

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

November 20, 2013

A. CLOSED SESSION

B. OPENING PROCEDURES

President Kronenberg called the meeting to order at 5:45 P.M. The Board recessed into Closed Session.
President Kronenberg called the Public Session to order at 6:31 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

**-Adult Schools; Bruce Harter, Superintendent;
Debbie Haynie, Executive Secretary; Keith Holtlander, Director of Facilities; Barbara Jellison, Director Food
Services; Ken McDaniel, Maintenance Supervisor; Mary Phillips, Chief Technology Officer; Nia Rashidchi, Assistant
Superintendent Educational Services; Reyna Touriel, Translator; Ken Whittemore, Assistant Superintendent Human
Resources**

B.4 Presentation of Student Board Representative from Kennedy High School

Ms. Kaylonii Bardell provided a report of activities at Kennedy High School.

B.5 Report/Ratification of Closed Session

None

B.6 Agenda Review and Adoption

School Fire Alarm Modernization

- C.6 Routine Personnel Changes – Classified**
- C.7 Certification of Athletic Coaches – Fall Sports**
This item was pulled for separate action.
- C.8 Approval of Common Core State Standards (CCSS) Implementation Funds Plan**
- C.9 Ratification and Approval of Engineering Services Contracts**
- C.10 Ratification and Approval of Negotiated Change Orders**
- C.11 Approve Measure J and D 2010, Measure E 2012, Bond Program Budget Expenditure Authorization**

Public Comment:

Alex Aliferis

Board Comment:

Mr. Ramsey responded for clarification.

- C.12 Acceptance of Contra Costa County Office of Education Annual Report for Williams Settlement Legislation**
- C.13 Approval of Board Members Travel**

MOTION: Mr. Ramsey moved approval of Consent Items C.1 – C.6, and C.8 - C.13. Mr. Enos seconded. Mr. Enos, Mr. Groves, Ms. Merriweather, Mr. Ramsey, Student Representative Kaylonii Bardell (advisory vote only), and President Kronenberg voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0.

- C.7 Certification of Athletic Coaches – Fall Sports**
This item was pulled from the Consent calendar for a separate vote.

MOTION: Mr. Ramsey moved approval of Consent Item C.7. Mr. Enos seconded. A roll call vote was taken with Mr. Enos, Mr. Groves, Mr. Ramsey, Student Representative Kaylonii Bardell (advisory vote only), and President Kronenberg voting yes, with Ms. Merriweather abstaining, and no absences. Motion carried 4-0-1-0.

D. AWARDS, RECOGNITIONS, AND REPORTS

D.1 Performance by E. M. Downer’s Sound Minds Group

Principal Marco Gonzales introduced the 3rd grader student performers who take instruction in violin, cello, chorus and music theory through the Sound Minds program. He explained that the after school program includes literacy intervention or enrichment as well music instruction and theory. He provided the history of the program with the California S

process. It was recommended to bring this back to the Facilities Subcommittee for further discussion. He concluded by wishing everyone a happy Thanksgiving and holiday season.

Mr. Enos wished everyone a happy holiday season and spoke about students returning after the holiday vacation to resume work on their grades.

Ms. Merriweather wished everyone a wonderful Thanksgiving. She said she the District has a lot to be thankful for. She remarked on her recent visit to Richmond High School where she saw African-American students and parents starting a Black Student Union.

Mr. Groves wished everyone happy holidays. He urged everyone to come back strong after the holidays with renewed