

MINUTES  
CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES  
EDWARD A. GREER EDUCATION CENTER, BOARD ROOM  
2832 E. FLAMINGO ROAD, LAS VEGAS, NV 89121

Tuesday, February 28, 2012

5:30 p.m.

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Roll Call:	<u>Members Present</u>	<u>Member Absent</u>
	Dr. Linda E. Young, President	Chris Garvey, Member
	Deanna L. Wright, Vice President	
	John Cole, Clerk	
	Lorraine Alderman, Member	
	Erin E. Cranor, Member	
	Carolyn Edwards, Member	

Dwight D. Jones, Superintendent of Schools

Also present were: Mary Ann Peterson, Board Counsel, District Attorney's Office; Jeff Weiler, Chief Financial Officer; Operations Support Unit; Rick Baldwin, Director, Demographics, Zoning and GIS Department, Operations Support Unit; Cindy Krohn, Executive Assistant to the Board, Board Office; Lisa Chrapcynski, Administrative Secretary II, Board Office; and Attendance Zone Advisory Commission Members, Becky Nielson, JoAnna Foutz, Leigh Dunn, Mike Malone, Socorro Macias, Joanie Till, Albert Delgado, Cyndy Mahoney, Anna Slighting, Zan Hyer.

**ADOPT AGENDA**

*Adopt agenda.*

*Motion: Cranor Second: Wright Vote: Unanimous*

*Trustees Edwards was not present for the vote.*

**JOINT MEETING WITH THE ATTENDANCE ZONE ADVISORY COMMISSION**

The Attendance Zone Advisory Commission (AZAC) took roll call and opened their meeting by unanimous vote at 5:31 p.m.

Trustee Young explained that the Board has three options regarding the proposals before them: to approve the recommendations, to vote against the recommendations, or to take no action.

**TELECONFERENCE CALL CONNECTED**

Teleconference call with Trustee Edwards was connected at 5:35 p.m.

**APPROVE SCHOOL ZONING FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR FROM CHARLOTTE HILL AND LOUIS WIENER, JR. ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS TO HELEN M. JYDSTRUP ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Approval to reassign the area as described, from the **Charlotte Hill and Louis Wiener, Jr., Elementary Schools** to the **Helen M. Jydstrup Elementary School**, beginning the 2012-2013 school year, as recommended in Reference 2.01.

Mr. Baldwin stated that the recommendation in Item 2.01 is presented to realign assignment boundaries using the Interstate 215 and said there are no students in this area.

Trustee Edwards added that this recommendation is feeder school alignment for items that were approved last year that corrected this area for middle and high schools.

*Motion to accept.*

*Motion: Edwards    Second: Cole    Vote: Unanimous*

**APPROVE ITEMS 2.02 AND 2.03**

Approval of Items 2.02 and 2.03, respectively, as follows:

**APPROVE SCHOOL ZONING FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR FROM LAWRENCE AND HEIDI CANARELLI MIDDLE SCHOOL TO WILBUR AND THERESA FAISS AND LOIS AND JERRY TARKANIAN MIDDLE SCHOOLS**

Approval to reassign students in grades 6-8, living in the area as described, from **Lawrence and Heidi Canarelli Middle School** to **Wilbur and Theresa Faiss and Lois and Jerry Tarkanian Middle Schools**, beginning with the 2012-2013 school year, as recommended in Reference 2.02.

**APPROVE SCHOOL ZONING FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR FROM LAWRENCE AND HEIDI CANARELLI MIDDLE SCHOOL TO WILBUR AND THERESA FAISS AND LOIS AND JERRY TARKANIAN MIDDLE SCHOOLS**

Approval to reassign students in phases by grade level, living in the areas as described, from the **Lawrence and Heidi Canarelli Middle School** to the **Wilbur and Theresa Faiss** and the **Lois and Jerry Tarkanian Middle Schools**, beginning with the sixth grade for the 2012-2013 school year, as recommended in Reference 2.03.

Mr. Baldwin gave a brief explanation of the recommendations in Items 2.02 and 2.03, stating that Item 2.03 is a staff recommendation, and Item 2.02 is an AZAC recommendation for the same area but without the phasing option for the students.

Trustee Edwards commented that there had been some public input against phasing, most of which came from parents of students who would remain at Canarelli Middle School; and that the principle was in favor of phasing at Canarelli because a one-time zone change, if not necessary, would impact her school more significantly. She said she would be in favor of Item 2.03 with no action on Item 2.02.

**APPROVE ITEMS 2.02 AND 2.03 (continued)**

Trustee Wright commented that she was also in support of Item 2.03.

Trustee Cole asked what AZAC's rationale was for their recommendation.

Ms. Nielson stated that AZAC's recommendation was based on public input.

Trustee Cranor said she would also be in favor of the phasing. She recommended actually moving to reject Item 2.02 and accept Item 2.03 for clarity.

Trustee Alderman also expressed support of Item 2.03.

Trustee Edwards asked counsel to respond to whether or not it would be necessary to reject an item.

Mrs. Peterson responded that as stated in the beginning of the meeting, the Board has the option of not taking action on an item, but that item could come back on a future agenda. She recommended that for clarity, the motion should include an acceptance of Item 2.03 and a rejection of Item 2.02.

There was discussion regarding the aspect of the phasing option that allows the older sibling to attend the newly zoned school with the younger sibling.

Trustee Edwards stated that the option language is not included in the recommendation specific to this agenda, and she asked if it was necessary to add the language to the agenda item.

Mrs. Peterson stated that although that language is not included in the agenda item, it is included in the backup material for staff's recommendation, which is Item 2.03.

*Motion to reject Item 2.02 and accept Item 2.03, including the language that is accompanied with the agenda item on the map that describes the option for older siblings to attend the newly zoned school with their younger siblings with transportation.*

*Motion: Edwards    Second: Wright*

Ms. Nielson asked whether or not current 7<sup>th</sup>-graders with zone variances would be eligible for the transportation and whether they would need to maintain their zone variance.

Mr. Weiler responded that since a bus would be on that route due to the zone change, those students with zone variances currently without transportation would be eligible for transportation on those routes.

**APPROVE ITEMS 2.02 AND 2.03 (continued)**

Trustee Edwards clarified that this option is for older siblings to accompany younger siblings, and those students attending Tarkanian Middle School on a zone variance would be eligible for transportation on a space available basis.

*Vote on Trustee Edwards' motion was unanimous.*

**APPROVE SCHOOL ZONING FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR FROM JACK AND TERRY MANNION MIDDLE SCHOOL TO B. MAHLON BROWN JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL**

Approval to reassign students in phases by grade level, living in the area as described, from the **Jack and Terry Mannion Middle School** to the **B. Mahlon Brown Junior High School**, beginning with the sixth grade for the 2012-2013 school year, as recommended in Reference 2.04.

Mr. Baldwin explained that this recommendation accomplishes better feeder school alignment, utilizes space at Brown Junior High School, and relieves some overcrowding at Mannion Middle School.

Trustee Wright expressed support of this recommendation.

*Motion to approve as stated.*

*Motion: Wright Second: Cole*

Trustee Edwards asked if the motion should include that the phasing includes the option that is shown on the map.

*Trustee Wright amended her motion to say that the phasing includes the option for the older siblings as indicated in the reference material for Item 2.04.*

*Trustee Cole agreed to that amendment.*

*Vote on Trustee Wright's motion was unanimous.*

**APPROVE SCHOOL ZONING FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR FROM DEL E. WEBB MIDDLE SCHOOL TO CHARLES A. SILVESTRI JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL**

Approval to reassign students in phases by grade level, living in the area as described, from the **Del E. Webb Middle School** to the **Charles A. Silvestri Junior High School**, beginning with the sixth grade for the 2012-2013 school year, as recommended in Reference 2.05.

Mr. Baldwin explained that this recommendation relieves some overcrowding at Webb Middle School, and the recommendation in Item 2.06 would reduce some capacity at Silvestri Junior High School in order to accommodate growth in that area.

**APPROVE SCHOOL ZONING FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR FROM DEL E. WEBB MIDDLE SCHOOL TO CHARLES A. SILVESTRI JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL (continued)**

Trustee Cranor asked that Ms. Mahoney and Ms. Sliding comment on a portion of this focus area that was considered but not included in the recommendation.

Ms. Sliding and Ms. Mahoney commented that the area south of Robindale between Pecos and Green Valley should be added to Greenspun Junior High School in order to relieve this community from being part of the zoning discussion for a few years. They talked about the reasons why this recommendation would make sense for this community.

Trustee Cranor expressed concern that this agenda item may be inadequate to address the issue that the middle school facilities south of Greenspun Junior High School may not be able to accommodate the growth in that area. She recommended taking no action at this time and possibly requesting an agenda item that would allow further vetting of this situation.

Trustee Wright agreed with comments made by Trustee Cranor. She wondered if the Board might also want to take no action on Item 2.06 and 2.07 and bring the entire focus area back for discussion.

Trustee Edwards said she would be in support of Items 2.05, 2.06, and 2.07 coming back at a later date. She suggested that it would be helpful for all of the information that was previously provided to the public to be provided at the future discussion.

Trustee Alderman asked if Item 2.07 could be addressed this evening.

*The Board agreed to take Items 2.05, 2.06, and 2.07 together for further discussion.*

**APPROVE SCHOOL ZONING FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR FROM CHARLES A. SILVESTRI JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL TO JACK LUND SCHOFIELD MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Approval to reassign students in phases by grade level, living in the area as described, from the **Charles A. Silvestri Junior High School** to the **Jack Lund Schofield Middle School**, beginning with the sixth grade for the 2012-2013 school year, as recommended in Reference 2.06.

**APPROVE SCHOOL ZONING FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR FROM THURMAN WHITE MIDDLE SCHOOL TO BARBARA AND HANK GREENSPUN JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL**

Approval to reassign students in phases by grade level, living in the area as described, from the **Thurman White Middle School** to the **Barbara and Hank Greenspun Junior High School**, beginning with the sixth grade for the 2012-2013 school year, as recommended in Reference 2.07.

Mr. Baldwin recommended bringing Item 2.07 back with the other items because it involves Greenspun Junior High School.

### **APPROVE ITEMS 2.05 THROUGH 2.07 (continued)**

Trustee Cranor clarified that she would suggest taking no action on Items 2.05, 2.06, and 2.07, and then discussing the future agenda item during Item 3.01 here. She said she would like to consider a way to inform the public of this other than what is traditionally done for a Board item and is more in line with an AZAC public meeting.

Trustee Edwards noted that another reason for not addressing Item 2.07 tonight is that it is written in policy that the Board would not make changes to a school in two consecutive years, so she agreed that this Item should not be addressed tonight but brought back with the other items.

There was consensus to take no action on Items 2.05, 2.06, and 2.07 at this time and to bring those items back for discussion at a future meeting.

Mr. Baldwin said staff would design a flyer to send out to these areas as additional notification of the upcoming discussion, if that would be appropriate.

AZAC adjourned their meeting by unanimous vote at 6:33 p.m.

### **AGENDA PLANNING: ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

Trustee Cranor requested a new agenda item that would allow for consideration of the information provided by AZAC for the areas that are included in Items 2.05, 2.06, and 2.07 of this meeting, with recommendations from the Superintendent and staff with context of middle school reform and with context of facility capacity and transportation.

Trustee Alderman recommended that the Board specify a date on which this information would be considered.

Trustee Edwards said she wanted to ensure that the Board is not limiting itself in the discussion of this focus area to what is in agenda Items 2.05, 2.06, and 2.07, and that the discussion include the other options that were considered for this focus area.

After some discussion, the Board agreed to bring this information forward on an agenda item at the March 22, 2012, regular Board meeting.

### **DISCUSSION AND REQUEST FOR SPECIAL MEETINGS**

None.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

None.

**ADJOURN:** 6:48 p.m.

*Motion: Wright Second: Cole Vote: Unanimous*

Meeting minutes transcribed by Stephanie Gatlin.