

REDWOOD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Redwood City, California

APPROVED MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

February 22, 2017

1. Call to Order

President Hilary Paulson 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 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, Terri Montgomery, Dana Hardester, Michelle Beutler, Erin Brannan, Jon Renos, Maria Stockton, María Orozco, Jeanett Serrano, and Boys & Girls Club employees.

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, (Díaz-Slocum/McBride; 5-0).

5. Oral Communication

None.

6. Community/Staff Recognition

6.1 Recognition of Hoover Community School

In December, Hoover experienced several cases of Norovirus, a highly contagious stomach virus. Every weekend in December, including all of winter break, custodians, bus drivers, instructional assistants yard duty and food service staff came to the Hoover campus to disinfect every surface on campus.

The Boys and Girls' Club has provided Hoover Community School with an extended day learning program, which has extended from serving 100 middle school students to

320 students ranging from kindergarten to eighth grade. The Boys and Girls' Club has provided additional support for students by providing blended support learning, time for reading, homework support and enrichment.

School Board Trustees and Superintendent Baker expressed their utmost thanks to RCSD's Facilities' Department and the Boys and Girls' Club for their service to Hoover Community School students and the Redwood City School District.

On behalf of the board, President Paulson and Superintendent Baker presented a Certificate of Recognition to staff members of the RCSD's Facilities' Department and Boys and Girls' Club staff members and volunteers.

7. School/Community Reports

7.1 Hoover Community School

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

Principal Rothengast thanked her staff, teachers, students and parents for supporting Hoover Community School and attending the board meeting.

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

7.2 Bond Program Update

Will Robertson, Program Manager provided the School Board and Superintendent Baker with a brief update on the latest bond program projects, approval of agreements, and information on meetings.

7.3 Citizen's Measure W Oversight Committee Year Four Report for 2015-16

Margie Carrington, Chair of Citizen's Measure W Oversight Committee and Carol Sanders, Co-Chair of Citizen's Measure W Oversight Committee provided the School Board and Superintendent Baker with a brief presentation about the year four report for 2015-16. Ms. Carrington and Ms. Sanders reported that the Redwood City School District is in compliance with the Measure W ballot language. Both Ms. Carrington and Ms. Sanders were complimentary of the Business Department and the Citizen's Measure W Committee.

8. Consent Items

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

- 8.1 Recommendation re: Approval of Field Trip Request to Palo Alto Baylands, Hawes School
- 8.2 Recommendation re: Approval of Field Trip Request to California Association of Student Leaders (CASL) Annual Convention in San José, Roy Cloud School
- 8.3 Recommendation re: Approval of Field Trip Request to Sacramento, Roy Cloud School
- 8.4 Recommendation re: Approval of Extended Field Trip Request to Yosemite National Park, Roy Cloud School
- 8.5 Recommendation re: Approval of Field Trip Request to Westminster Woods Camp, Clifford School
- 8.6 Recommendation re: Approval of Architect and Engineer Supplemental Quick Start District Office Generator Agreement between RCSD and CAW Architects for the Measure T Bond Program
- 8.7 Recommendation re: Approval of Architect and Engineer Supplemental Quick Start Lunch Shelter Agreements between RCSD and DLM Architects, LPA Architects, and CAW Architects for the Measure T Bond Program
- 8.8 Recommendation re: Approval of State Eligibility Consultant Agreement between RCSD and Williams and Associates for the Measure T Bond Program

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

9. Action Items

- 9.2 Recommendation re: Acceptance of the Financial Audit Report for 2015-16 School Year

Terri Montgomery, Partner with Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co., LLP provided the School Board and Superintendent Baker with a summary of their findings and recommendations based on their financial audit of RCSD for the 2015-16 school year.

The Board approved the acceptance of the financial audit report (McBride, Díaz-Slocum; 5-0).

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

9.1 Recommendation re: Approval of Budget Reduction for 2017-18 and 2018-19

At the February 15th board meeting, Chief Business Official Saleh, Superintendent Baker and the School Board began a discussion on possible budget reductions for the 2017-18 and 2018-19 to balance the budget. At this board meeting, the School Board continued the discussion on the recommended budget reductions and the RCSD administration made a recommendation to the School Board.

Angela Gervacio Sosa, lead custodian at John Gill School, thanked the School Board for their endless support of custodians and the Facilities' Department. Ms. Sosa expressed that cutting custodian positions district-wide would affect staff, teachers, and students. Ms. Sosa reiterated her acknowledgement of the dire need of budget cuts, but urged the School Board to consider keeping custodians, as lack of custodians mean that classrooms would be cleaned fewer times during the week, which could increase sickness amongst teachers, students and staff.

Maria Stockton, Clifford School staff, urged the School Board to consider keeping all custodial positions.

The Board approved the budget reductions for the 2017-18 and 2018-19 school years (Lawson, MacAvoy; 5-0).

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

9.3 Recommendation re: Approval of 2017 CSBA Delegate Assembly Ballot

The Board voted for Carrie DuBois (Sequoia Un. HSD), Amy Koo (Belmont-Redwood Shores SD), Kevin Martinez (San Bruno Park SD) and approved the 2017 CSBA Delegate Assembly ballot (Díaz-Slocum, Lawson; 5-0).

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

10. Board and Superintendent Reports

10.1 Report from Board Members and Superintendent

Trustee Díaz-Slocum did not have a report.

Trustee McBride reported attending the Kent Awards' application review. Trustee McBride also reported attending a bond meeting.

Trustee Lawson did not have a report.

Trustee MacAvoy reported that she recently joined the California School Board Association (CSBA) Board of Directors as the Region 5 Director. She reviewed the highlights from the board meeting in February. CSBA will be coming to our Region in Sept to present the latest information on their programming and activities. Also, CSBA will be releasing guidance for school districts regarding undocumented immigrant students.

Trustee Paulson did not have a report.

Superintendent Baker, commented that attorneys John Nibbelin and Cathy Meola provided RCSD principals with a presentation on immigration. Superintendent Baker commented it had been a lengthy and productive discussion.

11. Information

11.1 Information on San Mateo County Investment Fund – January 2016

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

12. Correspondence

None.

13. Other Business/Suggested Items for Future Agenda

None.

14. Board Agenda Calendar

13.1 Changes to the Board Agenda Schedule

Superintendent Baker stated that no new changes have been made to the board agenda schedule.

15. Closed Session

15.1 RCTA Negotiations

15.2 CSEA Negotiations

At 9:24 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 10:15 p.m.

16. Adjournment (Action Required)

The board adjourned the meeting at 10:16 p.m. (Lawson/MacAvoy; 5-0).

Dennis McBride, Clerk