

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

Thursday, April 26, 2012

3:00 p.m.

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

Dwight D. Jones, Superintendent of Schools

Also present were: Mary Ann Peterson, Board Counsel, District Attorney's Office; Carlos McDade, General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel; Jeffrey Weiler, Chief Financial Officers, Operations Support Unit; Kim Wooden, Chief Student Services Officer, Student Support Services Division; Paul Gerner, Associate Superintendent, Facilities Division; Joyce Haldeman, Associate Superintendent, Community and Government Relations; Cindy Krohn, Executive Assistant to the Board, Board Office; Elizabeth Carrero, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent, Office of the Superintendent; Lisa Chrapcynski, Administrative Secretary II, Board Office

**ADOPT AGENDA**

Adopt agenda.

*Motion: Edwards    Second: Wright    Vote: Unanimous*

*Trustees Cole and Cranor were not present for the vote.*

**SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE**

Presentation by the School Improvement Committee. Sandy Miller, Chair, School Improvement Committee.

Mrs. Haldeman explained that the School Improvement Committee, presently consisting of four former first ladies, has raised enough money to fund an opinion poll to give insight to the Board on the voters' thoughts concerning bond issues. She introduced Mrs. Miller.

**BOARD MEMBER ARRIVES**

Trustee Cranor arrived at the Board meeting at 3:06 p.m.

**SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE (continued)**

Mrs. Miller stated that the committee has come together to assist the Board in deciding on a ballot question asking voters to support school improvements. She introduced the other committee members Dawn Gibbons, Dema Guinn, and Bonnie Bryan.

Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Gibbons expressed the committee's support of education and their commitment to the students and finding a solution that would ensure that students have a safe learning environment while being fiscally responsible to taxpayers.

**BOARD MEMBER ARRIVES**

Trustee Cole arrived at the Board meeting at 3:10 p.m.

**SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE (continued)**

Mrs. Miller recognized Mr. McCord as treasurer of the committee, and she thanked Katherine Levy, R & R Partners, for her organization's help in conducting the survey. She thanked Mrs. Haldeman for her assistance in being the liaison between the committee and the District and providing information to the committee.

Mrs. Miller shared the results of the survey.

The Board expressed appreciation for the committee.

**APPROVE 2012 BOND CAMPAIGN**

Approval for the development of a 2012 bond campaign, and authorization to create the November 2012 ballot question for approval at a future meeting of the Board of School Trustees, as recommended in Reference 3.01.

Mr. Alistoy presented a summary of ballot questions that may appear on the November ballot.

Mr. Weiler gave a brief presentation that included Summary of Need, Bond Options, and Timelines for November 2012 Election.

There was discussion regarding the timeline and procedure for placing a question on the ballot and how the Board prefers to move forward including what questions they would like to have answered as they continue this discussion.

**RECESS TO A TIME, DATE, AND PLACE CERTAIN**

Approval to recess the April 26, 2012, Board meeting to Wednesday, May 2, 2012, at 8:00 a.m. in Board room of the Education Center, 2832 E. Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, Nevada, for the purpose of continuing the discussion and/or action on Item 3.01 and on the remaining agenda items.

*Motion: Wright Second: Edwards Vote: Unanimous*

The April 26, 2012, Board meeting recessed at 4:46 p.m.

## **RECONVENE MEETING OF APRIL 26, 2012**

The April 26, 2012, Board meeting reconvened at 8:00 a.m. in Board room of the Education Center, 2832 E. Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, Nevada.

All Board members were present except Trustee Cranor. Also present were: Mary Ann Peterson, Board Counsel, District Attorney's Office; Carlos McDade, General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel; Pedro Martinez, Deputy Superintendent, Instruction Unit; Jeffrey Weiler, Chief Financial Officers, Operations Support Unit; Kim Wooden, Chief Student Services Officer, Student Support Services Division; Paul Gerner, Associate Superintendent, Facilities Division; Joyce Haldeman, Associate Superintendent, Community and Government Relations; Cindy Krohn, Executive Assistant to the Board, Board Office; Elizabeth Carrero, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent, Office of the Superintendent; Lisa Chrapcynski, Administrative Secretary II, Board Office; and Stephanie Gatlin, Transcriber/Recording Secretary, Board Office.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Trustee Edwards noted that Trustee Cranor was unable to attend today's meeting because she was traveling to Washington, D. C., to be honored at an event.

## **APPROVE 2012 BOND CAMPAIGN (continued)**

Mr. Weiler gave an updated of the presentation given to the Board on April 26<sup>th</sup> and addressed some questions raised by the Board on April 26<sup>th</sup>.

Trustee Edwards commented that the District is not asking for \$5.2 billion, but \$500-\$700 million to cover expenses for 6 years.

## **BOARD MEMBER ARRIVES**

Trustee Wright arrived at the Board meeting at 8:15 a.m.

## **APPROVE 2012 BOND CAMPAIGN (continued)**

Trustee Cole asked if there would be the opportunity at a more opportune time to come out of the bridge and convert into a traditional bond.

Mr. Swinside answered that a question could be placed on the ballot asking for a rollover or a traditional bond issuance.

Trustee Alderman stated that she is in support of Option 2 and in support of going to the voters now.

Trustee Cole suggested that staff take this opportunity to review the change order process so that information could be provided to the public when the District goes back to voters for more money for the District's infrastructure.

Trustee Garvey stated that she is in support of Option 2.

Trustee Young stated that her concern has always been the equity and equal opportunities for all students. She said she is also in favor of Option 2.

#### Public Hearing

Victor Joecks said the public should be made aware of the District's plans for the next 10 years and that the temporary property tax increase that the District is asking for could become permanent.

Trustee Edwards said the District would continually monitor whether the need remains the same over time. She said she was in support of Option 2.

*Motion that the Board authorize moving forward with 2012 bond capital campaign for the November election and direct staff to draft language focusing on Option 2 and go through the process to bring the option back to the June 8, 2012, Board meeting for Board consideration.*

*Motion: Garvey Second: Alderman*

Trustee Cole expressed his support of giving the public the opportunity to answer whether or not to provide a bond for the maintenance of the schools.

Trustee Wright expressed her support of the motion. She said it is important to maintain facilities for the safety and optimum learning environment for students and equity for all students in all schools.

Trustee Edwards noted that the motion needs to reflect that this is a capital program for Option 2 and not a bond campaign.

*Trustee Garvey accepted that friendly amendment to her motion.*

*Trustee Alderman also concurred with that language change in the motion.*

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

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

None.

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

Trustee Edwards noted that the Board discussed a special meeting for discussion of the capital program for Friday, June 8, 2012, at 8:00 a.m.

Board members agreed to schedule that meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

None.

**ADJOURN:** 8:55 a.m.

*Motion: Edwards    Second: Wright    Vote: Unanimous*