

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 27, 2016

6:00 p.m.

Roll Call:	<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Member Absent</u>
	Linda E. Young, President	Chris Garvey, Vice President
	Patrice Tew, Clerk	
	Kevin L. Child, Member	
	Erin Cranor, Member	
	Carolyn Edwards, Member	
	Deanna L. Wright, Member	

Pat Skorkowsky, Superintendent of Schools

FLAG SALUTE

Clark High School ROTC led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Reverend Raymond L. Giddens Sr., Senior Pastor of Unity Baptist Church, performed the invocation.

ADOPT AGENDA

Adopt agenda, except delete Item 3.19, note reference material provided for Item 4.02, and note revised reference material provided for Items 3.07 and 3.08.

Motion: Tew Second: Cranor Vote: Unanimous

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Rebecca Colbert talked about the large class sizes at John R. Beatty Elementary School with 84 fifth-grade students; 43 students in one class and 41 students in the other. She said it is difficult for the students to learn, and it is a safety hazard. She said her understanding is that this number of students warrants a third teacher.

John Pacult said he previously presented a training proposal to the District on educator sexual abuse and a comprehensive prevention program. He said the second meeting, as was indicated would take place, was never scheduled.

Michael Hollis said when he returned to work after the loss of his wife, he was escorted out of the building by school police. He said he is an advocate for African-American students and special needs students, and he believes he was subjected to an investigatory interview because he is outspoken.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD (continued)

John Colbert, a student at Beatty Elementary School, talked about problems he experiences in the overcrowd fifth-grade classroom.

Ann Burtleson spoke about the impact of the number of fifth-grade students at Beatty Elementary School. She said a recount was requested, and no one has come to the school to conduct a recount or to witness what is taking place. She talked about her daughter’s challenges in the overcrowded classroom.

Dan Hall said the District is at the bottom in the nation in education, and the administrators are “being paid to fail” the students and the community.

Avery Williams, a student at Beatty Elementary School, talked about the difficulties she deals with in an overcrowded classroom. She said they have asked for a recount, but it has not been done.

Alexandra Burtleson, a student at Beatty Elementary School, also spoke about the difficulties she deals with in an overcrowded classroom.

Emma asked why they had to lose a fifth-grade teacher at Beatty Elementary School. She said they get new students regularly.

APPROVE ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of consent agenda, as submitted, as recommended.

Public Hearing

Robert Cowles requested that with new school being built, the District build facilities that meet the capacity needs of the schools.

Motion to accept.

Motion: Edwards Second: Tew Vote: Unanimous

3.01 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES. Discussion and possible action on the approval of the minutes of the special meeting of September 7, 2016, and the regular meeting of September 8, 2016, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** (Ref. 3.01)

3.02 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. 3.02)

Strategic Imperative(s): Academic Excellence

Focus Area(s): Proficiency; Academic Growth; Achievement Gaps; Disproportionality

APPROVE ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

- 3.03 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. 3.03)
Strategic Imperative(s): Academic Excellence
Focus Area(s): Proficiency; Academic Growth; Achievement Gaps; Disproportionality
- 3.04 PROGRESSIVE DISCIPLINE PLANS. Discussion and possible action on acceptance of the District Implementation Report for progressive discipline plans to submit to the Superintendent of Public Instruction as required by NRS 392.4644, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Billie Rayford] (Ref. 3.04)
Strategic Imperative(s): School Support
Focus Area(s): Disproportionality
- 3.05 GRANT APPLICATION, SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL – BICYCLE SAFETY EDUCATION AND ENCOURAGEMENT TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM. Discussion and possible action on the authorization to apply for and utilize funds made available through the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) to support the development and implementation of programs that examine conditions around schools and conduct projects and activities that improve safety, reduce traffic and air pollution in the vicinity of schools, and promote healthy behaviors in students and their families, in an amount not to exceed \$330,818.00, to be paid from Fund 0280, with District in-kind matching funds not to exceed \$17,411.47, from October 31, 2016, through September 30, 2019, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Nicole Rourke] (Ref. 3.05)
Strategic Imperative(s): Engagement; School Support
Focus Area(s): Family/Community Engagement and Customer Service
- 3.06 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. 3.06)
Strategic Imperative(s): School Support
Focus Area(s): Disproportionality
- 3.07 PURCHASE ORDERS. Discussion and possible action on ratification of the purchase orders in the total amount of \$1,196,965.04, as listed, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)**
[Contact Person: Nicole Thorn] (Ref. 3.07)
Strategic Imperative(s): Clarity and Focus
Focus Area(s): Value/Return on Investment

APPROVE ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

3.08 PURCHASING AWARDS. Discussion and possible action on approval to purchase goods or services in the estimated total amount of \$2,900,000.00, in compliance with NRS 332, as listed, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Nicole Thorn] (Ref. 3.08)

Strategic Imperative(s): Clarity and Focus

Focus Area(s): Value/Return on Investment

3.09 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: Nicole Thorn] (Ref. 3.09)

Strategic Imperative(s): Clarity and Focus

Focus Area(s): Value/Return on Investment

3.10 RECAP OF BUDGET APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS. Discussion and possible action on authorization to include the Recap of Budget Appropriation Transfers between governmental functions of all funds for the period beginning September 1, 2016, through September 30, 2016, in the official Board minutes as required by NRS 354.598005, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Nicole Thorn] (Ref. 3.10)

Strategic Imperative(s): Clarity and Focus

Focus Area(s): Value/Return on Investment

3.11 2016D REFUNDING BOND RESOLUTION. Discussion and possible action on adoption of the 2016D Refunding Bond Resolution, authorizing the issuance of general obligation (limited tax) refunding bonds, Series 2016D, in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed the principal amount necessary to effect the refunding project; and authorization for the Superintendent or designee to specify the terms of the bonds, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Nicole Thorn] (Ref. 3.11)

Strategic Imperative(s): Clarity and Focus

Focus Area(s): Value/Return on Investment

3.12 2016E REFUNDING BOND RESOLUTION. Discussion and possible action on adoption of the 2016E Refunding Bond Resolution, authorizing the issuance of general obligation (limited tax) refunding bonds (additionally secured by pledged revenues), Series 2016E, in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed the principal amount necessary to effect the refunding project; and authorization for the Superintendent or designee to specify the terms of the bonds, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Nicole Thorn] (Ref. 3.12)

Strategic Imperative(s): Clarity and Focus

Focus Area(s): Value/Return on Investment

APPROVE ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

3.13 2016F MEDIUM-TERM BOND RESOLUTION. Discussion and possible action on adoption of the 2016F Medium-Term Bond Resolution, authorizing the sale and issuance of medium-term bonds in an amount not to exceed \$57,500,000.00, series 2016F, for the purpose of financing all or a portion of the cost of acquiring, improving, and equipping school facilities; providing for the reimbursement of prior expenditures from the proceeds of the medium-term obligations; and authorization for the Superintendent or designee to specify the terms of the bonds, the method of their sale, and the terms of the repayment, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Nicole Thorn] (Ref. 3.13)

Strategic Imperative(s): Clarity and Focus

Focus Area(s): Value/Return on Investment

3.14 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN SERVICES – MOLD REMEDIATION AND ROOF REPLACEMENT, CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING. Discussion and possible action on approval to select the architectural firm of SH Architecture to provide architectural design services to prepare plans, specifications, and other construction documents for a construction manager at-risk (CMAR) delivery method of construction in support of the mold remediation and roof replacement at the Clark County School District Administrative Building in the amount of \$80,000.00, to be paid from the Governmental Services Tax, Fund 3400000000, Project C0013283; 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. 3.14)

Strategic Imperative(s): Clarity and Focus

Focus Area(s): Value/Return on Investment

3.15 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN SERVICES – REPLACE HEATING, VENTILATION, AND AIR CONDITIONING COMPONENTS, CHAPARRAL HIGH SCHOOL. Discussion and possible action on approval to select the architectural firm of Nick Antrillo Architect, to provide architectural design services to prepare plans, specifications, and other construction documents for a design, bid, and build method of construction for the replacement of the Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning components at Chaparral High School in the amount of \$859,957.00, to be paid from the 2015 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3150000000, Project C0013430; 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. 3.15)

Strategic Imperative(s): Clarity and Focus

Focus Area(s): Value/Return on Investment

APPROVE ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

3.16 SECOND AMENDMENT, ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN SERVICES – PHASE III AND IV REPLACEMENT, BOULDER CITY HIGH SCHOOL. Discussion and possible action on approval of the second amendment to the original agreement with the architectural firm of SH Architecture for additional architectural design services to prepare plans, specifications, and other construction documents for the Boulder City High School, Phase III and Phase IV replacements, in the amount of \$1,328,672.00, for a total revised contract amount of \$2,411,712.00, to be paid from the 2015 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3150000000, Project C0013588; 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. 3.16)

Strategic Imperative(s): Clarity and Focus

Focus Area(s): Value/Return on Investment

3.17 FIRST AMENDMENT, PRECONSTRUCTION SERVICES – PHASE III AND IV REPLACEMENT, BOULDER CITY HIGH SCHOOL. Discussion and possible action on approval of the first amendment to the original contract agreement with Core Construction Services of Nevada, Inc., as the construction manager at-risk (CMAR), for additional preconstruction services to procure a revised guaranteed maximum price in support of the phased replacements, Phase III, Fine and Performing Arts Center, and Phase IV, replacement of select athletic fields and tennis courts, and all associated work at Boulder City High School in the amount of \$72,570.00, to be paid from the 2015 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3150000000, Project C0013588; 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 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT – TEST AND BALANCE SERVICES, BASIC ACADEMY OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES. Discussion and possible action on approval to enter into a professional services agreement for test and balance services with RSAnalysis, to provide testing and balancing of the mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems in support of the replacement of the Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning air-handling units, controls, chillers, cooling towers, and roof repair at Basic Academy of International Studies in the amount of \$91,960.00, to be paid from the Governmental Services Tax, Fund 3400000000, Project C0013006; 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. 3.18) **Strategic Imperative(s):** Clarity and Focus

Focus Area(s): Value/Return on Investment

APPROVE SUSAN BRAGER OCCUPATIONAL EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

Approval of the amount of \$1,000 for the Board's annual Susan Brager Occupational Education Scholarship G/L 5610000000, Internal Order 500504, FY 17, Fund 1700000000, Function Area F10002310, as requested in Reference 4.01.

Motion to accept.

Motion: Edwards Second: Cranor Vote: Unanimous

APPROVE ASSEMBLY BILL 394

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

Superintendent Skorkowsky provided an update on the work that has taken place related to the implementation of AB 394 since the last report given at the October 13, 2016, Board meeting.

Trustee Young said with all of the information going out and the discussions being had, there are still many questions.

Trustee Edwards said she continues to hear concerns regarding the requirement that support staff must be union members and some staff feeling excluded from having a place on the organizational team.

Trustee Wright asked for an update on organizing the parents for the schools that do not have an organized parent group in place.

Superintendent Skorkowsky said the Family and Community Engagement Services (FACES) Department has been working with principals and has engaged HOPE for Nevada and Nevada State PTA. He said staff is also looking at working with Nevadans for the Common Good.

Trustee Wright asked that if there are options that are working, those be included in the Superintendent's update on AB 394 as well. She said community groups have asked her if there could possibly be surrogates for parents that could represent them on the school team.

Superintendent Skorkowsky stated that there cannot be a surrogate for parents, but the regulation allows for a community member to participate on the school team in a non-voting status if the school invites them to do so.

Trustee Cranor said at her parent and community (PAC) meeting, they received information from FACES and learned that schools may also form PTOs instead of PTAs, and FACES can help them do that.

APPROVE ASSEMBLY BILL 394 (continued)

Public Hearing

Dr. S.S. Rogers said the community has not been completely informed of the process and expected outcomes of AB 394 and the benefits to the schools and students in West Las Vegas.

Sylvia Lazos expressed support of the actions taken by the Board raising issues around the consultant contract approved by the legislature. She said this process has not had enough focus on children. She said there needs to be better communication between the Board and the legislative council.

APPROVE ASSEMBLY BILL 448

Approval by the Board of School Trustees on issues related to the Achievement School District, as enacted in Assembly Bill 448.

Public Hearing

Dr. S.S. Rogers said his community feels this bill is unlawful and is discriminatory toward people of color. He said this bill does not represent the African-American community, and they view the implementation of this bill as a hostile takeover and are prepared to fight.

Jana Wilcox Lavin, superintendent in residence for the Nevada Achievement School District (ASD), said ASD was launched to address the underachievement of schools across the state. She briefly reviewed the timeline for the process of recommended CCSD schools becoming part of the ASD. She said everyone must put their differences aside, engage in meaningful dialogue, and work together to ensure all students receive an education.

Nancy Martinez spoke in support of her children's school, Tom Williams Elementary School. She said she also supports the teachers. She said Williams Elementary School has a very supportive community.

Dante Thompson, a teacher at Williams Elementary School, spoke positively about his experience teaching there. He asked that Williams Elementary School remain a part of CCSD.

Daniel Trofholz, learning strategist at Williams Elementary School, talked about how much he loves working at Williams Elementary School and the parents and staff. He said although the school is on the list to become part of ASD, there are many positive things going on at the school.

Robert Cowles said the concept of ASD is the opposite of what the state should be doing, and it also goes against what AB 394 is supposed to accomplish. He recommended that CCSD schools be allowed to show progress through the AB 394 process.

The Trustees expressed their concerns and the concerns of their communities and parents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Board recognized Superintendent Skorkowsky for having perfect work attendance and presented him with a certificate.

APPROVE SCHOOL CALENDARS

Approval to revise the 2017-2018, 2018-2019, and 2019-2020 school calendars.

Andre Long, Chief Human Resources Officer, Human Resources Division, presented options for the revision of the 2017-2018, 2018-2019, and 2019-2020 school calendars.

There was discussion regarding the preferences of the parents in each of the Trustees' districts.

Motion to approve Calendar B, Option 1, for the extended winter break.

Motion: Cranor Second: Edwards

Public Hearing

Robert Cowles suggested using one day to create a three-day weekend between Presidents' Day and spring break and another between spring break and the end of the school year.

Trustee Young asked if that was possible.

Mr. Long said that was a possibility and said staff could review the calendar again. He suggested that the Board decide on Calendar B so administrators and school staff could be notified.

Trustee Cranor amended her motion to adopt Calendar B and to take more time to look at other options for the calendar for students.

Trustee Edwards agreed to that amendment.

Public Hearing

Terri Shuman asked how the calendar affects support staff personnel who have to reserve their vacation days for the summer months. She said she wanted to ensure that support staff employees would not be forced to use their vacation time for those additional days off.

Kim Wooden, Deputy Superintendent, Educational and Operational Excellence Unit, asked that the motion include the calendar years.

Trustee Cranor clarified her motion to be to adopt Calendar B for the 2017-2018, 2018-2019, and 2019-2020 school years.

Vote on Trustee Cranor's motion was unanimous.

BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATION

None.

AGENDA PLANNING: ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Trustee Edwards asked that the Balance Governance™ items scheduled to be on the November 10, 2016, Board meeting agenda be held because three Trustees would not be attendance at that meeting.

The Trustees agreed to place the Balanced Governance™ items on the December 7, 2016, work session agenda.

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Trustee Edwards reported on the ribbon cutting ceremony at Sierra Vista High School.

Trustee Wright announced that at her November 3, 2016, PAC meeting they would be discussing AB 394. She shared some of the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC) data from one of the schools in her district compared to a local competing charter school.

Trustee Child reported on the Mariachi event held at Sam Boyd Stadium on Saturday. He thanked Joe Caruso for his work on the project, and he expressed appreciation for everyone involved.

Trustee Tew reported on CCSD's involvement in National Bus Safety Week.

DISCUSSION AND REQUEST FOR SPECIAL MEETINGS

Trustee Young reminded everyone of the community linkage meeting scheduled for Friday, November 4, 2016, at Western High School at 9:30 a.m. and another meeting scheduled for Monday, November 7, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. at a location to be determined.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None.

ADJOURN: 8:41 p.m.

Motion: Tew Second: Edwards Vote: Unanimous