

**SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Sacramento City Unified School District BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING AND WORKSHOP

Board of Education Members

Darrel Woo, President (Trustee Area 6)
Christina Pritchett, Vice President (Trustee Area 3)
Jay Hansen, Second Vice President (Trustee Area 1)
Ellen Cochrane, (Trustee Area 2)
Gustavo Arroyo, (Trustee Area 4)
Diana Rodriguez, (Trustee Area 5)
Jessie Ryan, (Trustee Area 7)
Elizabeth Barry, Student Member

Thursday, October 1, 2015

4:30 p.m. Closed Session

6:30 p.m. Open Session

The meeting was called to order.

Members Present:

President Darrel Woo

Vice President Christina Pritchett

Gustavo Arroyo (left)

Ellen Cochrane

Jessie Ryan

Members Absent:

Second Vice President Jay Hansen

Diana Rodriguez (arrived late)

A quorum was reached.

2.0 ANNOUNCEMENT AND PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

No Public Comment was requested on Closed Session items, and the Board retired to Closed Session.

3.0 CLOSED SESSION

While the Brown Act creates broad public access rights to the meetings of the Board of Education, it also recognizes the legitimate need to conduct some of its meetings outside of the public eye. Closed session meetings are specifically defined and limited in scope. They primarily involve personnel issues, pending litigation, labor negotiations, and real property matters.

3.1 Government Code 54956.9 -

- a) Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(2) of Government Code section 54956.9*
 - b) Initiation of litigation pursuant to subdivision (d)(4) of Government Code section 54956.9*
- 3.2 Government Code 54957.6 (a) and (b) Negotiations/Collective Bargaining CSA, SCTA, SEIU, Teamsters, UPE, Unrepresented Management*
- 3.3 Government Code 54957 –*

Board. Please fill out a yellow card available at the entrance. Speakers may be called in the order that requests are received, or grouped by subject area. We ask that comments are limited to two (2) minutes with no more than 15 minutes per single topic so that as many people as possible may be heard. By law, the Board is allowed to take action only on items on the agenda. The Board may, at its discretion, refer a matter to district staff or calendar the issue for future discussion.

Public Comment:

Darlene Anderson spoke about what public education is being an African American living in Sacramento. She feels it is unfortunate that the District focuses on behavior and that it impedes one's ability to participate in the public school system. She feels every child has the right to learn how to transition to task. Therefore if the child does not know how to do the work, it is the District's responsibility to ensure it is learned instead of documenting the child as being dysfunctional.

Kandice Kelly, Director of the National Girls' Self Esteem program and the Natalia Johnson Ballet Conservatory, stated that the organization has run into problems getting their studio up and running at the Fruit Ridge Community Collaborative. They need to convert the classroom into a ballet studio by putting in a floor and mirrors. They moved in in August and had approval from the collaborative. The collaborative was overseeing construction. They recently learned however that construction had been halted, and there is some confusion on what changes they were allowed to make. Ms. Kelly asked if the Board would work with her group and the collaborative to remedy this miscommunication. They provide ballet lessons to underserved children in the Oak Park community.

Member Ryan said that she has a couple of meetings pending to discuss this matter. She acknowledged the great work being done with girls in the community. She will be meeting with Chief Operations Officer Cathy Allen and Green Tech. She wants to make sure that, as we sublease to entities, we are very clear in the guidelines and expectations. Member Ryan told Ms. Kelly to please know that she will be following up with her.

Member Rodriguez thanked Natalia Johnson for working with young ladies in the District.

8.1f Approve C. K. McClatchy Field Trip to Dallas, Texas from October 15 to October 18, 2015 (Lisa Allen and Mary Hardin Young)

President Woo said that there is a requested amendment to Item 8.1b, Approve Personnel Transactions. Joseph Farinias, listed on the last page and as the first name under SEP/RESIGN/RETIRE, claims that he is owed a meeting with the Human Resources Department and asks that his name be pulled from the listing. President Woo asked if there was a motion to approve the Consent Agenda with the change to Item 8.1b. Vice President Pritchett so moved and Ellen Cochrane seconded.

Public Comment:

Darlene Anderson noted that the Board approved the single plans for student achievement. She read over several of those plans and asked how Special Education is written into those plans. She said that the Special Education students are not written into the plans.

President Woo noted that he has a motion and a second to approve the Consent Agenda. He asked if there was any further discussion. There was not, and the motion was approved unanimously.

9.0 COMMUNICATIONS

9.1 Employee Organization Reports:

Information

CSA – No report given.

SCTA – Nikki Milevsky, President of SCTA, reported on behalf of SCTA.

SEIU – No report given.

Teamsters – No report given.

UPE – Peter Lambert, President of UPE, reported on behalf of UPE.

9.2 District Parent Advisory Committees:

Information

Community Advisory Committee – Angel Garcia and Grace Trujillo reported on behalf of CAC.

District Advisory Council – No report given.

District English Learner Advisory Committee – No report given.

Gifted and Talented Education Advisory Committee – No report given.

Sacramento Council of Parent Teacher Association (PTA) – No report given.

9.3 Superintendent's Report (José L. Banda)

Information

Superintendent Banda reported that he participated in the year's Green Apple Day of Service which was held last Saturday at Leonardo da Vinci K-8 School. The annual event is sponsored by the US Green Building Council's Center for Green Schools. We have been working with the Center for Green Schools for years on innovations that make our campuses more sustainable and healthier for staff and students. The day of service

projects that make a difference in our schools. Teacher Kim Williams, who won a Center for Green Schools sponsored trip to Antarctica a few years ago, is now leading aquaponics work at the school. Aquaponics is a method of raising plants and aquatic animals together in a system that benefits both. There was also a Green Apple Day of Service event at Camellia. Volunteers came together to ready the soil in the garden for fall planting. Superintendent Banda thanked the Camellia community for coming out for the event. There will be more information on school gardens at our Project Green 2016 Orientation on Tuesday, October 13th at Leonardo da Vinci K-8 School. Orientation will begin at 4:00 p.m. and is open to principals, teachers, parents, and community members interested in learning about Project Green. Our District remains one of very few in the country to have an initiative like Project Green. Because of the drought and climate change, this year Project Green will focus on water conservation. Superintendent Banda said he is very proud of our Facilities Department and our Project Green Specialist Rachel King. They are working hard to address this issue. The District has been a leader among big organizations in the city in the area of water conservation, and we have cut back our water use by more than 30 percent.

9.4 President's Report (Darrel Woo)

Information

President Woo thanked Members Arroyo and Ryan for joining him at the Tenth Annual La Familia Hispanic Parade. He told Second Vice President Hansen that he had an opportunity to go to Leataata Floyd Elementary School to visit the food literacy program. He commended the

ago, they asked the food staff and Ms. Allen's office to provide parameters of the creation of a central kitchen task force. He wants to make sure that we move forward with that. He has had a lot of requests from people in the community that really want to see the central kitchen happen. With Sacramento as the Farm to Fork Capitol he feels that a central kitchen will fit right in with what is happening here. On Monday, October 12th we will have a meeting on the school calendar and are looking for input from the community. It will be at C. K. McClatchy High School. He will join Principal Lambert next Friday at the C. K. McClatchy parade after school at 3:00 p.m.

Vice President Pritchett reported that she attended a couple back to school nights, including her daughter's who is a Senior at Rosemont High School. She reflected on how lucky our students are to be part of such a rising district. She said there are great things happening. She invited the Board and community to attend Rosemont High School's homecoming parade down Kiefer Boulevard. It will be Friday, October 23rd at 3:30 p.m. She asked that President Woo consult with the Governance Committee regarding the retreat. She believes it was said in a pr

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alongside the school garden that is accessible to parents and families. She also participated this week in Healthy Foods Task Force. The conversation was around the central kitchen, and Cathy Allen did a great job presenting on some of the challenges to date. There is a real movement from community members to press forward. Today she was at Pacific Elementary School where the school garden project continues to grow. The teachers all asked to receive teacher training so that they can integrate school garden curriculum as part of their Common Core. She had a chance to see Superintendent Banda at the Leonardo da Vinci K-

President Woo asked if there was any further discussion on the motion. There was not, and the motion passed unanimously. President Woo then asked C. K. McClatchy High School Principal, and President of United Public Employees (UPE), Peter Lambert to come up. Mr. Lambert said they humbly accept the resolution and noted that administrators within the Sacramento City Unified School District work hard to provide the highest level of education to all students. He thanked the Board for their acknowledgement on behalf of all school administrators within the Sacramento City Unified School District.

Member Cochrane noted that she had an excellent administrator when she was working full time at James Rudder approximately ten years ago. His name was Peter Lambert.

12.0 ADJOURNMENT

President Woo asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Before making a motion, Student Member Barry asked for a moment of silence for those who lost their lives at Umpqua Community College in Roseburg, Oregon today. A moment of silence was held. Student Member Barry then motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by President Woo. The motion was passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

José L. Banda, Superintendent and Board Secretary

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