

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, February 9, 2017

5:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Members Present
Deanna L. Wright, President
Linda E. Young, Vice President
Carolyn Edwards, Clerk
Lola Brooks, Member
Kevin L. Child, Member
Erin Cranor, Member
Chris Garvey, Member

Pat Skorkowsky, Superintendent of Schools

FLAG SALUTE

Western High School ROTC led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Ernie Acevedo of Baha'i Faith, performed the invocation.

ADOPT AGENDA

Adopt agenda, except delete Item 3.03, note reference material provided for Item 3.01, and note revised reference material provided for Items 3.13, 3.14, 3.15, 3.18, and 4.03.

Motion: Cranor Second: Edwards Vote: Unanimous

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Elena Rodriguez thanked the Board for addressing concerns related to students' immigration status during a previous Board meeting.

Melissa Brown, a CCSD school bus driver, asked if a monitor could be placed on the bus because many students do not follow the rules on the bus and have no respect for themselves or for her.

Autumn Tampa expressed concern that young students are not being allowed to go to the bathroom when they need to, and children are not being allowed to talk during lunchtime.

APPROVE ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of consent agenda, as submitted, as recommended.

Public Hearing

Bill Hanlon addressed students' learning experience in the classroom. He said the Board was going to be asked to approve a program in Item 3.03, which had been deleted from the agenda, and he shared that teachers and students have access to free resources. He suggested that if the District has the money, it should invest in positions in the Instructional Design and Professional Learning Division (IPDL).

Motion to approve the consent agenda, noting Item 3.03 was deleted.

Motion: Edwards Second: Child

Trustee Young asked why Item 3.03 was deleted.

Superintendent Skorkowsky said staff agreed that the concerns raised by Mr. Hanlon needed to be looked at and decided to conduct some focus groups with principals and teachers to determine the best way to move forward.

Vote on Trustee Edwards' motion was unanimous.

- 3.01 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES. Discussion and possible action on the approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of December 8, 2016, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** (Reference material will be provided.) (Ref. 3.01)
- 3.02 MASTERYCONNECT, INCORPORATED. Discussion and possible action on the request for the purchase of on-site professional development, student licenses, and a web-based program from MasteryConnect, Incorporated, for the approximate amount of \$58,633.75, effective February 10, 2017, through June 30, 2017, to be paid from Unit 0137 FY17 Account 5653000000, Object 0653, Grant 4410017, Fund 0279, with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Mike Barton] (Ref. 3.02)
Strategic Imperative(s): Academic Excellence
Focus Area(s): College and Career Readiness
- 3.04 NEW GRANT APPLICATION: TRANSITIONS IN MATHEMATICS FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL, COHORT II, GRADES 4-6, UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, LAS VEGAS. Discussion and possible action on authorization to submit the grant application and implement the Transitions in Mathematics for Middle School, Cohort II, Grades 4 - 6, funded through the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, to improve and deepen teachers' content knowledge, in the amount of \$134,783.00, to be paid from Fund 0270, from March 1, 2017, through September 30, 2018, with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Billie Rayford] (Ref. 3.04)
Strategic Imperative(s): Academic Excellence
Focus Area(s): Academic Growth

APPROVE ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

- 3.05 MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT AND SOUTHWEST MEDICAL ASSOCIATES. Discussion and possible action on approval to enter into an agreement between the Clark County School District and Southwest Medical Associates to provide school-based health services at designated mutually agreed upon locations on Clark County School District property via their Mobile Healthcare Clinic, for the period of February 13, 2017, through February 13, 2022, at no cost to the Clark County School District, and for the Deputy Superintendent to sign the Agreement, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Billie Rayford] (Ref. 3.05)
Strategic Imperative(s): School Support
Focus Area(s): Family/Community Engagement and Customer Service
- 3.06 UNIFIED PERSONNEL EMPLOYMENT. Discussion and possible action on approval to employ unified personnel, as listed, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)**
[Contact Person: Pat Skorkowsky] (Ref. 3.06)
Strategic Imperative(s): Academic Excellence
Focus Area(s): Proficiency; Academic Growth; Achievement Gaps; Disproportionality
- 3.07 LICENSED PERSONNEL EMPLOYMENT. Discussion and possible action on approval to employ licensed personnel, as listed, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)**
[Contact Persons: Michael Gentry and Andre Long] (Ref. 3.07)
Strategic Imperative(s): Academic Excellence
Focus Area(s): Proficiency; Academic Growth; Achievement Gaps; Disproportionality
- 3.08 STUDENT EXPULSIONS. Discussion and possible action on approval of student expulsions according to NRS 392.467 (Board Policy 5114 and Regulations 5114 and 5141.1), as listed, is recommended. (CONFIDENTIAL) **(For Possible Action)**
[Contact Person: Billie Rayford] (Ref. 3.08)
Strategic Imperative(s): School Support
Focus Area(s): Disproportionality
- 3.09 PURCHASE ORDERS. Discussion and possible action on ratification of the purchase orders in the total amount of \$979,732.56, as listed, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)**
[Contact Person: Rick Neal] (Ref. 3.09)
Strategic Imperative(s): Clarity and Focus
Focus Area(s): Value/Return on Investment
- 3.10 PURCHASING AWARDS. Discussion and possible action on approval to purchase goods or services in the estimated total amount of \$2,210,000.00, in compliance with NRS 332, as listed, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Rick Neal] (Ref. 3.10)
Strategic Imperative(s): Clarity and Focus
Focus Area(s): Value/Return on Investment

APPROVE ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

3.11 WARRANTS. Discussion and possible action on ratification of the warrants as listed in the Bills Payable Transmittal and the Board Memorandum to be presented at the Board meeting, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Rick Neal] (Ref. 3.11)

Strategic Imperative(s): Clarity and Focus

Focus Area(s): Value/Return on Investment

3.12 ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT, GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES, UNNAMED ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, WEST FORD AVENUE AND SOUTH RILEY STREET.

Discussion and possible action on approval to enter into an engineering services agreement with Wright Engineers in support of the unnamed elementary school at West Ford Avenue and South Riley Street in the amount of \$251,996.00, to be paid from the 2015 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3150000000, Project C0001610; and for Blake Cumbers, Associate Superintendent, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)**

[Contact Person: Blake Cumbers] (Ref. 3.12)

Strategic Imperative(s): Clarity and Focus

Focus Area(s): Value/Return on Investment

3.13 CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, SANITARY SEWER REPLACEMENT, J. HAROLD BRINLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL. Discussion and possible action on approval of an award of contract to the best qualified construction manager at-risk (CMAR) for construction services in support of the sanitary sewer replacement at J. Harold Brinley Middle School, to be paid from the Governmental Services Tax, Fund 3400000000, Project C0013062; and for Blake Cumbers, Associate Superintendent, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, may be recommended. **(For Possible Action)**

[Contact Person: Blake Cumbers] (Ref. 3.13)

Strategic Imperative(s): Clarity and Focus

Focus Area(s): Value/Return on Investment

3.14 CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, SANITARY SEWER REPLACEMENT, ED VON TOBEL MIDDLE SCHOOL. Discussion and possible action on approval of an award of contract to the best qualified construction manager at-risk (CMAR) for construction services in support of the sanitary sewer replacement at Ed Von Tobel Middle School, to be paid from the Governmental Services Tax, Fund 3400000000, Project C0013064; and for Blake Cumbers, Associate Superintendent, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, may be recommended. **(For Possible Action)**

[Contact Person: Blake Cumbers] (Ref. 3.14)

Strategic Imperative(s): Clarity and Focus

Focus Area(s): Value/Return on Investment

APPROVE ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

- 3.15 CONSTRUCTION SERVICES, SANITARY SEWER REPLACEMENT, WILLIAM E. ORR MIDDLE SCHOOL. Discussion and possible action on approval of an award of contract to the best qualified construction manager at-risk (CMAR) for construction services in support of the sanitary sewer replacement at William E. Orr Middle School, to be paid from the Governmental Services Tax, Fund 3400000000, Project C0013063; and for Blake Cumbers, Associate Superintendent, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, may be recommended. **(For Possible Action)**
[Contact Person: Blake Cumbers] (Ref. 3.15)
Strategic Imperative(s): Clarity and Focus
Focus Area(s): Value/Return on Investment
- 3.16 RESCISSION OF AWARD OF CONTRACT, CLASSROOM BUILDING ADDITION, BERTHA RONZONE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. Discussion and possible action on approval to rescind the contract award to Cobblestone Construction for the classroom building addition at Bertha Ronzone Elementary School, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)**
[Contact Person: Blake Cumbers] (Ref. 3.16)
Strategic Imperative(s): Clarity and Focus
Focus Area(s): Value/Return on Investment
- 3.17 CONTRACT AWARD: CLASSROOM BUILDING ADDITION, BERTHA RONZONE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. Discussion and possible action on approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for a new two-story 18 classroom building addition at Bertha Ronzone Elementary School, to be paid from the 2015 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3150000000, Project C0013445; and for Blake Cumbers, Associate Superintendent, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, is recommended.
(For Possible Action) [Contact Person: Blake Cumbers] (Ref. 3.17)
Strategic Imperative(s): Clarity and Focus
Focus Area(s): Value/Return on Investment
- 3.18 CONTRACT AWARD: CLASSROOM BUILDING ADDITION, ELAINE WYNN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. Discussion and possible action on approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for a new two-story 18-classroom building addition at Elaine Wynn Elementary School, to be paid from the 2015 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 31500000000, Project C0013417; and for Blake Cumbers, Associate Superintendent, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, may be recommended. **(For Possible Action)**
[Contact Person: Blake Cumbers] (Ref. 3.18)
Strategic Imperative(s): Clarity and Focus
Focus Area(s): Value/Return on Investment

APPROVE REORGANIZATION OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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

Superintendent Skorkowsky's update on the reorganization of the District included the development of the surveys to be conducted in April, central office training, municipality updates, and the upcoming Community Implementation Council (CIC) meeting agenda.

Trustee Garvey asked for an estimate of how much central office staff time is being spent in this work.

Superintendent Skorkowsky said staff is looking at the number of meetings and estimating work time based on that and hope to give the Board a weekly estimate as this moves forward.

Trustee Young said there is an assumption that people outside of the District are more talented or more qualified than District staff. She recommended conducting a type of evaluation of the effectiveness of services and information provided by the District.

Trustee Child said the time staff spends on the reorganization translates into money spent, which is a concern.

Public Hearing

Elena Rodriguez said Break Free CCSD is in support of the reorganization and in support of the Superintendent and the Trustees. She pointed out some areas of the administrative contract regarding work time and the time they are allowed to spend on tasks outside of their regular duties.

Autumn Tampa applauded the Board for filing a legal document for relief from the reorganization of the school district. She said that she does not believe a reorganization of the District would benefit a majority of its students; that the process was rushed; that it has negatively impacted CCSD support staff; and that it will cause families financial hardship.

Trustee Edwards shared that she held her constituent meeting and parents who serve on their School Organizational Team all reported that they had their first meeting, set up their rules for operation, and had their budget hearings scheduled.

APPROVE COMMUNITY IMPLEMENTATION COUNCIL

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

Trustee Cranor asked the Board members to review the minutes of the CIC meeting and that if the Board meets prior to a CIC meeting in the future, the Trustees let her know during the Board meeting if there is something she needs to put on the record.

APPROVE COMMUNITY IMPLEMENTATION COUNCIL (continued)

Trustee Garvey asked that Trustee Cranor request that the CIC post reference material along with their agenda.

APPROVE RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF INVEST

Approval of a resolution of the Board of School Trustees in support of iNVEST 2017, and for the Board of School Trustees to sign the necessary document, as recommended in Reference 4.03.

Motion that the Board of School Trustees approve a resolution for support of iNVEST 2017.

Motion: Garvey Second: Edwards Vote: Unanimous

APPROVE LEGISLATION

Approval regarding state and federal legislation which may affect education, including, but not limited to, reports of current legislative issues and events; the development of the District's legislative goals, platform, and courses of action; the establishment of the District's position on proposed legislation; and guidance to District representatives in the legislative process.

Nicole Rourke, Executive Director, Government Affairs, Ancillary Support, gave an update on the 2017 Legislative Session.

Public Hearing

Autumn Tampa asked to be placed on the list to receive legislative updates.

Trustee Child suggested adding middle school to the Nevada Youth Legislation's bill draft SB108 being presented at the legislative session.

BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATION

Trustee Garvey asked about the status of the District's open chief financial officer position.

Superintendent Skorkowsky said there is an existing job announcement, but they are in discussions with individuals who reached out to the District and are currently CEOs with other organizations. He said he could bring an update to the Board at the next meeting.

Trustee Garvey said she had some concerns with the information provided in the budget request report previously requested by Trustees.

Superintendent Skorkowsky said he would review the missing information. He said the budget request form has since been revised because of other concerns, and he would provide that form to the Trustees for review.

Trustee Garvey said another Board request was a tracking of the growth model for teachers, and within the budget requests was an item for the purchase of a professional growth tracking system, but the information on that item was not available.

BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATION (continued)

Superintendent Skorkowsky said the system had not been purchased. He said two individuals have been assigned to review professional growth plans and monitor them so a determination could be made about which system would be best.

Trustee Garvey suggested that information showing that an item was requested and approved but not expensed should be included in the budget request as well.

Superintendent Skorkowsky agreed.

Trustee Cranor suggested that now be the time to begin preparing to include a "budget versus actual" piece in Open Book, and she asked for an update on that budget versus actual information when the budget is presented to the Board. She said she would also like to see some type of status report of the potential to reach that capacity with the new software and what priority is being placed on it.

Trustee Young requested information that she could take out to her community that would explain how the District's budget works so community members may understand and follow along during meetings.

AGENDA PLANNING: ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Trustee Child requested that the Board consider conducting a forensic audit through central office and then move to a zero line budget.

Superintendent Skorkowsky said the audit performed by Eide Bailly LLP includes aspects of that so he asked for further clarification from Trustee Child.

Trustee Child said this audit would look at every line and figure of every central office department.

Superintendent Skorkowsky responded that he would do that if directed by the Board, but considering what the District is trying to accomplish right now, that is not a reasonable request.

Trustee Child said he is simply requesting an agenda item to discuss it.

The Board reached consensus to have an agenda item for discussion on a future Board agenda at a minimal cost.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Edwards shared that the Springs Preserve was hosting the preview and panel discussion on *African-Americans: The Las Vegas Experience*, but she said another preview was scheduled for Thursday, February 16, 2017, at the Historic Westside School at 3:00 p.m. She shared also that two events taking place this weekend would feature presentations by Ellie Krieger, host of PBS's "Ellie's Real Good Food."

TRUSTEE REPORTS (continued)

Trustee Young said Trustees would be receiving "Exclamation Mark" for Each One Read One to participate in Nevada Reading Week, and on March 2 and 3 author Amy Krouse Rosenthal would be visiting select schools.

Trustee Young stated that Trustee Brooks and Trustee Wright have agreed to transfer a portion of their travel budget to her so that she can attend the Council of the Great City Schools conference.

Trustee Garvey reported on the School Name Committee meeting she attended at which they reviewed their process and prepared for the next round of schools. She said the nomination process goes through May 31, 2017.

DISCUSSION AND REQUEST FOR SPECIAL MEETINGS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Steve Brown said the website transparentnevada.com lists several non-teaching administrators and school police earning \$100,000 per year in salary and benefits. He suggested asking the people in these positions to take a pay cut, which could put money in the classroom.

Trustee Wright stated that the information listed on transparentnevada.com for Trustees is inaccurate.

ADJOURN: 6:24 p.m.

Motion: Edwards Second: Young Vote: Unanimous