

West Contra Costa Unified School District
Minutes of the Board of Education Meeting
Lovonya DeJean Middle School
3400 Macdonald Avenue
Richmond, CA 94805

August 12, 2013

A. CLOSED SESSION

B. OPENING PROCEDURES

President Kronenberg called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. The Board recessed into Closed Session.
President Kronenberg called the Public Session to order at 6:34 P.M.

B.1 Pledge of Allegiance

President Kronenberg led the pledge of allegiance.

B.2 Welcome and Meeting Procedures

President Kronenberg offered welcome and instructions to the public regarding the meeting.

B.3 Roll Call

Board Members Present: Randall Enos, Todd Groves, Madeline Kronenberg, Elaine Merriweather, Charles Ramsey

Staff Present: Steve Collins, SELPA Director; Linda Delgado, Coordinator Education Services; Bill Fay, Associate Superintendent Operations; Sheri Gamba, Associate Superintendent for Business Services; Wendell Greer, Associate Superintendent K-Adult Schools; Bruce Harter, Superintendent; Debbie Haynie, Executive Secretary; Keith Holtslander, Director of Facilities; Ken McDaniel, Maintenance Supervisor; Leticia Oregon, Interpreter; Mary Phillips, Chief Technology Officer, Nia Rashidchi, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services; Mike Wasilchin, Human Resources Director Classified; Ken Whittemore, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources

B.4

F.1 Staff Recommendation, Summit Schools

Dr. Linda Delgado provided information regarding the Summit Public Schools (SPS) K-2 Charter School petition. Dr. Delgado addressed concerns that were shared with the charter school staff regarding 1) inadequate information on structured language development for English Language Learners, 2) inadequate descriptions concerning the process for student discipline and, 3) concern at the small number of signatures and locale of addresses for prospective student interest in enrolling for the intended start date not representative of the projected enrollment targets. She shared that SPS offered responses to provided greater support for English Language Learners, seeking to avoid all unnecessary discipline actions, and having significant financial backing and hiring of an experienced principal who will use significant outreach efforts. The recommendation of staff is to grant the petition pending execution of a memorandum of understanding that resolves the identified concerns and other operational issues.

Public Comment:

Joanna Pace, Margaret Browne, Tyler Sussman, Dennis Cody, Ben Steinberg, Alonn Ilan, Michael Peritz, Nerissa Wu,
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Superintendent Harter provided a report of activities in the District.

F. ACTION ITEMS

- F.1 Staff Recommendation, Summit Schools
This item was moved to follow Consent Items.

G. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- G.1 Project Status Report
Mr. Holtslander provided an update of construction projects in the District.

Public Comment:
None

Board Comment:
Mr. Ramsey asked Mr. Holtslander to provide reports on Coronado and Montalvin in the September update.

- H. UNFINISHED REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD (continued from Item E)
None

I. COMMENTS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Ramsey asked that his corrections to the minutes be repeated for clarification. He remarked about the opening of school for DeAnza and Helms beginning August 13, as well as the Decile 1 and strategic planning information shared at recent meetings. He asked President Kronenberg to adjourn the meeting in honor of Scott Brown and Public Employees Union Local One.

Mr. Enos remarked about the work for students.

Ms. Merriweather reported on the recent Richmond High School freshman orientation and her opportunity to meet with Transitional Kindergarten teachers. She asked the audience to participate on August 28, in sixty-three minutes of peace honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. She said that community leaders will provide positive events for the community participationE3 0 Td [(r)- lpar