

MINUTES
CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER, ROOM 446
5100 WEST SAHARA AVENUE, LAS VEGAS, NV 89146

OFFICERS' MEETING

Thursday, June 28, 2012

4:02 p.m.

Roll Call: Members Present
Dr. Linda E. Young, President
Deanna L. Wright, Vice President
Lorraine Alderman, Clerk

Also present were: Cindy Krohn, Executive Assistant to the Board, Board Office, and Eva Melendrez, Parent Services Coordinator, Parent Services, Community and Government Relations.

ADOPT AGENDA

Adopt agenda.

Motion: Alderman Second: Wright Vote: Unanimous

APPROVE OFFICERS' MEETING

Approval regarding recommendations to the full Board on retreat planning, community linkage meetings, calendar planning, Board newsletters, brochure and poster, committee assignments, future Board conferences and/or training, board office support, review of past, current, and future protocol, and future agenda items.

Retreat Planning

Trustee Young noted that there is a Board Retreat scheduled for Friday, July 20, 2012, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Mt. Charleston Lodge cabins. She went over some information on the topic to be discussed at the retreat on Personalizing Policies I, and she outlined the planned format of the delivery and discussion of this information and the schedule of the meeting. She asked for the Trustees' input.

Trustee Wright wondered if the Board could be provided with information regarding human trafficking as well from Maureen Costello, Director, Teaching Tolerance, Southern Poverty Law Center.

Trustee Alderman agreed to introduce the Community of Caring program.

Trustee Wright agreed to address the equity and diversity piece.

APPROVE OFFICERS' MEETING (continued)

Trustee Young said that the next Board retreat is scheduled for Friday, October 12, 2012, with the topic being Personalizing Policies, Part II, with Michael Casserly, Executive Director, Council of the Great City Schools.

Trustee Wright asked if there were any funds available for the Trustees to have a professional development workshop involving a practice of switching roles.

Trustee Alderman suggested having the Trustees engage in a workshop regarding effective lobbying techniques or practices.

Trustee Young said she was hoping to bring in some of the talented local individuals who are in or associated with the District in some way.

The Trustees discussed bringing teachers in to discuss things that are happening at the school level.

Community Linkage

Trustee Young said the date for the next Mega Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) meeting would be Tuesday, October 9, 2012, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Valley High School with Trustee Wright and herself being the facilitators, and the topics being the capital program and the 2013 legislative session.

Mrs. Krohn said that Trustee Cranor mentioned possibly including the topic of electronic devices on campus.

The Trustees agreed with including that topic.

There was discussion regarding how the Board members could be more involved in informing their constituents of legislative activities.

Trustee Young broached the topic of engaging the Southern Paiute community in a community linkage meeting much in the same manner as the Hispanic community was engaged in the community linkage meeting held in Spanish. She suggested that the meeting could be held at the Southern Paiute Colony or at the Moapa Band of Paiutes' reservation in Moapa. She said there is also Paiute Tribe Snow Mountain Indian Reservation, but she suggested holding the event at the Moapa River Indian Reservation and possibly providing transportation to the other colonies so they can attend.

Ms. Melendrez stated that the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) hosted an outreach event with that community, and she suggested possibly partnering with UNLV to host this event as a collaborative education piece. She offered that the Equity and Diversity Education Department has money to help provide transportation.

APPROVE OFFICERS' MEETING (continued)

There was discussion regarding how to reach out to those communities informing them of the event and possible topics to be discussed at the event.

Trustee Young said she was looking at possibly holding the event on Thursday, November 1, 2012, 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Trustee Alderman said that the attendees of the community linkage meeting held in the spring requested a follow-up meeting. She said there has been discussion of a town hall meeting with one or two Trustees attending possibly in the first week of October at Desert Pines High School, and she said she working with Penny Ramos-Bennett, Public Information Specialist, Communications Office, Office of the Superintendent, on the planning of this meeting.

Calendar Planning

Mrs. Krohn stated that the spring 2013 Mega Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) meeting is scheduled to be held on March 13th.

Trustee Wright noted that the Council of the Great City Schools' Annual Legislative/Policy Conference is scheduled for March 9-12, 2013.

Trustee Alderman said that this is also the week that she is usually out of town.

Mrs. Krohn noted that spring break 2013 will be March 25-29.

The Trustees changed the Mega PAC meeting to be held tentatively on March 21st.

Trustee Wright said that the acronym "PAC" has a different connotation now than in the past, and she would like to brainstorm some ideas and discuss changing it.

Ms. Melendrez offered that the same topic was broached at a forum meeting, and that some schools are changing from "PAC" to "Open Public Meeting: Everyone Welcome."

Trustee Young said the Board picnic is scheduled for Saturday, September 29, 2012.

The Trustees agreed to schedule the picnic from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at W. Wayne Bunker Family Park.

Trustee Wright agreed to work with Mrs. Krohn to organize the food and activities for the picnic.

Trustee Young said the annual Christmas dinner is scheduled for Saturday, December 8, 2012, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. She offered to host the dinner at her house.

APPROVE OFFICERS' MEETING (continued)

Board Newsletters

Trustee Young explained the newsletter information, stating that it is a list of different researched items for Trustees to choose what they want to include in their monthly newsletters.

Board Brochure and Poster

Trustee Young said the Board brochure has been updated and made available in Spanish.

Board Conferences and/or Training

Trustee Young said that the Board needs more office space in the Administrative Center so there is space to hold more than one meeting at any given time.

Board Office Support

Trustee Young expressed her opinion that Mrs. Krohn's position should not be classified as a Coordinator III with the level of responsibility tied to that position.

The Trustees discussed beginning the process of requesting a reclassification for Mrs. Krohn's position.

There was also discussion regarding the Administrative Secretary I position in the Board Office, which has the same responsibilities and duties as the Administrative Secretary II positions. They agreed that at this time it would be more prudent to request reclassifications as opposed to filling the two vacant positions in the Board Office.

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APPROVE OFFICERS' MEETING (continued)

Conferences and Events

Trustee Young stated that the Superintendent is given a stipend of \$660 per month for any school or community activities or events that he has to attend, and the Board members do not receive any money for any events they have to attend. She said she is asking for \$400 per year for each Trustee to defray costs associated with school or community events or conferences.

There was discussion regarding researching what other school district boards are being given to attend or participate in community and school events.

Trustee Wright said she spends a portion of her office supply budget on teacher supplies which she raffles off to parents for their teachers at her parent meetings.

Committee Assignments/Replacement for John Cole

Trustee Young asked for input on filling John Cole's positions on the committees he was serving on.

APPROVE OFFICERS' MEETING (continued)

Trustee Wright suggested opening those committee assignments to be reassigned to current Board members, choosing from those who expressed interest in serving on those particular committees.

Trustee Alderman agreed to serve on the Attendance Zone Advisory Commission (AZAC). She suggested the appointed Board member could serve on American Education Week.

Trustee Wright suggested that Trustee Edwards could serve on the Student Advisory Committee.

Future Board Conferences and/or Training

Trustee Young announced that Nevada KIDS COUNT will be held on July 10, 2012, at 9:00 a.m. in the board room of the Education Center; the Council of the Great City Schools' annual conference will be held on October 17-21, 2012, in Indianapolis, Indiana; the Nevada Association of School Boards' (NASB) annual conference will be held on November 15-17, 2012, in Reno, Nevada; new Trustee training is scheduled for November 15, 2012, in Reno, Nevada; and the awards nominations are due August 15, 2012.

Trustee Alderman stated that she would be attending the National Forum on Education Policy on July 8-12, 2012, in Atlanta, Georgia.

Review of Past, Current, and Future Protocol

Trustee Young said that she and Mrs. Krohn would be sending out a short survey form to gather feedback from the Trustees regarding CCSD graduation ceremonies and process.

Trustee Young said the Trustees receive many requests, and she suggested that if the request is in a particular Trustee's area, that Trustee should fulfill the request if possible. She said if that Trustee is not available, then the next closest Trustee should be asked to fulfill the request. She presented a form to be filled out as Trustee requests are made.

Trustee Young mentioned the Seven Weeks of Summer events and said she was interested in participating in the ballroom dancing on Saturday, June 30th, and the youth summer camp at the Doolittle Community Center.

Trustee Wright said that she and Trustee Garvey were signed up for Shark Reef on July 26; that she is signed up for the Mob Museum on August 8; and that she is planning to participate in an excursion with the City of Henderson Parks and Recs youth.

Trustee Young mentioned the new protocol for Board meetings, stating that the presentations are now being combined. She proposed that the invocation be given from each Trustee's district as is the student speakers and ROTC flag salute. She said she would also like to recognize the ROTC instructors along with the students. She suggested that the Trustee for that district be the one to introduce and recognize the presenters from her or his district as well.

APPROVE OFFICERS' MEETING (continued)

There was discussion regarding Board members continuing to speak about an item previously voted on by the Board. Brief comments were made regarding how while each Board member votes individually, once a decision has been made, all Board members are to be supportive of that decision and move forward.

The Trustees briefly discussed the process of the upcoming District E candidate interviews.

Board of Trustees Service Project

Trustee Wright inquired about volunteering at the Three Square Food Bank.

Trustee Young asked Trustee Wright to help coordinate that effort.

Recommended Dates in September and November

Trustee Young said the next two Officers' Meetings are scheduled for September 20, 2012, and December 6, 2012, at 4:00 p.m. in Room 446 of the Administrative Center.

Trustee Wright asked if the meetings could be held at 2:00 p.m.

Trustee Alderman said she would be out of town on September 20th.

The Trustees agreed to hold the September Officers' Meeting on September 26th at 11:00 a.m.; and the December 6th meeting at 11:00 a.m.

Other Items for Discussion

Trustee Wright said she would like to request that the Board requests in electronic format be provided once monthly or quarterly. She said the officers should try to schedule the Board photo for some time in January.

The Trustees agreed to schedule the Board photo for January 10th at 2:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None.

Meeting minutes transcribed by Stephanie Gatlin, Transcriber/Recording Secretary, Board Office.

ADJOURN: 6:12 p.m.

Motion: Alderman Second: Wright Vote: Unanimous