

**County Board of Education
Ronald L. Stewart Center
77 Santa Barbara Road, Pleasant Hill, California
July 16, 2014**

ROLL CALL: Pamela Mirabella, Area 1 Trustee; Christine Deane, Area 2 Trustee; Daniel Gomes, Area 3 Trustee; Richard Asadoorian, Area 4 Trustee; and Cynthia Ruehlig, Area 5 Trustee

Absent:

Others: Joseph Ovick, Karen Sakata, Katie Gaines, Bill Clark, Mac Carey, Lynn Mackey, Loreen Joseph and County Office staff.

Presiding: The regular meeting of the Contra Costa County Board of Education was called to order by Vice President Gomes at 5:00 p.m. with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA REVIEW AND ADOPTION Ms. Mirabella moved, Mr. Asadoorian seconded, and the Board voted 5-0-0 to approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes: Mirabella, Asadoorian, Gomes, Ruehlig, Deane
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

PUBLIC COMMENT None
Items on the Agenda

Items of Interest to the Public

RECOGNITIONS None

CLOSED SESSION

Consider the interdistrict transfer appeal of Student A-07/16/14 from the Antioch Unified School District to the Liberty Union High School District The Board convened in closed hearing at 5:03 p.m. to consider the interdistrict attendance transfer appeal of parents for a child from the Antioch Unified School District to the Liberty Union High School District. The Board convened to closed deliberation at 5:28 p.m. The Board reconvened to closed session hearing at 5:33 p.m. and immediately to open session. On behalf of the Board, Hearing Facilitator Lynn Mackey announced that the Contra Costa Board of Education voted 5-0-0 to deny the interdistrict transfer appeal of Student A-07/16/14 based upon Contra Costa County Board of Education Administrative Regulations 5200(E) 3.2 attendance of the student from out of the district has the potential to increase the district's maximum class size or negatively affect the existing collective bargaining unit contract.

Ayes: Mirabella, Gomes, Asadoorian, Deane, Ruehlig
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Consider the interdistrict transfer appeal of Students B-07/16/14 and C-07/16/14 from the Antioch Unified School District to the Martinez Unified School District

The Board convened in closed hearing at 5:35 p.m. to consider the interdistrict attendance transfer appeal of parents for their children from the Antioch Unified School District to the Martinez Unified School District. The Board convened to closed deliberation at 6:16 p.m. The Board reconvened to closed session hearing at 6:23 p.m. and immediately to open session. On behalf of the Board, Hearing Facilitator, Lynn Mackey, announced that the Contra Costa Board of Education voted 5-0-0 to deny the interdistrict transfer appeals of Student B-07/16/14 and Student C-07/16/14 based upon Contra Costa County Board of Education Administrative Regulations 5200(E) 3.2 attendance of the student from out of the district has the potential to increase the district's maximum class size or negatively affect the existing collective bargaining unit contract.

Ayes: Mirabella, Gomes, Asadoorian, Deane, Ruehlig
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Following a recess, the Board reconvened at 6:38 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

Presentation of Labor Agreement Proposals: Public Hearing Relative to Initial Proposal from Public Employees' Union, Local One for Reopener Agreement; Public Hearing Relative to Initial Management Proposal for Reopener Agreement with Representatives of the Classified Units

Vice President Gomes opened the public hearing at 6:38 p.m. Karen Sakata, Deputy Superintendent, introduced the sunshine proposals with Local 1. In answer to a question from Ms. Mirabella she explained the process for reclassification. Mr. Gomes closed the public hearing at 6:41 p.m.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Joseph A. Ovick, Ed.D., County Superintendent of Schools, introduced Katie Gaines, who was recently appointed to the position of Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources. Dr. Ovick shared that he recently spoke at the Orinda Rotary Club meeting.

BUSINESS SERVICES

Consider approval of a Lease Agreement between the Contra Costa County Board of Education and the Moraga School District for one classroom located at Rheem Elementary School to be utilized for a special education program

Mr. Asadoorian moved, Ms. Mirabella seconded, and the Board voted 5-0-0 to approve the lease agreement as presented.

Ayes: Mirabella, Asadoorian, Gomes, Ruehlig, Deane
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Staff Report

Bill Clark, Associate Superintendent, Business Services, provided copies of the Summit and Caliber school's calendars as requested by the Board. He noted both charters are in compliance for instructional days offered. He shared that the Business Services Department is gearing up for the start of the new fiscal year and LCAP reviews.

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

Staff Report

On behalf of Dr. Pamela Comfort, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services, Dr. Ovick reported that the Extended Year Program for Special Education is underway. In the next two weeks the far east county classes will begin. The COE is currently recruiting for four special education teaching positions.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Staff Report

Karen Sakata, Deputy Superintendent, reported that June 26 was the final bargaining session with the California Teachers' Association (CTA). A temporary agreement was reached in all areas. The agreement was ratified 100 percent by its membership. The agreement is for a 3 percent increase effective July 1, 2013. The classified unit settled beforehand with a 2 percent increase, but because they have a "me too" agreement they will receive the 3 percent increase as well.

COMMUNICATIONS

Staff Report

Dr. Ovick announced that Peggy Marshburn, Chief Communications Officer, has retired. The position has been posted and will close on August 8.

TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

Staff Report

Mac Carey, Chief Technology Officer, reported that the Federal Communication Commission (FCC) announced there will be upcoming revisions in the ERate regulations. Some of the Legacy (voice line) discounts will be discontinued. Also, approximately \$1 billion is earmarked for WIFI to increase broadband for the schools. A workshop will be held in September for districts to learn what they may lose and gain as far as applying for other types of services.

In answer to a question from Mr. Asadoorian, Mr. Carey explained that solar panels at school sites are most likely under a lease agreement. Bill Clark, Associate Superintendent, Business Services, explained that the purchase of the solar panels at COE included a maintenance agreement.

Mr. Carey shared that COE will contract with Board Docs for an online agenda program. The program will be implemented in the upcoming months. The Board will use laptops during Board meetings to view the agendas. Cost of the program is \$3000. Savings will be realized in reduced printing cost. Technology Systems budget will absorb the cost for the first year.

BOARD

Legislative Update

Mr. Asadoorian shared a resolution that asks legislation to consider the cap on reserves. Bill Clark will bring the resolution back on the July 23 special meeting agenda to be voted on. Dr. Ovick said that in addition to the resolution he will continue to work on this with ACSA and county superintendents and suggested the Board continue to work with CCBE and CSBA.

Staff seeks Board direction to schedule a Board/Cabinet member Retreat

Mr. Asadoorian said he believes it would be wise to wait to schedule the retreat until a new board is elected and the new superintendent takes office. Ms. Sakata stated the purpose of the retreat is to increase communication and build a sense of team with the Board and Cabinet. She suggested a retreat be held now with a follow-up retreat in late January or February, should there be any new Board members. The facilitator would be Terilyn Finders who is a communications specialist and also a former board member. Mr. Gomes said he would like to wait until after the election because using resources to hold two retreats isn't necessary.

Mr. Asadoorian moved, Ms. Ruehlig seconded, and the Board voted 4-1-0 to delay the retreat until after the new superintendent takes office January 5, 2014.

Ayes: Asadoorian, Gomes, Ruehlig, Deane
Noes: Mirabella
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Adoption of Board Bylaw 9601, County Committee on School District Organization – Rules Regarding Petitions to Change School District Organization

Ms. Mirabella moved, Ms. Ruehlig seconded, and the Board voted 5-0-0 to adopt Board Bylaw 9601 as presented.

Ayes: Mirabella, Gomes, Asadoorian, Deane, Ruehlig
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

**Consider nominations for the
California County Boards of
Education (CCBE) officers election**

Mr. Asadoorian moved, Ms. Mirabella seconded, and the Board voted 5-0-0 to not submit a nominee.

Ayes: Mirabella, Gomes, Asadoorian, Deane, Ruehlig
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Asadoorian moved, Ms. Mirabella seconded, and the Board voted 5-0-0 to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

**Consider approval of minutes of
June 18, 2014**

Ayes: Mirabella, Gomes, Asadoorian, Deane, Ruehlig
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

TCCs

**Consider granting of a High School
Diploma to high school student
MM 1-07/16/14**

**Consider granting of a High School
Diploma to adult school student
MM 2-07/16/14**

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Diploma to adult school student
CCAS 1-07/14/2014**

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**CORRESPONDENCE/EVENTS
CALENDAR**

Correspondence: None

Calendar of Events:

September 11, Teacher of the Year Dinner

September 12 – 14, CCBE Fall Conference, Monterey

December 14 – 16, CSBA Annual Conference, Moscone Center, San Francisco

BOARD REPORTS OF ACTIVITIES

Ms. Mirabella attended the WCDF Awards celebration. She also met with Anne White, CSBA Regional Director and five others to hear CCBE's 2011 Best Practices document. Ms. Mirabella read the following statement. "Regarding Theresa Harrington's article dated July 15, 2014 entitled, "Schools Chief Still Elected Position: Placing measure on ballot would cost \$600,000" the public needs to know that the June 3 primary election for the County Superintendent of Schools election is estimated to cost \$650,000. In my opinion, this election was not worth the expense, since Karen's Sakata's competitor was an unknown candidate and never came to any of our board meetings."

Ms. Deane attended the site for the opening of Summit School. She met teachers, the principal and founders of Caliber School. She also attended the quarterly awards at the Marsh Creek Detention Center. She attended a meeting at EBMUD on the current water situation in the county.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Joseph A. Ovick, Ed.D., Ex Officio Secretary
County Board of Education

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Copies of all resolutions adopted by the Board are on file in the Office of the Superintendent, Ex Officio Secretary of the Board of Education.

These unadopted minutes are summaries and excerpts from the regular meeting of July 16, 2014, and are subject to amendments and/or correction prior to the approval of the County Board of Education.

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