

REDWOOD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Redwood City, California

APPROVED MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

August 16, 2017

1. Closed Session – 6:00-7:00pm
2. Call to Order – 7:00pm

President Hilary Paulson called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. at the District Office, Redwood City School District (“RCSD”), 750 Bradford Street, Redwood City.

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

Absent from the meeting: Vice-President María Díaz-Slocum.

Others present: Executive Director of Educational Services PreK-5 Linda Montes, Executive Director of Educational Services 6-8 Wendy Kelly, Chief Business Official Wael Saleh, Director of Communications Naomi Hunter, Director of Special Education David Paliughi.

3. Welcome

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

4. Changes to the Agenda

Trustee McBride requested to add item 7.2 under Community / Staff Recognition.

Trustee MacAvoy requested to move Action Items 11.2-11.9 to Consent.

5. Approval of Agenda

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

6. Oral Communication

Michael Bachicha, Executive Director for Connect Community Charter School introduced himself to the School Board and Superintendent Baker and introduced himself as the new executive director for Connect Community Charter School.

Superintendent John R. Baker introduced RCSD’s new Director of Communications, Jorge Quintana. Mr. Quintana thanked the Redwood City School District for the

opportunity and looks forward to working collaboratively with staff and the community.

7. Community/Staff Recognition

7.1 “Meet RCSD” Videos

Eliana García, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent, showcased videos of students and staff from the Redwood City School District.

7.2 Recognition of Human Resources Department

Trustee McBride recognized Wendy Kelly, Director of Human Resources and her staff for their hard work over the summer. There were approximately 50 teachers and staff hired over the summer, thanks to the hard work of the Human Resources Department.

8. School/Community Reports

8.1 Bond Program Update

Bond Program Director, Don Dias, addressed the School Board with an update on the progression of the bond program project.

9. Discussion Items

9.1 Discussion on RCSD Board Meeting Calendar for the 2017-18 School Year

The School Board and Superintendent Baker discussed and made minor corrections to the RCSD board meeting calendar for the 2017-2018 school year.

9.2 Information Regarding the 2017-18 Consolidated Application for Federal Funding Programs

Linda Montes, Executive Director of Educational Services PreK-5 provided the School Board with a presentation on information regarding the 2017-18 Consolidated Application for Federal Funding Programs.

Ms. Montes explained that the Consolidated Application (ConApp) is used by the California Department of Education (CDE) to distribute categorical funds from various state and federal programs to county offices, school districts, and direct-funded charter schools throughout California.

As part of the ConApp process, RCSD School Board approved the 2017-18 Local Education Agency Plan. The online Consolidated Application was certified before the due date of June 30, 2017. Each school site will also need to complete a board-approved Site Plan for Student Achievement that reflects the allocated funds from Title I and details of how the school site plans to expend the funds following the legal requirements of the programs.

The Consolidated Application for Federal Funding Programs will be presented to the School Board for approval in early September 2017.

10. Consent Items

The board approved the Consent Items (Lawson/MacAvoy; 4-0), taking the following action:

- 10.1 Recommendation re: Approval of Agreement between Peninsula Community Center and Redwood City School District
- 10.2 Recommendation re: Approval of Agreement between San Mateo County Superintendent of Schools and Redwood City School District/John Gill School
- 10.3 Recommendation re: Ratification of Warrant Register, June 1, 2017 – June 30, 2017
- 10.4 Recommendation re: Ratification of Warrant Register, July 1, 2017 – July 31, 2017
- 10.5 Recommendation re: Approval of Field Trip Request to Yosemite National Park, Kennedy Middle School
- 11.2 Recommendation re: Approval of Add Services with Spencer and Associates
- 11.3 Recommendation re: Approval of Add Services with Kier & Wright
- 11.4 Recommendation re: Approval of Full Design Agreements with CSDA for Hoover Community School, Clifford School, and Henry Ford School
- 11.5 Recommendation re: Approval of HVAC Project Agreement with O.C. McDonald Co.
- 11.6 Recommendation re: Approval of Inspection Services Consultant Agreement with Stanton Inspection Services
- 11.7 Recommendation re: Approval of CEQA Agreement Amendment #1
- 11.8 Recommendation re: Approval of Add Services with Geosphere
- 11.9 Recommendation re: Approval of 2017-18 Service Agreement between Redwood City School District Child Development Centers and Danielle Webb, Early Childhood Special Education Services Consultant

11. Action Items

Per Trustee MacAvoy, Action Items 11.2 through 11.9 were moved to Consent.

- 11.1 Recommendation re: Approval of the 2017-18 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)

Wendy Kelly, Executive Director of Educational Services 6-8 commented that when the LCAP had been presented to the School Board at a previous school board meeting, it was missing Goal #3. Ms. Kelly reiterated that no other changes had been made to the plan.

The Board approved the 2017-18 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) (MacAvoy, Lawson; 4-0).

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

Trustee MacAvoy (Ayes)

11.10 Recommendation re: Approval of Provisional Internship Permit

The Human Resources Department requested the approval of a Provisional Internship Permit for the following teachers:

Jesse Marcus, 7th grade ELA / Social Studies Teacher at Roosevelt School;

Robert Griffin, 6th grade Math / Physical Education at Kennedy Middle School.

The Board approved the provisional internship permit (McBride, Lawson; 4-0).

President Paulson (Ayes)

Vice President Díaz-Slocum (Absent)

Trustee McBride (Ayes)

Trustee Lawson (Ayes)

Trustee MacAvoy (Ayes)

12. Board and Superintendent Reports

12.1 Report from Board Members and Superintendent

Trustee MacAvoy reported attending some of the Summer School programs. Trustee MacAvoy commented that she was quite impressed with the hard work she observed. Trustee MacAvoy added that she was extremely impressed with the work of the Boys and Girls' Club.

Trustee Lawson reported attending some of the Summer School programs. Trustee Lawson also reported attending the Big Lift Graduation Ceremony. Furthermore, Trustee Lawson attended a San Mateo County Office of Education Suicide Prevention Toolkit workshop at Kennedy Middle School. Trustee Lawson commented that there was a lot of important information presented and discussed about the safety protocols when a student is placed on a 5150 hold.

Trustee McBride reported visiting the newly remodeled Boys and Girls' Club and also other Summer Programs throughout the Redwood City School District. Trustee McBride commented that the Special Education Summer School Program was great and it was impressive to see the students' having fun and working hard. Trustee McBride reported attending many bond meetings throughout the summer break. Trustee McBride reported attending a Principals / Assistant Principals meeting at the School District. Furthermore, Trustee McBride attended a Familias Unidas Graduation Celebration.

President Paulson reported meeting new teachers and attending many bond meetings throughout the summer break. President Paulson commented that there has been great progress made on the bond project.

Superintendent Baker reported attending many of the same events as School Board members. Superintendent Baker reported attending a RCEF Board Meeting and commented that there were a few changes made to their board. Superintendent Baker commented that he would work collaboratively with one of their board members, as he works at Google.org and would like to discuss the possibility of Google.org working with the Redwood City School District to meet the needs of students.

13. Information

13.1 Quarterly Williams Report, April 1 – June 30, 2017

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

14. Correspondence

President Paulson reported receiving correspondence regarding classroom sizes.

15. Other Business/Suggested Items for Future Agenda

None.

16. Board Agenda Calendar

16.1 Changes to the Board Agenda Schedule

The Board Agenda Schedule will be presented at the August 23rd board meeting.

17. Adjournment (Action Required)

The board adjourned the meeting at 8:11 p.m. (McBride/MacAvoy; 4-0).

Dennis McBride, Clerk