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

APPROVED
Minutes of Regular Meeting #1094
Board Room
February 21, 2007
5:00 p.m.

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

The meeting was called to order by President Rummelhoff at 5:07 p.m.

Setting the Agenda

MOTION #1094-1 by Ms. Howard, seconded by Ms. Song, that the agenda be approved as submitted.

MOTION #1094-1 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-0.

Pledge of Allegiance

President Rummelhoff asked Ms. Abby Sobrato, Board President, Walden West Foundation, to lead the pledge of allegiance.

Recognition of Walden West Foundation

Superintendent Wilcox presented an overview of facilities at Walden West and President Rummelhoff discussed the efforts of the Walden West Foundation. Ms. Sobrato and Ms. Mary Lacerte accepted a plaque and certificates on behalf of the Walden West Foundation in recognition for their leadership and financial contributions. Slides of the construction site were shared with the audience.

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

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

Ms. Rose Filicetti, Santa Clara County School Boards Association, introduced herself and expressed an interest in applying for the board vacancy in Trustee Area 1.
Consent Action Items

Mr. Mann requested corrections to his travel report. East Side Union High School District read as “Eastside” and should have read “East Side”. Under the third bullet point, “and FCMAT” should be deleted.

MOTION #1094-2 by Mr. Ho, seconded by Ms. Song, that the following Consent Action Items be approved with noted changes:

- Request Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of February 7, 2007 (#1093)
- Request Approval of Purchase Order Exceeding $100,000

MOTION #1094-2 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-0.

Public Hearing

Public Hearing and Sunshine on the Initial Proposal from the Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 715 Classified Substitute Workers to the County Superintendent of Schools

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

No one wished to address the Board at this time.

Public Hearing and Action

Bullis Charter School Renewal

President Rummelhoff opened the hearing and presented a brief statement on the charter petition. Superintendent Wilcox presented an explanation of the proposed options and Dr. Porter Sexton presented staff’s report.

The following petitioner gave a presentation on the qualities of Bullis Charter School:

- Ken Moore, Board Chair, Bullis Charter School

The following individuals spoke in support of a 5-year renewal for Bullis Charter School:

- Chris Vargas, parent, Bullis Charter School
- Kira Vargas, student, Bullis Charter School
- Bob Elson, board member, Bullis Charter School
- Lee Garverick, parent, Bullis Charter School
- Anna Garverick, parent, Bullis Charter School
- Joan Mellea, parent, Bullis Charter School
- Charlotte Hill, teacher, Bullis Charter School
- Andrea Valdez, teacher, Bullis Charter School
- Sara Hunt, teacher, Bullis Charter School
- Marianna Whaley, teacher, Bullis charter School
• Carolyn Lau, former student, Bullis Charter School
• Mansour Moussavian, parent, Bullis Charter School
• Lisa Corr, petitioner’s attorney, Law offices of Spector, Middleton, Young & Minney
• Josh Newman, President, Ed Tec
• Nora Yam, parent, Bullis Charter School
• Alexis Hamilton, parent, Bullis Charter School
• Doreen Shrivastava, parent, Bullis Charter School
• Fred Gallagher, parent, Bullis Charter School
• Anne Marie Gallagher, parent, Bullis Charter School
• Annie Leung, parent, Bullis Charter School
• Linda Ma, Occupational Therapist, Bullis Charter School
• Andrea Eyering, parent, Bullis Charter School
• Bob Kamanger, parent, Bullis Charter School
• Nick Driver, General Manager, California Charter Schools Association
• Toby Favard, parent, Bullis Charter School
• John Bovaird, parent, Bullis Charter School
• Pauline de Visser, parent, Bullis Charter School
• Valerie Lauterbach, parent, Bullis Charter School
• Mark de Visser, parent, Bullis Charter School
• Sanjay Uppal, parent, Bullis Charter School

Recess

The Board recessed at 9:05 p.m. and reconvened at 9:15 p.m.

Board members deliberated and asked clarifying questions from staff.

MOTION #1094-3 by Mr. Mann, there was no second. Motion failed for lack of a second.

MOTION #1094-4 by Mr. Beauchman, seconded by Vice President Howard that the Board approve the 5 Year Charter Renewal contingent of successful completion of the MOU with the three points.

MOTION #1094-5 by Mr. Ho, seconded by Ms. Song that the Board approve an amendment to the main Motion #1094-4 by deleting Item #1 The admission preferences for students who reside in the former attendance area of Bullis-Purissima Elementary School are removed from the proposed charter document and from the Student Recruitment and Enrollment Plan.

The following roll call vote was taken:
AYE: Vice President Howard, members Ho and Song
NO: President Rummelhoff, members Beauchman and Mann
ABSTAIN: -none-
ABSENT: -none-

MOTION #1094-5 failed by a vote of 3-3-0-0.
Discussion was held on the main Motion #1094-4.

The following roll call vote was taken:

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

NO: -none-

ABSTAIN: -none-

ABSENT: -none-

MOTION #1094-4 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-0.

CHANGE IN AGENDA

Study Action Items

Revocation of Pathfinder

Superintendent Wilcox explained the reasoning behind the revocation decision of Pathfinder and answered questions from the Board.

MOTION #1094-6 by Mr. Mann, seconded by Mr. Beauchman, that the Board adopt the resolution revoking the Pathfinder High School charter. *(Resolution attached.)*

The following roll call vote was taken:

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

NO: -none-

ABSTAIN: -none-

ABSENT: -none-

MOTION #1094-6 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-0

Resolution to Extend Employment

This item was tabled for the March 7 board meeting. Board members requested that East Side Union High School District staff attend the meeting to further explain the resolution.

Approval of Monthly Financial Report, Budget Revisions for the period ending December 31, 2006

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

MOTION #1094-7 by Mr. Ho, seconded by Vice President Howard that the Monthly Financial Report, Budget Revisions for the Period Ending December 31, 2006 be approved.

MOTION #1094-7 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-0.
Approval of Resolution in Support of March 4-10, 2007 as Week of the School Administrator

Superintendent Wilcox presented a summary of the resolution supporting March 4-10 as Week of the School Administrator. (Resolution attached.)

MOTION #1094-8 by Mr. Mann, seconded by Mr. Ho that the Resolution in Support of March 4-10, 2007 as Week of the School Administrator be approved.

The following roll call vote was taken:
AYE: President Rummelhoff, Vice President Howard, members Mann, Song, Ho and Beauchman
NO: -none-
ABSTAIN: -none-
ABSENT: -none-

MOTION #1094-8 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-0.

Approval of Proposed Process and Timeline for Filling Board Vacancy

Superintendent Wilcox discussed the Proposed Process and Timeline for Filling Board Vacancy and answered questions from the Board.

MOTION #1094-9 by Mr. Mann, seconded by Ms. Song that the Board approve requested action #1 which is to fill the Board vacancy through an appointment process. Approval of the time line will be decided at the Board committee meeting.

MOTION #1094-9 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-0.

Request Approval to Carryover Head Start Funds to Program Year 2007-2008

MOTION #1094-10 by Mr. Ho, seconded by Mr. Mann that the Board approve to carryover Head Start funds to program year 2007-2008.

MOTION #1094-10 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-0.

Request Approval of Purchase Order Exceeding $250,000

MOTION #1094-11 by Mr. Mann, seconded by Vice President Howard that the Purchase Order Exceeding $250,000 be approved.

MOTION #1094-11 carried by a vote of 6-0-0-0.
Information Items

Establishment and Elimination of Positions

Ms. Laura Kidwiler, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources presented information on the establishment and elimination of positions and answered questions from the Board.

Board Committee Reports

Jane Howard
- Attended a Joint Committee on Child Care meeting
- Attended the Budget Study Committee meeting

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County Board of Education Travel

Craig Mann
- Attended an Evergreen School District Board meeting

Anna Song
- Attended a Head Start Self-Assessment process
- Attended a Warmenhoven Institute for Inclusion Advisory Board meeting

Jane Howard
- Visited MACSA El Portal Leadership Academy High School

Leon Beauchman
- Attended Senator Elaine Alquist’s Women’s Health Forum

Gary Rummelhoff
- Has been working with Superintendent Wilcox on the upcoming Board Retreat
Superintendent’s Report

- Board of Supervisors Meeting
- Management Audit of the Santa Clara County Probation Department
- Alternative Schools

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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RESOLUTION REVOKING THE CHARTER OF PATHFINDER HIGH SCHOOL CHARTER SCHOOL

RESOLUTION NO. 1094-1

RESOLVED by the Santa Clara County Board of Education, County of Santa Clara, State of California, that:

WHEREAS, pursuant to the procedures set forth in Education Code section 47605.6 and its implementing regulations, on January 19, 2005, the County Board of Education approved the charter for Pathfinder High School Charter School for a period of three operational school years, from July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2008; and

WHEREAS, on January 11, 2007 the board of directors of Pathfinder High School Charter School voted to close the school effective January 31, 2007, and on January 31, 2007 the school closed and ceased to operate, and has remained closed since that date; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Clara County Office of Education has taken custody of the student records and personnel records from the school, and has ensured appropriate educational placements for the students from the school;

NOW, THEREFORE, the County Board of Education does hereby REVOKE the charter of Pathfinder High School Charter School, effective March 1, 2007.

Passed and adopted by the Santa Clara County Board of Education at a meeting held on this 21st day of February, 2007, by the following vote:

AYES: President Rummelhoff, Vice President Howard, members Beauchman, Ho, Song and Mann
NOES: -none-
ABSTENTIONS: -none-
ABSENT: -none-

Colleen B. Wilcox, Ph.D.  Gary Rummelhoff
Ex-Officio Secretary  President
County Superintendent of Schools  Santa Clara County Board of Education
RESOLUTION
RECOGNIZING March 4-10, 2007
AS
WEEK OF THE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR

SANTA CLARA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

RESOLUTION No. 1094-2

WHEREAS, leadership matters for California’s public education system and the more than 6 million students it serves;

WHEREAS, school administrators are passionate, lifelong learners who believe in the value of quality public education, and

WHEREAS, the title “school administrator” is a broad term used to define many education leadership posts. Superintendents, assistant superintendents, principals, assistant principals, special education and adult education leaders, curriculum and assessment leaders, school business officials, classified educational leaders, and other school district employees are considered administrators; and

WHEREAS, providing quality service for student success is paramount for the profession; and

WHEREAS, public schools operate with lean management systems. Across the nation, public schools employ fewer managers and supervisors than most public and private sector industries including transportation, food service, manufacturing, utilities, construction, publishing and public administration; and

WHEREAS, the State of California has declared the first full week of March as the “Week of the School Administrator” in Education Code 44015.1; and

WHEREAS, the future of California’s public education system depends upon the quality of its leadership; now therefore

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Santa Clara County Board of Education hereby proclaims the week of March 4-10, 2007, as the “Week of the School Administrator” in honor of the many outstanding contributions and services provided by the administrative teams in the Santa Clara County Office of Education; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the administrators and confidential employees of the Santa Clara County Office of Education be commended for their support of and contributions to quality education in the county, region, and state.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Education at a meeting held on February 21, 2007 by the following vote:

AYES: President Rummelhoff, Vice President Howard, members Ho, Beauchman, Mann and Song
NOES: -none-
ABSTAIN: -none-
ABSENT: -none-

Signed by:

Colleen B. Wilcox, Ph.D.
County Superintendent of Schools

Gary Rummelhoff, President
Santa Clara County Board of Education