

Albany Unified School District Board of Education
904 Talbot Ave.
Albany, CA 94706
MINUTES FOR MEETING
May 4, 2010

I. OPENING BUSINESS

A) Call to Order

President Rosenbaum called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

B) Roll Call

PRESENT :

President Rosenbaum, Vice President Low, Member Black, Member Walden, and Member Glasser.

ABSENT :

None.

STAFF:

Superintendent Stephenson, Assistant Superintendent Harden, Director Hornada, Student Member Chiang, Student Member Mau, and Secretary Martinez.

C) Identify Closed Session Pursuant to Agenda Section III Below

II. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

III. CLOSED SESSION

President Rosenbaum called the meeting into Closed Session at 7:04 p.m.

A) With respect to every item of business to be discussed in Closed Session pursuant to Education Code Section 35146: Student Personnel Matters

B) With respect to every item of business to be discussed in Closed Session, pursuant to Education Code Section 54954.4: Anticipated Litigation

C) With respect to every item of business to be discussed in Closed Session pursuant to: Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Appointment

D) With respect to every item of business to be discussed in Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6: CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (Superintendent Marla Stephenson, District Representative), Regarding Negotiations as pertains to:

a. California School Employees Association (CSEA)

b. Albany Teachers Association (ATA)

c. SEIU Local 1021

IV. OPEN ~~SESSION~~

A) *Reconvene to Open Session*

President Rosenbaum called the meeting to open session at 7:32 p.m.

B) Roll Call

PRESENT :

President Rosenbaum, Vice President Low, Member Black, Member Walden, and Member Glasser.

ABSENT :

None.

STAFF:

Superintendent Stephenson, Assistant Superintendent Harden, Director Hornada, Student Member Chiang, Student Member Mau, and Secretary Martinez.

C) Pledge of Allegiance

D) Report of Action Taken in Closed Session

President Rosenbaum reported that no action was taken in closed session.

E) Approval of Agenda

Member Black asked that the review and discussion items be switched so that BP/AR 5117 could be discussed first.

Motion by Member Black, seconded by Member Glasser to approve E) Approval of Agenda

The Board was polled. Members: voting AYE

PRESENT :

President Rosenbaum, Vice President Low, Member Black, Member Walden, and Member Glasser.

ABSENT :

None.

STAFF:

Superintendent Stephenson, Assistant Superintendent Harden, Director Hornada, Student Member Chiang, Student Member Mau, and Secretary Martinez.

F) Approval of Consent Calendar

1. Approval of Minutes

2. Personnel Assignment Order

a) Certificated Personnel - Public Employee Assignment, Employment, Appointment, Evaluation, Leave Requests:

1. Corrections - none

2. Extra Assignment - none

3. Leave

a. Psychologist

b. Teacher

4. New Hire

a. Substitute Teacher

b. Teacher

5. Resignation

a. Teacher

6. Status Change - none

7. Termination - none

b) Classified Personnel - Public Employee Assignment, Appointment Employment,

Leave Requests:

1. Corrections - none

2. Extra Assignment - none

3. Leave - none

4. New Hire - none

5. Resignation

- a. Lead Para-Educator
6. Status Change - none
7. Termination - none
3. Curriculum and Instruction
 - a) Approve Extended Field Trip request for the Albany High School Model United Nations Club to attend the 2010 UC Davis Model United Nations Conference in Davis, California from Friday, May 14, 2010 to Sunday, May 16, 2010
 - b) Approve Extended Field Trip request for room 16 at Marin School to attend an outdoor education camping trip at Samuel P. Taylor State park in Marin County, California, from Sunday, May 9, 2010 to Tuesday, May 11, 2010
 - c) Approve the Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints for May 2010
4. Business and Operations
 - a) Approve the Independent Contractor Agreement between Albany Unified School District and Dana Milner, General Contractor, to build new entry stairs, porch and ADA Accessible ramp at 1051 Monroe Street. Amount not to exceed \$14,000.00.
Member Glasser asked how the contract was awarded. Superintendent Stephenson said that three bids were solicited, and it was the lowest bid. Member Glasser said that the work is progressing nicely.

b) Approve the increase to purchase order for Carmen Burks, BTSA liaison and mentor in the amount of \$500.00

c) Approve disposal of surplus equipment

d) Approve disposal of electronic waste

Member Glasser said that the first paragraph on page 22 stated that the technology department does not directly manage the acquisition, purchasing, or provisioning of technology equipment at the school sites, and he said that was not correct. President Rosenbaum said that it should state that the technology department did not manage the acquisition, purchasing, or provisioning of technology equipment at the school sites in the past.

Member Glasser asked where the e-waste is sent to. Superintendent Stephenson said that the e-waste is picked up. She said that she did not know where e-waste is sent after that.

e) Accept donations by site for January - March 2010

Member Black noted that there was a difference in the balance, revenues and expenditures among the different elementary schools. He said there had past discussions about ways to even it out. He suggested that there be a future discussion on how to even out donations amongst the schools. Superintendent Stephenson said that it was not just donation balances by site, but reflects things like field trips at the site level.

Member Glasser asked if the donations have been tracked, and if they have gone up or down from last year. Assistant Superintendent Harden said that the donations had relatively stayed the same.

5. Student Services

Motion by Member Glasser, seconded by Vice President Low to approve F) Approval of Consent Calendar

The Board was polled and passed unanimously. Members: President Rosenbaum, Vice President Low, Member Black, Member Walden, and Member Glasser voting AYE

Member Walden abstained from item 4b.

V. STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS

A) Student Reports

Student Board Member Chiang said that leadership is working on elections for the next school year. He said that STAR testing had concluded and went well. He said that AP testing started on May 4 and was only for freshmen, sophomores and seniors. He said that the leadership class is also starting to plan the annual Senior Trip to Santa Cruz.

Student Member Mau said that Day on the Green took place and activities were held on the field. She said that on April 24, the AHS Jazz Lab and Band performed at the Reno Jazz Festival and won second place in their division. She said that Prom is would be taking place on May 22 and tickets would be sold starting May 5.

Vice President Low asked if there was any feedback on academic honesty from leadership to email her with it.

VI. STAFF REPORTS

A) Recycling and Greening of *Albany Schools Report* (handout available at meeting) *Wendy Holmes, Principal at Cornell School, gave the* report. Discussion ensued.

Kathy Farley, parent of an AMS student, and member of the Greening of Albany Schools committee gave her report. Discussion ensued.

Meagan Tokunaga, president of the Environmental Club at Albany High School, gave a report on AHS's Earth Team. Discussion ensued.

Richard Uhsman, special education teacher and Earth Team advisor, gave a report. Discussion ensued.

Dawn Kawamoto, Albany resident, gave remarks on grants. Discussion ensued.

Nick Berger, Resource Specialist, gave his opinion on the Earth Team.

Loring Barker, teacher at Albany High School, thanked Mr. Ushmann and Meagan for their work at Albany High School.

VII. PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON MATTERS NOT ON THE *AGENDA*

VIII. REVIEW AND ACTION ITEMS

A) *Approve Resolution 2009-10-15 in the matter of the Release of Temporary Certificated Employees for the 2010-11 school year*
Superintendent Stephenson explained that there were teachers who went on maternity leave and the temporary teachers named on the resolution were brought in.

Motion by Member Glasser, seconded by Member Black to approve *VIII. REVIEW AND ACTION ITEMS*

The Board was polled and passed unanimously. Members: President Rosenbaum, Vice President Low, Member Black, Member Walden, and Member Glasser voting AYE

B) Approve application for average daily attendance credit for absences related to the H1N1 influenza virus

Motion by President Rosenbaum, seconded by Member Black to approve B) Approve application for average daily attendance credit for absences related to the H1N1 influenza virus

The Board was polled and passed unanimously. Members: President Rosenbaum, Vice President Low, Member Black, Member Walden, and Member Glasser voting AYE

IX. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

A) Review 2009-10 budget reductions and discuss budget priorities for 2010-11 Superintendent Stephenson introduced the item. Discussion ensued.

Principal Holmes explained the Cornell School prioritizing.

Member Black read a letter from Judith Carey, librarian at Marin Elementary.

Member Black read a letter from Stacy Uyeda, library media technician at Albany Middle School.

Member Black read a letter from Sara Oremlland, librarian at Albany High School.

Member Walden shared her thoughts on library technicians. Discussion ensued.

Loring Barker, President of the Albany Teacher's Association, gave his comments. Discussion ensued.

Dawn Kawamoto, Albany resident, gave her comments.

B) Conduct 1st reading of BP/AR 5142 - 5145.9 (Students)

C) Conduct 1st reading of BP/AR 5111.1 - District Residency (Students) and BP/AR 5117 - Interdistrict Attendance (Students)

Superintendent Stephenson introduced the item. Discussion ensued.

Dawn Kawamoto, resident of Albany, gave her comments. Discussion ensued.

Loring Barker, President of the Albany Teachers Association, gave his comments. Discussion ensued.

Susanna Waison, Kensington parent, gave her comments. Discussion ensued.

X. BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Superintendent Stephenson announced that *the District is co-hosting a Budget Summit* on Thursday, May 13 at 7 p.m. in the Little Theater at the high school.

Superintendent Stephenson said that she received an email from the City of Albany Administrator regarding cost of candidate statements. Discussion ensued.

Vice President Low thanked Superintendent Stephenson for participating in the upcoming Budget Summit.

Vice President Low congratulated the Albany Middle School Chamber Choir, Albany High School Concert Choir, Albany High School Choral, Albany Middle School Symphonic Band, Albany High School Symphonic Band, Albany High School Orchestra, and Albany High School Wind Ensemble for their performances at the California Music Educators Association, where they all earned either superiors or unanimous superiors.

- XI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
 - A) Consolidated Application June
 - B) Single School *Plans* June
 - C) *Budget Presentation* June
 - D) Curriculum and Instruction Report June
- XII. FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS
 - A) Tuesday, May 18, 2010, 7:30 p.m., Regular Meeting
 - B)** *Wednesday, June 2, 2010, 7:30 p.m., Regular Meeting*
 - C) Tuesday, June 15, 2010, 7:30 p.m., Regular Meeting
- XIII. ADJOURNMENT