

REDWOOD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Redwood City, California

APPROVED MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

September 13, 2023
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

1. Call to Order

President Márquez called the Closed Session to order at 5:53 p.m.

1.1 Roll Call

Present at the Closed Board meeting: President Cecilia Márquez, Vice-President Janet Lawson; Trustees Mike Wells, Alisa MacAvoy, and David Weekly; and Superintendent Baker

Others present during the Closed Board meeting: CBO Rick Edson, Peter Ingram, and Clarissa Canady

2. Oral Communication on Closed Session Items Only

None.

3. Closed Session - 5:45 PM

3.1 CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Gov. Code, 54956.8)
Property: 750 Bradford St, Redwood City, CA 94063 Agency negotiators: John Baker, Superintendent, Peter Ingram, Consultant, and Clarissa Canady, Legal Counsel,
Negotiating parties: Redwood City School District and The Sobrato Organization Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment of Property Exchange Agreement

4. Reconvene to Regular Session at Approximately 7:00 PM

The School Board reconvened for the regular session at 7:00 p.m.

4.1 Roll Call

Present at the Regular Board meeting: President Cecilia Márquez, Vice-President Janet Lawson; Trustees Mike Wells, Alisa MacAvoy, and David Weekly; and Superintendent Baker

Others present during the Regular Board meeting: Assistant Superintendent Anna Herrera, Assistant Superintendent Liz Wolfe, Deputy Wendy Kelly, CBO Rick Edson, Jorge Quintana, Annabelle Vitali, Gonzalo Cordova, Itzel Gloria, and many others.

4.2 Report Out on Closed Session from September 13, 2023

No action was taken.

5. Welcome

President Márquez welcomed those present.

The board meeting was paused at 7:01 due to technical issues and resumed at 7:08 p.m.

6. Changes to the Agenda

None.

7. Approval of the Agenda

The School Board approved the agenda as submitted (Lawson, Wells; 5-0).

Trustee Weekly (Ayes)
Trustee MacAvoy (Ayes)
Trustee Wells (Ayes)
Vice-President Lawson (Ayes)
President Márquez (Ayes)

8. Oral Communication

None.

9. Bond Program Consent Items

The School Board approved the Bond Program Consent Items (Weekly, Lawson; 5-0), taking the following action:

- 9.1 Recommendation re: Approval of Bond Program Consent Items
- 9.2 Recommendation re: Approval of Measure T Bond Program Tracking List of Items Under \$20k
- 9.3 Recommendation re: Approval of Proposal for Server Upgrade and Database Migration Services for New Energy Management System (EMS) with Siemens for All School Sites
- 9.4 Recommendation re: Approval of Annual Services Invoice with Colbi Technologies

Trustee Weekly (Ayes)
Trustee MacAvoy (Ayes)
Trustee Wells (Ayes)
Vice-President Lawson (Ayes)
President Márquez (Ayes)

10. Bond Program Action Items

None.

11. School/Community Reports

11.1 2023-24 Student Enrollment Update

Jorge Quintana, Director of Communications, introduced the Department of Enrollment Services team members. Moreover, he gave an update on the enrollment process, the improvement efforts, and enrollment numbers for the 2023-24 school year.

Trustee MacAvoy requested clarification about the TK waitlist and inquired whether it appeared that enrollment numbers for October 2023 would closely mirror those of the previous year.

Trustee Wells inquired about the direction of the School Board when considering enrollment, to which Superintendent Baker responded. Superintendent Baker recommended avoiding combination classes.

Trustee Weekly suggested looking into why students leave or join the school district.

The Trustees and Superintendent Baker thanked Jorge for the presentation and for his work. They also thanked the Department of Enrollment team members for their work.

12. Discussion Items

12.1 Discussion of School Assignments and Committee Assignments for Board Members for the 2023-24 School Year

The School Board members and Dr. Baker discussed the school assignments and committee assignments for the Board members.

13. Consent Items

The School Board approved the Consent Items (Wells, Lawson; 5-0), taking the following action:

13.1 Recommendation re: Approval of Consent Items

13.2 Recommendation re: Approval of August 23 Board Meeting Minutes

13.3 Recommendation re: Approval of the Agreement between Redwood City School District and Boys and Girls Club of the Peninsula (BGCP) for the 2023-2024 School Year

13.4 Recommendation re: Approval of the Agreement between Redwood City School District and Envisioneers for the 2023-2024 School Year

13.5 Recommendation re: Approval of the Agreement between Redwood City School District and After School Music Academy LLC for the 2023-2024 School Year

13.6 Recommendation re: Approval of Agreement between Redwood City School District and City of Redwood City Parks and Recreation (REACH) for the 2023-2024 School Year

13.7 Recommendation re: Approval of Amendment No. 1 to the agreement between the Redwood City School District and One Life Counseling for the 2023-24 School Year

13.8 Recommendation re: Approval of the Middle School Math Pilot/Adoption Process

- 13.9 Recommendation re: Approval of the Purchase of the Language Power Curriculum for English Language Development
13.10 Recommendation re: Ratification of Warrant Registers, August 1, 2023 - August 31, 2023

Trustee Weekly (Ayes)
Trustee MacAvoy (Ayes)
Trustee Wells (Ayes)
Vice-President Lawson (Ayes)
President Márquez (Ayes)

14. Action Items

None.

15. Board and Superintendent Reports

15.1 Report from Board Members and Superintendent

Vice-President Lawson reported attending a Workforce Housing Committee meeting.

Trustee Wells reported attending a Chamber Education Committee meeting.

Trustee MacAvoy reported attending a Safe Routes to Schools meeting. She informed the School Board that San Mateo and South City Councils have chosen to reduce speed limits near school zones. She suggested that there be advocacy from the school sites to implement that change in Redwood City as well. She also attended a Fentanyl Crisis webinar.

Trusty Weekly reported attending Back to School Night.

President Márquez reported attending the San Mateo Parks Foundation Celebration. She also reminded the School Board about the first Latino Heritage speaker, Silvia Mendez.

Superintendent Baker reported attending a Dyslexia presentation at the Redwood Shores Library.

16. Information

16.1 2023-24 Adopted Budget & LCAP for Connect Community Charter School and RCSD's Fiscal Oversight Review Letter

Trustee MacAvoy noted that some of the projections were higher than the actual enrollment.

Trustee Wells noted there were some inconsistencies.

16.2 2023-24 Adopted Budget & LCAP for Rocketship Redwood City and RCSD's Fiscal Oversight Review Letter

No questions or comments.

16.3 2023-24 Adopted Budget & LCAP for KIPP Excelencia Charter School and RCSD's Fiscal Oversight Review Letter Information

No questions or comments.

16.4 Information on San Mateo County Investment Fund - July 2023

No questions or comments.

17. Correspondence

Vice-President Lawson reported receiving parent correspondence regarding school photo pricing, and an email from a Kennedy parent praising Chandra Leonardo on her new role as the principal.

Trustee Weekly received a request from a parent to obtain information about the phonics assessment conducted for 1st graders and to receive the I-Ready data right after the assessment is completed, rather than waiting for the report cards to be issued.

18. Other Business/Suggested Items for Future Agenda

Trustee MacAvoy requested adding a discussion on dyslexia.

Trustee Weekly expressed interest in convening a group to explore discussions regarding the future of the Orion campus.

19. Board Meetings Calendar

19.1 Changes to the Board Meetings Calendar

Upon Superintendent Baker's request, the School Board agreed to change the January 24th board meeting to January 17th.

20. Adjournment

The School Board adjourned the meeting at 8:32 p.m. (Wells, Weekly; 5-0).



Mike Wells, Clerk

