

BELMONT-REDWOOD SHORES SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING OF
JUNE 16, 2011
MINUTES

BOARD
MEMBERS

PRESENT: Mr. Brian Matthews
Mr. Andrew Stulbarg
Mr. Robert Tashjian
Mr. Charles Velschow
Mrs. Cathy Wright

ABSENT:

STAFF: Dr. Emerita Orta-Camilleri, Superintendent
Mrs. Nellie Hungerford, Assistant Superintendent, Business Svcs. & Operations
Ms. Penny Weaver, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Svcs. & Personnel
Mrs. Diane Ribotta, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent

CALL TO ORDER

President Stulbarg called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD CONCERNING
ITEMS ON THE CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

No one wished to address the Board.

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

At 6:02 p.m. President Stulbarg adjourned the Regular Board Meeting. At this time, the Board adjourned to Closed Session.

CALL TO ORDER

President Stulbarg reconvened the Regular Board Meeting at 7:10 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE

Trustees, staff members and citizens in the audience joined President Stulbarg in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Stulbarg announced the meeting was being tape recorded.

SPEAKERS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

President Stulbarg announced that this portion of the Agenda provides Trustees, staff members and audience members the opportunity to address the Board on any item on the agenda or not included on the agenda. President Stulbarg also stated that public comments would be limited to three (3) minutes per speaker per topic.

1. John Houston

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Mr. Matthews, seconded by Mrs. Wright, the Board approved the Agenda and Consent Agenda.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. Robert Tashjian
Mr. Brian Matthews
Mrs. Cathy Wright
Mr. Charles Velschow
Mr. Andrew Stulbarg

Motions Approved Under the Consent Agenda

Item #7

- a. The Board of Trustees accepted the donations as presented.
- b. The Board of Trustees approved the warranted batches 155 through 161 as presented.
- c. The Board of Trustees approved the Special Education contracts presented.
- d. The Board of Trustees approved the District Community School promotion list as presented.
- e. The Board of Trustees approved submission of Part I of the Consolidated Application for Categorical Programs to the California Department of Education as presented.
- f. The Board of Trustees approved the Blackboard Connect-ED emergency and outreach notifications contract for the period March 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 in the amount of \$8,621.12, payable from the unrestricted general fund.
- g. The Board of Trustees approved the submission of a waiver request to the California State Department of Education for the purpose of waiving the requirement for a bilingual tester to administer English and primary language proficiency tests (Section 62002 of the California Education Code) during the 2011-2012 school year.
- h. The Board of Trustees approved the Crossing Guard Contract for 2011-12 with All City Management Services (ACMS) in the amount of \$33,955.00, payable from the unrestricted general Fund.
- i. The Board of Trustees approved a one-year contract with Peninsula Youth Orchestra for the 2011-12 fiscal year and a two week summer camp use at Ralston Middle School, per the terms of the contract documents attached.
- j. The Board of Trustees approved the contract for services with Larry Simon not to exceed \$5,000 (\$65/hour) to be paid from Account Number 01-0000-0-0000-7700-5872-700-0000.
- k. The Board of Trustees approved the personnel actions as presented.
- l. The Board of Trustees approved the San Mateo County Office of Education Library Services Contracts for 2010-2011 and 2011-2012.
- m. The Board of Trustees approved a contract with Diane Masetti not to exceed \$30,000 and payable from future Measure I and Measure N bond funds.
- n. The Board of Trustees approved Resolution #46 authorizing the establishment of Fund Balance Policies according to requirements of GASB Statement #54.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Matthews, seconded by Mr. Velschow, the Board approved the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on May 26, 2011.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. Robert Tashjian - Abstained
Mr. Brian Matthews
Mrs. Cathy Wright - Abstained
Mr. Charles Velschow
Mr. Andrew Stulbarg

Moved by Mr. Matthews, seconded by Mrs. Wright, the Board approved the Minutes of the Regular

Board Meeting held on June 2, 2011

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. Robert Tashjian
Mr. Brian Matthews
Mrs. Cathy Wright
Mr. Charles Velschow
Mr. Andrew Stulbarg

END OF YEAR REPORTS FROM SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

Ms. Weaver announced that Principal Ho, Principal Lang-Gavidia, Principal McDaniel and Principal Marchetti were presenting this evening to conduct an overview of their site accomplishments during the 2010-11 school year.

The Board of Trustees thanked Principal Ho, Principal Lang-Gavidia, Principal McDaniel and Principal Marchetti and their staff for their efforts.

On behalf of the Administrators, Cherie Ho presented Dr. Orta-Camilleri with a gift to thank her for her leadership support throughout the school year.

Dr. Orta-Camilleri thanked the Administrators for their kindness and for their support during her administration.

GREAT BODY SHOP HEALTH CURRICULUM APPROVAL

Ms. Weaver stated the Great Body Shop is a comprehensive health program proven to be effective in increasing health knowledge of students.

Moved by Mr. Matthews, seconded by Mr. Velschow, the Board of Trustees approved the use of the Great Body Shop Health Curriculum K-8 commencing 2011/2012 school year.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. Robert Tashjian
Mr. Brian Matthews
Mrs. Cathy Wright
Mr. Charles Velschow
Mr. Andrew Stulbarg

PUBLIC HEARING – School District Flexibility SBX3 4

Open Public Hearing: 7:52 p.m.

No one wished to comment.

Close Public Hearing: 7:53 p.m.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #45 SCHOOL FLEXIBILITY SBX3 4

Mrs. Hungerford stated that the State of California is providing flexibility in the use of select categorical programs in an effort to aid District's in their ability to respond to the current financial crisis, and in the case of basic aid districts, to make required "Fair Share" payments to the State.

Moved by Mr. Matthews, seconded by Mr. Tashjian, the Board of Trustees approved Resolution #45 for the School District Flexibility Transfer for 2010-2011 (revised) and for 2011-2012 as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. Robert Tashjian
Mr. Brian Matthews
Mrs. Cathy Wright
Mr. Charles Velschow
Mr. Andrew Stulbarg

PUBLIC HEARING – Proposed 2011-2012 School District Budget

Open Public Hearing: 7:55 p.m.

No one wished to comment.

Close Public Hearing: 7:56 p.m.

2011-2012 BUDGET ADOPTION

Mrs. Hungerford stated that since the last review of the draft 2011-12 budget, the District has received 350K from School Force with the possibility of additional funding forthcoming for 2011-12.

The Board thanked Mrs. Hungerford and her staff for their efforts.

Moved by Mr. Matthews, seconded by Mrs. Wright, the Board of Trustees approved the Belmont-Redwood Shores School District 2011-2012 Adoption Budget as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. Robert Tashjian
Mr. Brian Matthews
Mrs. Cathy Wright
Mr. Charles Velschow
Mr. Andrew Stulbarg

ENROLLMENT PROJECTIONS, STAFFING AND FACILITIES

Ms. Weaver stated that additional staffing and classrooms are needed to accommodate continued student growth. As of today the increase in growth from last year is 264 students, not including the summer registrations.

SPEAKER

1. Rob Silfvast

GRANDFATHERING FOR 2011-12

Dr. Orta-Camilleri stated the Boundary & Alternatives Committees met and recommended grandfathering as an option to address the enrollment growth and capacity issues at Cipriani & Central. The site administrators were involved in the committees and are in agreement with this recommendation, based on an enrollment date of April 2011.

If approved it would ensure that parents of kindergarten students that have registered as of April 2011 will be enrolled in their current school of attendance.

SPEAKER

1. Sylvia Curletto

Moved by Mr. Matthews, seconded by Mr. Tashjian, the Board of Trustees approved grandfathering of siblings and registered 2011-12 kindergarten students as of April 2011 to Central and Cipriani.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. Robert Tashjian
Mr. Brian Matthews
Mrs. Cathy Wright
Mr. Charles Velschow
Mr. Andrew Stulbarg

OPTIONS FOR MEETING ENROLLMENT GROWTH

Dr. Orta-Camilleri introduced Alesha Breite, Chairperson, of the Alternatives Committee. Ms. Breite reviewed the minutes from the Alternatives Committee meeting held on June 14th. Ms. Breite stated the committee reviewed the Mill Valley (MVSD), Pacifica (PSD) and Saratoga (SUSD) School Districts no boundary policy.

SUSD: parental choice preference

MVSD: distance based assignment

PSD: parental preference and choice assignment

After review and discussion, the committee was not in favor of a no boundary policy. The committee recommended a weighted priority enrollment option which included grandfathering, sister schools, soft cap, build outs at Fox and Nesbit and implementing a home school lottery within home school designations with no boundary change.

SPEAKERS

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| 1. Ross Stewart | 9. Rob Silfvast |
| 2. Frederick Crosby | 10. Mark Pratt |
| 3. Elaine Middleman | 11. Jeff Selman |
| 4. Derek Cicero | 12. Traci Psaila |
| 5. Sharon Hue | 13. Mai |
| 6. Naomi Nishimoto | 14. Ross Sullivan |
| 7. Colin Horst | 15. Louis Vella |
| 8. Sylvia Curletto | |

BREAK: 9:12 p.m.

RETURN FROM BREAK: 9:25 p.m.

Mr. Velschow reused himself from public comment and discussion on this topic.

Mr. Stulbarg stated that the community has had an estimated 56 hours in community meetings and 23 hours in board meetings dedicated to boundary discussion.

The Board deliberated over the pros/cons of a no boundary policy, with a desire to provide flexibility for the district, certainty for parents, preserve neighborhood schools and minimize the use of bond funds for capacity needs while considering the workload on staff.

Dr. Orta-Camilleri stated that an administrator would be needed to manage and implement the registration process and that person would be able to assist Ms. Weaver with Human Resource issues and other various projects, at an approximate cost of \$130,000.

BREAK: 10:45 p.m.

RETURN FROM BREAK: 11:04 p.m.

The Board reached consensus to move forward with a no boundary policy effective in 2012-13. The Superintendent will form a committee that will provide input into the creation of the no boundary policy, and at the request of the Board President will eliminate subjectivity.

Moved by Mr. Matthews, seconded by Mrs. Wright, the Board of Trustees adopted a District optimal assignment process to eliminate boundaries throughout the District effective Fall of 2012.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. Robert Tashjian
Mr. Brian Matthews
Mrs. Cathy Wright
Mr. Charles Velschow - Abstained
Mr. Andrew Stulbarg

Dr. Orta-Camilleri thanked Alesha Breite and the community for their efforts.

The Board of Trustees thanked staff and the community for their efforts.

Mr. Matthews encouraged the community to continue to attend Board meetings.

Mr. Stulbarg reminded the community that there will be 3 Board seats up for election in the Fall.

GRAND JURY RESPONSE APPROVAL

Dr. Orta-Camilleri stated that the San Mateo Grand Jury conducted a survey for bullying policies and enforcement procedures in place. Though our District does not have a bullying policy, each case of bullying is dealt with appropriately. The District will work with the County to follow up on the Grand Jury recommendation. The Grand Jury required this item to be heard in Open Session.

Dr. Orta-Camilleri stated that future Grand Jury Responses will be placed on the Consent Agenda.

Moved by Mr. Matthews, seconded by Mrs. Wright, the Board of Trustees approved the response to the Grand Jury recommendations regarding bullying policy and enforcement.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. Robert Tashjian
Mr. Brian Matthews
Mrs. Cathy Wright
Mr. Charles Velschow
Mr. Andrew Stulbarg

RESOLUTION #44 REDUCTION IN WORK FORCE-LACK OF WORK

Dr. Orta-Camilleri stated that due to the lack of work, specific reduction in work is needed.

Moved by Mr. Matthews, seconded by Mrs. Wright, the Board of Trustees approved Resolution #44 to eliminate a .375 FTE Inclusion Para Educator position due to lack of work.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. Robert Tashjian

Mr. Brian Matthews
Mrs. Cathy Wright
Mr. Charles Velschow
Mr. Andrew Stulbarg

REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF

Mrs. Wright enjoyed the Ralston promotion ceremony and complimented Mr. Stulbarg on his speech.

Mr. Matthews thanked School Force for their continued support.

FUTURE ITEMS

Facilities

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:28 p.m.