

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

None.

AGENDA PLANNING: ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Mrs. Scow reiterated the request for an agenda item for discussion on consultants.

Trustee Edwards questioned whether the Board should request monitoring of long-term substitutes. She asked to receive information regarding how parents are notified of long-term substitutes.

Dr. Rulfes agreed to provide the requested information to the Board. He requested that the Board convene one hour earlier at the next meeting on October 23, 2008, to discuss some legal issues.

BOARD REPORTS

Mrs. Janison relayed information regarding the program Tickets for Teachers and free tickets to the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) Rebels basketball games.

Mrs. Moulton recognized the McGruff program that utilizes specially marked trucks as a safe haven for students. She briefly reported on Assembly Speaker Barbara Buckley's town hall presentation.

Trustee Edwards briefly reported on her attendance at the following: a recent town hall meeting with Assembly Speaker Barbara Buckley; the recent Vegas PBS retreat in which the topic of a policy change involving serving alcoholic beverages during fundraising events was discussed; the recent Parent Teacher Association (PTA) reception; and ongoing open houses.

Mrs. Scow briefly reported on her representation of the Board on the Partnership Advisory Committee.

ENTERTAINMENT RECOGNIZED

Mrs. Moulton acknowledged the musical presentation given during the earlier recess by the high school students of Las Vegas High School. Board members thanked the students; Debbie Brockett, Principal; Heather Polzien, Music Specialist; and Robert Alfaro, Region Superintendent.

APPROVE AMENDMENT OF CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICY 7223 (continued)

Motion to accept.

Motion: Moulton Second: Johnson Vote: Unanimous

ADJOURN: 6:04 p.m.

Motion: Edwards Second: Janison Vote: Unanimous