

MINUTES
CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
PREPARATORY INSTITUTE, SCHOOL FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE
AT CHARLES I. WEST ACADEMY (WEST PREP), CAFETERIA
2050 SAPHIRE STONE AVE, LAS VEGAS, NV 89106

COMMUNITY LINKAGE

Monday, November 7, 2016

6:10 p.m.

Roll Call: Members Present

Linda E. Young, President
Chris Garvey, Vice President
Patrice Tew, Clerk
Kevin L. Child, Member

Members Absent

Erin Cranor, Member
Carolyn Edwards, Member
Deanna L. Wright, Member

Pat Skorkowsky, Superintendent of Schools

Also present were: Rick Neal, Chief of Staff, Office of the Chief of Staff; Mike Barton, Chief Student Achievement Officer, Instruction Unit; Jeffrey Geihs, Assistant Chief Student Achievement Officer, Instruction Unit; Joe Caruso, Deputy Chief of Staff/Liaison to the Board, Office of the Superintendent; Greta Peay, Director, Equity and Diversity Education Department, Office of the Superintendent; Michelle Booth, Director, Communications Office, Office of the Chief of Staff; Kellie Ballard, Director, Educational and Operational Excellence Unit; Nicole Rourke, Interim Association Superintendent, Government Affairs, Community and Government Relations; Jesse Welsh, Academic Manager, Innovative Learning Environments, Innovative Teaching and Learning Unit; Danny Eichelberger, Principal, West Prep, Cindy Krohn, Executive Assistant to the Board, Board Office; Jeanetta Hawthorne, Administrative Secretary II, Board Office; Vanessa Dungo, Administrative Secretary II, Board Office; and Stephanie Gatlin, Transcriber/Recording Secretary, Board Office.

FLAG SALUTE

Trustee Garvey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPT AGENDA

Adopt agenda.

Motion: Garvey Second: Child Vote: Unanimous

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

April Tatro-Medlin expressed concern with the process of how AB394 is being implemented, specifically with relation to parent participation.

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Presentation, dialogue and panel discussion with parents and community members regarding the Reorganization of the Clark County School District, as enacted in AB 394, and the Nevada Achievement School District, as in enacted in AB 488.

Superintendent Skorkowsky presented information on AB394.

Mr. Eichelberger informed parents of the process for serving on the School Organizational Team, including submitting names and voting.

Trustee Young gave a brief overview of the structure and purpose of the meeting.

BOARD MEMBER LEAVES

Trustee Tew left the Board meeting at 6:40 p.m.

The quorum was lost.

COMMUNITY LINKAGE (continued)

The Board and Superintendent Skorkowsky engaged in a dialogue and answered questions of parents and community members who spoke. Several people spoke and expressed concerns and asked questions regarding the importance of increasing the number of African-American males holding administrative positions in the District, the pace at which the process of implementing AB394 is being pushed, School Organizational Teams, per-pupil funding and weighted funding, and Title funds.

Dr. Geihs presented information related to AB448.

The Board and Superintendent Skorkowsky engaged in a dialogue and answered questions of parents and community members who spoke. Several people expressed concerns and asked questions regarding reports of fraud in charter schools, evidence that shows African-American students perform more poorly in charter schools than in traditional public schools, the possibility of racial and social class segregation, how the law can be challenged and AB448 eliminated, the impact on West Prep, and what students can do to help protect their schools.

AGENDA PLANNING: ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

None.

DISCUSSION AND REQUEST FOR SPECIAL MEETINGS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None.

ADJOURN: 8:00 p.m.
The Board meeting ended at 8:00 p.m.