

SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

1290 Ridder Park Drive
San Jose, California 95131

APPROVED

Minutes of Regular Meeting #1098

Board Room

April 18, 2007

5:00 p.m.

Members Present: Gary Rummelhoff, President
Jane Howard, Vice President
Craig Mann
Leon Beauchman
Anna Song
T.N. Ho

The meeting was called to order by President Rummelhoff at 5:10 p.m.

Setting the Agenda

MOTION #1098-1 by Vice President Howard, seconded by Ms. Song, that the agenda be approved as submitted.

MOTION #1098-1 carried by a vote of 5-0-0-1 with member Beauchman absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

(Mr. Beauchman arrived at the meeting.)

President Rummelhoff asked Brian Armstrong, recipient of COE's student recognition, to lead the pledge of allegiance.

COE Student Recognition: Brian D. Armstrong, North County Regional Occupational Programs, Homestead High School

Mr. Ho introduced Brian Armstrong of Homestead High School and presented him with an iPod and a plaque in recognition of this award. Mr. Edmond Kwong, Brian's technical writing teacher, spoke of Brian's creativeness and integrity and Brian introduced his parents and spoke about managing the school yearbook department and thanked the Board for the recognition.

CHANGE IN AGENDA

Consent Action Items

MOTION #1098-2 by Mr. Mann, seconded by Vice President Howard, that the following Consent Action Items be approved:

- Request Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting of March 28, 2007 (#1096-S1)
- Request Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of April 4, 2007 (#1097)
- Request Approval of Purchase Order Over \$100,000

MOTION #1098-2 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-0.

President Rummelhoff called for a moment of silence in memory of the victims of the Virginia Tech tragedy.

Hearing of Persons Desiring to Address the Board or to Present Petitions

President Rummelhoff invited members of the public to address the Board.

Ms. Faith Brigel, Palo Alto resident, spoke about the charter school law and how the law is being misused.

Ms. Lisa Steinbeck, Palo Alto resident, spoke against the process of the provisional appointment of Trustee Area 1 and the background qualifications of the board candidates.

Ms. Barbara Spreng, Palo Alto resident, invited the Board to a regional benefit dinner of the Facing History and Ourselves organization on April 29.

Study Action Items

Approval of Monthly Financial Report, Budget Revisions for the period ending February 2007

Mr. Doug Coffman, Director, Internal Business Services, presented an overview of the report and answered questions from the Board.

MOTION #1098-3 by Mr. Mann, seconded by Mr. Beauchman that the Board approve the Monthly Financial Report, Budget Revisions for the period ending February 2007.

MOTION #1098-3 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-0.

Recommended 2007-2008 Indirect Rates

Mr. Coffman and Superintendent Wilcox reviewed the 2006-07 indirect rates and answered questions from the Board.

MOTION #1098-4 by Ms. Song, seconded by Vice President Howard that the Board approve the proposed indirect rates for 2007-08.

MOTION #1098-4 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-0.

Request Approval for the Submission of the San Jose B.E.S.T. (Bringing Everyone's Strengths Together) Competitive Grant

Superintendent Wilcox explained the San Jose B.E.S.T. grant and Ms. Evelyn Ortiz, Principal and Ms. Paula Mitchell, Director, Alternative Schools Department, answered questions.

MOTION #1098-5 by Mr. Mann, seconded by Ms. Song that the Board approve the submission of the San Jose B.E.S.T. competitive grant.

MOTION #1098-5 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-0.

Request Adoption of Resolution Calling on the Legislature to Support Assembly Bill 131

Superintendent Wilcox explained that Assembly Bill 131 would allow county offices of education access to funds for counseling programs.

MOTION #1098-6 by Mr. Mann, seconded by Ms. Song that the Board approve the resolution calling on the legislature to support Assembly Bill 131.

The following roll call was taken:

AYE: President Rummelhoff, Vice President Howard, members Ho, Mann, Song and Beauchman

NO: -none-

ABSTAIN: -none-

ABSENT: -none-

MOTION #1098-6 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-0.

Request Adoption of Resolution Calling on the Legislature to Support Assembly Bill 537

Superintendent Wilcox provided an overview of Assembly Bill 537 which would require the California Research Bureau of the California State Library to prepare a report on the key elements and actual costs of charter school oversight.

MOTION #1098-7 by Mr. Mann, seconded by Ms. Song that the Board approve the resolution calling on the legislature to support Assembly Bill 537.

The following roll call was taken:

AYE: President Rummelhoff, Vice President Howard, members Ho, Mann, Song and Beauchman

NO: -none-

ABSTAIN: -none-

ABSENT: -none-

MOTION #1098-7 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-0.

Request Adoption of Resolution Calling on the Legislature to Support Assembly Bill 543

Superintendent Wilcox explained that Assembly Bill 543 would appropriate \$10.00 per day per eligible pupil in a residential outdoor science school operated by a county office of education.

MOTION #1098-8 by Vice President Howard, seconded by Ms. Song that the Board approve the resolution calling on the legislature to support Assembly Bill 543.

The following roll call was taken:

AYE: President Rummelhoff, Vice President Howard, members Ho, Mann, Song and Beauchman

NO: -none-

ABSTAIN: -none-

ABSENT: -none-

MOTION #1098-8 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-0.

Request Adoption of Resolution Calling on the Legislature to Support Assembly Bill 850

Superintendent Wilcox reported that Assembly Bill 850 would ensure that special education programs receive an equivalent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) and growth funding as provided to revenue limit programs.

MOTION #1098-9 by Ms. Song, seconded by Mr. Mann that the Board approve the adoption of resolution calling on the legislature to support Assembly Bill 850.

The following roll call was taken:

AYE: President Rummelhoff, Vice President Howard, members Ho, Mann, Song and Beauchman

NO: -none-

ABSTAIN: -none-

ABSENT: -none-

MOTION #1098-9 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-0.

Information Items

Model Schools Project

Louise Persson, Director, School Assistance Services gave a summary of the COE's Model Schools Projects which supports selected schools for the purpose of disseminating best instructional practices throughout the county and answered questions from the Board.

Pathfinder Update

Mr. Joe Fimiani, Assistant Superintendent, Student Services, provided an update on Pathfinder. Mr. Fimiani and Ms. Mitchell answered questions.

Human Resources Summary Report

Superintendent Wilcox provided an overview on the Human Resources Summary and Detail report and answered questions.

Elimination and Establishment of Positions

Superintendent Wilcox presented information on the elimination and establishment of positions and answered questions from the Board.

Board Committee Reports

Craig Mann

- Attended SCCOE@2010 Phase II Task Force meeting
- Attended Policy Development Subcommittee meeting

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County Board of Education Travel

T.N. Ho

- Attended the National School Boards Association annual conference

Leon Beauchman

- Attended a Junior Achievement dinner
- Attended a couple of meetings of the Santa Clara County Alliance for Black Educators and announced the annual student recognition event on April 29
- Attended a Women in Business luncheon – sponsored by the San Jose Chamber of Commerce

Jane Howard

- Met with Board President of Gilroy Unified School District
- Attended a Gilroy Rotary meeting which hosted foreign exchange students at Gilroy High School

Anna Song

- Attended the National School Boards Association annual conference

Gary Rummelhoff

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- Met with Gloria Higgins, Board President of Santa Clara County Schools Boards Association

Superintendent's Report

- Mock Trial Champions recognition event
- AVID Senior recognition event
- SCCSBA Charter Schools Forum

Disclosure of Items to be Discussed in Closed Session

President Rummelhoff reported that the Board will hold a Closed Session to consider the following items.

- A. Liability Claim
- B. An other matter for which the Board is of the opinion that significant exposure to litigation exists

Closed Session

The Board convened into Closed Session at 6:55 p.m.

OPEN SESSION – 7:05 pm

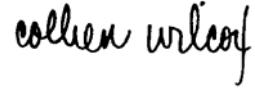
Report of Closed Session Actions

President Rummelhoff reported that, in the matter of Agenda Items 9.A. and 9.B., there was no reportable action.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "colleen wilcox". The signature is written in a cursive, lowercase style.

Colleen B. Wilcox, Ph.D., Superintendent
Ex-Officio Secretary

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