

REDWOOD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Redwood City, California

APPROVED MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

February 15, 2017

1. Call to Order

President Hilary Paulson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the District Office, Redwood City School District ("RCSD"), 750 Bradford Street, Redwood City.

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

Others present: Executive Director of Educational Services PreK-5 Linda Montes, Executive Director of Educational Services 6-8 Wendy Kelly, Bond Program Director Don Dias, Director of Communications Naomi Hunter, Nancy Bloomquist, Catherine Campbell, Debbie Figaro, Alejandra Flores, Jamie Brown, Robert Kruger, Dana Hardester, Kayla Garza, Colleen Lewcock, Jane Gamino, Ellen Jacobson, Shirley Grana, Adilah Haqq, Luis Torres, Jisselle Tercero, Pam Baraseh, Amy Barstead.

2. Welcome

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

3. Changes to the Agenda

No changes were made to the agenda.

4. Approval of Agenda

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

5. Oral Communication

Nancy Bloomquist, retired RCSD teacher, addressed the School Board by commenting that 6 teachers from the Redwood City School District were able to attend the Good Teacher Conference. Ms. Bloomquist expressed that the teachers came back with useful information and they wrote an essay explaining how they're going to implement in their classrooms what they learned.

6. Community/Staff Recognition

6.1 Recognition of Henry Ford School

School Board Trustees and Superintendent Baker expressed their utmost thanks to Henry Ford School staff and volunteers for their service to Henry Ford students and the Redwood City School District.

On behalf of the board, President Paulson and Superintendent Baker presented a Certificate of Recognition to Henry Ford School staff and volunteers.

7. School/Community Reports

7.1 Henry Ford School Report

Lynne Griffiths, Principal, updated the School Board on Henry Ford School's programs and activities. Principal Griffiths presented the School Board with a Power Point presentation that demonstrated Henry Ford's reading data, professional development, student leadership, literacy, extracurricular activities, enrichment and parent engagement.

Principal Griffiths thanked her staff, teachers, students and parents for supporting Henry Ford School and attending the board meeting.

School Board Trustees and Superintendent Baker expressed their utmost thanks to Principal Griffiths, teachers, staff, students and parents at Henry Ford School for all their hard work and dedication.

7.2 Bond Program Update

Don Dias, Bond Program Director provided the School Board and Superintendent Baker with a brief update on the latest bond program projects, approval of agreements, and information on meetings with architects, engineers and principals.

8. Discussion Items

8.1 Discussion on Possible Budget Reduction

Chief Business Official Wael Saleh, Superintendent Baker and the School Board had a discussion after the Redwood City School District received an opinion letter from the San Mateo County Office of Education regarding RCSD's first interim budget report. All discussed possible budget reductions for the 2017-18 and 2018-19 school years.

9. Consent Items

The board approved the Consent Items (McBride/MacAvoy; 5-0), taking the following action:

9.1 Recommendation re: Approval of December 7th Board Minutes

- 9.2 Recommendation re: Approval of December 14th Board Minutes
- 9.3 Recommendation re: Approval of January 11th Board Minutes
- 9.4 Recommendation re: Approval of January 18th Board Minutes
- 9.5 Recommendation re: Approval of January 25th Board Minutes
- 9.6 Recommendation re: Ratification of Warrant Register – January 1, 2017 – January 31, 2017
- 9.7 Recommendation re: Approval to Proceed with Awarding of BID for Reversible Fan Convection Ovens
- 9.8 Recommendation re: Approval of Addendum 2 to 2016-17 Measure W Application for Hoover School
- 9.9 Recommendation re: Approval of Geotechnical Engineering Agreements between RCSD and Geosphere Consultants and Ninyo and Moore Geotechnical and Environmental Science Consultants for the Measure T Bond Program
- 9.10 Recommendation re: Approval of Topographic and Land Surveying Agreement – Kier & Wright Civil Engineers & Surveyors, Inc. for the Measure T Bond Program
- 9.11 Recommendation re: Approval of Architect and Engineer Supplemental Quick Start Lunch Shelter Agreements between RCSD and Gelfand Partners Architects, Spencer Architects for the Measure T Bond
- 9.12 Recommendation re: Approval of Agreement between RCSD and Schoening Group, Inc. for Program Advisor Services for Measure T Bond
- 9.13 Recommendation re: Approval of Water Field Trip Request to UC Santa Cruz and beach in Santa Cruz, Garfield School
- 9.14 Recommendation re: Approval of Water Field Trip Request to Baylands Nature Preserve, Fair Oaks Community School

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

10. Action Items

10.1 Recommendation re: Approval of Variable Term Request

The Board approved the variable term waiver request for Suba Marti, technical support teacher at McKinley Institute of Technology (McBride, Díaz-Slocum; 5-0).

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

10.2 Recommendation re: Acceptance of California School Employees Association Chapter V Sunshine Proposal

The Board approved the acceptance of the California School Employees Association Chapter V Sunshine Proposal (MacAvoy, Lawson; 5-0).

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

10.3 Recommendation re: Governing Board's Initial Proposal for Negotiations with the CA School Employees Association, Chapter V for 2016-17

The Board approved governing board's initial proposal for negotiations with the CA School Employees Association, Chapter V for the 2016-17 school year (Díaz-Slocum, Lawson; 5-0).

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

10.4 Recommendation re: Acceptance of Redwood City Teacher's Association Sunshine Proposal

The Board approved the acceptance of the Redwood City Teacher's Association Sunshine Proposal (MacAvoy, Lawson; 5-0).

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

10.5 Recommendation re: Governing Board's Initial Proposal for Negotiations with the Redwood City Teacher's Association for 2016-17

The Board approved the governing board's initial proposal for negotiations with the Redwood City Teacher's Association for 2016-17 (Lawson, Díaz-Slocum; 5-0).

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

10.6 Recommendation re: Review and Approval of Board Policy 0440 – District Sponsored Social Media

The Board reviewed and approved Board Policy 0440 – District Sponsored Social Media (McBride, Lawson; 5-0).

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

10.7 Recommendation re: Review and Approval of Board Policy 0440 – District Technology Plan

The Board reviewed and approve Board Policy 0440 (McBride, Díaz-Slocum; 5-0).

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

10.8 Recommendation re: Review and Approval of Board Policy 1113 – District and School Websites

The Board reviewed and approved Board Policy 1113 (Lawson, MacAvoy; 5-0).

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

10.9 Recommendation re: Review and Approval of Board Policy 1250 – Visitors/Outsiders

The Board reviewed and approved Board Policy 1250 (McBride, MacAvoy; 5-0).

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

10.10 Recommendation re: Review and Approval of Changes to Board Policy 3513.3 – Tobacco Free Schools

The Board reviewed and approved the changes to Board Policy 3513.3 (Lawson, Díaz-Slocum; 5-0).

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

Trustee MacAvoy (Ayes)

10.11 Recommendation re: Review and Approval of Changes to the Board Policy 5131.62 – Tobacco

The Board reviewed and approved changes to (MacAvoy, McBride; 5-0).

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

10.12 Recommendation re: Review and Approval of Changes to Board Policy 5125 – Student Records

The Board reviewed and approved the changes to the Board Policy 5125 (Díaz-Slocum, Lawson; 5-0).

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

10.13 Recommendation re: Review and Approval of Changes to Board Policy 6163.4 – Student Use of Technology

The Board reviewed and approved the changes to the Board Policy 6163.4 (McBride, Díaz-Slocum; 5-0).

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

10.14 Recommendation re: Adoption of Resolution 18, Resolution Setting Forth the Redwood City School District Principles in Support of Undocumented Students and Families

Superintendent Baker expressed that the Policy Committee reviewed the resolution presented to the School Board at the previous board meeting and made the resolution consistent with that of other neighboring school districts. Superintendent Baker added that after this resolution came to be, he spoke to Naomi Hunter, Director of Communications and Michelle Remond, Community Liaison about conducting trainings for principals and community school coordinators to better inform parents about their rights during the current national changes in immigration policies.

Superintendent Baker expressed that parents will be informed about their civil rights and resources available to them within their community.

The Board adopted Resolution 18, resolution setting forth the Redwood City School District principles in support of undocumented students and families (McBride, Díaz-Slocum; 5-0).

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

11. Board and Superintendent Reports

11.1 Report from Board Members and Superintendent

Trustee Díaz-Slocum reported attending the 2x2x2 meeting.

Trustee McBride reported attending the Familias Unidas Graduation at Garfield Community School and expressed it had been a great event! Trustee McBride also reported attending the Golden Apple Ceremony and the Advisory Committee at Cañada College. Furthermore, Trustee McBride reported visiting 5 school sites, a CSBA dinner on college readiness, and an LCAP meeting where he commented that Superintendent Baker had done a great job! Trustee McBride also attended the Boys and Girls' Club Youth of the Year ceremony, the 17th District PTA Founders Day Luncheon and the Kindergarten Chinese New Years Parade at Roy Cloud School.

Trustee Lawson reported attending the Chamber Education Committee meeting. Trustee Lawson also commented that she and Trustee MacAvoy attended the Superintendent's Advisory Council meeting.

Trustee MacAvoy reported attending a climate meeting and LCAP meetings. Trustee MacAvoy expressed that Wendy Kelly is doing an outstanding job organizing the LCAP meetings. Trustee MacAvoy also reported attending the Redwood City Education Foundation's (RCEF) fundraiser and commented that RCEF had put a lot of effort to the event. Lastly, Trustee MacAvoy reported attending the RWC2020 Planning Committee breakfast fundraiser.

President Paulson reported attending a Redwood City Education Foundation realtor meeting and commented that it had been a well-received meeting. President Paulson added that she attend a Policy Committee meeting and attended a Welcome Coffee meeting at Clifford School. President Paulson also reported attending LCAP meetings at John Gill School, Hoover Community School, and the District Office. President Paulson attended the Pacific Mambo event at the Fox Theatre and commented that it will be the last Pacific Mambo event the Redwood City Education Foundation will host.

Superintendent Baker expressed that he attended many of the same events as fellow board members. Superintendent Baker thanked Linda Montes and Wendy Kelly for

organizing a great staff development meeting. Furthermore, Superintendent Baker reported meeting with a group of teachers regarding some concerns. Lastly, Superintendent Baker reported doing instructional rounds at Hoover Community School and expressed that the next two school sites subject to instructional rounds would be Adelante and MIT.

12. Correspondence

President Paulson reported receiving a letter from a parent regarding bond program issues at Orion School.

13. Other Business/Suggested Items for Future Agenda

None.

14. Board Agenda Calendar

14.1 Changes to the Board Agenda Schedule

President Paulson commented that a joint meeting with Sequoia Union High School District has been scheduled for May 2017.

15. Closed Session

15.1 Closed Session for Public Employee
Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Retention: Gov. Code §54957 (2 cases)

At 10:58 p.m. Trustees Paulson, Díaz-Slocum, McBride, Lawson, and MacAvoy went into closed session with Superintendent Baker.

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

16. Adjournment (Action Required)

The board adjourned the meeting at 11:31 p.m. (Díaz-Slocum/Lawson; 5-0).

Dennis McBride, Clerk