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**Strategic Imperative(s):** Clarity and Focus (SI-4)  
**Focus Area(s):** Value/Return on Investment (FA-5)

MINUTES  
CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
**BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**  
ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER, ROOM 242  
5100 W. SAHARA AVE., LAS VEGAS, NV 89146

THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2017

11:30 a.m.

**Members Present**

Bowler, Richard  
Davis, Al  
Goynes, Byron  
Halsey, Jim  
Kubat, Charles

Mumford, Harvey  
Philpott, Steve  
Reynolds, Jacob  
White, Eva

**Members Absent**

Earl, Debbie  
Lavelle Lisa  
Lazaroff, Gene  
Lopez, George  
Morley, Thomas

A recording of this meeting can be obtained by contacting the Facilities Division at 702-799-0591.

1.01 FLAG SALUTE.

1.02 ROLL CALL.

Mr. Halsey, First Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:45 a.m.

1.03 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA.

Motion was approved to adopt and accept the May 18, 2017, agenda, with the revision of moving item 3.08 before 3.01.

Motion: Kubat

Second: Reynolds

Vote: Unanimous

2.01 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD.

*Josh Hager, Assistant Principal, Las Vegas Academy of the Arts, 1<sup>st</sup> Speaker* – Mr. Hager stated that they are the top school in the nation and need to be updated to 21<sup>st</sup> century construction. An example is the students in the Mariachi band have dozens of trophies and awards on display but have to practice their art outside. Mr. Hager stated that facilities mailed a vision letter to architects they work with and eight replied with early master plan proposals. As a result Mr. Hager, Principal Scott Walker, and staff members selected three of the architects to compete to develop the best master plan for the campus to revitalize Las Vegas Academy of the Arts (LVA) and incorporate some of the historical buildings, while adding new buildings to the campus and serve the instructional purposes for students, teachers and the community.

*Laura V. Lopez, 2<sup>nd</sup> Speaker* – Ms. Lopez is a parent of students who attend Valley High School and John C. Fremont Professional Development Middle School. Ms. Lopez stated that she wanted to thank the community and especially thank Dr. Barton, Mr. Cumbers, and Courtney Bufford of the Nevadans for the Common Good, who has been facilitating communications between her, the

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community and the school district. She stated that she is very pleased to hear that John C. Fremont Professional Development Middle School is going to become a K-8 school and is grateful to everyone who listened and heard the community and her wishes.

*Patt Burton, 3<sup>rd</sup> Speaker* – Ms. Burton stated she is representing the parents and is a grandparent of students who attend John C. Fremont Professional Development Middle School and John S. Park Elementary School. Ms. Burton stated she is thankful to Dr. Barton, Mr. Cumbers, Mr. Wagner, Dr. Young and Courtney Bufford for listening to the community and pleased to hear the school is going to be a K-8 school. She is thankful that the teachers will remain as they are a staple to the school.

### 3.01 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

Motion for approval of the Minutes for the December 15, 2016 and February 16, 2017, agenda.

Mr. Kubat disagreed regarding agenda item 3.05 on *Existing School Designs for Possible Reuse*. He stated that on page 3 of 3 of the second sentence of the February 16, 2017 minutes should have an addition to say “There are two middle school designs that were never built, but are fully designed through construction documents.”

Motion: Reynolds

Second: White

Vote: Unanimous

### 3.02 REPORTS BY STAFF AND/OR LIAISON REPRESENTATIVES.

None.

### 3.03 QUESTIONS REGARDING MONTHLY STATUS REPORTS.

Mr. Kubat asked if this is where Mrs. Alston intended to address the Facility Condition Index (FCI) or if that was a separate agenda item. Mrs. Alston stated it's not an agenda item rather it's a report that Mr. Kubat requested an additional sort, which was not posted but was provided to all the board members and is the Five Year FCI score versus the alphabetical reference.

### 3.04 REPORT BY THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES' LIAISON.

Trustee Young stated that six new elementary schools are wrapping up construction and on-track to open for the 2017-2018 school year, which begins on August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017. The six new elementary schools are:

- Josh Stevens Elementary
- Dr. Beverly Mathis Elementary
- Jan Jones Blackhurst Elementary
- Shelley Berkley Elementary
- Marzano Academy at Lomie G. Heard Elementary
- Billy and Rosemary Vassiliadis Elementary
- One additional new elementary school will open mid-year in January 2018 – Don and Dee Snyder Elementary School.

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- Lincoln Elementary School and Rex Bell Elementary School are undergoing a complete school replacement. Both new school campuses will open for the 2017-2018 school year.
- All new schools will have capacity for 850 students.
- CIP Revision 2 is being presented to Bond Oversight Committee (BOC) today and Trustee Young stated "We look forward to your recommendations to the Board of School Trustees (BOST)."
- BOST to consider the recommendations of CIP Revision 2 at the Work Session on June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017.
- On May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017 there will be a presentation in front of the Oversight Panel of School Facilities, so they can approve the next bond issuance.

### Other important items:

- Since the last BOC held on February 16, 2017, AB469 has been signed and passed into law by Governor Brian Sandoval
- AB448 Achievement School District (ASD) update – ASD would convert six public schools into charters. Legislators are still working on two proposals:
  - AB103 – would eliminate the program, therefore this bill has been removed.
  - AB432 – would delay implementation until fall 2020, therefore this bill has been removed.
  - SB430 – original Bill was appealed regarding ASD. However, it's being amended to be reviewed
  - AB469 – reorganization in District. Trustee Young stated she is looking forward to working with the BOC for their feedback.
- Graduation is in a few short weeks. Trustee Young invited all to attend the celebration.
- Change in school calendar. School year 2017-2018 begins on August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Trustee Young stated she is looking forward to the change and that school should be out around May 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>.

Trustee Young stated she was grateful to the BOC as she values their support, recommendation and ideas to BOST. She also stated that BOC are experts who are vested in the community and schools and is grateful for their advice and for listening to the community. Trustee Young stated that BOST may modify some of the constituent's recommendations and used John C. Fremont Professional Development Middle School as an example. Trustee Young stated she looks forward to continuing to work with BOC.

### 3.05 UPDATE ON MAJOR CAPITAL PROJECTS.

Mr. Blake Cumbers began by showing a PowerPoint presentation and provided updates pertaining to the schools in regards to the 1998 Bond Fund Revision 19, and the 2015 Capital Improvement Program. Mr. Cumbers advised the video was taken three to four weeks ago, and the last thing to do is asphalt, landscaping and grounds. For more information and to see the video please visit our website at [CCSD.net](http://CCSD.net).

- Mr. Philpott asked if there are any unexpected delays in opening of the schools. Mr. Cumbers stated there is nothing that would impede the opening of the schools and that there are always last minute things that come up such as telephones, WIFI, landscaping and grounds, but nothing that would delay the opening of the schools.
- Mr. Munford asked for the status of West Tropicana Elementary School opening. Mr. Wagner stated the school will be opening as scheduled in the fall.

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- Mr. Reynolds asked if the old school where Rex Bell Elementary School is being built is going to be demolished. Mr. Cumbers stated that demolition will start once school ends. This school will have grass fields; however we are researching artificial turf and the future plan is to use it on at least two upcoming projects.
- Mr. Kubat asked if we are using two story buildings to take advantage of the slope site for the Billy and Rosemary Vassiliadis Elementary School. Mr. Wagner stated we would not be using it for this school but we will be in future projects.
- Mr. Halsey asked when the ultimate cost of each project would be available. Mrs. Alston stated by October or November and true close out is about a year after completion. Mr. Halsey also asked if there are any unexpected or excessive change orders on the billings. Mrs. Alston and Mr. Wagner stated we have not had excessive change orders. We are trending lower on change orders.

### 3.06 2015 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, REVISION 2.

Mr. Blake Cumbers showed a PowerPoint presentation of the proposed 2015 Capital Improvement Program, Revision 2 for BOC recommendation. Mr. Cumbers will present the BOC recommendations from this meeting to BOST on June 21, 2017.

Mr. Cumbers summarized the 44-page 2015 Capital Improvement Program, Revision 2 presentation to include:

- Projected availability of Bond proceeds.
- 2015 CIP full needs versus the original option BOST chose about a year ago
- Guiding principles
- Update on CIP, Revision 1 projects
- Elementary School enrollment forecast
- High School need 10-year projections
- Update on the full needs comparison
- 2015 CIP Revision 2
- Revised guiding principles
- Comparison of full need, option B-BOT and CIP Revision 2

#### Questions:

Mr. Philpott asked if we have a CFO and where are we with bonding. Mr. Cumbers advised we have an interim CFO, Eva White. Mrs. White stated we are seeking bonds and are going to finish \$160,000,000.00 previous bond and then go before Debt Management Commission and ask for \$400,000,000.00.

Mr. Reynolds asked if charter schools are considered public schools and Mr. Cumbers stated that is correct. Mr. Reynolds also asked since we are not building charter schools are we responsible for maintaining them or the land. Mr. Cumbers stated that we are not responsible for them.

Mr. Reynolds asked how many high schools are needed to be built. Mr. Cumbers stated we need to build five high schools.

Mr. Reynolds asked if the gap is closing on the demand for schools and about the cost as he has seen it increase. Mr. Cumbers advised the gap in demand for schools is closing especially on elementary schools. As schools age out they will need to be updated and the \$200,000,000.00 increase in full needs will get

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larger each and every calendar year. Mr. Kubat then asked if this is reflected or is this what we need. Mr. Cumbers stated we are preparing a separate presentation for BOC to consider where we are at and where we are going in the next five to ten years. Mr. Cumbers stated we need to clearly articulate our position to present our case to the Legislative session in two years to show our need for capital funds and operating side funds based on data and provide to our legislative team so they have all the tools they need to explain the position the School District is in and what is needed to correct it. This data will also be provided to the parents, school operations team, BOC, BOST, and lobbyists in Carson City.

- Mr. Cumbers advised the next slides are transitioning to what we are recommending for BOC to consider today and recommend to BOST to move the program forward and summarized the presentation.

Mr. Philpott asked what was causing the push back on the new schools opening by the City of Henderson. Mr. Cumbers stated that the School District and the City of Henderson entered into a partnership and the site where the school at Chapata and Casady is to be built is being used as a temporary park and the City of Henderson is requesting additional information to complete the entitlement process.

Mr. Munford asked what type of impact does Mr. Cumbers feel the football team coming to Las Vegas will have on the enrollment of schools, homes and apartments in that area. Mr. Cumbers stated on the positive side it will have an enormous economic stimulation. On the negative side it will absorb a lot of construction resources and drive up our prices with regards to prevailing wage and time constraints to have the stadium facility built on schedule. The more residents moving to the state will increase the demands on housing and more children enrolling in school and increase tax revenue.

Mr. Halsey asked why the district would be against Assembly Bill (AB) AB154 if it's going to affect labor demands and prevailing wage. Mr. Cumbers advised it's likely other developers will pay more than 100 percent of prevailing wage and there will be competition for labor to complete projects on time.

Mr. Reynolds asked what additional costs are being imposed on us by the delays of Chapata and Casady and expressed his concern for the additional requests the City of Henderson is requiring. Mr. Cumbers stated additional expenses have been incurred due to the request for an animated traffic study. The neighbors are excited for the new school as it will provide relief to other schools.

Mr. Philpott asked if there is an existing park on the site and if we can request a member of the City of Henderson to attend our meeting and explain the delay and the costs we are accruing. Mr. Halsey stated he will reach out to the new mayor to try and make this happen.

Mr. Kubat asked about hot spots and are the schools fitting the hot spots critical needs as he doesn't recall seeing these recommendations and has concerns. Mr. Cumbers assured Mr. Kubat that all sites being recommended are in the red zone indicating 125percent over capacity and are absolutely needed.

Mr. Halsey asked if the classroom additions will cause change in time frame. Mr. Cumbers advised that is possible.

Mr. Halsey asked if we wanted to take individual votes on each of the items to be approved or take a vote at the end. Mr. Cumbers requested that a vote be taken at the end of the presentation. Mr. Philpott asked if Ruth Fyfe Elementary School is closed and if the community is aware. Mr. Cumbers stated the community and principals are aware of the closure. Mr. Cumbers stated this is far in the future and there is a formal process to go through and in the interim Ruth Fyfe Elementary School will be a swing school.

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Mr. Reynolds asked for clarification on the following statement “When you’re talking about replacement schools, you’re talking about essentially the swing school either re-building that site or just swinging the students to a different location and then bringing them back to the same site.” Mr. Cumbers stated that is correct.

Mr. Kubat asked on decision four regarding John C. Fremont Professional Development Middle School what was the original date to open as he noticed it was changed to 2020, and by pushing out the date does it allow us to do something else. Mrs. Cordova stated the original date was 2019. Mr. Cumbers stated it allows us to build JD Smith Elementary School next to Hartke Park at the same time we’re proposing to build an English Learning Language Center (ELL) on the old Bishop Gorman site across from John C. Fremont Professional Development Middle School, which will allow it be used as a swing school. Mr. Cumbers stated, we’re asking the BOC for approval of John C. Fremont Professional Development Middle School to become a K-8 school and approval for Global Community School.

Mr. Davis asked what the old Bishop Gorman site is being used for. Mr. Cumbers stated for police training activity, and for storage and the rectory office is used for the crisis intervention office.

Mr. Philpott asked for an explanation for the Global Community Center and how many students it would accommodate. Mr. Cumbers stated it’s to prepare new students to the community to learn English and then transition to their permanent school. It will hold approximately 400 students.

Mr. Kubat asked about John C. Fremont Professional Development Middle School and its purpose for teachers. Mr. Cumbers stated that John C. Fremont Professional Development Middle School and UNLV have a joint program to train teachers at the facility and they tend to stay at the school or in the district. The District may expand the programs through the ELL at the old Bishop Gorman. Mr. Kubat is pleased with the plans and the solution for the community as is Mr. Cumbers.

Mr. Reynolds asked what are we requesting approval for at Doris Reed and Vegas Verde. Mr. Cumbers stated we are asking for approval for classroom additions at each school.

Mr. Kubat asked if there are any geological issues to be concerned about regarding Southeast Career and Technical Academy (SECTA). Mr. Cumbers stated there are no issues, but in the past there were some sink hole issues on the field.

Mr. Kubat asked if the reason for the gymnasium addition is to make SECTA a full service high school. Mr. Cumbers stated that is correct. Kerry Pope, Principal of SECTA stated it will remain a CTA and will have all sports as other high schools except for football. Therefore, students need the same facilities. Athletics will not be expanded at other CTA’s.

Mr. Reynolds asked what is the student population at SECTA opposed to a regular high school and how does it compare to other CTA’s. Mr. Cumbers stated it’s less than a regular high school but will bring it to around 3,000 students. Kerri Pope stated SECTA is larger than other CTA’s.

Mr. Reynolds asked if we are requesting full size fields at Sandy Valley Elementary School. Mr. Cumbers stated that is correct, and we are asking for an elementary school building and two small sized home fields as they are needed for their athletic program and we are proposing to use artificial turf.

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Mr. Halsey asked why the cost to replace the HVAC at Chaparral High School is \$15,000,000.00, when replacing the HVAC and other schools is cheaper. Mrs. Alston and Mr. Wagner stated that it's due to square footage and the entire HVAC system needs to be replaced and the electrical needs to be upgraded.

Mr. Philpott asked about Eldorado and Bonanza High School's HVAC replacements and why it's \$8,000,000.00 opposed to the \$15,000,000.00 at Chaparral High School. Mrs. Alston stated they are facing the same issues at Chaparral High School and the size of the project affects the cost. Additionally, they won't replace anything that's not needed and the cost can't be guaranteed due to unforeseen issues.

Mr. Philpott stated he doesn't want HVAC, parking lots and concrete forgotten about. Mrs. Alston stated all we can do is address the worst issues and referred to slide 32 as to urgency of projects. The focus is on items that can shut a school down. Mrs. Alston stated reports are continuously updated on the projects status.

Mr. Philpott asked if office space at Facilities Service Center (FSC) is for current and additional staff. Mr. Cumbers stated that FSC has been built as previously approved and is fully functional, currently staffed and has the capacity for future staff and invited BOC to visit the facility and take a tour.

Mr. Philpott asked if we have technology staff. Mr. Wray stated technology issues such as computer installations are currently being handled by Clark County School District (CCSD) employees from the general fund to assist the six new schools and we will need more staff.

Mr. Kubat asked if there was funding for Demographic Zoning and Geographical Information Services (DZG and GIS) staff. Mrs. Alston stated that its general funds and not bond funds, and that we will be giving additional support to the department.

Mr. Reynolds expressed his concerns about decision one regarding the City of Henderson. Mr. Cumbers stated he has a meeting with Mayor-Elect March next week to further discuss the issue and will have more information at the next BOC meeting. Mr. Davis stated this is a minute issue and it's regulatory.

For more information please visit our website at [CCSD.net](http://CCSD.net) to view the PowerPoint presentation.

Motion for approval of the 2015 Capital Improvement Program, Revision 2.

Motion: Davis

Second: Bowler

Vote: Unanimous

### 3.07 UPDATE ON FREMONT MIDDLE SCHOOL REPLACEMENT.

*Mike Taack, 6<sup>th</sup> grade English teacher, John C. Fremont Professional Development Middle School, 4<sup>th</sup> Speaker* – Mr. Taack stated he was originally upset about the plans for John C. Fremont Professional Development Middle School. However, today he is supportive of the change and pleased to hear that John C. Fremont Professional Development Middle School will become a K-8 school and is grateful to everyone who listened and heard the community and is looking forward to working with CCSD. Mr. Taack also thanked Dr. Barton, Trustee Young, Jeff Wagner, Blake Cumbers, Antonio Rael, and Rick Baldwin for all their efforts and hard work to make this happen.

Mr. Cumbers stated that they brought this agenda item forward as they were asked to but doesn't believe there is any action that needs to be taken with all the information that has been provided.

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Mr. Philpott asked if there would be a future design shown. Mr. Cumbers stated as progress is being made there will be new designs provided.

Mr. Kubat thanked Trustee Young for all her support and is pleased by the communities support.

Trustee Young thanked the staff, Mr. Cumbers, and the BOC for all they have done and for all their support to the community. She stated that we can use John C. Fremont Professional Development Middle School as a good case study.

### 3.08 LEGISLATIVE SESSION.

Craig Stevens, Director of Intergovernmental Relations for the Clark County School District, called in to the meeting to provide updates from the Legislative Session in Carson City.

- AB154 is sponsored by Assemblyman Brooks, Assemblywoman Spiegle, Assemblyman Sprinkle, Assemblyman Joiner and Assemblyman Daly as it pertains to prevailing wage and Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR). AB154 would remove the exemption for K12 and higher education building programs to pay 90percent of prevailing wage. Mr. Stevens stated the last session allowed higher education and K12 building costing over \$250,000.00 being required to pay prevailing wage at 90percent. AB154 will increase prevailing wages from 90percent to 100percent. The bill has passed the Assembly and Senate Committee, and is pending a full vote by the Senate. Mr. Stevens stated he believes the bill will pass and when it does it will require any new building by the Clark County School District to pay prevailing wage at 100percent. The original bill before it was amended sought to reduce prevailing wage from \$250,000.00 to \$100,000.00 and has been removed and prevailing wage will increase from 90percent to 100percent.
- AB406 Is sponsored by Assemblyman Daly and it pertains to prevailing wage and CMAR. The original threshold of \$250,000.00 was reduced to \$25,000.00 and is now set at \$100,000.00, which is what it was in 2014. Mr. Stevens explained that if a public entity is found not to be following the rules of CMAR the body will not be able to use the program for two years. All rules and regulations under CMAR must be followed and if Clark County School District didn't follow them we wouldn't be able to use CMAR for two years. CMAR requires that someone not a part of the organization must have knowledge of construction and shall be a part of the committee that selects the contractors that we will use. Lastly, one of the committee members must not be a part of the Clark County School District. AB406 has passed the original committee but has not yet passed the assembly and currently is exempt. As such it doesn't have to follow all the rules and this bill is still alive and moving forward and we should have an answer in the next fourteen days.
- AB433: This bill is dead as it didn't meet the deadline. It would allow school districts and other public entities to use best value bid as opposed to the way we do things now. It passed the first deadline with committee passage but it did not pass the full house passage and is no longer in play.
- Senate Bill (SB) SB173 is sponsored by Senator Cancela. It would require that any school facility built by the ASD must follow all prevailing wage laws. There was some confusion about ASD construction as to who pays for it and under the current ASD construction is paid for with Capital Funds by the School District and must be paid at prevailing wages. It has passed the Senate and the Assembly Committee and is awaiting a full vote by the Assembly.
- SB246 is sponsored by Senator Manendo. The bill would extend the ability for any public body to use CMAR through 2021. A public body can only use CMAR two times in a twelve

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month period for projects \$5,000,000.00 or less. SC246 has passed the committee and the senate floor. It is going to be heard by government affairs on Tuesday, May 23, 2017.

Questions:

Mr. Reynolds asked Mr. Stevens on AB154 by moving prevailing wage from 90percent to 100percent how much it's going to increase our cost if it passes and if he supports it. Mr. Stevens stated we are in opposition as it would raise costs and the fiscal note shows an increase of \$7,500,000.00 per year.

Mr. Davis stated that some independent studies he's seen have labor as a portion of the building product and that if you have the same amount of bidders and you have competition we are looking at less than a 2 ½percent increase. It is his understanding that our bidding contractors are bidding at a decrease and he believes this will be a savings in the long run. Mr. Davis stated that other independent studies from different Universities show less than 2 ½percent for the total cost of a school.

### 3.09 QUESTIONS ON AND/OR REMOVAL OF ITEMS ON MOTIONS AND TASKINGS.

Mr. Reynolds expressed his concerns about item not being heard and if there is anything being done about Blended Learning and to close the budget gap. Mr. Cumbers responded that he isn't aware of an appetite for blended learning, and that in order to close the budget gap consideration of year round schools would reduce the need for buildings but not necessarily solve the problem and he could try to bring someone forward at a BOC meeting to further discuss.

Mr. Wagner stated a consultant has been identified and retained to do a survey on low voltage systems and he will be reviewing the findings and will provide an update at the next BOC meeting.

### 3.10 AGENDA PLANNING: ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS. None.

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Anna Slighting, Board Member, Hope for Nevada provided updates from the Legislative Session in Carson City with regards to SB430 and AB78. She stated that weekly updates can be found on [hopefornevada.org](http://hopefornevada.org).

Mr. Goynes from Workforce Connections advised the Director of the intern program passed away and wanted the program to continue. Mr. Goynes had the interns who are former Las Vegas students introduce themselves, state what high school they went to, what college they're attending, and area of study. The purpose is for former Las Vegas students to pursue the internship program and further their career.

### 5.0 ADJOURN: 2:15 p.m. Motion: Kubat

Second: Reynolds

Vote: Unanimous