

**CULVER CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
ADOPTED MINUTES**

Meeting:	<u>Regular Meeting</u>	Date:	<u>September 23, 2014</u>
Place:	<u>District Administration Office</u>	Time:	<u>6:00 p.m. – Public Meeting</u>
	<u>4034 Irving Place</u>		<u>6:01 p.m. – Closed Session</u>
	<u>Culver City 90232</u>		<u>7:00 p.m. – Public Meeting</u>

Board Members Present
Laura Chardiet, President
Nancy Goldberg, Vice President
Steven M. Levin, Ph.D., Clerk
Susanne Robins, Member
Katherine Paspalis, Esq., Member

Staff Members Present
David LaRose, Superintendent
Kati Krumpe
Mike Reynolds

Call to Order

Board President Ms. Chardiet called the meeting of the Culver City Unified School District Board of Education to order at 6:00 p.m. The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 6:01 p.m. and reconvened the public meeting at 7:10 p.m. with all Board members in attendance. Ronae Pumphrey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Report from Closed Session

Ms. Chardiet reported that the Governing Board met in Closed Session regarding issues listed on today's Closed Session agenda and announced that no reportable actions were taken.

8. Adoption of Agenda

It was moved by Ms. Paspalis and seconded by Dr. Levin for the Board to adopt the September 23, 2014 as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

9. Consent Agenda

Ms. Chardiet called the Consent Agenda and asked if any member of the audience or the Board wished to withdraw any item. No items were withdrawn for the audience of Board Members. It was moved by Ms. Goldberg and seconded by Dr. Levin to approve Consent Agenda Items 9.1-9.6 as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

- 9.1 Minutes of Regular Meeting – September 9, 2014
- 9.2 Purchase Orders
- 9.3 Acceptance of Gifts – Donations
- 9.4 Certificated Personnel Reports No. 4
- 9.5 Classified Personnel Reports No. 4
- 9.6 Out-of-State Field Trip for Culver City High School and Culver City Middle School Cheerleaders to attend Cheerleading Championships, Orlando, Florida, February 6 to February 9, 2015

11. Public Recognition

11.1 Superintendent's Report

Mr. LaRose reported on the recent professional development day with Anthony Mohammad and Mike Mattos. He informed the Board on the focus of each speaker and how it related to the work being done in the District. Mr. LaRose wanted to publicly address our teachers, classified staff, students, and administrators for being patient and working together to get through the recent heat wave. He stated he was grateful for our team and how they handled the excessive heat. He feels everyone did a great job in the conditions that the heat brought. He also commended the facilities team and food services team for pushing out their services in addressing the student's needs. Mr. LaRose announced that the fences are up and Phase II of the athletic field renovations is on the way. He extended an invitation to the Board to come out to the groundbreaking. He provided the Board with an update on the union partnership and announced that he will be attending a PLC conference tomorrow and Thursday. Mike Mattos is sponsoring both Mr. LaRose and Mr. Mielke to attend the conference and Mr. LaRose is grateful

for the partnership. There is an annual meeting next week to kick off the Back Packs Program. The Summer Lunch Program was a success with almost five thousand lunches served. Mr. LaRose informed the Board about the new partnership with Big Brothers/Big Sisters Program and stated that many people from the District team have signed up to be a Big Brother or Big Sister.

11.2 Assistant Superintendents' Reports

Dr. Krumpke provided a common core funding update including the purchase of 500 additional chrome books that will be utilized for SBAC testing in the spring. As year 2 of our math partnership begins, we have expanded from twenty to about eighty participants. Dr. Krumpke stated that the District's BTSA participant numbers has doubled. The high number caused us to seek additional support providers from school sites to adequately support our new teachers. She also reported on the first Superintendent Consortium that she attended. She stated that it is such a large group so the State is flying in CDE Assessment staff to provide additional guidance to the group. While the State of California gave schools and districts a pause in accountability (API) while we implement the new SBAC test, the federal government will still require the release of test scores and will hold us to accountability (AYP). Dr. Krumpke just returned from the California STEM Symposium in San Diego and is excited to work with her Educational Services Team to expand STEM education in our schools.

Mr. Reynolds announced that he was excited that the first CBAC meeting of the year will take place on October 8th. He reported on the recent CCUSD/City of Culver City Liaison meeting and stated that it was very good and very productive. He commented that Dr. Levin and Ms. Paspalis did a great job at communicating the needs of the District. Mr. Reynolds stated that the City is interested in working with us on the shared fields at El Marino, El Rincon and Linwood Howe. It looks like there is a good program in place for parking at Linwood Howe and the City is now looking at trying to resolve parking issues at La Ballona. Applications for the Bond Oversight Committee are out and we have received a few back. Mr. Reynolds encouraged people to forward their applications to the Business Office. He reported on his meeting with Southland regarding the air quality at El Marino which he said went very well. Mr. Reynolds asked Board members to check their calendars to see if Friday is a good day for the groundbreaking ceremony for the phase two of the athletic field.

11.3 Student Representatives' Reports

Middle School Student Representative

Falon Legaux, Culver City Middle School Student Representative, reported on activities at Culver City Middle School, including her meeting with Shea Cunningham from the Environmental Sustainability Committee and Green 5. Miss Legaux said that she was excited to start using the new green bins at school and they are encouraging students to bike, walk, and roller skate to school. The school is having Fix It Day where mechanics will come to the school on October 2nd and fix bikes. They will also show the owners of the bikes how to do some repairs at home. Miss Legaux reported on the school's new Duck Days and handed out a little token with a duck on it to Board members and staff. She reported on Lunch Brunch which was devised to help students that do not make friends easily and create a more social environment. She also spoke about some of the games that will be played.

Culver Park Student Representative

There is no Culver Park Student Representative at this time.

Culver City High School Student Representative/Student Board Member

Aliyah Wilson, CCHS student who is attending the meeting for Student Board Member Natalia Saucedo, reported on activities at Culver City High School, including the kick-off of a month and a half of major activities for ASB. The school just had their annual blood drive and there was a good turnout. There will be a Welcome Back Assembly tomorrow; and a Club Faire on Friday where the clubs at the High School try to encourage new members. Ms. Wilson reported that last week was the first official pep rally. It is also Hispanic Heritage month so music has played at school to recognize the culture and students have really enjoyed it. There is also planning for Homecoming and the theme is "Under the Sea." She is hoping that the announcement of the theme will really get the students excited.

11.4 Members of the Audience

Members of the audience spoke about:

- Kelly Osijima from EVOLVE came to address the Board about possibly passing a Resolution in regards to making reform changes to Prop 13. The Resolution would not be to change Prop 13 for homeowners. It would only change for large commercial properties. Ms. Osijima stated that it is the best way to fund our schools. She said that large corporations such as Disneyland are still paying property taxes from the 1970's. The amendment would bring those taxes current. Ms. Chardiet asked for a consensus to move forward. Ms. Paspalis stated that she would like to look at the Resolution. There was a consensus to review the Resolution.
- Robert Zirculis stated that the people of Culver City just passed a \$16 million dollar bond. The Natatorium is still neglected. He said the District is willing to spend millions to tear it down and make multipurpose rooms. He urged the Board to spend the \$3 million to fix our pool. He presented a petition that he stated had two thousand signatures in support of repairing our pool.
- David Mielke stated that he hopes everyone had a great summer. He addressed the first speaker of the evening, Ms. Osijimi, and stated that CCFT supports the reforming of Prop 13. He stated that there has been a very smooth start to the beginning of school. Most of the teachers have mentioned to him their concern about the heat. He hopes with the bond money that the needs for HVAC in the District can be addressed. Students cannot learn in bad conditions. Mr. Mielke reported that the Los Angeles County Report for salaries in the county and that the union and the District has a shared goal for the District to be in the median salary in the next five years. After the 2.5% salary increase we still have not hit the median. Mr. Mielke state that he has been invited to speak at the Labor Management Partnership conference and share about the partnership here in the District.

11.5 Members of the Board

Board Members spoke about:

- Ms. Goldberg stated that she corroborates everything that Mr. Mielke just said. There has never been this feeling of partnership before between the union members and the District, and the Board is committed to getting the salaries up. There was a comment about “systemic approach to student that are struggling” during the meeting and she stated that she worries about the different movements for education around the country. Ms. Goldberg reported that it is Walk Month in October and encouraged everyone to get out and walk. She also stated that tomorrow starts Rosh Hashana and wished everyone a Happy New Year.
- Dr. Levin wanted to briefly comment on Mr. Mielke's comments. Dr. Levin stated that the Board realizes that they have not reached their collective goal on salaries yet and is committed to continue working on it. Dr. Levin thaked the Culver City Middle School for all of their book donations after Farragut lost a lot of books due to a flood. He attended the Open House at the Middle School and It was great. He also attended the Teacher of the Year Luncheon and the College Faire at the High School was impressive. He stated he has never seen so many colleges in attendance. He attended the Farragut Booster Club/PTA Meeting, and was invited to speak at the Santa Monica Astronomy Club. He announced that the Art and Sciences Faire is happening now in Pasadena. He attended the meeting with Southland and felt it went well and was informative.
- Ms. Paspalis reported that the CCUSD/City of Culver City Liaison meeting was yesterday. She stated that we definitely have issues with the pool closures and we are hoping they can start repairs on the pool later as a convenience to our students. The plan now does not take our students into consideration. She is happy to hear about the schools and the parking improvements. Ms. Paspalis stated that the City is still pursuing a municipal fiber project. It seems that the plan would connect to the school sites. This would be a great savings to the District. Other topics at the meeting included further partnership programs and the extent of child homelessness. Overall Ms. Paspalis felt that the liaison meeting was productive and they will try to get another meeting set up in November.
- Ms. Robins wanted to commend all staff in trying to get through the heat. Everyone really stepped up. She attended La Ballona's Back to School Night and it was great to see kids playing soccer on the field. She mentioned that La Ballona always has great food at these events. Ms. Robins also agreed with Mr. Mielke's comments on salary and stated that the Board needs to look at the salaries in the District. She told Dr. Krumpe that she was so excited about the STEM programs and the update. Ms. Robins asked Dr.

Krumpe if there was a place to track progress of students in CGI and students that are not in CGI. She would like there to be some form to measure the progress. Ms. Robins also asked the Board to please think and look carefully into the Resolution regarding Prop 13. She feels that we have already asked the business community to support the District with Measure CC which they did. She is not comfortable with going back to the same pool of people and asking them for more money.

- Ms. Chardiet echoed Dr. Levin and Ms. Robin's comments to Mr. Mielke regarding salary and she agreed that the Board does want to get the salaries raised. She reported on her visit to El Rincon for Back to School Night and she stated it was really beautiful. She also attended the Culver City Sister City's picnic which was great and it was a beautiful day. The Historical Society Car Race was interesting and she learned a lot about Culver City. She would like to think about doing something with the Culver City Compact now that the bond has been passed. It was signed and she thinks that more can be done with those that signed the compact. Ms. Chardiet stated that next year is the centennial celebration of Culver City. She said that the District, PTA, and the Booster Clubs have been asked to participate. She is thinking about a parade and she would be willing to organize.

12. Information Items

12.1 First Reading of Revised Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6171, Instruction – Title I Programs

Board members asked Dr. Krumpe for clarification on funding portions of the Board Policy, but no changes were made. The Board Policy and Administrative Regulation will be brought back for approval.

12.2 Process and Timeline for Bond Projects

Mr. Reynolds gave a Power Point presentation where he provided an overview of the process and usual timeline for bond-related investments. He spoke about starting with developing our team for bond program management, and took the timeline through the next approximately eighty-two weeks based on the goals of the District.

13. Recess

The Board agreed to bypass the recess.

14. Action Items

14.1 Superintendent's Items

14.1a Approval of Amended Employment Contract Between CCUSD and David LaRose as District Superintendent

It was moved by Ms. Paspalis and seconded by Ms. Robins that the Board approve the Amended Employment Contract Between CCUSD and David LaRose as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

14.2 Education Services Items - None

14.3 Business Services Items

14.3a Approve Resolution #5/2014-2015 – Approving Assignment of Delinquent Tax Receivables to the California Statewide Delinquent Tax Finance Authority for Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2014, and 2016, Actions

It was moved by Ms. Goldberg and seconded by Dr. Levin that the Board approve Resolution #5/2014-2015 – Approving Assignment of Delinquent Tax Receivables to the California Statewide Delinquent Tax Finance Authority for Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2014, and 2016, Actions as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes from Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays.

14.3b Approval is Recommend to Approve the 2014-2015 Education Protection Account Spending Plan

It was moved by Ms. Robins and seconded by Ms. Goldberg that the Board approve the 2014-2015 Education Protection Account Spending Plan as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes from Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays.

14.3c Approval is Recommended to Approve Agreement with Keygent Advisors

It was moved by Ms. Paspalis and seconded by Ms. Robins that the Board approve the Agreement with Keygent Advisors as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes from Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays.

14.3d Approval is Recommended to Ratify Purchase of Chromebooks and Storage Carts for Classroom Use

It was moved by Ms. Robins and seconded by Dr. Levin that the Board approves to Ratify Purchase of Chromebooks and Storage Carts for Classroom Use as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes from Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays.

14.3e Approval is Recommended to Ratify Increase in Hours and Scope for DSA Inspector of Record

It was moved by Ms. Paspalis and seconded by Ms. Goldberg that the Board approve to Ratify Increase in Hours and Scope for DSA Inspector of Record as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes from Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays.

14.4 Personnel Items - None

15. Board Business

15.1 Review Superintendent Evaluation

Ms. Chardiet stated that together as a Board they created a narrative of Mr. LaRose’s evaluation. The evaluation was broken down into five sections. Board members each read a section of the Superintendent’s evaluation which was very good, and had only two small notes of improvement needed.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Ms. Paspalis, seconded by Dr. Levin and unanimously approved to adjourn the with a vote of 5 – Ayes from Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays. Board President Ms. Chardiet adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m. in honor of Rosh Hashana.

Approved: _____
Board President

Superintendent

On: _____
Date

Secretary