

SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
1290 Ridder Park Drive
San Jose, California 95131

APPROVED
Regular Meeting #2031
Board Room
December 10, 2008
5:15 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Howard at 5:25p.m.

a) Pledge of Allegiance

President Howard asked Mr. Joseph Di Salvo, newly elected board member, to lead the pledge of allegiance.

b) Roll Call

Trustees Present:

Grace Mah, Area 1
T.N. Ho, Area 2
Leon Beauchman, Area 3
Joseph Di Salvo, Area 4
Anna Song, Area 5
Craig Mann, Area 6
Jane Howard, Area 7

c) Adoption of Agenda

MOTION #2031-1 by Vice President Mann that the agenda be adopted as submitted. Member Song seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

2. SCCOE EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH RECOGNITION: GERARDO RAMIREZ, CUSTODIAN, FACILITIES SERVICES

Member Ho introduced Gerardo Ramirez, December's Employee of the Month. He noted Gerardo's contributions and presented a plaque and an engraved pen in recognition of his work and introduced Joe Beretta, Manager of Facilities Services, who spoke of the many compliments he has received on Gerardo's work and said it was a privilege to work with him. Gerardo thanked the Board for the recognition.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS OF PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OR TO PRESENT PETITIONS

President Howard opened the hearing for public comment.

Barbara Spreng, President of the 6th District PTA, extended her congratulations to the re-elected Board members and the newly elected board member. Ms. Spreng looks forward to working with the Board in the New Year.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

The Board of Education received an email which was addressed to Dr. Weis titled *SCCBOE Staff Analysis of Bullis Charter School's Expansion Request from Mr. Joe Seither*.

5. CONSENT ACTION ITEMS

- a) Request Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of November 19, 2008 (#2030)
- b) Request Approval of Purchase Order Exceeding \$100,000
- c) Request Approval of Purchase Order Exceeding \$100,000
- d) Approval of County Superintendent's Monthly Expenses
- e) Request Acceptance of Grant Award Notifications

MOTION #2031-2 by Vice President Mann that the Board approve Consent Action Items A through E. Member Song seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

6. ANNUAL ORGANIZATION MEETING

a. Election of President of the County Board of Education

President Howard called for nominees for the new President of the Santa Clara County Board of Education. Vice President Mann was nominated and Mr. Mann accepted the nomination.

b. Election of Vice-President of the County Board of Education

Newly elected President Mann called for nominees for the Vice President of the Santa Clara County Board of Education. Member Song was nominated and Ms. Song accepted the nomination.

c. Setting of Day and Time for Regular County Board of Education Meetings for 2009

MOTION #2031-3 by newly elected Vice President Song that the Board approve Consent Action Items A through E. Member Mah seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

d. Discussion of Board Appointments to Subcommittees for 2009

Superintendent Weis presented an overview on the subcommittees and requested that all Board members submit their preferences for committee assignments to President Mann by December 18.

e. Approval of Board Routine Travel Items

Vice President Song requested that the last paragraph in the “*Addendum*” to Board Bylaw 8260 *Approved Routine Travel Items* be deleted since it is a redundant.

MOTION #2031-4 by Vice President Song that the Board approve the routine travel items with the requested change. Member Mah seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

6. STUDY ACTION ITEMS

a. Request Appointment of Board Member to the California School Boards Association (CSBA) Delegate Assembly Position

Member Beauchman briefed the Board on the CSBA Delegate Assembly position which he has served on for six years and asked if any other member was interested in the opportunity of serving. Vice President Song nominated member Beauchman for the position and member Beauchman accepted.

b) Request Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between NCROP and Foothill-De Anza CCD for Sponsored professional Development Events to Enhance Curriculum Development and Articulation Agreements for Period Ending June 30, 2009

Dr. Cary Dritz, Deputy Superintendent, explained the Memorandum of Understanding between NCROP and Foothill-De Anza.

MOTION #2031-5 by member Ho that the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding between NCROP and Foothill-de Anza CCD for sponsored professional development events to enhance curriculum development and articulation agreements for period ending June 30, 2009. Vice President Song seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

c) Request Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between NCROP and Foothill-DeAnza CCD for Coordination of Programs of Study for Period Ending June 30, 2009.

Dr. Dritz provided an overview of the Memorandum of Understanding between NCROP and Foothill-DeAnza CCD for Coordination of Programs of Study and answered questions from the Board.

MOTION #2031-6 by member Mah that the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding between NCROP and Foothill-DeAnza CCD for Coordination of Programs of Study for Period Ending June 30, 2009. Member Ho seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

d) Request Approval of the First Interim Financial Report for the Fiscal Year 2008-09.

Doug Coffman, Director of Internal Business, reported on the First Interim Financial Report for the fiscal year 2008-09 and answered questions.

MOTION #2031-7 by member Beauchman that the Board approve the first interim financial report for the fiscal year 2008-09. Member Mah seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

e) Request Approval of Purchase Order Exceeding \$250,000

Superintendent Weis reviewed the purchase order that would cover architectural services for the planning and design of Gateway School, as it relates to the area that was damaged by fire.

MOTION #2031-8 by member Howard that the Board approve the purchase order exceeding \$250,000. Vice President Song seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

f) Request Approval of Purchase Order Exceeding \$250,000

Superintendent Weis provided an introduction to purchase order exceeding \$250,000 and Joe Cassibba explained that the purchase order would cover the fifth and final project phase to upgrade the energy management system (EMS) located at 1290 Ridder Park Drive. Mr. Cassibba answered questions from the Board.

MOTION #2031-9 by member Beauchman, that the Board approve the Purchase Order Exceeding \$250,000. Member Howard seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

g) Rocketship Two Charter School Contract

Superintendent Weis provided an overview of the Rocketship Two Charter School Contract and he and Don Bolce, Assistant Director for the Center for Educational Planning answered questions.

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

a) Williams Complaint Report

Joe Fimiani, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services, explained that there was one Williams complaint received during the July 1 through September 30, 2008 reporting period which has been resolved. Mr. Fimiani answered questions from the Board.

b) Construction and Modernization Projects

Mr. Fimiani presented an introduction of the construction and modernization projects. Mr. Cassibba and Ms. Lesley Miles, SCCOE's chief architect from Weston Miles Architects, presented an update on the modernization projects titled, "Blueprint for Action" and answered questions.

c) Foster Youth Services Program Update

Mr. Fimiani provided a preface to the Foster Youth Service Program update and Ms. Sonja House, Coordinator of Foster Youth Services, presented the progress made towards the goals shared with the Board last spring. Ms. House answered questions from the Board.

d) Board Committee Reports:

Anna Song

Joint Legislative Advisory Committee (JLAC)

- Chaired the December 1 meeting

Leon Beauchman

California School Boards Association (CSBA) Delegate Assembly

Juvenile Justice Systems Collaboration (JJSC)

- Attended a CSBA Delegate Assembly meeting
- Attended a CCBE Board of Directors meeting
- Attended a JJSC meeting

d) County Board of Education Members Reports:

T.N. Ho

- Attended the annual CSBA Education Conference

Grace Mah

- Attended the annual CSBA Education Conference
- Attended a Joint Legislative Advisory Committee meeting
- Participated in a section of the Preteen Summit sponsored by the Lucille Packard Health Council

Jane Howard

- Attended the Gilroy Business and Education Partnership monthly meeting

Joseph Di Salvo

- Attended the annual CSBA Education Conference
- Announced that he will be contributing to "San Jose Inside", which is an electronic blog posting on educational topics

Anna Song

- Attended the annual CSBA Education Conference
- Participated in presenting the Awesome Autism Project at the annual CSBA conference
- Announced the upcoming annual walk for Autism PTA which will take place in San Jose on May 30

Leon Beauchman

- Attended the annual CSBA Education Conference
- Attended the San Jose Silicon Valley Chamber of Commerce's Education Committee meeting
- Announced the upcoming March 2009 San Jose Silicon Valley Chamber of Commerce breakfast, which will feature Dr. Weis as a panelist
- Met with Bullis Charter School and Los Altos School District staff regarding the possibility of Bullis becoming a part of the school district

e) County Superintendent's Report:

Dr. Weis presented the following information relative to the activities of the Office:

- Letter on behalf of the California Business for Education Excellence and Just for the Kids congratulating SCCOE because Bullis Charter School is being recognized by the business community for their outstanding success in raising student academic achievement.
- Letter from Assembly member Anna Caballero acknowledging and thanking the Santa Clara County Education Coalition for expressing their concerns in education cuts.
- Email titled EC Event thanking Dr. Weis for participating in the Sunnyvale Education Collaboration event.
- Email titled Sunnyvale Education Collaboration from Mr. Mike Goltzer, Founder and Director of Project H.E.L.P. and Dr. Joe Rudnicki, Superintendent Sunnyvale School District, thanking all who attended the Sunnyvale Education Collaboration Forum
- Commented on the excellent Awesome Autism Project presentation by staff at the annual CSBA Education Conference
- Announced that the Bullis Charter School has decided to delay their 7th and 8th grade opening until 2010.
- Reported on the mid-year budget cuts – still no news from Sacramento
- Discussed the Board Retreat for January 2009 – Board members agreed to meet on January 23
- Presented member Howard with a gavel plaque in honor and recognition for serving as past Board President

13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
 - Update on Arts Master Plan
 - High School Dropout Prevention Planning
 - Gang Prevention Planning
 - January '09 Board Retreat (Dr. Weis)

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Dr. Charles Weis, County Superintendent of Schools
Ex-Officio Secretary

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