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

Thursday, June 7, 2007 4:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Members Present
Ruth L. Johnson, President
Terri Janison, Vice President
Mary Beth Scow, Clerk
Larry P. Mason, Member
Shirley Barber, Member
Sheila Moulton, Member
Carolyn Edwards, Member

Dr. Walt Rulffes, Superintendent of Schools

INVOCATION

Reverend Delaney Amstead, Deacon, Christ Church Episcopal, gave the invocation.

FLAG SALUTE

Mrs. Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPT AGENDA

Adopt agenda, except move Item 10.04 to follow Item 4.02 as 4.02A, and notice revised backup material for Reference 5.25.
Motion: Edwards Second: Janison Vote: Yeses – 6 (Johnson, Janison, Scow, Mason, Barber, Edwards); No – 1 (Moulton)
The motion passed.

APPROVE MINUTES

Regular meeting – March 8, 2007
Motion: Janison Second: Scow Vote: Unanimous

ENTERTAINMENT RECOGNIZED

Trustee Edwards acknowledged the musical presentation given prior to the Board meeting by the Cartwright Elementary School. Board members thanked the students; Florence B. Aitken, Principal; Rhonda Greeson, Music Specialist; and Andre Denson, Region Superintendent.

STUDENT SPEAKERS FOR ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE SCHOOL
Jordan Minnick, a fifth-grade student at Roberta Cartwright Elementary School; Carolyn Edwards, District F trustee; Andre Denson, Region Superintendent, spoke about present activities and future plans at Cartwright Elementary School.

NIAA TEAM ATHLETIC AND ACADEMIC STATE CHAMPIONS AND ACTIVITIES – SPRING 2007 SPIRIT TEAM RECOGNITION
Bill Garis, Executive Director, Instructional Support and Student Activities Department, Curriculum and Professional Development Division; and Ray Mathis, Director of Athletics, Instructional Support and Student Activities Department, Curriculum and Professional Development Division, recognized the athletic and academic state champions.

PRESENTATION OF NEW TEACHER OF THE YEAR
Debbie Tomasetti, Coordinator, New Teacher Induction, New Teacher Development Department, K-12, Curriculum and Professional Development Division, introduced Nancy Ball, Arbor View High School, as the recipient of the New Teacher of the Year for the 2006-2007 school year at the high school level.

PRESENTATION ON BOARD AUDIT COMMITTEE PROPOSAL
Mrs. Scow introduced Dr. James Bailey, Dean at the University of Southern Nevada (USN). She briefly touched on Dr. Bailey's experience, stating he had done extensive research in the corporate world on external and internal audits and had been an internal auditor himself and had served on a city council. She stated she asked him to review the Board's governance policies, which resulted in his drafting a charter for the audit committee for the district.

Dr. Bailey stated that the purpose of the audit committee was to assist the Board of School Trustees in having proper financial oversight of the district. He listed the areas in which the committee would assist the Board and the benefits to the Board for having an audit committee. He briefly spoke about his experience with audits and governance. He went over portions of the charter he drafted for the Board. He encouraged the Board to adopt the audit committee charter and institute an audit committee to help safeguard the financial assets of the school district.

Mrs. Scow said she believed this would be a great benefit for the Board and felt it would be a preventative measure to tighten controls for the future. She stated that in her recent meeting with Kafoury, Armstrong & Co., the auditors expressed their support of the Board members adopting an audit committee.

Mrs. Johnson compared the Bond Oversight Committee (BOC) to an audit committee and asked what the difference was between operating under a charter and operating under bylaws as does the BOC.

Dr. Bailey responded that a charters and bylaws were essentially the same thing.

Mrs. Johnson asked if the charter would address confidentiality issues regarding reports that include security protocols particular to the district that would be part of an internal audit to determine whether those processes were intact.

Dr. Bailey stated yes, all confidentiality issues should be covered in the audit.

PRESENTATION ON BOARD AUDIT COMMITTEE PROPOSAL (continued)
Mrs. Moulton stated the trustees received a letter from Jefferson Wells International as backup material at a previous meeting, and she asked if Jefferson Wells is a company that was hired through the district.

Mrs. Johnson explained that she provided that letter to the Board members, which she received after a meeting with a Jefferson Wells representative. She stated Jefferson Wells, who was an internal auditor with the district, met with her in lieu of having an audit committee to report to, and that during that meeting she questioned what the typical practice was, and it was suggested that most organizations have some group in place for the auditors to report to.

Jeffrey Weiler, Chief Financial Officer, Finance and Operations, explained that Jefferson Wells was originally hired to conduct a peer review.

Mrs. Moulton asked for an estimated timeline.

Dr. Bailey stated the first quarter would take a lot of work and could take two to four half-day sessions; the other three quarters could be completed in a half-day meeting for each quarter.

Mrs. Moulton asked if the Superintendent would sit on the committee as a non-voting member.

Dr. Bailey stated that management would not be allowed to sit on the committee; that it should be an independent committee.

Mrs. Moulton requested a timeline in the development of this project.

Mrs. Scow stated that she would like to bring this topic back to the next regular Board meeting for discussion and include a timeline.

Mrs. Johnson invited Dr. Bailey to attend that Board meeting to be available for any questions.

UNITED WAY OF SOUTHERN NEVADA AWARD
Kurt Arnold, Program Manager, School-Community Partnership Program and the 2007 School District United Way Campaign Coordinator, spoke briefly about the 2007 campaign and introduced Larry Seedig, President and CEO, USAA Savings Bank; Dan Goulet, President and CEO, United Way of Southern Nevada; and Jeff Ogden, Vice President, Resource Development, United Way of Southern Nevada. Those representatives of the United Way of Southern Nevada presented an award to the Clark County School District employees for their contributions to the United Way of Southern Nevada, and they recognized Kurt Arnold and Bridgette Phillips, Program Coordinator, for their leadership and success. Mr. Seedig also recognized Dr. Rulffes for his leadership.

RECESS: 5:12 p.m.
RECONVENE: 5:33 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS LEFT THE MEETING
Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Mason left the Board meeting at 5:12 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON AGENDA ITEMS/RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT

Student Expulsions, Student Exemptions for Home School, and Board Policy GP-18 – Constance Kosuda
Ms. Kosuda stated that she had concerns with Mrs. Johnson's actions directly related to GP-18: Board Travel and Other Board Expenses.

GP-18: Board Travel and Other Board Expenses and Board Concerns – Karen Gray
Mrs. Gray stated that on June 1, 2007, the Board had a meeting which was not properly noticed in accordance with the Open Meeting Law (OML). She requested any agenda, backup material, and minutes for this meeting.

Employee Labor Relations – Mary Ella Holloway and Gina Greisen
Ms. Holloway spoke about an eight-year teacher who received an unsatisfactory evaluation. She provided a chart that showed a timeline of this teacher being observed.

Mrs. Greisen spoke in opposition to an alleged meeting held by the Board on June 1, 2007.

Amendment to the Charter School Application to Add Grades Six Through Eight For 100 Academy of Excellence Charter School – Tami Bass, 100 Academy of Excellence School Board President
Ms. Bass stated that the charter school had been working with CCSD staff in order to come into compliance. She thanked the Board in advance for their approval.

Mrs. Barber commented that she was not aware of a meeting held on June 1, 2007, and stated she was disappointed to hear of this meeting.

Mrs. Moulton wished the 100 Academy of Excellence Charter School well. With regard to the meeting held on June 1, 2007, she stated that she received a telephone call to attend a meeting, which was an inquiry into a superintendent candidate for the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD). She explained that she did not know who else would be in attendance at that meeting, but that this inquiry was in accordance with other superintendent searches she had participated in.

Mrs. Scow added that the gathering was sponsored by SFUSD board members and coordinated by Carlos Garcia, former CCSD superintendent, and the SFUSD superintendent candidate who was the subject of this meeting.

Mrs. Barber expressed her concern with the treatment of teachers.

BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATION

Mrs. Barber spoke about the attendance of four Board members at an inquiry held into a SFUSD superintendent candidate.

Mrs. Scow noted that there was an article in the *Urban Educator* from the Council of the Great City Schools about the CCSD Board of School Trustees receiving the VH1 Music Award.

Mrs. Moulton commented on eighth-grade promotion ceremonies she had the opportunity to attend.

Trustee Edwards spoke about prison graduations she had attended. She asked, as requested by Dr. Rulffes, if Board members had an interest in touring the following new facilities: Northwest Career Technical Academy (CTA), the kitchen near the Speedway, the bus yard in the south, and dispatch.

BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATION (continued)
Mrs. Janison requested an update on the changes happening in the Human Resources Division.

Dr. Lauren Kohut-Rost, Deputy Superintendent, Instruction Unit, informed Board members that the graduation rate from 2005 to 2006 increased from 60.1 to 63.5 percent as reported by the State; and that the diploma rate calculated by the CCSD increased from 84.2 to 85.4 percent from 2005 to 2006. She stated that the Board members would be receiving a report on the remedial and developmental enrollment from the Nevada System of Higher Education. She talked about a celebration of the new Booker Elementary School.

APPROVE ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA
Approval of consent agenda, as submitted, as recommended.
Motion: Moulton Second: Edwards Vote: Unanimous
Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Mason were not present for the vote.

APPROVE STUDENT EXPULSIONS
Approval of student expulsions according to NRS 392.467 (Board Policy 5114 and Regulations 5114 and 5141.1), as listed, as recommended in Reference 5.01.

APPROVE STUDENT EXEMPTIONS FOR HOME SCHOOL
Approval of student exemptions for home school according to NRS 392.070 (Board Policy and Regulation 5114), as listed, as recommended in Reference 5.02.

APPROVE STUDENT WORK EXEMPTIONS
Approval of student work exemptions according to NRS 392.110 (Board Policy and Regulation 5114), as listed, as recommended in Reference 5.03.

AUTHORIZE EMPLOYMENT OF OUT-OF-DISTRICT CONSULTANT – PEARSON SCOTT FORESMAN
Authorization to employ Georgia Brunt Davis, Glenn Gordon, Donna H. Henry, and Lynda Kay Johnson, consultants and members of Pearson Scott Foresman, to provide school-wide professional development training in the area of mathematics for approximately ninety (90) Elaine Wynn Elementary School staff members from October 2006 to May 2007, at a total cost not to exceed $70,000.00, to be paid from SB 404 funds, Unit 0137, FY 07, Object 0321, Project 040238, Fund 0279, with no impact to the general fund, as recommended in Reference 5.04.

APPROVE UNIFIED PERSONNEL EMPLOYMENT
Approval to employ unified personnel, as recommended in Reference 5.05.

APPROVE LICENSED PERSONNEL LEAVE OF ABSENCE
Approval to grant a leave of absence to a licensed employee (Regulation 4351), as recommended in Reference 5.06.

RATIFY PURCHASE ORDERS
Ratification of the purchase orders in the total amount of $9,604,444.49, as listed, as recommended in Reference 5.07.

APPROVE PURCHASING AWARDS
Approval to purchase goods or services in the estimated total amount of $42,010,188.50, in compliance with NRS 332, as listed, as recommended in Reference 5.08.

RATIFY WARRANTS
Ratification of the warrants as listed in the Bills Payable Transmittal and the Board Memorandum #21-06-07, in the total amount of $106,484,721.81, as recommended in Reference 5.09.

ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF PROPOSAL TO THE DEBT MANAGEMENT COMMISSION – GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS
Adoption of the Resolution authorizing submittal to the Debt Management Commission of the district's proposal to issue general obligation bonds in the maximum aggregate principal amount of $1,075,000,000.00, with principal and interest to be paid within the existing tax rate, and for the president and clerk of the Board of School Trustees to sign the necessary documents, as recommended in Reference 5.10.

APPROVE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT, BUILDING COMMISSIONING SERVICES, J. E. MANCH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPLACEMENT
Approval to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Dynamic Commissioning Solutions, Inc. (DCSI) to provide third-party commissioning in support of the J. E. Manch Elementary School Replacement in the amount of $75,000.00, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Unit 0020, FY 99, Account 27947, Object 0349, Project 000851, Phase 08, Fund 0408; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.11.

APPROVE PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL SERVICES CONTRACT, ROOFING CONSULTANT, ORAN K. GRAGSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Approval to enter into a Professional/ Technical Services Agreement with Benchmark Roof and Pavement Consulting, Inc., for services in support of the roof replacement at Oran K. Gragson Elementary School in the amount of $72,500.00, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Unit 0020, FY 99, Account 54798, Object 0334, Project 000777, Phase 09, Fund 0408; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.12.

APPROVE ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES, CHILLER REPLACEMENT, CIMARRON-MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL
Approval to select the engineering firm of Harris Consulting Engineers, LLC to prepare plans, specifications, and other bidding documents in order to solicit bids for construction of the proposed project for the Chiller Replacement at Cimarron-Memorial High School in the amount of $105,140.00, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Unit 0020, FY 99, Account 62147, Object 0334, Project 000609, Phase 09, Fund 0408; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.13.

APPROVE ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES, COOLING TOWER REPLACEMENTS, LAS VEGAS ACADEMY OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES, PERFORMING AND VISUAL ARTS
Approval to select the engineering firm of Harris Consulting Engineers, LLC to prepare plans, specifications, and other bidding documents in order to solicit bids for construction of the proposed project for the Cooling Tower Replacements at the Las Vegas Academy of International Studies, Performing and Visual Arts in the amount of $32,740.00, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Unit 0020, FY 99, Account 54289, Object 0334, Project 000740, Phase 09, Fund 0408; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.14.

APPROVE ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES, CHILLER REPLACEMENTS, MIKE O'CALLAGHAN MIDDLE SCHOOL
Approval to select the engineering firm of Harris Consulting Engineers, LLC to prepare plans, specifications, and other bidding documents in order to solicit bids for construction of the proposed project for the Chiller Replacements at Mike O'Callaghan Middle School in the amount of $94,440.00, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Unit 0020, FY 99, Account 63663, Object 0334, Project 000608, Phase 09, Fund 0408; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.15.

APPROVE ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES, SCHOOL MODERNIZATION, BERTHA RONZONE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Approval to select the engineering firm of Precision Design Group to prepare plans, specifications, and other bidding documents in order to solicit bids for construction of the proposed project for the School Modernization at Bertha Ronzone Elementary School in the amount of $199,900.00, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Unit 0020, FY 99, Account 67349, Object 0334, Project 000867, Phase 09, Fund 0408; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.16.

APPROVE ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES, SCHOOL MODERNIZATION, C. C. RONNOW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Approval to select the engineering firm of Precision Design Group to prepare plans, specifications, and other bidding documents in order to solicit bids for construction of the proposed project for the School Modernization at C. C. Ronnow Elementary School in the amount of $226,850.00, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Unit 0020, FY 99, Account 63689, Object 0334, Project 000866, Phase 09, Fund 0408; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.17.

APPROVE ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES, COOLING TOWER REPLACEMENTS, HELEN J. STEWART SCHOOL
Approval to select the engineering firm of Harris Consulting Engineers, LLC to prepare plans, specifications, and other bidding documents in order to solicit bids for construction of the proposed project for the Cooling Tower Replacements at Helen J. Stewart School in the amount of $27,100.00, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Unit 0020, FY 99, Account 67353, Object 0334, Project 000874, Phase 09, Fund 0408; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.18.

APPROVE GRANT OF EASEMENT, NEVADA POWER COMPANY, ZONE MAINTENANCE BUILDING
Approval to grant Nevada Power Company an easement to allow for the installation of underground cable on the east portion of the Zone Maintenance Building site, and for the president and clerk of the Board of School Trustees or their designee(s) to sign the granting document, as recommended in Reference 5.19.

APRPOVE GRANT OF EASEMENT, NEVADA POWER COMPANY, MOUNTAIN VIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Approval to grant Nevada Power Company an easement to allow for the installation of underground cable on the west boundary of the Mountain View Elementary School site, and for the president and clerk of the Board of School Trustees or their designee(s) to sign the granting document, as recommended in Reference 5.20.

APPROVE GRANT OF EASEMENT, NEVADA POWER COMPANY, ELDORADO HIGH SCHOOL
Approval to grant Nevada Power Company an easement to allow for the installation of underground cable on the east portion of the Eldorado High School site, and for the president and clerk of the Board of School Trustees or their designee(s) to sign the granting document, as recommended in Reference 5.21.

APPROVE EASEMENT AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY, LAS VEGAS VALLEY WATER DISTRICT, VEGAS PBS AND DISTANCE EDUCATION CENTERS
Approval to grant the Las Vegas Valley Water District two easements for the installation of two double check detector assemblies, a reduced pressure principle assembly, and a fire hydrant, located on the northwest and southwest boundaries of the Vegas PBS and Distance Education Centers site, and for the president and clerk of the Board of School Trustees or their designee(s) to sign the granting document, as recommended in Reference 5.22.

APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD: SITE IMPROVEMENTS, DELL H. ROBISON MIDDLE SCHOOL
Approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for Site Improvements at Dell H. Robison Middle School, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Unit 0020, FY 99, Accounts 45060, 36401, and 36404, Object 0456, Project 000726, Phases 61, 62, and 63, Fund 0408; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.23.

APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD: RUNNING TRACK ANNUAL UNIT COST CONTRACT, VARIOUS SITES
Approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for a Running Track Annual Unit Cost Contract at Various Sites, to be paid from Unit 0023, FY 07, Account 49805, Object 9111, Project 000001, Phase 01, Fund 0100; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.24.

APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD: CONSTRUCT THE TOM WILLIAMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPLACEMENT
Approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to Construct the Tom Williams Elementary School Replacement, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Unit 0020, FY 99, Account 28196, Object 0452, Project 000851, Phase 08, Fund 0408; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.25.

RATIFY CHANGE IN SERVICES, ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENTS
Ratification of total change in services to the architectural/engineering services agreements for a net increase of $1,310.00 for Ruben P. Diaz and Thomas J. O'Roarke Elementary Schools (JMA Architects, Inc.), as recommended in Reference 5.26.

RATIFY CHANGE ORDER
Ratification of a change order for a net increase of $65,016.49 to the construction contract to Construct Matthew B. Wallace Transportation Center (Sletten Construction of Nevada, Inc.), as recommended in Reference 5.27.

APPROVE AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER SCHOOL APPLICATION TO ADD GRADES SIX THROUGH EIGHT FOR 100 ACADEMY OF EXCELLENCE CHARTER SCHOOL
Approval of the amendment to the charter school application to add grades six through eight to the 100 Academy of Excellence Charter School, including, but not limited to, approval, rejection, or further consideration of the application, as recommended in Reference 6.02

Dr. Edward Goldman, Associate Superintendent, Education Services Division, proposed that the Board approve the expansion with the understanding that this item would come back before the Board for review in August 2007 with a recommendation from staff and again in the first meeting in November also with a recommendation from staff.

Ms. Bass agreed with the recommendations made by Dr. Goldman.

Motion to approve as recommended by Dr. Goldman.
Motion: Moulton Second: Barber

Mrs. Moulton asked if the charter would add grades six through eight or just sixth grade.

Ms. Bass stated that the school's governing board was determining that currently.

Vote on Mrs. Moulton's motion was unanimous.
Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Mason were not present for the vote.

APPROVE BOARD POLICY GP-18
Approval to review and update Governance Policy GP-18: Travel and Other Board Expenses, to include, but limited to, allocation, expenditure, reporting and management of funds, as recommended in Reference 6.01.

Mrs. Barber expressed her desire to clarify issues concerned with this Board policy. She proposed that the Legal Department and Finance and Operations Division should work together to create language that would more clearly explain the policy.

Trustee Edwards stated that her understanding was that there was no discussion regarding language changes at the June 6, 2007, committee meeting. She stated she believed legal counsel had agreed that the language was clear in terms of what the funds could be used for.

APPROVE BOARD POLICY GP-18 (continued)
Mr. Weiler responded that from a financial standpoint, since the Board had not exceeded its budget, this had not become an issue for the Finance and Operations Division.

Mary-Anne Miller, Board Counsel, District Attorney's Office, commented that it was her recollection that Mrs. Barber did have a question, which was possibly addressed by Mr. Weiler, and that there was no recommendation from the committee.

Mrs. Janison asked for clarification regarding the procedure for using funds in relation to attending conferences. She also asked about unused funds being available for other trustees.

Mrs. Barber recommended that this policy be reviewed further.

Bill Hoffman, General Counsel, Legal Department, suggested that the Board members should decide whether they want to refine the language in the policy which describes how the travel funds can be used, or they could decide to return to the former practice of bringing all seminars and conferences that Board members desired to attend before the Board for approval.

Mrs. Barber reiterated that she believed the policy language needed to be refined and clarified.

Mrs. Janison asked whether Mrs. Barber would like this issue to go back to the committee for further discussion.

Mrs. Barber agreed but stated that according to Policy Governance®, the Board should not have the number of committees that it does.

Trustee Edwards stated that in her opinion, the policy could be more specific in relation to the types of educational activities that are included in trustee travel.

Mrs. Scow said she would prefer it if the Board members' attendance or participation in courses or conferences was referred to as professional development in the policy.

Mrs. Janison suggested bringing this item back to the June 28, 2007, Board meeting with language recommendations from staff.

Mr. Hoffman stated he would draft proposed language to present to the Board to consider as a Notice of Intent at the June 28, 2007, Board meeting.

APPROVE ITEMS 7.01 AND 7.02
Approval of Items 7.01 and 7.02, as follows:
Motion: Moulton Second: Scow Vote: Unanimous
Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Mason were not present for the vote.

APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT – CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICY 3538
Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Policy 3538, School Bus Replacement, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on June 28, 2007, as recommended in Reference 7.01.

APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT – CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULATION 3538

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Regulation 3538, School Bus Replacement, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on June 28, 2007, as recommended in Reference 7.02.

APPROVE LEGISLATION

Approval regarding state and federal legislation which may affect education, including, but not limited to, reports of current legislative issues and events; the development of the district's legislative goals, platform, and courses of action; the establishment of the district's position on proposed legislation; and guidance to district representatives in the legislative process.
No discussion or action was taken on this item.

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS/RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT

Educational Issues – Ron Taylor and Kenneth Zelasko

Mr. Taylor stated he was the creator of the website Teachers for Change. He stated the school district placed a block on his website because it was considered to be inappropriate, and he surmised that was because he started placing principal report cards on his website. He spoke about mistreatment of teachers and stated he had made attempts to speak with the Superintendent and had not been contacted. He provided 16 pages of students who would not be receiving credit because of one or more truancies, which he received from one high school.

Mr. Zelasko asked the Board what action they would take regarding issues raised by Mr. Taylor concerning the students who would not be receiving credit due to truancy.

Human Resources Concern – Barry Whitaker

Mr. Whitaker spoke about his wife, who was a former CCSD teacher. He stated that his wife applied for a teaching job with the district and was rejected without an explanation.

School Climate – Mildred Walker

Ms. Walker spoke about an incident involving her daughter at Coronado High School.

Mrs. Moulton asked Mr. Hoffman to speak about the district's legal obligation for informing applicants about the reasons why a decision concerning their application was made.

Mr. Hoffman stated that the decision of whether or not to hire an applicant rests with the Human Resources Division. He stated he believed that an applicant has a right to be able to understand, at least in general terms, why they were not hired for employment, but that the difficulty lies in the applicant wanting to argue whether or not the reason offered to them is a valid reason.

Mrs. Moulton asked if there was a difference between public and private entities in their obligation to give a rationale for a decision made regarding employment.

Mr. Hoffman answered neither entity has a legal obligation to provide a rationale.

Regarding the comments made by Mr. Taylor, Mrs. Janison stated she would follow up with Dr. Rulffes.

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS/RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT (continued)

Mrs. Barber asked why an applicant cannot be given a reason for a decision made by the Human Resources Division regarding employment.

Mr. Hoffman responded that he believed that would be a reasonable practice, but that the district is under no legal obligation to do so.

Mrs. Janison suggested bringing this discussion to Dr. Rulffes upon his return.

OFFICERS' MEETING REPORT

Mrs. Janison asked Michael Rodriguez, Communications Assistant, Communications Office, to report on the discussion held at the Officers' meeting on June 6, 2007.

Mr. Rodriguez gave a brief description of the newly designed recommended monthly newsletters and quarterly newsletters for the trustees developed by the Communications Office.

Trustee Edwards asked how the content of the quarterly newsletter would be decided upon. She suggested the focus of the newsletter should be on what the Board is doing and then include what schools are doing.

Motion that the Board would consider publishing quarterly newsletters.
Motion: Edwards Second: Scow

Mrs. Scow stated there was a discussion at the Officers' Meeting regarding including an article of an issue related to the specific timing of that particular newsletter and to have the regions contribute information regarding something going on in one of their schools.

Mrs. Janison asked whether Trustee Edwards' motion included the layout of the individual trustee newsletters as well.

Trustee Edwards clarified that her motion was to publish quarterly newsletters and that each trustee would be able to decide to publish the individual newsletter if they desired to do so.

Motion on Trustee Edwards' motion was unanimous.
Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Mason were not present for the vote.

Mrs. Jansion stated a discussion was held regarding an additional meeting that would be held in March, April, and May on the third Thursday of the month. She stated the reason for the addition would be to alleviate some of the time spent on presentations during those months.

Mrs. Scow pointed out that the agenda item is for discussion only, and the trustee newsletter discussion, motion, and vote may have to be brought back at a future meeting.

Mrs. Jansion stated the BoardDocs® agenda showed "discussion and possible action."

Mr. Hoffman agreed that the printed agenda item was for discussion only.

OFFICERS' MEETING REPORT (continued)

Mrs. Janison stated that because of the inconsistency, this item should be brought back to the June 28, 2007, Board meeting.

Mrs. Scow stated she would want the additional meeting on the third Thursday of the month to be as needed.

Mrs. Barber recommended holding special meetings for awards and presentations separate from Board business meetings because of the length of the Board meetings.

Mrs. Janison stated another option that was discussed was to have no more than two or three presentations at any meeting.

Mrs. Scow noted that in the past, presentation meetings were separate, but the Board often lacked a quorum at those meetings.

Mrs. Janison said the perpetual calendar was discussed along with splitting the quarterly strategic leadership training so that one would be leadership training and the other would be Ends development and planning. She stated one date that was looked at for the leadership training was July 26, 2007, instead of the regular Board meeting.

Dr. Kohut-Rost informed the Board that the Approval for the Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) designations was needed by August 1, 2007.

Mrs. Janison stated the community linkage meetings were scheduled as follows: August 7, 2007, at 6:00 p.m. with former students at Western High School with Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Scow facilitating; October 18, 2007, with the time and place undetermined, with Keith Rheault, State Superintendent, parents, and community members with Trustee Edwards and herself facilitating. She stated a Board member recommended that when Board members receive invitations and plan to attend an event, they inform the Board Office staff so that their attendance could be placed on the master calendar so that other Board members could be made aware of their intentions and all events could be covered. Lastly, she stated comments were made regarding the buzzer used during public hearings and to help manage the Board discussions, and that Cindy Krohn, Executive Assistant, Board Office, was asked to look into a more pleasant buzzer.

AGENDA PLANNING: ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Trustee Edwards reminded the trustees and staff that the audit charter discussion would be coming back before the Board. She asked if the district would be looking into showing PG-13 movies as an after-school activity.

Dr. Kohut-Rost explained that because of the copyright doctrine of fair use, the schools would have to seek the copyright to be able to show the movie, and that staff has spoken with some high school principals informally, and there did not seem to be an appetite for showing movies as an afterschool activity, and she would like to speak with the principals about this topic in August.

AGENDA PLANNING: ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS (continued)

Trustee Edwards then asked if the district was within its legal limits in showing movies in the classrooms at all.

Mr. Hoffman explained that the fair use law allows for portions of movies to be shown in the classroom for educational purposes.

Trustee Edwards mentioned training for conducting Board meetings during broadcasting.

Mrs. Moulton asked about ensuring that PG-13 movies are reviewed and limited accordingly.

Dr. Kohut-Rost stated if the district were to move forward, there would be a committee established and there would be an identification of certain titles that would be permitted.

Mrs. Scow stated that in a past meeting with Kafoury Armstrong & Co., Tami Miramontes of Kafoury, Armstrong & Co. mentioned that the only thing that was not present in the Board's fiscal policies was information regarding investments. She recommended discussing this at a policy review meeting.

Mrs. Barber asked Mrs. Scow about the procedure for selecting a Board member to meet with the auditors.

Mrs. Scow stated it is done randomly as a part of the audit process.

Mr. Weiler stated the auditors spoke with randomly selected administrative employees as well.

Mrs. Janison mentioned the trustee newsletters and the option of adding a Board meeting to be held on the third Thursday of the month in March, April, and May would be brought back as future agenda items.

BOARD COMMITTEE AND CONFERENCE REPORTS

Trustee Edwards reported on the June 4, 2007, Board policy meeting. She gave a brief overview of each policy discussed at that meeting.

Mrs. Barber expressed a concern with her right to bring items back before the Board not being interfered with through policy changes.

Trustee Edwards explained that was discussed in the policy meeting, and the modifications follow Robert's Rules of Order and does allow for a trustee on the prevailing side of the vote to bring reconsideration back before the Board where discussion could be held and new supporting evidence could be presented.

DISCUSSION AND REQUEST FOR SPECIAL MEETINGS

Trustee Edwards mentioned the leadership training and Ends development and planning.

Mrs. Janison asked the Board members to consider dates for the training.

Mrs. Scow suggested that Mrs. Krohn should send the trustees some potential dates for the leadership training.

ADJOURN: 8:02 p.m.
Motion: Barber Second: Scow Vote: Unanimous
Mrs. Johnson and Mr. Mason were not present for the vote.