



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION

October 18, 2016

Closed Session 6:00 p.m./Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: Mr. Ron Freitas, President; Mr. Ron Heberle, Vice-President; Mr. Ralph Womack, Clerk; Ms. Bonnie Cassel; Mr. Joe Nava; Mr. George Neely; and Dr. Daryl Talken

Administrative Staff: Dr. Cathy Washer, Superintendent; Mr. Tim Hern, Associate Superintendent/CBO; and Mike McKilligan, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel

Student Representatives: Carina Zazzarino (substitute), Lodi High School and Michael Stallworth, Ronald McNair High School

Meeting Recorder: Ms. Lynn Aebi, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. at the James Areida Education Support Center, 1305 East Vine Street, Lodi, CA.

Public Comment on Closed Session Items

No comments were presented prior to Closed Session.

Adjourn to Closed Session

The Board adjourned to Closed Session.

Reconvene Open Session

The meeting was reconvened at 7:02 p.m. Attendance was recorded and Student Representative, Michael Stallworth led in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Closed Session

President Freitas reported on the following action taken in Closed Session:

- **Non-Public School Students** – Mr. Neely motioned, Mr. Womack seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve the placement of Non-Public School Students #2016-17 #s 78, 79 and 80.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Washer welcomed everyone back from break and issued a reminder that Saturday, October 22 is Casino Night to benefit the GOT Kids Foundation. She announced that the week of October 9 is recognized by the California Department of Education as the "Week of the School Administrator." She issued a thank you to school site and District office level administrators on behalf of the District and Board.

Public Hearings

Resolution 2016-57 Approving the 2016 School Facility Fee Justification Report for Residential, Commercial and Industrial Development Projects

President Freitas declared the Public Hearing "Resolution 2016-57 Approving the 2016 School Facility Fee Justification Report for Residential, Commercial and Industrial Development Projects" open. No comments were forthcoming from the Board or members of the public. The Public Hearing was declared closed.

Lodi Unified Supervisorial Group (LUSG) Re-opens for the 2016-17 Year

President Freitas declared the Public Hearing "Lodi Unified Supervisorial Group (LUSG) Re-opens for the 2016-17 Year" open. No comments were forthcoming from the Board or members of the public. The Public Hearing was declared closed.

Lodi Unified School District Successor Agreement Opens with Lodi Unified Supervisorial Group (LUSG) for the 2016-17 Year

President Freitas declared the Public Hearing "Lodi Unified School District Successor Agreement Opens with Lodi Unified Supervisorial Group (LUSG) for the 2016-17 Year" open. No comments were forthcoming from the Board or members of the public. The Public Hearing was declared closed.

Comments From The Public

Sonja Renhult, Instructional Coach, thanked Mr. Freitas for attending the Lodi Education Association (LEA) Executive Board meeting and providing information about the School Facilities Bond Measure (Measure U). She related that she feels there is currently an adversarial relationship between teachers and the District, which she believes can be mended. She thanked Michelle Oregon, LEA President, for inviting Mr. Freitas to address the LEA Board.

Consent Agenda A, Routine Business

Mr. Heberle asked to remove Item A-2 and Mr. Nava asked to remove Item A-5. No items were removed by the public.

- Item A-1 Changes to the Adopted Budget
- Item A-3 Warrant Report
- Item A-4 Purchase Order Detail Report
- Item A-6 2016-17 Non Public Agency Master Contract – Lewis & Brown Transportation
- Item A-7 Quarterly Report Pursuant to the Williams and Valenzuela Settlements

Mr. Neely motioned, Dr. Talken seconded and the Board members voted unanimously to approve Consent Agenda A, Routine Business, as amended.

Item A-2 Contracts List

Mr. Heberle pulled this item to ask for information related to the contract with Naviance. Mr. Heberle asked if the Naviance program includes information for eighth graders related to A-G course information and if it provides support for eighth graders. Dr. Washer stated that the contract does provide resources for counselors to talk to eighth graders and their parents. She added that after the first year, the District can review the need for additional counselor support.

Mr. Heberle motioned, Mr. Womack seconded and the Board members voted unanimously to approve Consent Agenda A, Item A-2 Contracts List.

Item A-5 Minutes of the Regular Meeting, October 4, 2016

Mr. Nava pulled Item A-5 for the purpose of abstaining from the voting process, as he was not in attendance at the meeting on October 4, 2016.

Mr. Neely motioned, Mr. Heberle seconded and the Board members voted to approve Consent Agenda A, Item A-5 Minutes of the Regular Meeting, October 4, 2016, as follows:

Ayes: Cassel, Freitas, Heberle, Neely, Talken, Womack
No: None
Absent: None
Abstain: Nava

Motion carried

Other Action Items

Approval of Resolution 2016-57 Adopting the 2016 School Facility Fee Justification Report

Mr. Hern was available to answer questions related to the 2016 School Facility Fee Justification Report.

Mr. Nava motioned, Dr. Talken seconded and the Board members voted unanimously to approve Resolution 2016-57 Adopting the 2016 School Facility Fee Justification Report.

Personnel Matters

Mike McKilligan, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel, presented Personnel Matters for Board consideration.

Mr. Nava motioned, Dr. Talken seconded and the Board members voted unanimously to approve Personnel Matters, as presented.

Communications

Comments from Student Representatives

Carina Zazzarino (substitute), Lodi High School and Michael Stallworth, Ronald E. McNair High School, presented reports from their respective high schools.

Comments from Employee Group Representatives

John Hunt, President, Lodi Pupil Personnel Association (LPPA), commented on the LPPA Executive Board meeting and noted his group's enthusiasm for supporting Measure U. Mr. Hunt addressed Mr. Heberle's concern regarding the Naviance contract. He noted that the program is at the high school level; however, counselors interact with the 8th graders in the spring and provide them with a variety of information. He added that the counselors are excited about the program.

Michelle Orgon, President, Lodi Education Association (LEA), acknowledged two teachers in the unit that stepped up by rearranging the conference calendar at Ansel Adams when a fellow teacher was ill. Those two teachers were Kristi Arredondo and Cindy Overbo. Ms. Orgon commented on the substitute teachers in the District and acknowledged that there is a statewide lack of teachers. She spoke of the

need for new teacher training and mentoring, as substitutes do not receive BTSA (Beginning Teacher Support and Assessment). She asked that the Board bring items to the bargaining table, as they too believe that District teachers are top notch. She thanked Mr. Freitas for attending the LEA Executive Board meeting.

Comments from Board Members

Mr. Nava commended Facility & Planning and Maintenance & Operations for the work they completed during the fall break and acknowledged Warren Sun for his leadership.

Mr. Heberle thanked the Student Representatives for their reports and the perspective they lend to discussions. He thanked the Boy Scouts who were in the audience working towards earning their citizenship merit badges.

Mr. Freitas inquired as to the inclusion of a Board Resolution in support of Proposition 55 on an upcoming agenda.

Mr. Neely stated he is looking forward to the JROTC starting at McNair High School. Mr. Neely spoke regarding the 1:1 Device Implementation and asked for an update on such at a future meeting.

Mr. Womack commended Dr. Washer and Superintendent's Cabinet members for their hard work and to acknowledge their inclusion in the "Week of the School Administrator".

Comments from the Superintendent

No further comments.

Board Discussion

Preparing for the Start of the School Year, Facilities and Classroom Readiness

Mr. Heberle noted he is looking at this not as a start of school issue but as a day-to-day cleanliness issue. He would like to investigate how we can improve this situation, as the cleanliness of our classrooms affects the health and environment of our employees and children. An example that he presented is that most classrooms are vacuumed once or twice weekly.

Mr. Heberle stated he and Mr. Nava had a meeting with Maintenance & Operations groups and were informed that 30 positions were eliminated during budget cuts and had not been restored. Dr. Washer said she would investigate the number of FTE that were cut and not brought back; she also noted that the District created the Custodial Response Team, which was not in place prior to the budget cuts. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Heberle relayed concerns regarding the process for teachers reporting needed repairs to their classrooms. Ms. Cassel noted it has been several years since the inception of the Custodial Response Team approach and she would appreciate information as to how it is going.

No comments were received from the public.

Board Advisory Committee Reports

Mr. Neely requested a Lodi 2x2 Committee meeting be scheduled.


Future Agenda Items

No future agenda items were presented.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.


Clerk of the Board


President of the Board