

SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

1290 Ridder Park Drive
San Jose, California 95131

APPROVED

Minutes of Regular Meeting #2010

San Jose Room

November 26, 2007

5:00 p.m.

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

The meeting was called to order by President Rummelhoff at 5:05 p.m.

Setting the Agenda

President Rummelhoff suggested that Study Action Item 7.A. *ACE Charter School Petition* be placed before Public Hearing 6.A. *Public Hearing on the Revision of the Bullis Charter School Charter*.

MOTION #2010-1 by Mr. Mann, seconded by Ms. Song, that the agenda be approved with the suggested amendment.

MOTION #2010-1 carried unanimously: 7-0-0-0

Pledge of Allegiance

President Rummelhoff asked Vice President Howard to lead the pledge of allegiance.

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

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

No one wished to address the Board at this time.

Consent Action Items

MOTION #2010-2 by Mr. Mann, seconded by Vice President Howard that the following Consent Action Items be approved:

- Request Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of November 7, 2007 (#2009)
- Request Approval to Submit Non-Competitive Grant for Enhancing Education Through Technology (EETT)

MOTION #2010-2 carried unanimously 7-0-0-0.

CHANGE IN AGENDA

Study Action Items

ACE Charter School Petition

Mr. Dick Noack, attorney from Hopkins & Carley, presented COE's staff report. Mr. Noack and Ms. Linda Aceves, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services, answered questions from the Board. (*resolution attached*)

The following individuals spoke in support of ACE Charter School:

- Mr. Greg Lippman, Petitioner, ACE Public School Network
- Ms. Linda Murray, Board Trustee, ACE
- Ms. Blanca Alvarado, County Supervisor
- Mr. Ryan Ford, representing Councilmember Nora Campos
- Father Frances Rios, Pastor, Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish
- Ms. Mary Dominguez, Parent
- Ms. Darcie Green, representing Office of Assemblymember Joe Coto
- Mr. Gustavo Gonzalez, Board Trustee, Alum Rock Union School District

The following individuals spoke against the ACE Charter School:

- Mr. Frank Chavez, Board Trustee, Alum Rock Union School District
- Mr. John Yeh, Attorney for ACE Charter School—Miller, Brown & Dannis
- Ms. Norma Martinez, Superintendent, Alum Rock Union School District
- Ms. Patricia Potter, Board Trustee, Alum Rock Union School District
- Mr. Abelardo Morales, Parent
- Ms. Tanya Freudenberger, Board President, Alum Rock Union School District

Board Members asked questions of both the Alum Rock Union School District and Petitioner.

MOTION #2010-3 by Mr. Mann, seconded by Ms. Song, that the Board conditionally approve the charter petition of ACE Charter School. Petitioners must submit the revised plans and policies to the Interim County Superintendent of Schools and obtain the approval of the Interim County Superintendent of Schools in the form of a signed MOU that incorporates the revised plans by April 1, 2008.

The following roll call vote was taken:

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

NOES: -none-

ABSTAIN: -none-

ABSENT: -none-

MOTION #2010-3 carried unanimously 7-0-0-0.

Recess

The Board broke for recess at 6:35 p.m. and reconvened at 6:48 p.m.

Public Hearing

Public Hearing on the Revision of the Bullis Charter School Charter

President Rummelhoff reviewed the process for the public hearing and opened the hearing for public comment.

Mr. Noack gave an overview of COE's staff report and answered questions.

The following petitioners from Bullis Charter School gave a presentation on the merits of their revision request:

- Ms. Ann Marie Gallagher, Board Trustee, Bullis Charter School
- Mr. Paul Minney, Attorney for Bullis Charter School–Spector, Middleton, Young & Minney
- Mr. Martin Neiman, Board Trustee, Bullis Charter School

The following representatives from the Los Altos School District gave a brief presentation on their opposition to the petition:

- Ms. Marilyn Cleveland, Attorney for District, Miller Brown and Dannis
- Mr. Mark Goines, Board Vice President
- Mr. David Pefley, Board Clerk

The following individuals spoke in support of the revision to the Bullis Charter School:

- Ms. Joan Mellea, Parent
- Mr. Chris Vargas, Parent

Mr. Bill Cooper, President of the Board of Los Altos School District, spoke against the revision to the Bullis Charter School.

Board members asked clarifying questions of both the petitioners and the school district.

Study Action Items

Bullis Charter School Charter Revision

Board members deliberated.

MOTION #2010-4 by Mr. Mann, seconded by Ms. Song that the Board approve the charter revision of Bullis Charter School. (*resolution attached*)

The following roll call vote was taken:

AYES: Vice President Howard, members Mann, Song, Ho and Beauchman

NOES: President Rummelhoff, member Mah

ABSTAIN: -none-

ABSENT: -none-

MOTION #2010-4 carried by a vote of 5-2-0-0.

Request Adoption of the Resolution to Transfer Territory

Ms. Suzanne Carrig, Senior Research Analyst, Center for Educational Planning, provided an overview of the proposal to transfer territory and answered questions from the Board. (*resolution attached*)

MOTION #2010-5 by Vice President Howard, seconded by Mr. Beauchman, that the Board approve the adoption of the resolution to transfer territory.

MOTION #2010-5 carried unanimously 7-0-0-0.

Ad Hoc Committee Recommendations on Search Firm for County Superintendent

Vice President Howard presented an overview of the request for proposals process for selecting a search firm for the County Superintendent position. The following search firms presented the merits of their service and answered questions from the Board: (*resolution attached*)

- Ms. Molly McGee Hewitt, Director, and Dr. Fernando Elisondo, Search Advisor—California School Boards Association (CSBA) Executive Search Services
- Ms. Gayle Alcama, Consultant—Hazard, Young and Attea
- Mr. Michael Caston, Partner, and Ms. Marty Butt—Leadership Associates

Ms. Ellen Wheeler, Board Trustee, Mountain View Whisman School District, spoke in favor of California School Boards Association.

Information Items

Board Committee Reports

T.N. Ho

- Attended an Ad Hoc Committee meeting to review request for proposals from search firms for the County Superintendent position

Grace Mah

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Jane Howard

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County Board of Education Reports

Anna Song

- Attended a Head Start Planning meeting

Gary Rummelhoff

- Attended a Fit for Learning Advisory Committee meeting
- Attended a People Acting in Community Together (PACT) Luncheon

Leon Beauchman

- Attended a People Acting in Community Together (PACT) Luncheon
- Attended a SEIU Local 521 meeting

Grace Mah

- Attended a People Acting in Community Together (PACT) Luncheon

T.N. Ho

- Attended a Cupertino Veterans' Memorial Dedication Ceremony
- Attended a fundraiser for Friends of Children with Special Needs

Craig Mann

- Attended an Evergreen Community Round Table meeting

Superintendent's Report

Interim Superintendent Fimiani will be forwarding his report to the Board later in the week.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Fimiani".

Joe Fimiani, Interim Superintendent
Ex-Officio Secretary

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