

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

Meeting:	<u>Regular Meeting</u>	Date:	<u>November 28, 2006</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>7:30 p.m. – Public Meeting</u>

Board Members Present

Saundra Davis, M.A., President
Marla Wolkowitz, Vice President
Stewart Bubar, M.S., Clerk
Dana Russell, D.D.S., Member
Jessica Beagles-Roos, Ph.D., Member

Staff Members Present

Diane Fiello, Ed.D.
David El Fattal, M.B.A.
Antoinette Fournier, Ph.D.
Patricia Jaffe, M.S.

Call to Order

Board President Mrs. Davis 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 7:41p.m. with all Board members in attendance. Mr. George Laase led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Report from Closed Session

Mrs. Davis reported that the Governing Board met in Closed Session regarding issues listed on today's Closed Session agenda and announced that the following reportable action was taken. The Board took action with a vote of 5 – Ayes and 0– Nays to appoint Dr. Myrna Coté as Superintendent of the District subject to successful negotiations and approval by the Board of the contract of employment.

Mrs. Davis introduced Dr. Myrna Coté and gave background information on Dr. Coté's career. Dr. Coté spoke briefly and thanked the board.

Mr. Bubar requested the Action Items and Consent Items be moved up on the agenda because he was going to the airport to attend a conference. It was agreed upon by the board to move up these items.

4. Consent Agenda

Mrs. Davis called the Consent Agenda and asked if any member of the audience or the Board wished to withdraw any item. No items were withdrawn.

It was moved by Mr. Bubar and seconded by Dr. Beagles-Roos to approve Consent Agenda Items 4.1 through 4.5 as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

- 4.1 Minutes of Regular Meeting – November 14, 2006 and Special Meeting of November 13, 2006
- 4.2 Purchase Orders and Warrants
- 4.3 Acceptance of Gifts – Donations
- 4.4 Nonpublic School Renewal Agreements for Devereaux Texas, Foundation for the Jr. Blind, Frostig School, Poseidon School and Speech & Language Development Center
- 4.5 Nonpublic Agency Renewal Agreements for Center for Autism & Related Disorders (CARD); Intercare Therapy and Therapy West, Inc.

9. Action Items**9.1 Approval of Adult Education Program – 2007 Winter Trimester for Adults**

Mrs. Wolkowitz requested that the name of the Dance Your Prayers class be changed due to a possibility that the some people might think that there are religious connotations. Board members discussed and it was decided that the name of the class would be brought to the teacher's attention for consideration.

It was moved by Dr. Beagles-Roos and seconded by Mr. Bubar that the Board approve the Adult Education Program –

2007 as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

9.2 Adoption of Culver City Unified School District Initial Collective Bargaining Proposal to the Association of Classified Employees for School Year 2006-2007

Unable to vote on this item number until after the public hearing.

9.3 Second Reading and Approval of Revised Board Bylaw 9310, Policy Manual

It was moved by Dr. Beagles-Roos and seconded by Mrs. Davis that the Board approves the Revised Board Bylaw 9310, Policy Manual as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

9.4 Second Reading and Approval of Revised Board Bylaw and Deleted Exhibit 9320, Meetings and Notices

It was moved by Mr. Bubar and seconded by Mrs. Wolkowitz that the Board approves the Revised Board Bylaw 9320 and the deletion of Exhibit 9320, Meetings and Notices as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

3. Public Hearing

3.1 Culver City Unified School District

Initial Collective Bargaining Proposal to the Association of Classified Employees for School Year 2006-2007

Mrs. Davis closed the regular meeting and opened the public hearing at 7:56 p.m. David Mielke requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Jane Murray.

Mr. Mielke then commented on the proposal for ACE and encouraged the Board to make a proposal with enough information included so that community members can comment on it. Mrs. Davis closed the public hearing at 7:59 p.m.

5. Awards, Recognitions and Presentations

5.1 TIP Grants Presentation

Patty Krause of the Culver City Education Foundation introduced Clara Sturak as the new Administrator for the Foundation.

Ms. Sturak gave a presentation on the Teacher's Incentive Program (TIP) Grants that have been awarded to El Marino Language School, Culver City Middle School, Farragut Elementary and the Office of Child Development. Ms. Krause then gave an update on last year's grants and what has been accomplished at each site with the funding.

Dr. Beagles-Roos complimented the teacher's that have applied for the grants. Board members thanked the Education Foundation for the work that they do and for the grants.

6. Public Recognition

6.1 Student Representatives' Reports

Middle School Student Representative

Chardonay Tabor, Culver City Middle School Student Representative, reported on activities at Culver City Middle School, including tickets going on sale for the school dance, O'Gram sales and the Food Drive.

Culver Park Student Representative

There is no representative at this time.

Culver City High School Student Representative/Student Board Member

Andy Gonzalez, Student Board Member, reported on activities at Culver City High School, including ASB activities, the Graffiti Task Force, food drives for local charities, WASC visit to the High School, sports updates, and the Youth Advisory Council Meeting with the City.

Mr. Gonzalez also thanked Board members and community members for their contributions to support the Peace Garden.

6.2 Superintendent's Report

Dr. Fiello introduced Mrs. Jaffe who reported that she was very impressed with the Technology Department after attending a site visit and also viewing different types of software that are being used. Mrs. Jaffe also visited La Ballona Elementary school and found that Mrs. Collins' grade level standards were being very well implemented throughout the school.

Mrs. Jaffe then thanked Mrs. Davis for inviting her to attend a meeting with representatives from Tavis Smiley's

foundation in regards to a health event that is being sponsored by Kaiser Permanente.

Mr. El Fattal provided an update as to when the meeting will be available for viewing on cable television. Mr. El Fattal also reported that the Mike Korgan, Director of Maintenance; Inez Bush, Art Consultant for the district; and Susan Obrow from the City are touring Robert Frost Auditorium in preparation for the Philharmonic Orchestra performance.

Ms. Fournier reported on attendance at a meeting at the County for the 4th, 5th, and 6th grade Spelling Bees.

Dr. Fiello reported on site visits to El Rincon and how she took notice that the teachers were very involved and it was evident that the teacher's were working together. There was a great deal of consistency. At Farragut Elementary it was evident that the staff has implemented the in-service information they were provided by the Principal, Mrs. Barbara Brown. Dr. Fiello also reported on meeting that she attended at West Los Angeles College with Dr. Rocha who is the new President of the college.

6.3 Members of the Audience

Pamela Greenstein, Teacher and Political Director for CCFT, commented on negotiations and the fact that other districts have settled as of the date of this meeting.

Roger Maxwell welcomed Dr. Coté and submitted to the Board pictures and a CD of graffiti that has taken place around the District.

Mr. Maxwell also discussed the large amount of trash around the schools and suggested more trash receptacles. He also informed the Board the the Middle School Mock Trial was a success and gave commendation to Ms. Claudette Dubois. David Mielke welcomed Dr. Coté and commented on collective bargaining. Mr. Mielke thanked Rebecca Williams for forwarding to him the information that he requested regarding Board members' comments made about him at a previous board meeting. He addressed what Mr. Bubar stated in the October 24th meeting and requested a public apology from Mr. Bubar because the information that Mr. Mielke submitted in that meeting was factual and not misinformation as Mr. Bubar stated.

Ms. Nathalie Schlemmer commented on the trash issue in front of Farragut and requested that a privacy screen be installed along the fences at the school.

6.4 Members of the Board

Board Members spoke about:

- The achievement gap and studies that using more words with children between the ages of 1-3 helps them excel
- Ice cream vendors being out in front of the schools again
- The need for student representation at the board meetings from Culver Park High School
- Trash around Farragut elementary and the need for more trash receptacles
- The Wellness Policy and the physical education curriculum and possibly other programs regarding physical education that are available, and that most elementary schools in LAUSD do not have credentialed P.E. teachers.
- The installation for the Culver City Friends of the Youth Health Center and if any board members were available
- The City requesting a liaison meeting with the Board regarding reopening the natatorium and the joint-use agreement
- Dr. Russell commented that he was happy to hear updates on the school site visits and how well the teachers were doing, the success of the Mock Trial, the liaison with West Los Angeles College and he expressed his enthusiasm that the board meetings were now being videotaped.
- Privacy shades for the fence at Farragut and what the installation would entail

Board Members recognized the High School students for their work in campus improvement, and Dr. Beagles-Roos stated how proud she was that the students were addressing issues that needed to be addressed such as the beautification of the campus. Board members also again welcomed Dr. Coté.

8. Recess

The Board recessed at 9:08 p.m. and reconvened at 9:21 p.m.

7. Information Items

7.1 Presentation About Diabetes

Kathleen Lally-Arena, District Nurse, presented information on diabetes. She then responded to questions from the

audience and board members.

**7.2 First Reading
of Revised Administrative Regulation/New Exhibit 4112.3, 4212.3, 4312.3, Oath or Affirmation**

Mrs. Jaffe presented the revisions to the Board.

After a brief discussion it was decided to bring the Administrative Regulation and Exhibit back for approval at the next board meeting.

9. Action Items – (Continued)

9.1 Adoption of Culver City Unified School District Initial Collective Bargaining Proposal to the Association of Classified Employees for School Year 2006-2007

It was moved by Dr. Russell and seconded by Dr. Beagles-Roos that the Board adopt the Culver City Unified School District's Initial Collective Bargaining Proposal to the Association of Classified Employees (ACE) for School Year 2006-2007 as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

10A. Public Recognition – Continued

10A.1 Members of the Audience - None

10A.2 Members of the Board

Board members spoke about:

- Dr. Russell requested any updates on the High School marquee. Mr. El Fattal responded.
- The process to recruit students for sports
- Board members congratulated the High School football team on their victory
- High School track being repaired from the summer activities and whether or not the payment was settled
- Dr. Beagles-Roos suggested that Board start to think of a date for a workshop in January pending the availability of Molly McGee-Hewitt
- Videotaping the meetings
- Mrs. Wolkowitz agreed that the meeting should be adjourned in memory of Jane Murray
- Mrs. Davis requested an update on the usage of the tennis courts. Mr. El Fattal responded

Mrs. Jaffe requested to also adjourn the meeting in memory of Goldie Zeiger.

10B. Board Business - None

11. Closed Session - None

12. Personnel

12.1 Certificated Personnel Services Report No. 8

Dr. Russell moved and Dr. Beagles-Roos seconded that the Board adopt Certificated Personnel Services Report No. 8 as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

12.2 Classified Personnel Services Report No. 8

Dr. Russell moved and Dr. Beagles-Roos seconded that the Board adopt Classified Personnel Services Report No. 8 as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 - Nays.

12.3 Expulsion of Pupil Services Case #03-06

Dr. Russell moved and Dr. Beagles-Roos seconded that the Board approve the recommendation of Pupil Services Case #03-06 as presented and that the student be placed in County Community Day School or another school determined by his parents, at parental expense and that the student complete the required rehabilitation plan. The motion was passed with a vote of 3 – Ayes and 1 – Nay.

12.4 Stipulated Expulsion

Mrs. Wolkowitz moved and Dr. Beagles-Roos seconded that the Board approve the stipulated expulsion of Case #04-06 until June 2007 and that the student enroll in a County Community Day School or in another school in the area of residence in the Inglewood Unified School District.

The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 - Nays.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Mrs. Wolkowitz, seconded by Dr. Russell and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting. Board President Mrs. Davis adjourned the meeting at 10:13 p.m. in memory of Jane Murray and Goldie Zeiger.

Approved: _____
Board President

Superintendent

On: _____
Date

Secretary