



BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item# 8.1f

April 24, 2014

Approve Board of Education Meeting Minutes for March 20, 2014

- Information Item Only
- Approval on Consent Agenda
- Conference (for discussion only)

- Conference/First Reading (Action Anticipated:)
- Conference/Action
- Action
- Public Hearing

Division: Superintendent's Office

Recommendation: Approve Minutes of the Board of Education Meeting for March 20, 2014 Regular Meeting.

Background/Rationale: None

Financial Considerations: None

Documents Attached:

Putting

Sacramento City Unified School District

Board of Education Members

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First

MEETING AND WORKSHOP

Thursday, March 20, 2014

4:30 p.m. Closed Session

6:30 p.m. Open Session

Serna Center

Community Conference Rooms

5735 47th Avenue

Sacramento, CA 95824

MINUTES

2014-08

a) *Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Government Code section 54956.9 (1 case)*

b) *Initiation of litigation pursuant to subdivision (c) of Government Code section 54956.9 (1 case)*

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Teamsters, UPE, Unrepresented Management

3.3 *Government Code 54957 – Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release*

3.4 *Government Code 54954.5 Public Employment*

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- *J. R. Roberts spoke about students from the Sacramento Charter School hanging-out in her*

Board Member Hansen commented that he attended the CORE waiver community meeting held the previous evening and appreciated that Interim Superintendent Noguchi and President Kennedy will be scheduling a meeting on the CORE waiver. He commented that there is quite a bit of inaccuracies and misinformation being reported.

8.0 CONSENT AGENDA

9.0 BOARD WORKSHOP/STRATEGIC PLAN AND OTHER INITIATIVES

9.1 Approve Resolution No. 2789: Establishment of the Whole Child Policy (Jeff Cuneo) Action

Member Cuneo commented that he is proud to bring forward Resolution No. 2789: Establishment of the Whole Child Policy. He gave some background of the policy and the makeup of the Restorative Justice Collaborative taskforce that was convened almost a year ago to examine the District's discipline policy and identify appropriate discipline. Member Cuneo believes the policy is a step forward in changing the mindset of adults, addressing the "school-to-prison pipeline," and the inequities in student discipline towards minority students.

Public Comment

Nikki Milevsky, President of SCTA, commented that the language in the policy does not support the

District's actions as they are related to the CORE waiver and that the policy identifies services that were identified to be cut at the previous Board meeting.

- Darryl White, representing the Black Parallel School Board, commented in support of the resolution and the establishment of the Whole Child Policy.
- Carl Pinkston, representing the Black Parallel School Board, commented that the policy is what will be most important and urged the Board to set a timeline and to provide adequate funding.
- Malik Camara, a junior at Kennedy High School, commented he is in the Men's Leadership program and on the Restorative Justice Board and stands in favor of the resolution. He shared his experience in being disciplined for "willful defiance."
- Crandal Rankins spoke in support of passing the resolution because it is vital to change. He feels the policy will restore students', parents', and staffs' hope.

Board Member Comments

- Student Board Member Kovalchuk reported she discussed the policy with her Student Advisory Council Executive Board Members and they questioned how the policy would change how teachers, who have been working in the District a long time, look at students and how those teachers implement discipline. President Kennedy addressed Member Kovalchuk's question and explained that staff will be determining how the policy will be implemented. He thanked her for her question and assured her that input from students will continue to have a roll in the process as it goes forward.
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- *Member Hansen wanted to note the success, including increased graduation rates and a 15% decrease in the number of suspensions for willful defiance. He noted that the District is owed two years of Federal reimbursement money from the State which is why the District had to issue layoff notices to nurses this year. Member Hansen also thanked the student, Malik Camara, for sharing his experiences.*

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and implementation of the policy. Interim Superintendent Noguchi responded that she welcomed student input and suggested they call her office or the office of the Chief of Staff, Koua Franz.

President Kennedy asked for the Board's pleasure and a motion to approve Resolution No. 2789 was made by Member Arrovo and seconded by Member Hansen

Public Comment

None.

Board Member Comments

None.

Member Arroyo made the motion to approve the Charter petition renewal and the motion was seconded by Second Vice President Pritchett. President Kennedy called for the vote and Resolution No. 2790: Language Academy of Sacramento (LAS) Charter Petition Renewal was unanimously approved by the Board.

9.4 Local Control Accountability Plan Update (Gabe Ross and Tu Moua)

Information

Chief Communications Officer Gabe Ross introduced his co-presenter, Interim Area Assistant



He appreciated hearing the comment earlier about tying the ICAP money to the categories of

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Public Comment

- *Darlene Anderson asked how the District will assess children who have been moved to alternative programs. She believes the District does not recognize that the level of support for those students is different. Dr. Cummings responded to Ms. Anderson's question; all students will be tested in the same manner.*

Board Member Comments

- *Student Board Member Kovalchuk commented that she was an English-language learner in elementary school. She wanted to know how the test would factor-in English-language learners. Ms. Hartman responded that students who have not been in the country for more than 12 months would be exempt from taking the test. She also shared that universal tools and supports, including*

translations will be available. Student Board Member Kovalchuk suggested the schools provide more information to students about the change in the test and the Common Core standards. Ms. Hartman informed the Board that many of the schools are doing a mock field test in preparation for the field test.

- *Member Rodriguez had a question about the Internet Explorer compatibility issues with the software and the testing program and how many of the District computers will need to be upgraded and how long it will take to upgrade them. Dr. Cummings explained that the compatibility issue is not with the District's computers. The browser that works with the testing program has been unloading to all of*

the District's Internet computers. Chief Business Officer Ken Forrest explained that the issue is with

