

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, July 12, 2007

4:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Members Present

Ruth L. Johnson, President
Terri Janison, Vice President
Shirley Barber, Member
Sheila Moulton, Member
Carolyn Edwards, Member

Members Absent

Mary Beth Scow, Clerk
Larry P. Mason, Member

Dr. Walt Rulffes, Superintendent

INVOCATION

Reverend Jerry Blankinship, Sunrise Hospital.

FLAG SALUTE

Mrs. Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPT AGENDA

Adopt agenda except delete Items, 5.07 and 6.01 through 6.05. Board members were advised that the backup material Items 4.15, 4.16, and 4.17 had been revised.

Motion: Janison Second: Moulton Vote: Unanimous

Mrs. Barber was not present for the vote.

PRESENTATION

Mrs. Johnson recognized and welcomed to the district Francesca Haak, Transcriber/Recording Secretary, Board Office.

Mrs. Moulton recognized Dr. Linda Miller, College of Southern Nevada (CSN), who was present with her students.

BOARD MEMBER ARRIVES

Mrs. Barber arrived at the Board meeting at 4:13 p.m.

PRESENTATION OF ISO 9001:2000 CERTIFICATE PRESENTATION

Maureen Fox, Director, Office of the Superintendent; Dan Tafoya, Coordinator, Management Process System Office; and Cindy Smith-Johnson, Document Control Specialist, Management Process System (MPS) Office, recognized the following departments for their ISO certification:

- Support Staff Training and Development
- Student Support Services Division Fiscal Accountability and Data Analysis Department
- School Board Office

PRESENTATION OF ISO 9001:2000 CERTIFICATE PRESENTATION (continued)

- Curriculum and Professional Development Division
- Human Resources Division
- Maintenance Department
- Purchasing Department
- Risk Management
- Transportation Department
- Food Service Department
- Superintendent Schools, Research, Accountability and Innovation
- Grounds and Landscaping
- Inspection Services
- School Police Department
- Construction Management
- Compliance and Monitoring
- English Language Learner Program
- Student Support Services
- Employee Management Relations
- Management Process Systems

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

Notice of Intent of Board of School Trustees Governance Policy GP-10, Notice of Intent of Board of School Trustees Governance Policy GP-11, Notice of Intent of Public Speaking Guidance Document, Notice of Intent of Board of School Trustees Governance Policy GP-16, and Notice of Intent of Board of School Trustees Governance Policy GP-18 – Constance Kosuda

Ms. Kosuda stated that she believed GP-10: Construction of the Agenda was designed to thwart Mrs. Barber's efforts. She stated that on the remaining Governance Policies and the Public Speaking Guidance Document, she does not believe it is in the best interest of the public. She disagreed with the proposed language for GP-18: Travel and Other Board Expenses.

Notice of Intent of Board of School Trustees Governance Policy GP-10, Notice of Intent of Board of School Trustees Governance Policy GP-11, Notice of Intent of Public Speaking Guidance Document, and Notice of Intent of Board of School Trustees Governance Policy GP-18 – Karen Gray

Mrs. Gray spoke about an educational class taken by Mrs. Johnson and the use of travel funds by the trustees. She disagreed with the proposed changes to Board policies.

Trustee Compensation, New Teacher Orientation – Ron Taylor

Mr. Taylor expressed his disapproval with the proposed change to the trustees' salaries.

Purchase Orders; Purchase Awards; Grant of Easement, Nevada Power Company, J.D. Smith Middle School; Easements and Rights-of-Way, Las Vegas Valley Water District, Levi Avenue and Torrey Pines Drive High School Site; Architect Design Services, Replace Exterior Doors and Frames and Interior/Exterior Door Hardware, Bonanza High School; Architect Design Services, Replace Selected Doors and Frames and Interior/Exterior Door Hardware, Eldorado High School; Engineering Design Services, Intrusion Alarm, Clock Intercom, Closed Circuit Television, and Assistive Listening System Upgrade, Eldorado High School; Change in Services, Architectural/Engineering Services Agreements; Trustee Compensation – Michele Cotterman

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

Ms. Cotterman asked for clarification of the Grant of Easement. She disagreed with the use of funds as described in Item 4.01, Student Expulsions, and said the money should be spent instead on teachers. She also stated that teachers should receive an increase in salary instead of the trustees receiving an increase in their compensation.

Trustee Edwards agreed with comments made by Ms. Cotterman regarding teachers being grossly underpaid, and she commented that while she agrees with Ms. Cotterman, it is not the CCSD Board members that are not giving teachers an increase in salary, but rather the legislature.

Mrs. Moulton explained that the decision to raise Board members' salaries was made by the legislature and was not supported by the Nevada Association of School Boards (NASB) because it was to be an unfunded mandate. She asked Paul Gerner, Associate Superintendent to respond to Ms. Cotterman's question regarding easements.

Mr. Gerner explained that the district does not pay for easements, rather they grant easements, which permits the utility companies to have access to school district property and service their utility.

Mrs. Johnson responded to Mr. Taylor, stating there was a miscommunication regarding his previous contact with the Superintendent, and there would be follow-up regarding this issue. With regard to comments made by Ms. Cotterman, she explained that monies used on such things as modernizations and building enhancements comes out of a separate fund that cannot be used for teacher salaries.

Mrs. Barber agreed that teacher salaries need to be increased. She also stated that she was concerned with the language in GP-10: Construction of the Agenda.

APPROVE ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Consent Agenda, as submitted, as recommended.

Motion: Edwards Second: Janison Vote: Unanimous

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 4.01.

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 4.02.

APPROVE LICENSED PERSONNEL LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Approval to grant leaves of absence to licensed personnel (Regulations 4351, 4353, and 4355) as recommended in Reference 4.03.

RATIFY PURCHASE ORDERS

Ratification of the purchase orders in the total amount of \$13,330,110.08, as listed, as recommended in Reference 4.04.

APPROVE PURCHASING AWARDS

Approval to purchase goods or services in the estimated total amount of \$3,685,705.21 in compliance with NRS 332, as listed, as recommended in Reference 4.05.

RATIFY WARRANTS

Ratification of the warrants as listed in the Bills Payable Transmittal and the Board Memorandum #01-07-08 in the total amount of \$97,456,767.35 to be presented at the board meeting, as recommended in Reference 4.06.

APPROVE DEBT MANAGEMENT POLICY STATEMENT

Approval of the Debt Management Policy Statement and authorization for the Statement to be submitted to the Nevada Department of Taxation and the Clark County Debt Management Commission in accordance with NRS 350.013, as recommended in Reference 4.07.

APPROVE GRANT OF EASEMENT, NEVADA POWER COMPANY, J. D. SMITH MIDDLE SCHOOL

Approval to grant Nevada Power Company an easement on the north boundary of the J. D. Smith Middle School site to allow for the installation of underground cable, 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 4.08.

APPROVE EASEMENTS AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY, LAS VEGAS VALLEY WATER DISTRICT, EAST CAREER AND TECHNICAL ACADEMY

Approval to grant the Las Vegas Valley Water District two easements located on the west boundary of the East Career and Technical Academy site to allow for the installation of a double check detector assembly and two fire hydrants, 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 4.09.

APPROVE EASEMENTS AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY, LAS VEGAS VALLEY WATER DISTRICT, LEVI AVENUE AND TORREY PINES DRIVE HIGH SCHOOL SITE

Approval to grant the Las Vegas Valley Water District an easement located on the north boundary of the Levi Avenue and Torrey Pines Drive High School site to allow for the installation of a fire hydrant, 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 4.10.

APPROVE DEDICATION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY EASEMENT FOR PEDESTRIAN ACCESS AND UTILITY PURPOSES, CLARK COUNTY, LOIS AND JERRY TARKANIAN MIDDLE SCHOOL

Approval to grant Clark County two easements on the south boundary of the Lois and Jerry Tarkanian Middle School site to allow for the installation of a pedestrian access, street lighting, and traffic control devices, 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 4.11.

APPROVE ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN SERVICES, REPLACE EXTERIOR DOORS AND FRAMES AND INTERIOR/ EXTERIOR DOOR HARDWARE, BONANZA HIGH SCHOOL

Approval to select the architectural firm of Gary Guy Wilson Architects Studios to prepare plans, specifications, and other bidding documents in order to solicit bids for construction of the proposed project to replace exterior doors and frames and interior/exterior door hardware at Bonanza High School in the amount of \$38,450.00, to be paid from Fund 3080000000, Project C0005152; and or J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 4.12.

APPROVE ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN SERVICES, REPLACE SELECTED DOORS AND FRAMES AND INTERIOR/EXTERIOR DOOR HARDWARE, ELDORADO HIGH SCHOOL

Approval to select the architectural firm of Gary Guy Wilson Architects Studios to prepare plans, specifications, and other bidding documents in order to solicit bids for construction of the proposed project to replace selected doors and frames and interior/exterior door hardware at Eldorado High School in the amount of \$32,225.00, to be paid from Fund 3080000000, Project C0010988; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 4.13.

APPROVE ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES, INTRUSION ALARM, CLOCK INTERCOM, CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION, AND ASSISTIVE LISTENING SYSTEM UPGRADE, ELDORADO HIGH SCHOOL

Approval to select the engineering firm of MSA Engineering, Inc. to prepare plans, specifications, and other bidding documents in order to solicit bids for construction of the proposed project for the intrusion alarm, clock intercom, closed circuit television, and assistive listening system upgrade at Eldorado High School in the amount of \$26,800.00, to be paid from Fund 3080000000, Project C0010993; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 4.14.

APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD: CONSTRUCT THE RUBEN P. DIAZ ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to construct the Ruben P. Diaz Elementary School, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3080000000, Project C0001553; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 4.15.

APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD: REMOVE AND REPLACE ASPHALT, HELEN C. CANNON MIDDLE SCHOOL

Approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to remove and replace asphalt at Helen C. Cannon Middle School, to be paid from Funds 3080000000 and 3400000000, Project C0011126; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 4.16.

APPROVE CONTRACT AWARD: REMOVE AND REPLACE ASPHALT, LOUIS WIENER, JR. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to remove and replace asphalt at Louis Wiener, Jr. Elementary School, to be paid from Fund 3080000000, Project C0010382; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 4.17.

APPROVE VEGAS PBS LOCAL INNOVATION FUND GRANT

Approval to accept grant funds from the Public Broadcasting Service, if awarded, in the amount of \$43,000.00 to provide services and materials to assist with the recruitment and support of teachers and facilitators participating in the TeacherLine project, for the period of August 1, 2007, through August 30, 2008, with no impact to the general fund, as recommended in Reference 4.18.

AUTHORIZE VEGAS PBS RURAL PUBLIC TELEVISION DIGITAL TRANSITION GRANT

Authorization to submit and implement the federally funded Rural Public Television Digital Transition grant, for technical services, supplies, equipment, and indirect costs for the period of July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008, in the amount of \$138,412.00, with no impact to the general fund, as recommended in Reference 4.19.

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 \$114,470.00 for Food Services Cold Storage Phase II (TMCX Nevada, LLC), Jesse D. Scott Elementary School (Domingo Cambeiro Professional Corporation), and Ruben P. Diaz Elementary School (JMA Architects, Inc.), as recommended in Reference 4.20.

RATIFY CHANGE ORDERS

Ratification of total change orders for a net increase of \$789,629.93 to the construction contracts to Construct Arbor View and Legacy High Schools (CORE Construction Services of Nevada, Inc.), Construct Lois and Jerry Tarkanian Middle School (Pace Contracting Company), Construct Northwest Career and Technical Academy and Matthew B. Wallace Transportation Center (Sletten Construction of Nevada, Inc.), Local Area Network and Communication Improvements at Jo Mackey Elementary School (Robco Electric, Inc.), HVAC/Control System Repairs at Eldorado High School (Siemens Building Technologies, Inc.), and Multipurpose Room Expansion and Modernization at Will Beckley Elementary School (Cobblestone Construction), as recommended in Reference 4.21.

APPROVE ITEMS 5.01 THROUGH 5.04

Approval of Items 5.01, 5.02, 5.03, and 5.04.

Motion: Edwards Second: Moulton

Mrs. Barber expressed her opinion that Board policies should be discussed in the presence of the full Board and in the presence of the public. She stated that Paragraph 7 in Reference 5.01, GP-10: Construction of the Agenda, should be deleted in its entirety. She asked for the opinions of Mary-Anne Miller, Board Counsel, District Attorney's Office; and Bill Hoffman, General Counsel, Legal Department.

Mrs. Janison stated that she also had concerns regarding Paragraph 7. She disagreed with the timeframe being a full year before items can be brought back to the Board for reconsideration.

Trustee Edwards clarified that Paragraph 7 indicates that the prevailing side could bring back items for up to a year.

Ms. Miller explained that Paragraph 7 is found in local governing bodies as well as Robert's Rules of Parliamentary Procedure. She stated that the one-year restriction, unless brought back by a member of the prevailing side, is to limit redundant conversation, but that after that year, items may be brought back for reconsideration by any trustee for any reason.

Mr. Hoffman offered an example of the use of this provision, and he agreed with Ms. Miller's explanation. He also noted that the provision itself may be redundant because it is what is stated in Robert's Rules of Order, which the Board currently follows.

APPROVE ITEMS 5.01 THROUGH 5.04 (continued)

Mrs. Moulton spoke in favor of the proposed language of Paragraph 7, stating that she believed it would assist the Board in conducting their business, also noting that it follows Robert's Rules of Order.

Trustee Edwards stated that she felt that this provision would help facilitate the Board meetings.

Mrs. Johnson briefly explained that these items were discussed in the committee meeting but that no action was taken at that meeting except to bring recommendations back to the full Board. She stated that this provision would simply allow the Board to move forward once a decision has been made. She reminded Board members that at the end of a year, this policy could be revisited.

Mrs. Janison asked for clarification of the placement on the agenda of where there would be the opportunity to bring back an item by a trustee who was not on the prevailing side of a vote.

Mrs. Johnson explained that if a trustee who is not on the prevailing side of a vote wishes to reconsider an item, that person would need to have a trustee on the prevailing side bring the item back before the Board, and that after a year, any Board member could bring an item back for reconsideration.

Mrs. Janison used GP-10: Construction of the Agenda, as an example, asking if someone who was not on the prevailing side of this vote wanted to bring this item back, would that trustee have to wait for a year before bringing GP-10: Construction of the Agenda, back for reconsideration.

Ms. Miller explained that only this specific issue associated with GP-10: Construction of the Agenda, would be subject to the provision, not GP-10: Construction of the Agenda, in its entirety. She also pointed out that Robert's Rules of Order is actually more stringent.

Mrs. Janison stated that she was in support of the concept of this provision, but that she was concerned with the one-year timeframe.

Mrs. Moulton mentioned that earlier discussions included a timeline of six months instead of one year. She also pointed out that she was not involved in bringing this item back before the Board.

CALL FOR THE QUESTION

*Motion: Edwards Second: Moulton Vote: Yeses – 4 (Johnson, Janison, Moulton, Edwards);
No – 1 (Barber)*

The motion passed.

Vote on Trustee Edwards' Motion on Approval of Items 5.01, 5.02, 5.03, and 5.04:

Vote: Yeses – 4 (Johnson, Janison, Moulton, Edwards); No – 1 (Barber)

The motion passed.

APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES GOVERNANCE POLICY GP-10

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Board of School Trustees Governance Policy GP-10: Construction of the Agenda, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on August 9, 2007, as recommended in Reference 5.01.

APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES GOVERNANCE POLICY GP-11

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Board of School Trustees Governance Policy GP-11: Public Hearings, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on August 9, 2007, as recommended in Reference 5.02.

APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES PUBLIC SPEAKING GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Board of School Trustees Public Speaking Guidance Document, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on August 9, 2007, as recommended in Reference 5.03.

APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES GOVERNANCE POLICY GP-16

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Board of School Trustees Governance Policy GP-16: Policy Development, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on August 9, 2007, as recommended in Reference 5.04.

APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES GOVERNANCE POLICY GP-18

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Board of School Trustees Governance Policy GP-18: Travel and Other Board Expenses, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on August 9, 2007, as recommended in Reference 5.05.

Mrs. Barber disagreed with the proposed changes to this policy. She asked for an explanation of "professional development" as stated in Paragraph 6F, Reference 5.05.

Mr. Hoffman explained that the phrase "professional development" was suggested by Mrs. Scow, and that in this instance professional development would be anything that would enhance the capability of a trustee in order to enable them to be efficient in their job.

Mrs. Barber disagreed with the language in this policy. She stated that she would like to see more openness of the definitions in this policy to the public. She suggested a quarterly report including office funds utilized by each trustee.

Mrs. Janison stated that she would be in favor of the policy, but that she was not comfortable with the language of Paragraph 6F in Reference 5.05. She stated that conferences or educational courses of interest could be brought forth as an agenda item. She said that would allow the trustees to see who would be attending certain conferences.

Mr. Hoffman clarified that Paragraph 6F was placed there because the Board has had difficulty in the past with the timing of being able to hear about a conference in a meeting and the date scheduled to attend the conference. He further explained that this change in policy would allow the trustees to travel using their own discretion, knowing those records would be made public, thereby acknowledging accountability.

APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES GOVERNANCE POLICY GP-18 (continued)

Trustee Edwards stated that in her opinion, this change in the policy is clearer than the previous language. She did say that she believed that Paragraph 6F is limiting enough regarding the use of judgment of what is appropriate. She asked Mr. Hoffman about language regarding how the pro rata share is currently used.

Mr. Hoffman explained that the Executive Assistant divides the money into certain requirements and then there is leftover money of discretionary travel, which falls under Paragraph 2F, but that practice is not described here in policy. He offered the following language for Paragraph 8: "At the beginning of each fiscal year the Board Executive Assistant, 'after allocating funds for estimated travel expenses required under Paragraphs 1 and 2A through 2E above, and in consultation with the Board President, will calculate the pro rata share...'"

Mrs. Moulton stated that while she doesn't believe each conference needs to be brought to a meeting before the Board for approval, she agreed that some discussion should be held on the "professional development." She also agreed with Mrs. Janison that the Board members should let each other attend the conferences. She stated that according to the Board travel expense summary provided by Mr. Weiler, the Board members have had remaining in budget \$18,800, in 2004; \$13,900, in 2005; \$14,400, in 2006; and \$27,600, in 2007.

Mrs. Johnson brought to the other Trustees' attention items that were not currently being considered as new language. In Section 3, shown as a strikethrough in the backup material, she asked if the Board wanted to consider the language there which indicates where the pre-approval for travel would be given. She also pointed out that the first sentence in Section 6 was also not being considered as included language.

Mr. Hoffman stated that in his opinion, the idea of the pre-approval of travel is captured in Paragraph 2, when numbered correctly, where it defines "official school business", and it states in 2E, "Events sponsored by an entity in which the Board/district holds membership, e.g., NASB."

Mrs. Johnson offered the following language: "Travel expenses will be compensated in accordance with the Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) and pre-approved by the Board at the regular budget meeting held annually", so that there is an indication of when travel was approved. She recommended considering language concerning speaking on issues not supported by the Board as expressed in Reference 5.05, Paragraph 6. She stated that if the Board would be interested in considering language that directs that the pre-approval of trustee travel would take place at the budget meeting annually, that would further clarify the procedures.

Mrs. Barber asked how much the money the Board members were allotted this year. She expressed her concern regarding the article written by Erin Neff, columnist for the Las Vegas Sun.

Jeffrey Weiler, Chief Financial Officer, answered that the total budget was \$54,000.00; that is, \$7,000, per trustee, and \$5,000, for other expenses, such as specific assignments.

Mrs. Barber stated that it should be put in writing what each Board member received and the specific use of the funds.

APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES GOVERNANCE POLICY GP-18 (continued)

Motion to approve with the following changes and that these items be brought back as Notice of Intents:

Approval of expenses as in Item 3;

Stipulation in Item 6, which pertains to the board speaking with one voice;

That Paragraph 6F become more refined as in the language offered by Ms. Miller: Instead of "in the judgment of the individual trustee", it would read, "in the reasonable exercise of judgment, directly assist in the professional development of the individual trustee";

That the paragraphs would be renumbered appropriately; and

In Paragraph 8, the language previously offered by Mr. Hoffman would be included.

Trustee Edwards suggested that regarding the transfer of travel funds between trustees, the trustees could simply report the occurrence to the Board. She suggested placing language in Paragraph 8, "Any agreed on transfers will be reported to the Board."

Motion: Edwards Second: Janison Vote: Unanimous

APPROVE TRUSTEE COMPENSATION

Approval of the Clark County School District Board of School Trustees to implement, according to the provisions of Senate Bill (SB) 328, an increase in trustee's salary in the amount of \$750.00 per month, as recommended in Reference 5.06.

Trustee Edwards stated that with regard to this issue, she had received more responses from the public in favor of the Board proceeding with this than responses in opposition to this issue. She said that other district trustees receive significantly more compensation than the CCSD trustees, and that she would be in favor of moving forward with this.

Mrs. Johnson stated that she would be in support of a motion that would allow Board members to take advantage of the increase in compensation if they chose to do so. She said that per the request of a constituent, she asked staff to help find the salaries of other elected officials, and she shared the following comparisons: City of Henderson City Council receive more than \$42,000 annually; Clark County Commissioners receive more than \$68,000 annually to reach \$80,000 by 2010; and the Las Vegas City Council members receive more than \$46,000 annually. She added that while she would be in support of this, the increase should not exceed the established budget currently in place.

Joyce Haldeman, Executive Director, Community and Government Relations, gave a brief history of how SB 328 was developed. She pointed out that this would go into effect on January 1, 2009, and while the Board members have no control over this, there is a provision in the bill that allows the Board members to donate or forward their salary to a school should they chose to do that. She added that if the Board members have the desire to receive this increase earlier than the effective date, they would have to vote on that issue in a public meeting.

Mrs. Moulton shared the following comparison of what other school district trustees receive as compensation: Los Angeles Unified School District, with close to 750,000 students, receives \$2,000 monthly; the City of Chicago receives \$1,000 monthly expense allocation with \$1,600 for the president; Dade County, with 371,000 students, receives \$40,877 annually; and Broward County, with 272,000 students, receives \$42,248 annually. She added that Hawaii's school district trustees receive \$100 per meeting; and Hillsborough County, Florida, board members receive \$40,887 annually. She pointed out that only the two largest school districts in the state would receive \$750 per month, the smaller school districts would receive \$250 per month, and the middle tier would receive \$400 per month.

APPROVE TRUSTEE COMPENSATION (continued)

Mrs. Moulton suggested that in September 2007, Board members would begin receiving \$510, in July 2008, they would receive an increase to receive \$650, and the final increase to \$750 per month would begin on the effective date of January 1, 2009; and that it should be worked out to be qualified on meeting attendance.

Mrs. Janison stated that she would be opposed to the increase at this point because she believes this should not be an unfunded mandate and that teacher's salaries should be looked at and their salary increases should be funded as well.

Mrs. Barber asked if what the trustees currently receive would change with the increase in compensation.

Mrs. Haldeman explained that the bill does not address what the Board members currently receive, such as their travel budget.

Mrs. Barber stated that she would be opposed to this increase and would rather see teachers receive a salary increase.

Mrs. Haldeman stated that the intent of the law, she believes, is to make it so that it does not cost anyone to serve.

Mrs. Barber asked if the trustees' length of services is taken into account.

Mrs. Haldeman answered that the bill treats each of them equally regardless of their years of service.

Mrs. Barber asked for information regarding term limits.

Mrs. Haldeman stated that she would provide Mrs. Barber with that information.

Mrs. Johnson stated that since this decision would personally impact all Board members, she would like Mr. Mason and Mrs. Scow to provide their input and be a part of this decision.

Trustee Edwards offered to put together a summary of tonight's discussion to provide to Mr. Mason and Mrs. Scow and have another discussion on this issue at the next Board meeting.

Mrs. Moulton requested that all Board members be present at the next discussion of this item.

Mrs. Barber asked if attending a meeting through teleconference call would have an impact on meeting attendance.

Mrs. Johnson answered that it had been determined through legal channels that attending meetings via teleconference calls was an acceptable practice to establish quorums and attend meetings.

Motion to bring this item back, but that a vote would only be taken in the presence by a full board.

Motion: Edwards Second: Moulton Vote: Unanimous

PUBLIC HEARING

Now is the time and this is the place to hear objections for the exchange of a 5.15-acre vacant parcel of land located at Duncan Drive and Edward Avenue and \$2,500,000.00 in lieu of a portion of the Roy W. Martin Middle School for an 8.11-acre vacant parcel of land located at the intersection of 28th Street and Sunrise Avenue owned by the Housing Authority of the City of Las Vegas, as described in the Resolution of Intent to Enter into an Amended Cooperative Agreement for the Exchange of Real Property and Escrow Instructions with the Housing Authority of the City of Las Vegas as approved by the Board of School Trustees, Clark County School District, on June 28, 2007, as recommended in Reference 6.06.

Mrs. Janison read the above public hearing.

APPROVE RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO ENTER INTO AN AMENDED COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FOR THE EXCHANGE OF REAL PROPERTY

Approval to exchange a 5.15-acre vacant parcel of land located at Duncan Drive and Edward Avenue and \$2,500,000.00 in lieu of a portion of the Roy W. Martin Middle School for an 8.11-acre vacant parcel of land located at the intersection of 28th Street and Sunrise Avenue owned by the Housing Authority of the City of Las Vegas, that a resolution of acceptance be drafted and executed evidencing the same, directing and authorizing the president and clerk of the Board of School Trustees, or their designee(s), to execute a deed in compliance with Nevada Revised Statutes, Chapter 277.050, as recommended in Reference 6.07.

Mrs. Gray asked if the appraisals of these two properties are available.

Mr. Weiler agreed with Mrs. Johnson that obtaining appraisals of the properties is a standard practice, and he stated that he would provide that information.

Trustee Edwards commented that it was her understanding that in order for the district to be able to build the new school and keep the old school operating, the district is exchanging the land that the old school is on for the land that the new school is to be built on, and once the new school is completed, the land the old school had occupied would be surrendered.

Mrs. Janison clarified that when the information becomes available it would be accessible through the Board Office to members of the public.

Motion to approve.

Motion: Janison Second: Edwards Vote: Unanimous

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

Requests for minutes and media associated with specific meetings – Caroline Rangen

Ms. Rangen requested dates and minutes of the subcommittee on the Empowerment design team, when they met to discuss and/or determine the four new Empowerment Schools; Certificate of Posting for said meetings; minutes, audio, and video of said meetings; public notice certifications for said meetings; agendas, backup materials, and dates of all Board subcommittee meetings. She requested that she receive the material in a timely manner.

Ms. Rangen's comments are attached below as Attachment A per her request.

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

Mrs. Johnson responded that the Board did not have a subcommittee associated with the Empowerment Schools, and that there is a liaison assigned to the Superintendent's committee. She stated that the Board would provide Ms. Rangen with information on the subcommittees that do exist.

Ms. Rangen stated that she had requested this information in the past and had received nothing thus far. She asked that her request be made part of public record.

Mrs. Johnson reiterated that the Board agrees and has communicated that the Board did not have a subcommittee associated with the Empowerment Schools.

Faye Galloway Elementary School calendar conversion – Paul Kruyer

Mr. Kruyer asked that the Board consider keeping Galloway Elementary School on a 9-month calendar based on the school's enrollment.

Mrs. Johnson requested that Lauren Kohut-Rost, Deputy Superintendent, Instruction Unit, speak with Mr. Kruyer or at least obtain his contact information.

Mrs. Moulton asked that the entire Board receive that information pertaining to enrollment numbers and 9-month versus 12-month calendar schools.

AGENDA PLANNING: ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Trustee Edwards requested that the Trustee Compensation and the Monitoring Reports along with the Audit Committee item come back before the Board at the July 26, 2007, Board meeting.

BOARD REPORTS

Trustee Edwards asked for a report from Keith Bradford on the Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) project.

Mr. Bradford gave a brief update on the ERP project.

BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATION

Mrs. Moulton asked Dr. Kohut-Rost for an update on teacher recruitment.

Dr. Kohut-Rost provided an update on teacher recruitment, the year-round calendar committee, and SB 185, which was formerly SB 404.

Mrs. Moulton mentioned that the groundbreaking ceremony for the new Vegas PBS and Virtual High School took place on Monday, July 16, 2007.

DISCUSSION AND REQUEST FOR SPECIAL MEETINGS

Mrs. Janison asked to bring back for discussion the Board retreat to take place possibly in September 2007.

Trustee Edwards announced that the Community Linkage meeting with Keith Rheault, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Nevada Department of Education, would take place on October 16, 2007, at 4:00 p.m.

DISCUSSION AND REQUEST FOR SPECIAL MEETINGS (continued)

Mrs. Johnson stated that Mr. Mason has confirmed that he would help with community linkage with Native American students and their families. She stated that the Community Linkage meeting with former CCSD students was set up, and the location was established. She requested an Officers' Meeting before September 1, 2007, in order to review the perpetual calendar.

ADJOURN: 7:10 p.m.

Motion: Edwards Second: Barber Vote: Unanimous