

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
333 South Beaudry, Board Room and
via teleconference, Sheraton Midtown Atlanta Hotel
188 14th Street, NE, Atlanta, GA 30361
10 a.m., Tuesday, February 27, 2007

The Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles, acting as the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District, met in regular session on Tuesday, February 27, 2007, at the Los Angeles City Board of Education Administrative Offices, Board Room, 333 South Beaudry, Los Angeles, California, and via teleconference from Atlanta, Georgia.

President Marlene Canter called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

The following Members were present: Ms. Mónica García, Ms. Julie Korenstein, Mr. Jon Lauritzen, Mr. David Tokofsky, and President Marlene Canter. Ms. Marguerite P. LaMotte arrived at 10:15 a.m. and Mr. Mike Lansing joined the meeting via teleconference at 5:12 p.m.

Mr. Lauritzen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INSPIRATIONAL MOMENT

Ms. Canter welcomed Ms. Kelly Kane, Founder and Executive Director of Westchester Playa Education Foundation (WPEF). Ms. Kane provided the Board with background regarding the history and mission of the organization. WPEF was established by Parents Achieving Results Together (P.A.R.T.) in 2005 and conducted its first community meeting April 2005. WPEF is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the enhancement and advocacy of public schools in the Westchester and Playa del Rey area. Through the leadership efforts of the Foundation in fundraising, researching, developing and the marketing public schools, long-term partnerships are being built with educators, families, local government, and the business community to strengthen area schools from kindergarten through high school.

Ms. Kane responded to questions from Board Members regarding feeder groups, academies, and small learning communities.

SUPERINTENDENT'S INSTRUCTIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

WEBUILD AND ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS

Mr. Guy Mehula, Chief Facilities Executive, gave the Board an overview of the WeBuild Program. In recognition of the size and complexity of the District's school construction program, the Board of Education entered into a Project Stabilization Agreement (PSA) to ensure labor stability and to maximize local economic benefits through a 50% Local Worker participation goal. This ambitious Local Worker participation objective is the guiding principle for the WeBuild Program. The WeBuild Program provides local District residents with an opportunity to enroll in a comprehensive, ten-week or 300 hour pre-apprenticeship training program offered at eight Division of Adult & Career Education Occupational and Skills Centers. Upon completion, WeBuild graduates are competitively positioned for placement on a District construction project through its contractors and the trade unions.

Following Mr. Mehula, Ms. Veronica Soto, Director, Contractor Relations and Small Business Program, gave an overview of the District's Architectural and Engineering Internship Program. The program's mission is to engage, expose, and challenge District high school youth to explore architecture, engineering, and construction as career opportunities by capitalizing on the District's ownership of the nation's largest school construction and renovation program. The District matches student interns with Los Angeles architecture, engineering, and construction management firms, in addition to construction companies and labor trade unions to ensure maximum exposure to the construction industry.

Mr. Mehula and Ms. Soto responded to questions from Board Members regarding capacity, process, funding, recruitment, and access.

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President Canter modified the Order of Business.

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF DISTRICT'S INITIAL NEGOTIATING PROPOSAL

President Canter made the following statement:

An opportunity is now given to those individuals who have requested to address the Board on the District's Initial Proposal to the California School Employees Association (CSEA).

There were no speakers.

A final opportunity to speak to the initial negotiating proposals will be given at the Regular Board Meeting on March 13, 2007, to be held in the Board Room. To be placed on the speakers' list, individuals may call the Board Secretariat at Area Code (213) 241-7002 or toll free at (877) 772-6273, ext. 128, prior to 5 p.m. the Monday before the meeting or sign up at the time of the meeting.

Mr. Kevin Reed, General Counsel, responded to questions from Board Members regarding re-opener agreements and compensation.

RECEIPT OF REPORTS FOR ACTION AT THE NEXT MEETING

Board of Education Report No. 230 – 06/07, Agreements and Amendments: Assigned to Regular Calendar

Mr. Tokofsky requested a review from the Office of the Inspector General regarding a specific contract.

Board of Education Report No. 239 – 06/07, Ratification of Actions Taken by the Office of the General Counsel: Assigned to Consent Calendar

Mr. Tokofsky requested information regarding the settlement agreements for the Vaughn and Fenton Charter Schools.

Board of Education Report No. 240 – 06/07 –This item was withdrawn prior to the meeting.

Board of Education Report No. 242 – 06/07, Naming of West Adams Preparatory High School:
Assigned to Consent Calendar

REGULAR CALENDAR

BOARD OF EDUCATION REVISED REPORT NO. 219 – 06/07
Proposal to Amend Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan for Projects at Various Schools

Mr. Tokofsky moved that the report be adopted. Ms. García seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Mr. Lansing was absent.

Later in the meeting, Mr. Lansing recorded an aye vote on the report.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 220 – 06/07
Contract Actions and Professional Services Contracts

Ms. Korenstein moved that the report be adopted. Mr. Lauritzen seconded the motion.

Mr. Mark Hovatter, Director, Facilities Contracts, Mr. Mehula, and Superintendent Brewer responded to questions from Board Members regarding contractor’s review, selection process, disclosure, potential conflict of interest, filling of positions, change orders, delegated authority, full disclosure, safeguards, Board process, timeline, options, minority and small business components.

Following discussion, Mr. Tokofsky moved that the report be amended to postpone action on all items on Attachment B, Professional Services Contracts. Mr. Lauritzen seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Mr. Lansing was absent.

By general consent, the report, as amended, was adopted. Mr. Lansing was absent.

Later in the meeting, Mr. Lansing recorded an aye vote on the amended report.

SPECIAL REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

MS. CLAUDIA PATTON WAGNER

Ms. LaMotte led a recognition of Mr. Rory Kaufman and his mother, Ms. Claudia Patton Wagner, for their many years of service to the District. On behalf of the Board, Ms. LaMotte presented Mr. Kaufman and Ms. Wagner with Certificates of Appreciation.

Mr. Kaufman and Ms. Wagner thanked the Board.

ACADEMIC DECATHLON TEAMS

Mr. Tokofsky welcomed the Academic Decathlon coaches and team members from Garfield and Marshall High Schools. Mr. Larry Welsh, Marshall coach, introduced the members of the team. Team members shared their future plans with Board Members. Next, Mr. John Bennett and Ms. Lucy Romero, Garfield coaches, introduced the members of their team, who also shared their future plans with the Board. Following the introductions, a member from each team presented their speech from the competition.

On behalf of the Board, Mr. Tokofsky congratulated the teams on making it to the State finals and presented the teams with Certificates of Recognition.

BOARD MEMBERS RESOLUTIONS

Action

Deacon Hosea M. Alexander, Sr., addressed the Board on the following resolution regarding Magnet Programs, which was assigned to the Curriculum and Instruction and Educational Equity Committee and postponed to the Regular Board meeting of March 13, 2007:

Whereas, the Los Angeles Unified School District has one of the most successful magnet programs in the nation;

Whereas the waitlists for magnets each year exceed spaces available;

Whereas, the choices provided by magnets alleviate the harms of racial isolation; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District receive alternative plans and their costs and benefits by April 15 to expand the number of magnets and or magnet seats through general funds, re-allotment of TIIG Funds, or closure and transfer of the lowest performing magnets to new sites;

Resolved further, That the Board receive plans by April 15 to alleviate the bottleneck at middle school magnets due to the comparable lack of seats with respect to elementary and high school magnets;

Resolved, That the Board receive District data on the number of classrooms in magnets that are not filled to District norms and what plans are in progress to fill those in the years ahead;

Resolved further, That the Board receive the costs and spans of control of the magnet coordinators and their place in the structure of magnets; and be it finally

Resolved, That the Board receive the comprehensive future plans and budgets for the magnets in District.

CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Jefferson Crain, Executive Officer of the Board, announced the following items would be discussed in closed session:

1. Conference with Labor Negotiator (Government Code § 54957.6)

Negotiator: Superintendent Brewer

Employee Organizations:

Associated Administrators of Los Angeles
California School Employees Association
Los Angeles City and County School Employees' Union (SEIU Local 99)
Los Angeles County Building and Construction Trades Council
Los Angeles School Police Officers Association
Los Angeles School Police Sergeants and Lieutenants Association
Teamsters
United Teachers Los Angeles
District Represented Employees and Contract Management Personnel

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The Board recessed the public portion of the meeting at 12:15 p.m.
Closed session discussion began at 12:31 p.m. and ended at 1:42 p.m.
Mr. Lansing was absent during the closed portion of the meeting.

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The Board reconvened the public portion of the meeting at 1:57 p.m. The following Board Members were present: Ms. García, Mr. Lauritzen, Mr. Tokofsky and President Canter. Ms. Korenstein, Ms. LaMotte and Mr. Lansing were absent.

Mr. Crain announced there were no reportable actions.

REGULAR CALENDAR (continued)

BOARD OF EDUCATION REVISED REPORT NO. 226 – 06/07
Amendment to New Construction Strategic Execution Plan to Authorize Use of Measure K, R, and Y
Joint-Use Funds at Glassell Park Elementary Early Education Center

The following speakers addressed the Board on the report:

Ms. Laura Gutierrez, Glassell Park Improvement Association
Ms. Alisa Smith
Hon. Jackie Goldberg, California State Assemblymember

Mr. Tokofsky moved that the report be adopted. Ms. Korenstein seconded the motion.

Mr. Ron Bagel, Director, Real Estate Branch, and Ms. Susan Kline, Project Manager, Real Estate Branch, responded to questions from Board Members regarding ownership, community support, joint-use, leases, and marketing plans.

After discussion and by general consent, the report was adopted. Mr. Lansing was absent.

Mr. Blayne Sutton Wills, Southern California Association of Non-Profit Housing, thanked the Board for their support of the project.

Later in the meeting, Mr. Lansing recorded an aye vote on the report.

RECEIPT OF REPORTS FOR ACTION AT THE NEXT MEETING (continued)

Board of Education Report No. 237 – 06/07, Fenton Primary Center Charter Petition: Assigned to Consent Calendar

Mr. Gregory McNair, Chief Administrative Officer, Charter Schools Division, addressed the Board on the report.

Ms. Irene Sumida, Director, Fenton Avenue School, also addressed the Board.

Board of Education Report No. 238 – 06/07, Santa Monica Boulevard Charter School Renewal: Assigned to Regular Calendar

Mr. McNair addressed the Board on the report and responded to questions from Board Members regarding options and recommendations.

Board of Education Report No. 243 – 06/07, Animo College Preparatory Charter High School Nos. 1, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12: Assigned to Regular Calendar

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Mr. Tokofsky recused himself from the item and left the room.

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Mr. McNair responded to questions from Board Members regarding independent charters and assessment data.

Ms. Korenstein and Ms. LaMotte requested demographic and statistical information from the five schools surrounding Jefferson High School.

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President Canter resumed the Order of Business.

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STUDENT INPUT

Ms. Amanda Dominguez, Student Body President, began her presentation describing to the Board the transformations taking place on the Banning High School campus as they implement small learning communities. Ms. Dominguez shared that there are many activities available to Banning students, including participation in over 30 student groups and clubs. A major accomplishment for Banning has been a 6% increase in graduation rates. Ms. Dominguez also voiced campus concerns to the Board, including delays in building a stadium, vandalism, and food selection in the cafeteria.

Student Body President Jessica Smith from Carson High School thanked the Board Members for the opportunity to address them. Student Leadership at Carson High is focused on building student morale through various campus events, including pep rallies. Students are excited about the upcoming implementation of small learning communities.

Gardena High School's Student Body President, Ms. Cherrelle Harris, began her presentation informing the Board of campus accomplishments, such as a 28 point increase in API scores. Ms. Harris talked about the many programs, events, and activities available to students at Gardena High School. Students and teachers are currently preparing for a Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) accreditation visit. Ms. Harris also spoke about campus concerns, including graffiti, overcrowded restrooms, and the lack of heating in the gymnasium.

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President Canter modified the Order of Business.

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PUBLIC HEARING

President Canter made the following statement:

An opportunity is now given to those individuals who have requested to address the Board on the submission of the Academia Semillas del Pueblo Charter School charter renewal.

This constitutes a public hearing on the renewal, and those individuals who wish to address the Board on this item will be heard. Anyone who wishes to speak to the item should go to the recording booth at the back of the Board Room and fill out a speaker's card. Those individuals will be heard after the speakers already on the list.

The following speakers addressed the Board:

Mr. John Fernandez, Latino Movement USA
Hon. Jackie Goldberg, California State Assemblymember
Ms. Amy Cooper, Office of City Councilmember Jose Huizar
Ms. Iris Miranda, Office of State Senator Gilbert Cedillo
Ms. Paule Cruz Takash, Los Angeles City Commissioner
Mr. Marcos Aguilar, Director, Academia Semillas del Pueblo Charter School
Ms. Minnie Ferguson, Director, Academia Semillas del Pueblo Charter School

Ms. Nicole Nida, Student, Academia Semillas del Pueblo Charter School
Ms. Christina Hackett, Teacher, Academia Semillas del Pueblo Charter School
Mr. Leo Rocha, Student, Academia Semillas del Pueblo Charter School
Ms. Isabel Correa, Parent, Academia Semillas del Pueblo Charter School
Mr. Terry Drea, Parent, Academia Semillas del Pueblo Charter School
Dr. Reynaldo Macias (videotaped message)
Mr. Tim Watkins
Ms. Silvia de la Riva
Ms. Jacqueline Duvivier

Mr. Rudolf Neuhaus, Senior Educational Research Analyst, Program Evaluation and Research Branch, Mr. Aguilar, Ms. Anne Bickel, Program and Research, WestEd, and Ms. Ferguson responded to questions from Board Members regarding data collection, challenges, comparisons, analyses, funding proposals, assessment tools, and recommendations.

The following speakers also addressed the Board:

Ms. Joyce Dillard
Mr. Nativo Lopez, Mexican American Political Association
Ms. Celia Brugman, William C. Velasquez Institute

This item will come to the Regular Board meeting of March 13, 2007 as a “Receipt” item.

REGULAR CALENDAR (continued)

BOARD OF EDUCATION REVISED REPORT NO. 222 – 06/07 Relocation Plan for Seven Proposed South and Central Region Schools

Ms. García moved that the report be adopted. Mr. Lauritzen seconded the motion.

Mr. Terrence Fennessy, Director, Acquisition and Relocations, and Mr. Dan Isaacs, Chief Operating Officer, responded to questions from Board Members regarding the preferred site, notification of property owners, and interviews.

After discussion and by general consent, the report was adopted. Ms. García and Mr. Lansing were absent.

Later in the meeting, Ms. García and Mr. Lansing recorded aye votes on the report.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REVISED REPORT NO. 218 – 06/07 Agreements and Amendments

Ms. LaMotte moved that the report be adopted with the amendment to add pages 13, 14, and 15. Mr. Lauritzen seconded the motion.

Mr. Reed responded to questions from Board Members regarding legal firms.

After discussion and by general consent, the report was adopted as amended. Ms. García and Mr. Lansing were absent.

Later in the meeting, Ms. García and Mr. Lansing recorded aye votes on the report.

Ms. Marlene Wong, Director, Crisis Counseling, and Ms. Pia Escudero, Coordinator, Crisis Counseling, responded to questions from Board Members regarding grant funding, approvals, service area, and training programs for the Trauma Services Adaptation Center.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 227 – 06/07

Notice of Release/Reassignment for Certificated, Management, Supervisory, Confidential Employees, Staff Counsel, and Certificated and Classified Contract Management Employees

Ms. LaMotte moved that the report be adopted. Mr. Tokofsky seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. García and Mr. Lansing were absent.

Later in the meeting, Ms. García and Mr. Lansing recorded aye votes on the report.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 228 – 06/07

Memorandum of Understanding Between the Los Angeles Unified School District and the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee

Mr. Lauritzen moved that the report be adopted. Mr. Tokofsky seconded the motion.

Mr. Jess Womack, Deputy General Counsel, Ms. Maribel Medina, Special Counsel to the Board, and Mr. Reed responded to questions from Board Members regarding changes to the Memorandum of Understanding, Office of Inspector General audits, appointment authority, and relationship with the Bond Oversight Committee.

After discussion and by general consent, the report was adopted. Mr. Lansing was absent.

Later in the meeting, Mr. Lansing recorded an aye vote on the report.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 229 – 06/07

Memorandum of Understanding Between the Los Angeles Unified School District and United Teachers Los Angeles (UTLA) for Belmont Pilot Schools Network Agreement

The following speakers addressed the Board:

Ms. Cris Gutierrez, Civitas Sol
Ms. Angela Sambrano, Central American Resource Center
Mr. Dennis Odrogo, Civitas Sol
Ms. Carmen Martinez
Ms. Cynthia Thompson
Mr. A. J. Duffy, President of United Teachers Los Angeles (UTLA)
Ms. Jeanne Fauci, Wildwood Outreach Center
Ms. Karen Hunter Quartz
Mr. Marvin Andrade, Central American Resource Center
Belmont Leadership Student

Ms. Esther Solimon
Ms. Katalyn Stayzer
Ms. Cheina Perez

Superintendent Brewer and Mr. Richard Alonzo, District 4 Superintendent, responded to questions from Board Members regarding lead teachers, RFP process, curriculum, periodic assessment, and standards, and accountability.

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Mr. Lansing joined the meeting via telephone at 5:12 p.m.

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Ms. García moved that the report be adopted with an amendment to substitute the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the final signed MOU. Mr. Lauritzen seconded the motion.

Mr. Alonzo, Ms. Kathi Littman, Staff Executive, Office of the Superintendent, and Ms. Linda Del Cueto, Office of Staff Relations, responded to questions from Board Members regarding goals, negotiation team, RFP review and process, Boston pilot schools, school sizes, and metrics.

Following discussion and on roll call, the report, as amended, was adopted 6 ayes. Ms. Korenstein was absent.

DIRECTS

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 233 – 06/07 Student Expulsion Issues

Ms. Araceli Figueroa addressed the Board regarding Case No. 113-06/07.

Mr. Lauritzen moved that the report be adopted. Ms. LaMotte seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. García, Ms. Korenstein and Mr. Lansing were absent.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 234 – 06/07 Student Reinstatements

Ms. LaMotte moved that the report be adopted. Mr. Lauritzen seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. García, Ms. Korenstein and Mr. Lansing were absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following speakers addressed the Board on the subject indicated:

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| Dr. John Fernandez, Latino Movement USA | American Vision U.S. History Textbook |
| Ms. Sandra Martinez | Dahlia Heights Elementary School |
| Mr. George Garrett | Ganging Up On Gangs |

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President Canter resumed the Order of Business.

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REPORT POSTPONED FROM REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF FEBRUARY 13, 2007

BOARD OF EDUCATION REVISED REPORT NO. 213 – 06/07
Discipline Foundation Policy: School-Wide Positive Behavior Support

The following speakers addressed the Board on the report:

Mr. A. J. Duffy, UTLA
Mr. Mark Wilkins
Mr. Andy Viscarra
Ms. Frances Rosenberg
Ms. Lorena Jaramillo
Ms. Naomi Haywood, Community Asset Development Redefining Education (CADRE)
Ms. Kate Beaudet
Ms. Maria Gonzalez, CADRE
Ms. Josanna DeSantiago
Ms. Felicia Jones, Los Angeles Metropolitan Churches
Ms. Rudy Nieves, L.A. Bridges
Ms. Laura Faer, Attorney (read statement from Professor Russell Skiva)
Mr. Michael Hopwood, Local District 7

Ms. LaMotte moved that the report be adopted. Ms. García seconded the motion.

Ms. Nancy Franklin, Coordinator, Behavior Support, responded to questions from Board Members regarding the policy, implementation plans, and budget.

After discussion and by general consent, the report was adopted. Ms. Korenstein and Mr. Lansing were absent.

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President Canter modified the Order of Business.

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DIRECTS (continued)

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 235 – 06/07
Nonroutine Personnel Actions

The following speakers addressed the Board on the report:

Ms. Jacqueline Paquette
Ms. Pamela Gibberman
Mr. Warren Fletcher

Ms. García moved that the report be adopted. Ms. LaMotte seconded the motion.

Ms. Medina, Mr. Isaacs, Ms. Naomi Suenaka, Administrator, Office of Staff Relations, responded to questions from Board Members regarding performance evaluations and the possible effects of delaying the vote on the report.

President Canter suggested that the report be amended by withdrawing Item 2, Employee No. 281923, which was accepted by the mover and the seconder as a friendly amendment.

Mr. Robert Fisher, Director, Employee Relations, responded to questions from Board Members regarding probationary teachers and the Education Code requirements.

After discussion and by general consent, the report, as amended, was adopted. Ms. Korenstein, Mr. Lansing, and Mr. Lauritzen were absent.

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President Canter resumed the Order of Business.

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BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 232 – 06/07
Various Purchasing Transactions

Ms. García moved that the report be adopted. Ms. LaMotte seconded the motion.

Mr. Dennis Barrett, Director, Food Services, and Mr. Jack Kelanic, Deputy Director, Information Systems, responded to questions from Board Members regarding food services contracts, consulting fees, and costs.

Mr. Tokofsky suggested that the report be amended by withdrawing Exhibit A, Sabia Enterprises, LLC, which was accepted by the mover and the seconder as a friendly amendment.

After discussion and by general consent the report, as amended, was adopted. Ms. Korenstein, Mr. Lansing, and Mr. Lauritzen were absent.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 236 – 06/07
Routine Personnel Actions

Ms. García moved that the report be adopted. Mr. Lauritzen seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. Korenstein, Ms. LaMotte, and Mr. Lansing were absent.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 241 – 06/07
Report of Warrants Issued, Request to Reissue Stale Dated Warrants, and Donation of Money

Ms. García moved that the report be adopted. Mr. Tokofsky seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. Korenstein, Ms. LaMotte and Mr. Lansing were absent.

BOARD MEMBERS RESOLUTIONS (Continued)

Action

Mr. Lauritzen moved the following resolution regarding the Purchase of 46 Light Lift Gate Buses:

Whereas, Los Angeles Unified School District bus drivers have an excellent record of safely transporting its students;

Whereas, Through the Transportation Capacity Motion, the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District previously stated its interest in accelerating the balance between District and contractor run bus routes to transport students;

Whereas, Currently, District routes consist of 46% of the total overall routes in service;

Whereas, The District overly relies on contractors to transport 75% of the light lift gate bus routes;

Whereas, The District conducted a survey of the bus yards and determined 46 stalls are available to park additional light buses;

Whereas, The District has the opportunity to purchase the additional buses at a substantial savings if purchased together with the Measure Y Bus Replacement Purchase; and

Whereas, Purchasing 46 additional buses will maximize the use of District resources, bring the Transportation Branch closer to an even distribution between contract and District routes, and reduce reliance on contract services; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District directs the Superintendent of Schools to facilitate the purchase 46 additional new light lift buses so that in fiscal year 2008-09 46 contract lift routes will be converted to District operated routes.

Ms. García seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. Korenstein, Ms. LaMotte, and Mr. Lansing were absent.

Mr. Tokofsky's resolution regarding Life Skills Course was assigned to the School Safety, Student Health and Human Services and Human Relations Committee and was postponed to the Regular Board Meeting of March 13, 2007.

Resolved, That the Los Angeles Unified School District add a third year of either science or social studies to the 9-12 high school requirements by replacing courses that do not require reading as part of their curriculum.

Mr. Tokofsky's resolution regarding Developer Fees was assigned to the Audit, Business, and Technology Committee and was postponed to the Regular Board Meeting of March 13, 2007.

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District receive public quarterly reports of monies collected as Impact Fees by city jurisdictions as well as council districts of Los Angeles; and be it

Resolved further, That the Board receive public quarterly reports of Impact fee's expended by projects.

Mr. Tokofsky's resolution regarding Grand Avenue Authority was withdrawn.

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District receive legal advice in Closed Session regarding the fiscal impacts and litigation alternatives concerning the Grand Avenue Authority.

Initial Announcements

Ms. García – Support of Feria del Libro:

Whereas, The Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District pursues collaboration with teachers, parents, community members, and civic leaders to achieve higher levels of student academic performance;

Whereas, Academic achievement is dependent on proficiency in all aspects of literacy, and in particular, in the reading ability of students;

Whereas, Reading books after school and on weekends is a desirable habit that translates into love for reading, improved reading skills and academic achievement;

Whereas, Many students who attend the District schools do not have reading material in their homes and their communities lack access to bookstores and libraries;

Whereas, A culture of literacy and high achievement must be a shared responsibility of families, schools, and communities; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District promotes and supports the Million Word Challenge to encourage students to read millions of words "beyond the bell;"

Resolved further, That the Board collaborates with the City of Los Angeles, Families in Schools (FIS), the Alliance for a Better Community (ABC), the Boyle Heights Learning Collaborative (BHLC), La Opinión, Telemundo, the Disney Company, Washington Mutual Bank, Target, and other partners and sponsors in the "5th Annual "Feria del Libro: A Family Book Fair" to be held on June 2, 2007;

Resolved further, That the Board, the Superintendent, and his designated staff collaborate in the planning and implementation of the Million Word Challenge and the “Feria del Libro: A Family Book Fair” so that students can purchase quality books from diverse book vendors, participate in literacy-based activities, and begin to develop book buying and ownership habits as an investment in their future, nurturing a life long appetite for books and for reading; and be it finally

Resolved, That the Superintendent directs central office, Local District, and school site staff to support and participate in this event, and to inform and invite students and their families to participate in all related activities.

Ms. García, Ms. Korenstein – Affirm Commitment to Spirit and Intent of the Project Stabilization Agreement:

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District is engaged in a \$19.3 billion construction program, which is one of the largest and most ambitious construction programs in the nation;

Whereas, The District needs support from the local contracting community and local unions to accomplish the goals of building new schools and improving existing facilities to provide sufficient facilities and technologies to properly educate the children within the District’s boundaries;

Whereas, The Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District entered into a Project Stabilization Agreement (PSA) in 2003 with local building and construction unions to ensure labor harmony, provide uniform labor relations, prevent work stoppages or slowdowns, encourage contracting with small business, hire local workers when possible, provide a sufficient supply of skilled craft persons and establish a standardized grievance/dispute resolution;

Whereas, These goals are an essential element of the partnership that the Board and District have labored to build and strengthen through adoption of the Project Stabilization Agreement and any deliberate actions which violate the spirit and intent of the PSA must be seen as the most serious challenge to the integrity of the District’s commitment to its stated goals and objectives, and dealt with accordingly;

Whereas, Contractors performing work on District projects who engage in conduct contrary to, not only the letter, but the spirit and intent of the PSA, and are, among other things, jeopardizing the District’s ability to provide a sufficient supply of skilled craft persons on its projects; and

Whereas, A contractor who violates the letter, spirit or intent of the PSA is likely in breach of a legally enforceable contractual provision; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District, in its proprietary capacity, condemns deliberate efforts to subvert and disrupt the spirit and intent of the Project Stabilization Agreement and thereby directs the Superintendent or his designee to take all necessary measures to hold contractors engaged in these practices accountable for their actions, up to and including the revocation of their pre-qualification status to bid and work on District projects.

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President Canter modified the Order of Business.
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CORRESPONDENCE AND PETITIONS

REPORT OF CORRESPONDENCE

Ms. García moved that the recommended disposition of the items of correspondence as indicated in the report be approved. Mr. Lauritzen seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. Korenstein and Mr. Lansing were absent.

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President Canter resumed the Order of Business
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Charles Burbridge, Chief Financial Officer, provided the Board a brief summary of the final costs of issuance for the 2007 Measure K Series B General Obligation Bond Sale.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. García moved the approval of the following minutes of the governing board of the Los Angeles Unified School District:

1 p.m., Special Closed Session Meeting, January 3, 2007

Ms. LaMotte seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. Korenstein and Mr. Lansing were absent.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. García moved that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Lauritzen seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. Korenstein and Mr. Lansing were absent.

The meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD: May 13, 2008

MARLENE CANTER
PRESIDENT

JEFFERSON CRAIN
EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE BOARD

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