

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, September 6, 2007

4:07 p.m.

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

Dr. Walt Rulffes, Superintendent of Schools

**FLAG SALUTE**

Canyon Springs High School ROTC led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**INVOCATION**

Dr. Anne Jones, Senior Pastor, Life Christian Center, gave the invocation.

**ADOPT AGENDA**

*Adopt agenda except move Item 7.01 to follow Item 4.02 as 4.02a, and include revised back-up material on Items 5.25 and 5.26.*

*Motion: Edwards Second: Barber Vote: Unanimous*

**APPROVE MINUTES**

*Special meetings – April 5, 2006; September 21, 2006*

*Motion: Janison Second: Scow Vote: Yeses – 6 (Barber, Johnson, Mason, Janison, Moulton, Scow); Abstain – 1 (Edwards)*

**STUDENT REPORT**

Nick DeLaFrance, student body president at Moapa Valley High School, Ruth Johnson, District B Trustee; Ileen Esparza, student body president at Rancho High School, Larry Mason, District D Trustee; and Devin FitzSimons, student body vice president at Silverado High School, Carolyn Edwards, District F Trustee, gave brief overviews of present and future activities, plans, and goals for their respective schools.

## **PRESENTATION AND REPORT OF V-ME (SPANISH LANGUAGE PBS NETWORK)**

Tom Axtell, General Manager, Vegas PBS, gave a video presentation on programming services offered on this new Spanish language channel. He explained these shows will have extensive English closed-captioned translations, and they are shows children could watch. He stated Vegas PBS has partnered with Clark County libraries to produce extensive bilingual materials to assist in GED preparation, workplace skills, and citizenship applications.

Mrs. Johnson stated that she did not remember the Board giving approval to broadcast this new station, and she asked Mr. Axtell for more information regarding the approval of the production plan.

Mr. Axtell stated this is only on cable and it is a satellite station. He stated the cost is funded totally externally with no district funds. He stated it was not in the production plan, but he would check for the information requested.

## **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

Mrs. Janison presented a Proclamation to CCSD regarding responsible driving behavior, and she thanked Commissioner Susan Brager for inviting the district in the safe driving awareness partnership, proclaiming August 2007 as SOS For Children's Month.

## **APPROVE AMENDMENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES GOVERNANCE POLICY GP-18**

Approval of the amendment of the Clark County School District Board of School Trustees Governance Policy GP-18: Travel and Other Board Expenses, as recommended in Reference 7.01.

Mrs. Barber requested that the following be added to the Minutes verbatim:

"Statement for the Record: Agenda item 7.01 is the second and final discussion on the proposed amendment of Board Policy GP-18 before it becomes official Board Policy. At this time I would like to make a statement for the record regarding this policy amendment. In my opinion, the language changes in the proposed amendment have the potential to compromise the integrity of the entire process of allocation and management of Board travel and other expenses. Consider one example to illustrate this point:

- "1. Paragraph 2F defines as reimbursable any expense incurred by a trustee who takes advantage of an educational opportunity if, in the opinion of a reasonable person, this educational opportunity will directly assist in the professional development of the individual trustee.
- "2. Questions: What is a valid educational opportunity for a school Board trustee and who should pay; and finally where do we find this reasonable person who will make these decisions. Another example: Paragraph 4 allows individual trustees to informally transfer to another trustee a portion of his pro rata funds without Board discussion and approval. In the current version of GP-18, this transfer must be justified, and the funds involved in the transfer must be identified before Board approval.

"In view of these factors, I think that the revised version of GP-18 would create the potential and promotion of inappropriate use of district funds. Keep and update the current version. Establish caps for each category of Board expenses and make all transactions open and available to the public upon request."

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

Mrs. Barber stated that in her opinion the language changes in the proposed amendment can potentially compromise the integrity of Board travel and other expenses, and gave an example to illustrate this point. She stated travel expenses should be brought before the Board for discussion and it should not be kept from the public. She asked how a reasonable person would be selected.

Mr. Hoffman responded that the language was developed as a result of Board discussion, and he stated the State's ethics rules used the standard of what a reasonable person would do, and it was incorporated into the Governance Policy®. He stated that he was not sure the word "valid" was in the language under paragraph 2F and did not feel he could develop the words any further.

Mrs. Scow expressed appreciation of the language because it makes it more of an objective viewpoint, it was stronger language, and she liked it because it was a derivative of state law. She stated the report gives accountability.

Trustee Edwards stated this policy is stronger, and the language reduces the ability for interpretation.

*Motion to approve Item 7.01.*

*Motion: Edwards Second: Scow Vote: Yeses – 6 (Johnson, Mason, Edwards, Janison, Moulton, Scow); No – 1 (Barber)*

*The motion passed.*

**PUBLIC HEARINGS ON AGENDA ITEMS/RESPONSE TO PUBLIC COMMENT**

Engineering Design Services, Grant Sawyer MS; Engineering Design Services, Ernest Becker MS; Citizen Participation – Beatrice Turner

Mrs. Turner stated that the chillers were already discussed with the engineers. She stated as a grandmother she was outraged that at Mabel Hoggard Elementary School there are 37 children in each kindergarten class with 25 children who do not speak English, which is hindering her grandson's education. She expressed displeasure that the school buses coming into Bonanza Village are tearing up the roads.

**ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA**

*Approval of consent agenda, as submitted.*

*Motion: Edwards Second: Moulton*

With regard to Items 5.25 and 5.26, Mrs. Janison asked if Paul Gerner, Associate Superintendent, Facilities Division, could give a brief overview of the changes.

Mr. Gerner characterized changes as clerical corrections, one changing "CCSD Requested" to "Government Levied" and the other switching the order of items 14 and 15 so that they flowed in chronological order.

With regard to Items 5.03 through 5.05, Trustee Edwards reported on her conversation yesterday with Dr. Edward Goldman, Associate Superintendent, Education Services Division, regarding following a student when they make a transition from an alternative educational program to the next comprehensive high school they attend.

**ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA (continued)**

Dr. Goldman stated it was an excellent idea, but it was a physical impossibility to communicate with all the teachers of every child. He stated in unusual circumstances, such as students with specific needs, they do communicate with the teachers.

Trustee Edwards suggested something in writing go to the counselor who could disseminate the writing to teachers regarding special needs students.

*Vote on Trustee Edwards' motion was 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 5.01.

**APPROVE RENEWAL APPLICATION – DISTANCE EDUCATION (CCSD VIRTUAL HIGH SCHOOL) PROGRAM**

Approval of the Renewal Application for Distance Education (CCSD Virtual High School) Program, as recommended in Reference 5.02.

**AUTHORIZE ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM OF EDUCATION FOR DISRUPTIVE PUPILS PILOT – PROGRAM AT SOUTHWEST BEHAVIOR JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL**

Authorization to submit and implement the Alternative Program of Education for Disruptive Pupils Pilot Program at Southwest Behavior Junior/Senior High School, from September 7, 2007, through June 30, 2009, to be paid through Unit 0137, FY 08 and 09, Fund 0280, in the amount of \$21,192.00, with no impact to the general fund, as recommended in Reference 5.03.

**AUTHORIZE ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM OF EDUCATION FOR DISRUPTIVE PUPILS PILOT – BUNKER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Authorization to submit and implement the Alternative Program of Education for Disruptive Pupils Pilot at Bunker Elementary School, from September 7, 2007, through June 30, 2009, to be paid through Unit 0137, FY 08 and 09, Fund 0280, for a total cost not to exceed \$120,000.00, with no impact to the general fund, as recommended in Reference 5.04.

**AUTHORIZE ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM OF EDUCATION FOR DISRUPTIVE PUPILS PILOT – MILEY ACHIEVEMENT CENTER**

Authorization to submit and implement the Alternative Program of Education for Disruptive Pupils Pilot at Miley Achievement Center, from September 7, 2007, through June 30, 2009, to be paid through Unit 0137, FY 08 and 09, Fund 0280, for a total cost not to exceed \$111,276.00, with no impact to the general fund, as recommended in Reference 5.05.

**AUTHORIZE INNOVATION AND PREVENTION OF REMEDIATION ACTIVITIES AND/OR PROGRAMS CONSORTIUM OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS, NEVADA REVISED STATUTE (NRS) 385, SENATE BILL 185**

Authorization to submit and implement the state funded Innovation and Prevention of Remediation Activities and/or Programs, Consortium of Public Schools, under Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) 385, Senate Bill 185, to be implemented from July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2009, to be paid from state funds, Unit 0137, FY 08, Fund 0279, in the approximate amount of \$14,532,459.30, with no impact to the general fund, as recommended in Reference 5.06.

**APPROVE COMPUTER AIDED DRAFTING AND DESIGN SOFTWARE LICENSES – DLT SOLUTIONS, INC.**

Approval to purchase the Autodesk Design Academy software package from DLT Solutions for three high schools effective September 21, 2007, for an approximate total cost of \$63,990.00, to be paid from Unit 0137, FY 08, Account 34999, Object 0671, Grant 000631-08, Fund 0280, Project 0090709-01, with no impact to the general fund, as recommended in Reference 5.07.

**APPROVE UNIFIED PERSONNEL EMPLOYMENT**

Approval to employ unified personnel, as recommended in Reference 5.08.

**APPROVE LICENSED PERSONNEL EMPLOYMENT**

Approval to employ licensed personnel, as recommended in Reference 5.09.

**APPROVE LICENSED PERSONNEL LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

Approval to grant leaves of absence to licensed personnel (Regulation 4355), as recommended in Reference 5.10.

**RATIFY PURCHASE ORDERS**

Ratification of the purchase orders in the total amount of \$60,766,011.76, as listed, as recommended in Reference 5.11.

**APPROVE PURCHASING AWARDS**

Approval to purchase goods or services in the estimated total amount of \$577,874.00 in compliance with NRS 332, as listed, as recommended in Reference 5.12.

**RATIFY WARRANTS**

Ratification of the warrants as listed in the Bills Payable Transmittal and the Board Memorandum #05-07-08 in the total amount of \$85,578,331.58, as recommended in Reference 5.13.

**APPROVE PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL SERVICES AGREEMENT, ROOFING CONSULTANTS, EAST CAREER AND TECHNICAL ACADEMY**

Approval to enter into a professional/technical services agreement with Benchmark Roof and Pavement Consulting, Inc. for consulting services in support of roofing systems for the East Career and Technical Academy in the amount of \$152,250.00, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3080000000, Project C0001545; 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 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT, COMMISSIONING OF HVAC SYSTEM,  
C.V.T. GILBERT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Approval to enter into a professional services agreement with Las Vegas Building Commissioning, LLC to provide third-party commissioning in support of the HVAC system upgrades at C.V.T. Gilbert Elementary School in the amount of \$40,000.00, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 080000000, Project C0000242; 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 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN SERVICES, UNNAMED ELEMENTARY SCHOOL,  
AVIARY WAY AND VIRAGE PARK DRIVE**

Approval to enter into an architectural design services contract with Domingo Cambeiro Professional Corporation in the amount of \$719,946.00, to provide architectural design services in order to solicit bids for construction of the unnamed elementary school located near Aviary Way and Virage Park Drive, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3080000000, Project C0001554; 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 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN SERVICES, UNNAMED ELEMENTARY SCHOOL,  
EGAN CREST DRIVE AND SEVERENCE LANE**

Approval to enter into an architectural design services contract with Domingo Cambeiro Professional Corporation in the amount of \$730,583.00, to provide architectural design services in order to solicit bids for construction of the unnamed elementary school located near Egan Crest Drive and Severence Lane, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3080000000, Project C0001555; 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, REPLACE CHILLERS AND CENTRAL PLANT  
MODERNIZATION, GRANT SAWYER MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Approval to select the engineering firm of Petty & Associates, Inc., to prepare plans, specifications, and other bidding documents in order to solicit bids for construction of the proposed project to replace chillers and central plant modernization at Grant Sawyer Middle School in the amount of \$135,000.00, to be paid from Fund 3080000000, Project C0011347; 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 ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES, REPLACE CHILLERS AND CENTRAL PLANT  
MODERNIZATION, ERNEST BECKER MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Approval to select the engineering firm of Petty & Associates, Inc. to prepare plans, specifications, and other bidding documents in order to solicit bids for construction of the proposed project to replace chillers and central plant modernization at Ernest Becker Middle School in the amount of \$135,000.00, to be paid from Fund 3080000000, Project C0011340; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.19.

**APPROVE ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT, GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES, GORDON McCAW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPLACEMENT**

Approval to enter into an engineering services agreement with Ninyo and Moore, Geotechnical Consultants for geotechnical services in support of the Gordon McCaw Elementary School Replacement, in the amount of \$206,127.90, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3080000000, Project C0000853; and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, as recommended in Reference 5.20.

**APPROVE BLANKET UTILITY EASEMENT, CITY OF NORTH LAS VEGAS, MARION CAHLAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Approval to grant the City of North Las Vegas one easement located on the northeast corner and two easements located on the east boundary of the Marion Cahlan Elementary School site for the installation of a double check detector assembly, fire hydrant, and reduced pressure principle assembly, 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 BLANKET UTILITY EASEMENT, CITY OF NORTH LAS VEGAS, C.V.T. GILBERT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Approval to grant the City of North Las Vegas two easements located on the north boundary of the C.V.T. Gilbert Elementary School site for the installation of a double check detector assembly and a reduced pressure principle assembly, 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 GRANT OF UNDERGROUND DRAINAGE EASEMENT, CLARK COUNTY, WILBUR AND THERESA FAISS MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Approval to grant Clark County a parcel located on the east portion of the Wilbur and Theresa Faiss Middle School site for the installation of an underground drainage easement, 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 5.23.

**APPROVE EASEMENT AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY, LAS VEGAS VALLEY WATER DISTRICT, WILBUR AND THERESA FAISS MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Approval to grant the Las Vegas Valley Water District an easement located on the north boundary of the Wilbur and Theresa Faiss Middle School site for the installation of a fire hydrant assembly, 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 5.24.

**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 \$34,240.00 for Carolyn S. Reedom and Robert L. Forbuss Elementary Schools (Domingo Cambeiro Professional Corporation); D. L. "Dusty" Dickens Elementary School (JMA Architects, Inc.); and East Career and Technical Academy (SH Architecture), as recommended in Reference 5.25.

## **RATIFY CHANGE ORDERS**

Ratification of total change orders for a net increase of \$326,007.00 to the construction contract to Construct Northwest Career and Technical Academy (Sletten Construction of Nevada, Inc.); and Install Electrical Conduits for J. E. Manch Elementary School Replacement (Great Salt Lake Electric, Incorporated), as recommended in Reference 5.26.

## **APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT – CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULATION 3511**

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Regulation 3511, Travel by District Employees, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on October 9, 2007, as recommended in Reference 6.01.

*Motion: Scow Second: Janison*

Mrs. Moulton asked where the \$10.00 limit came from on page 1, item 2, and if the \$10.00 could be exempted.

Jeffrey K. Weiler, Chief Financial Officer, Finance and Operations Division, stated it was a matter of encouraging staff to consolidate, and they would get reimbursed.

*Vote on Mrs. Scow's motion was unanimous.*

*Mr. Mason was not present for the vote.*

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

Transportation – Marcelina Osorio

With the aid of an interpreter, Ms. Osorio requested transportation for her children who attend Dr. C. Owen Roundy Elementary School. She stated they have privately contracted with a transportation provider, a woman, who mistreats the children. She stated the transportation for about 140 students is not through the district, and there is no air conditioning.

Trustee Edwards stated she has contacted transportation regarding this issue. She stated she spoke with the principal and transportation about the possibility of providing a bus, but because the situation has existed for years, and there is use of a crossing guard at Decatur, they could not provide a bus. She expressed concern that the parents are spending money to bus the children and that there may be a lack of insurance in the event of an accident.

Mrs. Johnson asked if legally the district could arrange for paid transportation by figuring out the cost.

Mr. Hoffman stated he could research it further if it was the Board's desire.

Mrs. Johnson stated the district should look at the viability of finding a service and what the district's role would be.

Mr. Hoffman stated the district could not shift the responsibility of liability, but he would look into options.

## **BOARD MEMBER LEAVES**

Mrs. Barber left the Board meeting at 5:25 p.m.



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

Trustee Edwards requested an agenda item that encourages recycling.

Mrs. Moulton agreed with encouraging recycling. She also stated that there was a need to review the pay policy in an agenda possibly in a policy review meeting.

Mrs. Janison suggested entering into a partnership with a recycling company.

## **BOARD REPORTS**

Trustee Edwards alerted the Board that Nevada Association of School Boards (NASB) award nominations are due September 11, 2007, at midnight.

Mrs. Janison reported she now has two Attendance Zone Advisory Commission (AZAC) representatives. She stated that for American Education week in November, a local entertainment group may partner and kick it off, but it was not confirmed yet. She asked if the Board would be interested in changing the site scheduled on September 18, 2007, for the Board retreat at Indian Springs, because the school is having their book fair that day, to Earl B. Lundy Elementary School at Mt. Charleston.

Mrs. Moulton suggested carpooling.

Mrs. Janison stated we would move forward with Earl B. Lundy Elementary School from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on September 18, 2007. She reminded the Board that Monday begins the school naming process.

## **BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATION**

Joyce Haldeman, Executive Director, Community and Government Relations, spoke about the year-round calendar study group, meeting dates, and general topics that the public will be able to attend. She stated she reviewed 110 applications for this new committee, and she explained how members were chosen. She explained the objective of the committee was to focus on policy adjustment and various other topics and that they will study each topic for recommendations.

Mrs. Johnson asked if the committee would be able to ask for an outside review.

Mrs. Haldeman stated if there was an interest, they would have the capacity to request it, and she stated there was no budget available.

## **BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATION**

Dr. Rulfes stated there were compensating options for Board members who were not selected to be on the committee.

Trustee Edwards asked whether policy changes would need to be completed prior to April 1, 2008.

Mrs. Moulton asked if resources for free and reduced lunch for high schools could be designated if they were a Title I school.

Dr. Rulfes explained that the Nevada Division of Welfare and Supportive Services has input into Title I. He stated it was a matter of redistributing the money, but not that the high schools would receive more money.

## **BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATION (continued)**

Dr. Lauren Kohut-Rost, Deputy Superintendent, Instruction Unit, explained how the funds are disbursed.

Mrs. Moulton asked if we could send to each legislator Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) results of the schools they represent.

Mrs. Janison stated she felt left out of the loop regarding where the district is on planning the next bond.

Mrs. Haldeman gave a quick update on the fundraising process and campaign and apologized for not communicating. She stated more information would be forthcoming.

Mrs. Johnson requested that Mrs. Haldeman have an overview ready for the work session on October 24, 2007. She asked if there was a decision made on Edline and Intouch.

Dr. Philip Brody, Assistant Superintendent, Technology and Information Systems Services, stated there was a recommendation made to the Purchasing Department, and that the Purchasing Department would bring its recommendations forward at one of the October Board meetings.

Mrs. Johnson asked what happened to online banking and requested that Mr. Weiler keep the Board involved in its progress.

Mr. Weiler responded that it was still being worked on, but the district was just not ready to implement it this year.

Mrs. Moulton spoke about being contacted by Cynthia Cunningham Elementary School regarding a bus being removed on Route 2517 to Del Sol Budget Suites because of construction in the Nellis-Flamingo area and asked Dr. Rulfes to look into the situation.

Mrs. Scow stated she has had contact from parents regarding speeding vehicles at James E. and A. Rae Smalley Elementary School on Paradise Hills Road and asked the matter be looked into. She then congratulated Kathy Foster, Chief of Staff, Superintendent's Office, on her retirement.

Mr. Mason stated that the parents at Rex Bell were told their children would get the same transportation when they switched to Dr. C. Owen Roundy Elementary School, but it was not true.

Lauren Longmire, Transportation Investigating Supervisor, Transportation Department, stated she was not aware where that misinformation came from and apologized. She agreed to go over this with Ms. Osorio, who was present at this evening's meeting.

Mrs. Johnson suggested assigning this transportation issue to staff to ensure it is resolved.

Dr. Kohut-Rost spoke about current projected enrollment. She stated that there were 304,037 students enrolled as of yesterday, and a year ago there were approximately 296,000 students enrolled. She spoke about the enrollment variances between the regions.

Mrs. Johnson asked if the calendar would be adjusted to accommodate enrollment.

## **BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATION (continued)**

Dr. Kohut-Rost stated she was not aware of that ever happening.

Discussion ensued regarding busing students to the vacancies to relieve overcrowding.

Mr. Mason asked if the enrollment could be broken down to focus on Latinos and illegal immigrants.

Mary-Anne Miller, Board Counsel, District Attorney's Office, cautioned the Board members not to carry the conversation beyond informational.

Mrs. Haldeman introduced Cynthia Sell, Director of Communications, Community and Government Relations, as the newest member of her staff.

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

Mrs. Johnson stated the following dates for special meetings: September 18, 2007, for the Board retreat; September 20, 2007, for the regular Board meeting at 4:00 p.m.; September 24, 2007, for the work session at Northwest Career and Technical Academy; a request for November 5, 2007, for a budget work session. She advised the Board that the NSBA has accepted the proposal for the next annual conference scheduled for March 29, 2008, thru April 1, 2008, in Orlando, Florida, on Effective Board Leadership – How Strong Policy Development Yields Academic Success, and she asked if anyone wished to attend or present for that, to let Mrs. Krohn know. She also stated that Mrs. Moulton and she will be attending the Council of the Great City Schools and presenting the proposal that was accepted for that conference and stated she would keep the Board updated.

**ADJOURN:** 6:22 p.m.

*Motion: Edwards    Second: Scow    Vote: Unanimous*

*Mrs. Barber was not present for the vote.*