



Albany Unified School District

Albany Unified School District Board of Education

904 Talbot Ave.
Albany, CA 94706

MINUTES FOR MEETING

June 15, 2010

- I. OPENING BUSINESS 7:00 p.m.**
- A) Call to Order
 - B) Roll Call
 - C) Identify Closed Session Pursuant to Agenda Section III Below
- II. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS** *General public comment on any Closed Session item will be heard. The Board may limit comments to no more than three (3) minutes.*
- III. CLOSED SESSION 7:30 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: Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Appointment Certificated
 - C) 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 7:30 p.m.**
- A) Reconvene to Open Session
 - B) Roll Call
 - PRESENT :** Member Glasser, Member Walden, President Rosenbaum, Vice President Low, and Member Black.
 - ABSENT :** None.
 - STAFF:** Superintendent Stephenson, Assistant Superintendent Stephenson, and Director Hornada.
 - C) Pledge of Allegiance
 - D) Report of Action Taken in Closed Session
 - E) Approval of Agenda

President Rosenbaum announced that the Budget would be presented first before the preschool notices would be discussed.

*Motion by Member Glasser, seconded by Vice President Low to approve E) Approval of Agenda
The Board was polled. Members: voting AYE*

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

ABSENT : None.

STAFF: Superintendent Stephenson, Assistant Superintendent Stephenson, and Director

Hornada.

F) Approval of Consent Calendar

*Motion by Member Glasser, seconded by Member Walden to approve F) Approval of Consent Calendar
The Board was polled and passed unanimously. Members: Member Glasser, Member Walden, President Rosenbaum, Vice President Low, and Member Black voting AYE
Member Glasser abstained from items 5a and 5b.*

1. Approval of Minutes

a) June 15, 2010

2. Personnel Assignment Order - Public Employee Assignment, Employment, Appointment, Evaluation, Leave Requests:

Certificated Personnel

1. Corrections - none
2. Extra Assignment
 - a. Asst Coach Wrestling
 - b. Head Coach Wrestling
3. Leave - none
4. New Hire
 - a. Sp Ed Teacher
 - b. Summer CELDT testing
 - c. Summer School Teacher
 - d. Teacher
5. Resignation - none
6. Status Change - none
7. Termination - none

Classified Personnel - Public Employee Assignment, Appointment Employment, Leave Requests:

1. Corrections none
2. Extra Assignment none
3. Leave - none
4. New Hire
 - a. District Database Coordinator
 - b. Head Varsity Volleyball Coach
 - c. Substitute Custodian
 - d. Translator
5. Resignation - none
6. Status Change - none
7. Termination - none

3. Curriculum and Instruction

- a) *Approve Part I of the Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Aid Programs 2010-11*
- b) *Approve the Student Teacher Placement Agreement between Albany Unified School District and Saint Mary's College of California*
- c) *Approve the additional fund donation from the Marin School PTA for the Supplemental Art Instruction in the amount of \$1497.50.*

Member Glasser asked if the Supplemental Art Instruction would be provided during the school day. Superintendent Stephenson confirmed that it would be.

Member Glasser asked if the Board had approved the curriculum. Director Hornada said that the contract was approved in August or September of last year and that it was similar to the poetry program. Member Glasser said that he believed that curriculum provided during the school day is to be approved by the Board since instruction is

occurring during the school day. Director Hornada said that the instruction was considered above and beyond core curriculum.

Member Glasser said that this is instruction that is provided during the day that is occurring at one elementary school site but not all of the elementary school sites. He said that he believed the Board should consider that an equal amount of enrichment is not being provided throughout the schools.

President Rosenbaum said that he thought the contract was for an exceeded amount on a contract. Director Hornada confirmed this was correct. Member Walden said that she believed the project was specific to the Marin garden.

4. Business and Operations

a) Approve the Independent Contractor agreement between Albany Unified School District and David Burke for enrollment and capacity analysis report services

Member Black said that the enrollment projections were highly dependent on interdistrict transfers and that he believed the Board decided that the preference was to have interdistrict transfers come in at the early grades. He said that, according to his math, the high school would be at 1200-1230 students if kindergarten classes were filled at capacity.

Member Glasser asked what Mr. Burke's background and qualifications were for doing enrollment projections. Superintendent Stephenson said that Mr. Burke had done an enrollment capacity analysis in 2007, which was presented to the Board. Superintendent Stephenson said that he also has experience with working with the City of Albany.

Vice President Low asked if Mr. Burke had been in contact with UC and the UC Village during his past work for the District. Superintendent Stephenson said that he was.

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Member Glasser asked if it would be more useful to have it done with in the spring. Superintendent Stephenson said that the Governor had signed a bill that will take effect in January 2012 that will allow any student from an underperforming district to demand a interdistrict transfer into another district if room is available, making it necessary to complete the report before spring.

b) Approve April - May 2010 Site Donation Report

Member Black said that he would like to have a discussion with the Board regarding the acceptance of donations from the public. He said that he believed that it should be equitable for all of the schools. President Rosenbaum agreed.

c) Approve the purchase order change notice for database/CALPADS consultant with Susan Mox at a total cost no to exceed \$6,375.00

5. Student Services

President Rosenbaum said he believed that there was quite a large amount of money is being spent on students in general.

a) Approve one (1) Independent Contractor Agreement between Albany Unified School District and Marywin Deegan to provide alternative and augmentative communication services for one (1) student at a rate of \$95.00/hour. Cost not to exceed \$13,300.00. Funding source: Special Education

b) Approve one (1) Master Contract between Albany Unified School District and Children's Learning Center for educational services for three (3) students, at a cost not to exceed \$101,475.00. Funding source: Special Education

c) Approve one (1) Independent Contractor Agreement between Albany Unified School District and

Margaret Mowry-Evans to provide case management and specialized academic instruction for one (1) student at a rate of \$115.00/hour. Cost not to exceed \$25,070.00. Funding source: Special Education

- d) Approve one (1) Independent Contractor Agreement between Albany Unified School District and Katherine McCormick Baca to provide Communication Access Realtime Translation (CART Services) at a rate of \$80.00 per hour for one (1) student. Cost not to exceed \$56,060.00. Funding source: Special Education*
- e) Approve one (1) Independent Contractor Agreement between Albany Unified School District and Greg Paoli at a cost of \$55.00/hour, to provide speech and language therapy from July 12 August 6, 2010 for the Extended Year Program. Cost not to exceed \$4,908.75. Funding source: Special Education*
- f) Approve one (1) Master Contract between Albany Unified School District and Center for Early Intervention on Deafness (CEID) for basic education for specialized instruction for one (1) deaf/hearing impaired preschool student at a cost as follows: \$160.00/day basic education, and \$94.00/hour for speech and language services. Cost not to exceed \$38,581.00. Funding source: Special Education*

V. STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS

None present.

VI. STAFF REPORTS

A) AHS Solar Project

Tom Kelly, Director of KYOTO USA, introduced Zoe Kritikos, intern at KYOTO and junior at Albany High School. She presented the report and the possibility of solar panels at AHS. Discussion ensued.

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

Board practice limits each speaker to no more than three (3) minutes. The Brown Act limits Board ability to discuss or act on items which are not on the agenda; therefore, such items may be referred to staff for comment or for consideration on a future agenda.

VIII. REVIEW AND ACTION ITEMS (Members of the public will have the opportunity to speak on all issues.)

A) Open Public Hearing on the 2010-11 Budget

B) Close Public Hearing on the 2010-11 Budget

C) Approve the 2009-10 Budget and accept the flexibility options for Categorical Programs per SBX34 (under separate cover)

Assistant Superintendent Harden said that the District adopts their budget before the State of California adopts their budget. She said that the District tries its best to adhere to the recommendations from the State budget. Assistant Superintendent Harden gave the PowerPoint presentation.

Member Black shared his thoughts.

Member Walden shared her thoughts.

Member Glasser shared his thoughts.

Sandra Deckly, resident of Albany, shared her thoughts regarding the state budget and childcare. Discussion ensued.

Loring Barker, president of the Albany Teachers Association shared his thoughts on why the budget assumptions were unacceptable.

Liz Avery, teacher at Marin School and Albany parent, shared her thoughts and thanked Assistant Superintendent Harden's report.

Member Walden made a motion to approve the budget report with appreciation to Assistant Superintendent

Harden.

Donna Bonita, labor representative for classified employees in Albany, gave thanks to Assistant Superintendent Harden for creating a report that was easy to read and follow.

*Motion by Member Walden, seconded by Member Black to approve C) Approve the 2009-10 Budget and accept the flexibility options for Categorical Programs per SBX34 (under separate cover)
The Board was polled and passed unanimously. Members: Member Glasser, Member Walden, President Rosenbaum, Vice President Low, and Member Black voting AYE*

- D) *Approve Resolution 2009-10-17 in the Matter of Albany Unified School District opposing the Governor?s proposed cuts to child care services*
President Rosenbaum read the resolution out loud.

*Motion by Member Walden, seconded by Vice President Low to approve D) Approve Resolution 2009-10-17 in the Matter of Albany Unified School District opposing the Governor?s proposed cuts to child care services
The Board was polled. Members: voting AYE*

Brian Parsley, Albany resident and former president/vice president of Albany Children's Center Parent Council, announced that the City of Albany would be taking this item to the June 21 City Council meeting and encouraged the public to show support at the meeting.

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

ABSENT : None.

STAFF: Superintendent Stephenson, Assistant Superintendent Stephenson, and Director Hornada.

- E) *Approve Resolution 2009-10-16 in the Matter of the Reduction of Classified School Services for the 2010-2011 School Year*
Superintendent Stephenson introduced the item.

Member Walden asked for clarification regarding the possibility of rates for the childcare program.

Talaily Bruno, Albany Children's Center parent and resident of Albany shared her thoughts on her positive experience with Albany Children's Center.

Parent of Tupelo shared her thoughts.

Peter Leahy, Albany parent, shared his thoughts.

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Parent

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Rita Elegant, teacher at OceanView.

Teacher at Marin

Amy Evoy, parent and first grade teacher at Marin.

Parent

Julia Mass, parent at Marin.

Steve, parent at Cornell.

Member Walden said that the the on-site nature of the program is crucial. She said that he hears that diversity is important. She said that the Board will have difficulty figuring out what needs to be sacrificed. Discussion ensued.

Natalie Marsh, parent and recent graduate of UC Berkeley.

Mae Song, Albany Parent.

Lisa Hogue, Marin parent.

Melissa Elegant, former Albany student, shared her thoughts on language instruction.

Marsha Bellman, Marin parent.

Paul Palmer, Marin parent.

Virginia Plot, teacher at Albany Childrens Center.

Superintendent Stephenson explained why the resolution has been presented.

F) Approve amendment to the 2011-12 School Calendar

G) Conduct 2nd reading and approve BP 5117 Interdistrict Attendance (Students), BP 5121-5125, and BP 5144.1 BP 5145.9 (Students)

Superintendent Stephenson said asked that the Board approve Board Policy section 5117, and 5144.11 - 5145.9, with sections hold 512-5121 being pulled.

IX. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

X. BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

XI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

XII. FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

A) Tuesday, August 3, 2010, 7:30 p.m., Regular Meeting

Albany City Hall, 1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany

B) Tuesday, August 17, 2010, 7:30 p.m., Regular Meeting

Albany City Hall, 1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany

C) Tuesday, September 7, 2010, 7:30 p.m., Regular meeting

Albany City Hall, 1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany

XIII. ADJOURNMENT The Board believes that late night meetings deter public participation, can affect the Board's decision- making ability, and can be a burden to staff. Regular Board Meetings shall be adjourned at 10:00 p.m. unless extended to a specific time determined by a majority of the Board. Board Agenda of June 15, 2010 Page 5 of 5