

REDWOOD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Redwood City, California

APPROVED MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

March 23, 2016

1. Call to Order

President Alisa MacAvoy called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. at the District Office, Redwood City School District ("RCSD"), 750 Bradford Street, Redwood City.

Present at the Board Meeting: President Alisa MacAvoy, Hilary Paulson, María Díaz-Slocum, Dennis McBride, Janet Lawson and Superintendent John Baker.

Others present: Chief Business Official Wael Saleh, Executive Director of Educational Services PreK-5 Linda Montes, Executive Director of Educational Services 6-8 Wendy Kelly, Leslie Crane, Erin Brannan, Beatriz Cerrillo, Maria Stockton, María Orozco, Sarah Cullum, Michael Bolander, Leslie Crane, Patricia Barron, Jan McCormick, Cristina Ryffel, Karyn Warner, Elisa Cooper, Sue Jorgenson, Beverly Aguilar, Derek Wolfgram, Diane Escalante Ocon.

2. Welcome

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

3. Changes to the Agenda

Trustee Paulson requested to move Action Items 8.2 and 8.4 to Consent.

4. Approval of Agenda

The board approved the agenda as amended, (Díaz-Slocum/McBride; 5-0).

5. Oral Communication

Kip Husty, instructional assistant for the Special Education Department at Hawes Community School, addressed the School Board by commenting that he does not believe that the School District should use testing to measure students' academic achievement. Mr. Husty encouraged parents to opt out of having their students tested.

6. Discussion Items

6.1 Discussion of Parcel Tax Poll

Bryan Godbe and Jeremy Hauser provided the School Board with a Power Point presentation.

The survey results revealed a strong base of voter support for a parcel tax renewal.

Furthermore, TBWB and Godbe Research stated that there is support from taxpayers at the \$85 rate.

Given the survey findings, TBWB and Godbe Research recommended that the Redwood City School District begin the process to prepare for the November 2016 parcel tax renewal measure election.

7. Consent Items

The board approved the Consent Items (Díaz-Slocum/Paulson; 5-0), taking the following action:

- 7.1 Recommendation re: Approval of March 3rd Board Minutes
- 7.2 Recommendation re: Approval of March 9th Board Minutes
- 7.3 Recommendation re: Approval of Field Trip Request to Outdoor Education, Hawes Community School
- 7.4 Recommendation re: Approval of Field Trip Request to Peninsula Community Center Pool, Roosevelt School
- 7.5 Recommendation re: Approval of Field Trip Request to the San Francisco Maritime Park, Orion School
- 7.6 Recommendation re: Approval of Additional Vendors to be Included with Non-Public School/Non-Public Agency Master Contract
- 7.7 Recommendation re: Ratification of Warrant Register, February 1, 2016 through February 29, 2016
- 7.8 Recommendation re: Approval of First Amendment to the Agreement between the Redwood City School District and the Family Engagement Institute (FEI), Foothill-De-Anza Community College District Fiscal Year 2015/16
- 8.2 Recommendation re: Approval of the English Language Adoption for Grades K-8
- 8.4 Recommendation re: Approval of Additional Measure T Oversight Committee Applications

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

8. Action Items

- 8.1 Recommendation re: Approval of the 2015/16 Second Interim Budget Report for RCSD

Chief Business Official Saleh presented to the School Board the second interim budget report.

The Board approved the 2015/16 second interim budget report for RCSD, (McBride, Díaz-Slocum; 5-0).

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

8.3 Recommendation re: Approval of Agreement for Services between the Redwood City School District and Digital Promise

Karyn Warner, Lead Technology Integration Coach commented that the Redwood City School District was recently awarded funds by StartUp:Education to implement a one-to-one technology initiative at McKinley Institute of Technology to close students' experience gap.

Ms. Warner stated that Startup: Education will work with the School District, the school faculty and community to help all stakeholders understand the project as a journey that includes careful preparation, family engagement including device distribution, teacher competency and classroom implementation, student tech support teams, and collecting data and stories that support continuous improvement.

Trustee McBride asked what would happen if a student loses their device?

In response to Trustee McBride's question, Ms. Warner, expressed that RCSD and Digital Promise are working collaboratively to look at safety issues, as well as insurance coverage for every device.

President MacAvoy commented that she would like to receive updates about this project and look for ways that these services can be expanded to other school sites.

The Board approved the agreement for services between the Redwood City School District and Digital Promise, (Díaz-Slocum, Paulson; 5-0).

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

8.5 Recommendation re: Approval to Apply for E-Rate Program and Approval of Agreement between RCSD and AMS.net to provide Network Equity | Category Two Services

There were no questions or comments from the School Board or Superintendent Baker.

The Board gave approval to apply for E-Rate Program and approval of agreement between RCSD and AMS.net to provide network equity | category two services, (McBride, Díaz-Slocum; 5-0).

President MacAvoy (Ayes)

Trustee Paulson (Ayes)
Trustee Díaz-Slocum (Ayes)
Trustee McBride (Ayes)
Trustee Lawson (Ayes)

9. Board and Superintendent Reports

9.1 Report from Board Members and Superintendent

Trustee Paulson reported attending the Sequoia Awards' Ceremony, together with Superintendent Baker and Trustees Lawson, MacAvoy and McBride. Trustee Paulson thanked Trustee McBride for the Sequoia Awards' Ceremony. Trustee Paulson commented that the Sequoia Awards' Ceremony provides awards to students going on to higher education based on their community service. Trustee Paulson reported meeting with the Principal Fanourgiakis from MIT and commented she had been filmed at the school site for the MEET CHOOSE LOVE RCSD campaign. Trustee Paulson commented that she attended a Leadership Council meeting and commented that it had been a great meeting. Trustee Paulson reported visiting Kennedy Middle School. Trustee Paulson reported that she, Trustee McBride and Superintendent Baker interviewed two different candidates for the bond consultant position.

Trustee Díaz-Slocum visited Garfield Community School and commented that she had a wonderful time talking to students. Trustee Díaz-Slocum reported visiting Adelante Spanish Immersion School. Trustee Díaz-Slocum also attended the 2+2+2 meeting, together with Superintendent Baker and Trustee Paulson. Trustee Díaz-Slocum commented that there had been an extensive conversation about housing. Trustee Díaz-Slocum commented that she met with Cheye Calvo from Rocketship.

Trustee McBride reported visiting Adelante Spanish Immersion School. Trustee McBride reported visiting preschools and commented that he had been filmed for the MEET CHOOSE LOVE RCSD campaign. Trustee McBride reported visiting John Gill School. Furthermore, Trustee McBride reported attending a meeting hosted by Senator Jerry Hill where topics such as LCFF and charter schools were discussed. Trustee McBride also reported attending the San Mateo County School Boards Association dinner where human trafficking was discussed. Trustee McBride commented that Adelante Spanish Immersion School was visited by CAFE representatives and commented that Principal Hiltbrand had done a great job!

Trustee Lawson reported visiting MIT and commented that she was blown away by Principal Fanourgiakis' enthusiasm. Trustee Lawson reported visiting John Gill and commented that she was filmed at Clifford School for the MEET CHOOSE LOVE RCSD campaign. Trustee Lawson reported visiting Selby Lane School. Trustee Lawson reported participating in the parcel tax committee meeting. Trustee Lawson reported completing Course III of the Masters in Governance on School Finance. Trustee Lawson reported attending the San Mateo County School Boards Association dinner on human trafficking and attended, Good Morning Redwood City.

President MacAvoy reported attending the California School Boards Association Legislative Action Day and reported that different topics were discussed. President

MacAvoy reported visiting Selby Lane School, Roosevelt School, Adelante Spanish Immersion School, MIT, and John Gill School. Furthermore, President MacAvoy commented that she met with Pamela Estes from the Art's Foundation.

Superintendent Baker reported attending a climate meeting with RCTA. Superintendent Baker reported meeting with Superintendent Jim Lianides and commented that he had an opportunity to see Sequoia's facilities' building. Superintendent Baker reported having a conference call with Attorney Janet Mueller and Don Dias to work on Prop 39 responses to charter schools. Superintendent Baker commented that the responses to charter schools' requests for facilities would be ready by this upcoming Monday. Superintendent Baker reported visiting Hoover Community School during CAFE's school site visit. Superintendent Baker commented that the visitors were blown away by the SEAL Program. Superintendent Baker reported that he would be at the CAFE Conference for the remainder of the week. Lastly, Superintendent Baker reported meeting with President MacAvoy, Trustee Paulson, and the Outlet Director for Adolescent Counseling Services to discuss transgender policies. Superintendent Baker added that he would be working on administrative regulations.

9.2 Report Out on RCTA Negotiations Update, March 9th, 2016

President MacAvoy reported that the School Board received an update during closed session in regards to the RCTA negotiations. The School Board took no action.

9.3 Report Out on CSEA Negotiations Update, March 9th, 2016

President MacAvoy reported that the School Board received an update on CSEA negotiations and the School Board reviewed the calendar for the next school year. The School Board took no action.

9.4 Report Out on Closed Session for Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Retention: Gov. Code §54957 (1 case), March 9th, 2016

President MacAvoy reported that the School Board discussed a discipline issue and the School Board took no action.

10. Information

10.1 Update on the 2016 Summer School Programs

Wendy Kelly, Executive Director of Educational Services 6-8 provided the School Board and Superintendent Baker with a list of summer school programs for the 2016 year.

10.2 Update on RCSD Libraries

Wendy Kelly, Executive Director of Educational Services 6-8, together with Beth Buchhofer, District Librarian provided the School Board with an update about the current status of the Redwood City School District libraries; the types of activities

students are working on, book circulation, community partnerships, and trainings offered to librarians.

10.3 Information on San Mateo County Investment Fund – February, 2016 – attachment

No questions or comments from the School Board or Superintendent Baker.

10.4 2015/16 Second Interim Budget Report for KIPP Excelencia College Preparatory – attachment

President MacAvoy reported that the School Board had an opportunity to review KIPP's second interim budget report and commented that almost 50% of their funding comes from private funders.

There were no further questions or comments from the School Board or Superintendent Baker.

10.5 2015/16 Second Interim Budget Report for Rocketship Charter School – attachment

There were no further questions or comments from the School Board or Superintendent Baker.

11. Correspondence

Trustee Díaz-Slocum reported receiving letters from Connect Community Charter School parents regarding the Prop 39 request.

Trustee McBride stated that he received an email from a Clifford parent.

12. Other Business/Suggested Items for Future Agenda

Trustee Paulson requested to agendize a study session on the after school programs.

13. Board Agenda Calendar

13.1 Changes to the Board Agenda Schedule

Superintendent Baker commented that the April 22nd board retreat would start at 9:30am and end at 3:00pm.

Superintendent Baker further added that the June 8th board meeting had been rescheduled to June 7th due to scheduled graduations on June 8th.

14. Closed Session

14.1 RCTA Negotiations Update

14.2 CSEA Negotiations Update

14.3 Closed Session for Public Employee
Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Retention: Gov. Code §54957 (1 case)

At 9:40pm Trustees MacAvoy, Paulson, Díaz-Slocum, McBride, and Lawson went into closed session with Director of Human Resources, Leslie Crane and Superintendent Baker.

The board came out of closed session at 10:45 p.m.

15. Adjournment (Action Required)

The board adjourned the meeting at 10:46 p.m. (Paulson/Lawson; 5-0).

María Díaz-Slocum, Clerk