

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

Meeting:	<u>Regular Meeting</u>	Date:	<u>July 24, 2012</u>
Place:	<u>City of Culver City, Chambers 9770 Culver Boulevard Culver City 90232</u>	Time:	<u>6:00 p.m. – Public Meeting 6:01 p.m. – Closed Session 7:00 p.m. – Public Meeting</u>

Board Members Present

Katherine Paspalis, Esq., Vice President
Patricia Siever, Professor, Clerk
Laura Chardiet, Member
Nancy Goldberg, Member

Staff Members Present

Eileen Carroll, Interim Superintendent
Ajay Mohindra

Call to Order

Board Vice President Ms. Paspalis 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 four Board members in attendance. Karlo Silbiger was not present. Jerry Chabola led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Report from Closed Session

Ms. Paspalis reported that the Governing Board met in Closed Session regarding issues listed on today's Closed Session agenda and announced that the Board took action to dismiss a permanent classified employee with a vote of 4 – Ayes; 0 – Nays; 1 - Absent.

7. Public Hearing

7.1 Adoption of Textbooks for Culver City High School: AP Biology, AP Spanish Literature and ROP Culinary Arts

Ms. Paspalis opened the Public Hearing at 7:11 p.m. There were no comments from audience members. Ms. Paspalis closed the Public hearing at 7:12 p.m.

8. Adoption of Agenda

It was moved by Ms. Chardiet and seconded by Ms. Siever to adopt the July 24, 2012 agenda as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

9. Consent Agenda

Ms. Paspalis called the Consent Agenda and asked if any member of the audience or the Board wished to withdraw any item. Ms. Siever requested that item 9.4 and 9.5 be withdrawn. It was moved by Ms. Chardiet and seconded by Ms. Siever to approve Consent Agenda Items 9.1-9.3 and 9.6-9.9 as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

- 9.1 Minutes of Regular Meeting – Minutes of Special Meeting – May 15, 2012; and Minutes of Regular Meeting – May 22, 2012
- 9.2 Purchase Orders and Warrants
- 9.3 Acceptance of Gifts - Donations
- 9.6 Enrollment Report
- 9.7 CCMS GATE Camp, Catalina Island, California, October 12-14, 2012
- 9.8 Annual Destruction of Class III Records
- 9.9 Compensation Report of the Members of the Board of Education

9.4 Approval is Recommended for the Certificated Personnel Reports No. 2

Ms. Siever stated that she was curious about sections I.f-q. The extra assignments. She requested the total cost for extra assignments to see if it is possible to hire someone permanent for some of the positions. Ms. Siever

asked if Mr. Mohindra had the information. Mr. Mohindra stated he could bring the information with the Unaudited Actuals. Ms. Siever also inquired about items IV 1,2 and 3. She wanted to know if the money from staff that retires goes back into the general fund. Ms. Lockhart provided the amounts going back into the general fund, and stated that the replacement for the principal position will not be at step five.

9.5 Approval is Recommended for the Classified Personnel Reports No. 2

Ms. Siever asked about the stipends and noticed that most of them are for football. She asked about the other sports. Ms. Paspalis explained that the stipends are for the fall sports. Ms. Siever commended the Booster Club for all that they do for the schools and thanked Mrs. Lockhart for coming prepared to respond to her questions.

It was moved by Ms. Chardiet and seconded by Siever that the Board approve items 9.4 and 9.5 as presented. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

10. Awards, Recognitions and Presentations - None

11. Public Recognition

11.1 Superintendent's Report

Ms. Carroll, Interim Superintendent, reported that the Educational Services Department has been busy planning the upcoming Administrative Retreat and provided the Board with the activities that will happen during the three day retreat. She reported that the administrators will be attending an Arts Integration Leadership Team workshop at the Music Center on August 6th; and on August 29th there will be a Professional Development Workshop.

11.2 Assistant Superintendents' Reports

Mr. Mohindra updated the Board on the Interim Superintendent contract and stated the contract original amount stated was reduced by \$50.75 per day for health and welfare. He provided an update on the athletic field project and stated that there should be DSA approval by the end of August or beginning of September. The Business Office is busy with year-end closing and the Unaudited Actuals should be presented in September.

Mrs. Lockhart reported that the Human Resources Department is heading towards one of it's busiest times which is August. She extended commendations to everyone her department for all of their hard work. Mrs. Lockhart announced that Amy Anderson was leaving her position as principal at Linwood Howe and the position has already been advertised. She invited parents of Linwood Howe to email her with any suggestions or concerns that they have regarding the position. Mrs. Lockhart introduced Eileen O'Connor as the Mental Health Case Manager and Danielle Khoka as one of the District's new Clinical Counselors.

11.3 Members of the Audience

Members of the audience spoke about:

- George Laase asked when the Board would give public notice about the moving of Culver Park so that there is an opportunity for the public to voice any concerns. His examples of public concerns were the size of the campus and if the bathrooms were to be shared by staff and students. He urged the Board to announce that Culver Park is moving. Ms. Siever thought Mr. Laase made an excellent comment. She thought it would be interesting to have the topic on the next agenda. She asked for support to have it brought to the next meeting. Ms. Chardiet and Ms. Goldberg agreed. Mr. Mohindra provided some information on the move. He said that the size of the classrooms will be approximately 900 square feet and there will be about nine windows.

11.5 Members of the Board

Board Members spoke about:

- Ms. Goldberg reported on her visit to Culver Park. She mentioned that she hoped to visit the summer school classes but could only speak with Mr. Farris who indicated all was going nicely.
- Ms. Chardiet wanted to publicly thank Donna Thayer and the Culver City Sister City Committee who helped organize the Culver City Exchange. She met with some of the parents at El Rincon and they

are still very concerned about not having a staff member in the lab. Ms. Chardiet also announced that CCEF's All for 1 Campaign is coming soon.

- Ms. Siever said hello to her grandson Jaden who is seven years old and in the audience. She commended the Symphonic Jazz and the Arts for All grant. Ms. Siever thanked Mark at West Los Angeles for his assistance with the grant.
- Ms. Paspalis stated she was looking forward to attending the lunch and the arts integration event downtown. She also stated that she knows everyone is anxious to get the capital projects completed.

12. Information Items

12.1 Culver City Education Foundation – Building Block Presentation

Leslie Adler, Executive Director of the Education Foundation, presented a Building Block to Jerry Chabola for all of his hard work and dedication to the District. Jerry Chabola gave a brief speech and thanked the Education Foundation, the Board, and the District.

12.2 First Reading of Board Policy 4030, Nondiscrimination in Employment

Ms. Siever asked about the word "unlawful" and why it was replaced by "prohibited." Further discussion ensued and the policy will be brought back for approval.

13. Recess

The Board agreed to bypass recess.

14. Action Items

14.1 Superintendent's Items

14.1a Approval is Recommended for Resolution No. 1-2012/2013 – A Resolution of the Culver City Unified School District Board of Trustees Decidedly, Urging the State of California, Department of Conservation, Division of Oil, Gas & Geothermal Resources (DOGGR) to Place a Ban on Hydraulic Fracturing ("Fracking"), And Urging the California Legislature to Pass AB 972 Forthwith, in Addition, the CCUSD Board of Trustees Strongly Encourages the Culver City Council to Consider a Local Ban on Fracking

Dr. Suzanne DeBenedittis wanted to acknowledge Ms. Paspalis for bringing this matter forth. She encouraged the Board to urge the City and State to ban fracking. Lori Harvey urged the Board to urge the State legislators to ban fracking and asked the Board to table this item. She had a diagram showing sites in Culver City that would be threatened should there be a fracking incident. Neil Rubenstein stated that he has been involved with PXP Oil for a number of years. He has gone to many meetings regarding regulations. He asked the Board if this Resolution would really protect the community. He read a statement and urged the Board to not rush into signing this Resolution. Maren Neufeld encouraged everyone to get as educated as possible on this matter. Bobbi Buescher, representative from Assemblymember Betsy Butler's office, was present. She explained that the Anti-Fracking Bill is in place as a first step. She explained that AB 972 establishes a moratorium on fracking. She read the background of the Bill and stated that it goes to the Senate Appropriations Committee on August 6th. Ms. Siever stated that she thinks she heard from audience members that the Board needs to be more informed on the issue. She would be in support of removing the section speaking about supporting AB 972. She has not read the complete Bill. Ms. Chardiet stated that it seems that everyone in attendance is against fracking. She thought that passing the Resolution is better than doing nothing at all. Ms. Paspalis explained that gaining momentum is important at this point. She stated that we won't change the law right now but we have the opportunity to get a temporary moratorium. Ms. Siever and Ms. Paspalis discussed whether or not a section of the Resolution should be deleted. Ms. Siever stated that it would not change the support to the City. Ms. Paspalis was opposed to making the changes. Further discussion ensued. Ms. Paspalis moved the original Resolution, which was seconded by Ms. Chardiet. The motion was defeated with a vote of 2 Ayes and 2 Nays by Ms. Siever and Ms. Goldberg. An amended Resolution, dropping references to AB 972 was moved by Ms. Siever (with the deletion of lines 12 and 13). The motion was seconded by Ms. Goldberg. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

14.2 Education Services Items**14.2a Approval is Recommended for the Adoption of Textbooks for Culver City High School: AP Biology, AP Spanish Literature and ROP Culinary Arts**

Mr. Neil Rubenstein was called due to filling out a Speaker Card. He actually wanted to address the decorum of Board members, and speak to what he felt was disrespectful about their comments to one another. It was moved by Ms. Chardiet and seconded by Ms. Siever that the Board approve the Adoption of Textbooks for Culver City High School: AP Biology, AP Spanish Literature and ROP Culinary Arts as presented. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

14.3 Business Items**14.3a Approval is Recommended for the Certification of Signatures for Warrants, Orders for Salary Payment, Notices of Employment and Related Documents**

It was moved by Ms. Chardiet and seconded by Ms. Goldberg that the Board approve the Certification of Signatures for Warrants, Orders for Salary Payment, Notices of Employment and Related Documents as presented. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

14.3b Resolution #2/2012-2013- Annual Delegation of Administrative Authority to Process Routine Budget Revisions, Adjustments and Transfers

It was moved by Ms. Goldberg and seconded by Ms. Siever that the Board approve Resolution #2/2012-2013 – Annual Delegation of Administrative Authority to Process Routine Budget Revisions, Adjustments and Transfers as presented. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

14.4 Personnel Items**14.4a Approval is Recommended for New Certificated Administrative Job Description – Clinical Counselor (SELPA)**

Ms. Siever asked if there was a cost involved with this position or if it is a change in title. Mrs. Lockhart explained that there are no extra costs involved and it is funded by SELPA. It was moved by Ms. Goldberg and seconded by Ms. Chardiet that the Board approve the New Administrative Job Description – Clinical Counselor (SELPA) as presented. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

14.4b Approval is Recommended for New Certificated Administrative Job Description – Mental Health Case Manager (SELPA)

It was moved by Ms. Chardiet and seconded by Mrs. Goldberg that the Board approve the New Certificated Administrative Job Description – Mental Health Case Manager (SELPA) as presented. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

14.4c Approval is Recommended for Revised Pupil Personnel Services Salary Schedule

Ms. Siever asked what this would mean to the District. Mrs. Lockhart explained that whenever there is a new position the District is required to provide the salary schedule to LACOE. It was moved by Ms. Goldberg and seconded by Ms. Chardiet that the Board approve the Revised Pupil Personnel Services Salary Schedule as presented. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

14.4d Approval is Recommended for Certificated Administrator Salary Schedule

It was moved by Ms. Goldberg and seconded by Ms. Siever that the Board approve the Certificated Administrator Salary Schedule as presented. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

14.4e Approval is Recommended for Revised Athletic Stipends – Compensation for Coaching and Special Assignments

It was moved by Ms. Chardiet and seconded by Ms. Goldberg that the Board approve the Revised Athletic Stipends – Compensation for Coaching and Special Assignments as presented. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

14.4f Approval is Recommended for Resolution #3 – 2012/2013(HR), Regarding Resolution To Waive Credential Requirements Pursuant To Education Code Section 35029

Ms. Paspalis requested to amend the Resolution by placing “California” after the words “...superintendent posses a **California** teaching...” in the sixth paragraph. It was moved by Ms. Goldberg and seconded by Ms. Siever that the Board approve Resolution #3-2012/2013(HR), Regarding Resolution to Waive Credential Requirements Pursuant to Education Code Section 35029 as amended. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

15. Board Business

15.1 Discussion Regarding the CCUSD Board of Education Supporting the City of Culver City Tax Measure on the November Ballot

Ms. Goldberg requested to defer this topic since it is a “newer” matter. Ms. Chardiet thinks the Board needs to “wrap it into a bigger discussion if taxes do not pass”. Ms. Siever would like to move it to a September meeting which allow time to get additional information. Ms. Paspalis suggested having a draft Resolution or three separate Resolutions, and that the drafts be brought to the next meeting. Ms. Siever does not want the issue brought back as an action item, but agrees to have it as a discussion item. Board members agreed to have the topic brought back.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Ms. Goldberg, seconded by Ms. Siever and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting. Board Vice-President Ms. Paspalis adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m. in memory of the victims in the Aurora, Colorado shooting, and all of the victims of gun violence.

Approved: _____
Board President

Superintendent

On: _____
Date

Secretary