

REDWOOD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Redwood City, California

APPROVED MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

May 27, 2015

1. Call to Order

President McBride called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. at the District Office, Redwood City School District ("RCSD"), 750 Bradford Street, Redwood City.

Present at the Board Meeting: President McBride, Trustees Alisa MacAvoy, Hilary Paulson, María Díaz-Slocum and Superintendent Jan Christensen.

Others present: Deputy Superintendent Dr. John Baker, Chief Business Official Wael Saleh, Assistant Superintendent Jane Yuster, Michelle Beutler, Sean Higgins, Mariana Hernández, Maria Stockton, Ninfa Zuno, Secundino Zuno, Rosa Villa, Kerry Schmidt, Kristin Herrera, Heidi Conti, Roxana Peña, Elena Betts, Erin Crescenti, Jackie Moore, Anna Herrera, Jeanett Serrano, Luz Aguilera, Jim Irizarry, Melinda Dubroff.

Trustee Shelly Masur was absent from the meeting.

2. Welcome

President McBride welcomed those present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. Changes to the Agenda

Trustee MacAvoy requested to move Action Item 10.1 to Consent.

4. Approval of Agenda

The board approved the agenda as amended, (MacAvoy/Paulson; 4-0).

5. Community / Staff Recognition

5.1 Recognition of Hoover Community School

President McBride, the entire board and Superintendent Christensen recognized Roxanna Peña, Emma Cruz, Jeanett Serrano, Kristina Herrera, Kerry Schmidt, Heidi Conti, Graciela Galindo, Luz Aguilera, Jane Rojas, Anna Herrera, Laurie Olsen, Esther Berndt, Maureen Cole, Adriana Gómez, Vicky González, and Secundino Zuno for their dedicated service and support to Hoover Community School.

On behalf of the board, President McBride and Superintendent Christensen presented a Certificate of Recognition to Roxanna Peña, Emma Cruz, Jeanett Serrano, Kristina Herrera, Kerry Schmidt, Heidi Conti, Graciela Galindo, Luz Aguilera, Jane Rojas, Anna

Herrera, Laurie Olsen, Esther Berndt, Maureen Cole, Adriana Gómez, Vicky González, and Secundino Zuno.

School Board Trustees and Superintendent Christensen expressed their utmost thanks to the aforementioned staff for their service to the Redwood City School District.

5.2 Recognition of Pam Thornburg

President McBride, the entire board and Superintendent Christensen recognized Pam Thornburg for her 45 years of service to the Redwood City School District.

On behalf of the board, President McBride and Superintendent Christensen presented a Certificate of Recognition to Pam Thornburg.

School Board Trustees and Superintendent Christensen expressed their utmost thanks to Ms. Thornburg for her service to the Redwood City School District.

5.3 “Meet RCSD” videos

Naomi Hunter, Director of Communications introduced to the School Board, Superintendent Christensen and the audience the “Meet RCSD” video.

6. School/Community Reports

6.1 Hoover Community School Report

Amanda Rothengast, Principal, updated the School Board on Hoover’s programs and activities. Principal Rothengast presented the School Board with a video presentation that demonstrated student achievement, school climate, technology, physical education, music, art, and parent involvement.

School Board Trustees and Superintendent Christensen expressed their utmost thanks to Principal Rothengast, the teachers and staff at Hoover Community School for all their hard work and dedication.

6.2 Child Nutrition Services Update

Anna Lague, Director of Child Nutrition Services provided the School Board with a Power Point presentation outlining the new and upcoming changes in regulations for meal services provided to all students in the Redwood City School District.

Anna Lague also provided the School Board with information about the summer meal program made available to students.

School Board Trustees and Superintendent Christensen thanked Anna Lague and her staff for their hard work, commitment and dedication to the Redwood City School District.

7. Discussion Items

7.1 Discussion on Mailed Ballot Elections

Jim Irizarry and Melinda Dubroff from Mark Church Chief Elections Officer & Assessor-County Clerk-Recorder's office provided the School Board with a Power Point presentation in regards to the AB 2028 All-Mail Ballot Election.

Mr. Irizarry and Ms. Dubroff explained that the AB2028 was signed into law on August 15, 2014 and became effective on January 1, 2015, authorizing the San Mateo County to conduct up to 3 all-mailed ballot elections during 2015-2017; however, the 2016 Presidential election will not be included.

Ms. Dubroff commented that every voter would receive a ballot in the mail, together with return envelopes and postage paid. Ms. Dubroff clarified that voters can still vote in person.

Mr. Irizarry expressed that the possible benefits to the AB2028 would be an increased participation from voters, reduced costs (fewer election officers, fewer voting machines, and fewer polling places), reduce risk of human error and faster results.

Mr. Irizarry and Ms. Dubroff commented that the County outreach and education would target voters who do not usually vote by mail. Furthermore, the County has a media campaign plan that includes radio, digital, print and social media.

Ms. Dubroff added that the Redwood City School District needs to submit a School Board approved resolution for all-mail ballot by August 7th, 2015.

7.2 Discussion on Student Wellness Policy 5030

Deputy Superintendent Baker addressed the School Board with the changes that were made to the Student Wellness Policy 5030.

Deputy Superintendent Baker expressed that the policy committee had been working on addressing a few changes that needed to be made to the student wellness policy 5030, in order to reflect what CSBA had on their template.

Deputy Superintendent Baker stated that the Student Wellness Policy 5030 would be submitted for board approval sometime in September, once the entire policy committee has had a chance to meet and discuss with the Wellness Coordinator, Andrea Garen.

7.3 LCAP Draft Plan

Deputy Superintendent Baker commented that under the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), school districts are required to show how their budget aligns with their academic plan by writing a Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) that shows

the district is listening to their stakeholders (parents, staff and community), gathering input from the community on spending priorities, building understanding of how budgets are planned and built, and demonstrating budget transparency.

Deputy Superintendent Baker expressed that the following items were given priority: smaller class sizes, investing in and maintaining new technology to support CCSS implementation, sub days for curriculum development and professional development for all-content areas, maintain staff development team to provide coaching and training for staff, develop plan for targeted interventions in Early Literacy, Reading and Math, planning time with subs for discretionary staff development needs at each school site focused on Early Literacy and Math, teacher compensation, increase library time, and increase custodial support.

Deputy Superintendent Baker reported that the LCAP would be brought forward to the School Board for approval on June 24th.

8. Oral Communication

None.

9. Consent Items

The board approved the Consent Items (Paulson/Díaz-Slocum; 4-0), taking the following action:

9.1 Recommendation re: Approval of Renewal of Agreement for Consulting Management Services for the Child Nutrition Program between Sodexo America, LLC and the Redwood City School District

9.2 Recommendation re: Approval of Memorandum of Agreement between Sequoia Union High School District, Ravenswood City School District, and the Redwood City School District

9.3 Recommendation re: Approval of Agreement for Participation in the 2015-16 Outdoor Education Program between the Redwood City School District and the San Mateo County Office of Education

9.4 Recommendation re: Disposal of Obsolete Equipment

9.5 Recommendation re: Approval of Addendum to 2014-15 Measure W Application for McKinley Institute of Technology

9.6 Recommendation re: Approval of Addendum to 2014-15 Measure W Application for Clifford School

9.7 Recommendation re: Agreement between A2Z Bus Sales and Redwood City School District

10.1 Recommendation re: Adoption of Resolution 18 – The Education Protection Account

President McBride (Ayes)

Trustee MacAvoy (Ayes)

Trustee Paulson (Ayes)

Trustee Díaz-Slocum (Ayes)

10. Action Items

10.2 Approval of Final Facilities Master Plan

LPA provided the School Board with a Power Point presentation outlining the final details of the Facilities Master Plan.

The Board approved the Final Facilities Master Plan (Paulson/Díaz-Slocum; 3-0, MacAvoy abstained from voting.)

President McBride (Ayes)
Trustee MacAvoy (Abstained)
Trustee Paulson (Ayes)
Trustee Díaz-Slocum (Ayes)

11. Board and Superintendent Reports

11.1 Report from Board Members and Superintendent

No report from Trustee Díaz-Slocum.

Trustee Paulson reported attending Henry Ford's pasta dinner. Trustee Paulson reported meeting with Matt Hammer from Innovate Public Schools. Trustee Paulson also attending the Make Time for Fitness event, the BTSA colloquium and the Garfield Reading Festival.

Trustee MacAvoy reported attending the Big Lift launch meeting. Trustee MacAvoy attended CSBA's Delegate Assembly and expressed that there were great presentations about attendance and budget. Trustee MacAvoy also reported attending the Make Time for Fitness event. Trustee MacAvoy commented that she attended the RWC2020 meeting and the BTSA Colloquium.

Trustee McBride reported visiting a number of A-Z salad bars. Trustee McBride reported attending the Make Time for Fitness event. Trustee McBride also commented that he had attended Hawes and Roosevelt's open house. Trustee McBride also added that he visited the Child Development Centers at Taft Community School, Hoover Community School, and Selby Lane School with Edna Carmona and commented that the academic rigor is very different and left the CDC very excited! Trustee McBride expressed that Wendy Kelly had done a wonderful job on the BTSA Colloquium. Trustee McBride reported that Deputy Superintendent Baker did a great job introducing the new principal at Clifford School. Trustee McBride reported visiting Facebook Headquarters, together with students from MIT, Principal Ekno, Assistant to the Superintendent Eliana García and Superintendent Christensen.

Superintendent Christensen reported visiting several school sites.

11.2 Report Out on Closed Session for Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Retention: Gov. Code §54957 (5 cases), May 13, 2015

President McBride commented that Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Jane Yuster updated the School Board on the cases and no action was taken.

11.3 Report Out on RCAA Negotiations Update, May 13, 2015

President McBride commented that Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Jane Yuster updated the School Board on RCAA and no action was taken.

11.4 Report Out on CSEA Negotiations Update, May 13, 2015

President McBride reported that the School Board discussed different strategies and no action was taken.

11.5 Report Out on RCTA Negotiations Update, May 13, 2015

President McBride reported that the School Board discussed different strategies and no action was taken.

12. Correspondence

President McBride reported receiving a letter from a North Fair Oaks neighbor, regarding the potential November construction bond.

13. Other Business/Suggested Items for Future Agendas

President McBride commented that the Board Goals would be developed at an August board meeting.

14. Board Agenda Calendar

14.1 Changes to Schedule of Board Agenda Items

None.

15. Closed Session

15.1 Closed Session for Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Retention: Gov. Code §54957 (7 cases)

15.2 RCAA Proposal Update

At 10:53 p.m. Trustees McBride, Paulson, MacAvoy, and Díaz-Slocum went into closed session with Superintendent Christensen, Deputy Superintendent Baker and Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Jane Yuster.

The board came out of closed session at 11:30 p.m.

16. Adjournment

The board adjourned the meeting at 11:31 p.m. (MacAvoy/Díaz-Slocum; 4-0).

Hilary Paulson, Clerk