

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, March 8, 2012

4:00 p.m.

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

Dwight D. Jones, Superintendent of Schools

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Trustee Young noted that Superintendent Jones would not be in attendance due to a family emergency.

**INVOCATION**

Father Ron Zanoni, St. Christopher Catholic Church, performed the invocation.

**FLAG SALUTE**

Rancho High School ROTC led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**BOARD MEMBER ARRIVES**

Trustee Wright arrived at the Board meeting at 4:04 p.m.

**ADOPT AGENDA**

*Adopt agenda, except move Items 6.01, 6.02, and 6.03 to follow Item 7.05, and note revised reference material for Items 5.01, 5.10, 5.11, 7.05.*

*Motion: Edwards Second: Cranor Vote: Unanimous*

**BOARD MEMBER LEAVES**

Trustee Cranor left the Board meeting at 4:07 p.m.

## **STUDENT REPORTS**

Dustin Collins, student body president at Cowan Sunset Southeast High School, Erin Cranor, District G Trustee; Jessica Van Alfen, student body president at Legacy High School, Chris Garvey, District B Trustee; and Zachary Ferguson, student body president at Northwest Career and Technical Academy, John Cole, District E Trustee, gave brief overviews of present and future activities, plans, and goals for their respective schools.

## **PRESENTATION OF NATIONAL SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION (NSBA) SITE VISIT**

Brief update of the Spring 2012 National School Boards Association Technology site visit to the Clark County School District. Jhone Ebert, Chief Technology Officer, Technology & Information Systems Services Division, Clark County School District; Jennifer Andricopulos, Coordinator, Technology & Information Systems Services Division, Clark County School District; Loretta Asay, Coordinator, Technology & Information Systems Services Division, Clark County School District.

## **PRESENTATION OF NEVADA COLLEGE ACCESS CHALLENGE GRANT**

Overview of Nevada's College Access Challenge Grant efforts will be presented. Magdalena Martinez, Assistant Vice Chancellor, Nevada System of Higher Education; Mallory Levins, College Access Coordinator, Nevada System of Higher Education; Abraham Gomez, GotoCollege Ambassador, Nevada System of Higher Education.

## **PRESENTATION OF GB HENDERSON EDUCATION FOUNDATION**

Recognition of the GB Henderson Education Foundation. Bridget Bilbray-Phillips, Director of School-Community Partnership Program, Clark County School District; Kevin Cloud, Executive Director, GB Henderson Education Foundation.

**RECESS:** 5:22 p.m.

**RECONVENE:** 5:45 p.m.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Donald Burns spoke about the lack of pay increases for substitute teachers.

## **APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA**

Approval of consent agenda, as submitted, as recommended.

*Motion to approve.*

*Motion: Wright    Second: Alderman*

Trustee Edwards noted that with regard to Item 5.07, page 5 of 12, Kagan Professional Development, Inc., she was concerned that if these were aggregated, the District would exceed its limit. She asked that staff review this and determine whether or not to continue this practice.

**APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA** (continued)

- 5.01 STATE-FUNDED FULL-DAY KINDERGARTEN. Discussion and possible action on authorization to submit and continue to implement the state-funded Full-Day Kindergarten program, from March 9, 2012, through June 30, 2013, from Internal Orders G4495000012/G4495000013, Fund 0279, in the amount of \$18,364,472.00 per year for a total allocation not to exceed \$36,728,944.00, with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. [Contact Person: Pedro Martinez] (Ref. 5.01)
- 5.02 STRIVING READERS COMPREHENSIVE LITERACY PROGRAM – U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, OFFICE OF ACADEMIC IMPROVEMENT AND TEACHER QUALITY PROGRAMS. Discussion and possible action on authorization to submit and implement the Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy Program, through the Nevada Department of Education and funded from the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Academic Improvement and Teacher Quality Programs, to serve students from birth through Grade 12, from April 2, 2012, through September 30, 2013, with an additional three years anticipated contingent upon program progress, in the approximate amount of \$18,696,388.09, to be paid from Fund 0280, with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. [Contact Person: Karen Stanley] (Ref. 5.02)
- 5.03 ENHANCING EDUCATION THROUGH TECHNOLOGY (EETT) EXTENDED FUNDS. Discussion and possible action for authorization for the Mathematics and Instructional Technology Department, Curriculum and Professional Development Division, to accept funding for the purpose of providing professional development, funded by Enhancing Education Through Technology (EETT) Program, U.S. Department of Education, as provided by Title II, Part D, of No Child Left Behind, in the amount of \$286,837.17, to be paid from Fund 0280, Unit 0137, through September 28, 2012, with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. [Contact Person: Karen Stanley] (Ref. 5.03)
- 5.04 TRAVEL & REGISTRATION – NEVADA DISTRIBUTIVE EDUCATION CLUBS OF AMERICA (DECA). Discussion and possible action on authorization to contract with the Nevada Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) for an as yet undetermined number of high school students along with adult advisors for the registration, relevant instructional materials, and travel fees for the International Career Development Conference (ICDC) on April 28, 2012, through May 1, 2012, in Salt Lake City, Utah. Expenditures for this supplier, in the amount of \$36,000.00, have already been completed. An additional purchase for an amount not to exceed \$52,000.00 is proposed, for a total amount not to exceed \$88,000.00, effective March 9, 2012, through June 29, 2012, to be paid from Fund 0279, and Internal Order G4447004012, with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. [Contact Person: Karen Stanley] (Ref. 5.04)

**APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA** (continued)

- 5.05 STUDENT EXPULSIONS. Discussion and possible action on approval of student expulsions according to NRS 392.467 (Board Policy 5114 and Regulations 5114 and 5141.1), as listed, is recommended. (CONFIDENTIAL) [Contact Person: Bradley D. Waldron] (Ref. 5.05)
- 5.06 LICENSED PERSONNEL EMPLOYMENT. Discussion and possible action on approval to employ licensed personnel, is recommended. [Contact Person: Staci Vesneske] (Ref. 5.06)
- 5.07 PURCHASE ORDERS. Discussion and possible action on ratification of the purchase orders in the total amount of \$1,143,578.59 as listed, is recommended. [Contact Person: Jeff Weiler] (Ref. 5.07)
- 5.08 PURCHASING AWARDS. Discussion and possible action on approval to purchase goods or services in the estimated total amount of \$394,245.00, in compliance with NRS 332, as listed, is recommended. [Contact Person: Jeff Weiler] (Ref. 5.08)
- 5.09 WARRANTS. Discussion and possible action on ratification of the warrants as listed in the Bills Payable Transmittal and the Board Memorandum to be presented at the Board meeting, is recommended. [Contact Person: Jeff Weiler] (Ref. 5.09)
- 5.10 CONTRACT AWARD: DOOR AND HARDWARE REPLACEMENT, MACK LYON MIDDLE SCHOOL. Discussion and possible action on approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for door and hardware replacement at Mack Lyon Middle School, to be paid from the Qualified School Construction Bonds, Fund 3100000000, Project C0012401, and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, may be recommended. [Contact Person: J. P. Gerner] (Ref. 5.10)
- 5.11 CONTRACT AWARD: FIRE ALARM, INTRUSION ALARM, AND CLOSED-CIRCUIT TELEVISION SYSTEMS REPLACEMENT, DUANE D. KELLER MIDDLE SCHOOL. Discussion and possible action on approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to replace the fire alarm, intrusion alarm, and closed-circuit television systems at Duane D. Keller Middle School, to be paid from the Qualified School Construction Bonds, Fund 3100000000, Project C0004583, and for J. P. Gerner, Facilities Division, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, may be recommended. [Contact Person: J. P. Gerner] (Ref. 5.11)
- 5.12 CHANGE IN SERVICES. Discussion and possible action on ratification of total change in services to the architectural/ engineering services agreements for a net increase of \$623.06 for the Shirley and Bill Wallin Elementary School (Pugsley Simpson Coulter Architects), is recommended. [Contact Person: J. P. Gerner] (Ref. 5.12)

**APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA** (continued)

5.13 CHANGE ORDERS. Discussion and possible action on ratification of total change orders for a net increase of \$300,494.73, plus 36 days, to the construction contracts for the HVAC School Modernization at Charlotte Hill, Marc Kahre, Jim Thorpe, and Elaine Wynn Elementary Schools (Big Town Mechanical, LLC), HVAC School Modernization at Harriet Treem Elementary School (Interstate Plumbing & Air Conditioning), Chiller Replacement at Richard Rundle Elementary School (Ryan Mechanical, Inc.), Local Area Network System Upgrade at Nate Mack Elementary School (TeleData Contractors, Inc.), Concrete Sidewalk, Drainage, and Exterior Lighting at C. P. Squires Elementary School (Maile Concrete), and Asphalt Replacement at John F. Mendoza Elementary School (Las Vegas Paving Corporation), is recommended. [Contact Person: J. P. Gerner] (Ref. 5.13)

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

**APPROVE ITEMS 7.01 AND 7.02**

Approval of Items 7.01 and 7.02, respectively, as follows:

Staci Vesneske, Chief Human Resources Officer, Human Resources Division, explained that these changes were made as required by Assembly Bill (AB) 211 in the previous legislature.

**APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT – CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICY 4110**

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Policy 4110, Employment Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Harassment: All Employees, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on April 12, 2012, as recommended in Reference 7.01.

**APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT – CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULATION 4110**

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Regulation 4110, Employment Discrimination, Harassment, and Sexual Harassment: All Employees, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on April 12, 2012, as recommended in Reference 7.02.

*Motion to approve Items 7.01 and 7.02, recognizing that these changes are made with regard to Nevada Revised Statute (NRS) requirements as a result of the last legislative session with AB 211. Motion: Edwards Second: Alderman Vote: Unanimous*

**APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT – CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULATION 4207**

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Regulation 4207, Licensed Employee Disclosure of Criminal Arrests, Charges, and Convictions (Post Employment), prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on April 12, 2012, as recommended in Reference 7.03.

Dr. Vesneske explained that these changes were made as required by AB 393 in the previous legislature.

## **APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT – CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULATION 4207**

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*Motion to accept as presented.*

*Motion: Cole Second: Edwards Vote: Unanimous*

## **APPROVE PROPOSED 2013-2014 AND 2014-2015 SCHOOL CALENDARS**

Approval to adopt the 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 school calendars, as recommended.

Dr. Vesneske explained that the calendars presented are employee calendars, and the school calendar would be subsequent to Board approval for holidays and the start date of school.

Trustee Edwards noted that on the 2013-2014 calendar spring break coincides with the end of the third quarter, but it does not on the 2014-2015 calendar. She asked that staff look at scheduling spring break to coincide with the end of the third quarter to determine if it is a feasible option.

Trustee Cole asked if it would be appropriate to approve one calendar and postpone approval of the other.

Pedro Martinez, Deputy Superintendent, Instruction Unit, recommended allowing staff to review the calendars and bring them both back together for Board approval at the next Board meeting.

Trustee Edwards said she was willing to approve the calendars before the Board today and ask that staff look at adjusting the calendars for future years unless staff felt that they could review the information, make necessary adjustments, and bring the information back before the Board for approval in a timely manner.

Dr. Vesenske commented that staff could certainly make the necessary changes. However, delays could occur if the calendars were sent to outside entities for review to ensure that it does not conflict with any other events. She said it could be brought back to the Board at the second Board meeting in April.

The Board agreed to pull Item 7.04 and have staff review the information, make the necessary changes, and bring the calendars back before the Board for approval.

*Motion to hold Item 7.04 until the second meeting in April scheduled for April 26, 2012.*

*Motion: Edwards Second: Cole Vote: Unanimous*

## **EDISON SCHOOLS UPDATE**

Presentation and discussion on the community input and academic achievement for the seven elementary schools under the contract with EdisonLearning, Inc., as recommended.

### **EDISON SCHOOLS UPDATE (continued)**

Mr. Martinez stated that the information being presented to the Board is input that was gathered from the community through three surveys, one conducted by EdisonLearning, Inc., and two conducted by the District.

Pat Skorkowsky, Associate Superintendent, Area Service Center 2, acknowledged Lavern White, EdisonLearning, Inc.; Marsha Irvin, EdisonLearning, Inc.; Jan Musante, EdisonLearning, Inc.; and Edison School principals, Deborah Slauzis, Ann Lynch Elementary School; Jennifer Newton, Lincoln Elementary School; Lorna James-Cervantes, John S. Park Elementary School; Jonathan Herring, C. C. Ronnow Elementary School; and Keith France, Raul P. Elizondo Elementary School. He went over the information gathered through the surveys conducted.

### **BOARD MEMBER RETURNS**

Trustee Cranor returned to the Board meeting at 6:14 p.m.

### **EDISON SCHOOLS UPDATE (continued)**

Mr. Skorkowsky continued to provide a summary of community input and achievement data.

Paul Amann spoke about discrepancies between Edison Schools and other schools with regard to scheduling and work conditions for teachers. He expressed opposition to approval of the Edison contract but stated that if the contract were approved, the scheduling and work conditions for all teachers should be consistent.

Sue-Ann Egan gave reasons why she believed CCSD should renew the Edison contract.

Jennifer Haynal spoke in support of the Edison Schools.

Juana Escobar spoke in favor of the District renewing its contract with EdisonLearning, Inc.

Tiffany Bradley asked the Board to renew the partnership with EdisonLearning, Inc.

Bailey McGuire spoke positively about EdisonLearning, Inc. and his experience as a teacher at Elizondo Elementary School.

Keith France spoke positively about his experience as an EdisonLearning principal.

Trustee Alderman asked if there was some comparison data available that could show improvement in programs or student success over the last year or two as a result of changes that have been made.

Mr. Skorkowsky offered to meet with Mrs. Irvin and identify and review some benchmark data and look for some comparison data in the benchmark data over the years.

**EDISON SCHOOLS UPDATE** (continued)

Trustee Alderman inquired about the potential length of the contract with EdisonLearning, Inc.

Mr. Martinez said that staff is looking at a contract of approximately three years.

**APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES' GOVERNANCE POLICY EL-5: FINANCIAL PLANNING/BUDGETING**

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Board of Trustees' Governance Policy EL-5: Financial Planning/Budgeting, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on April 12, 2012, as recommended in Reference 6.01.

Trustee Cranor pointed out a typographical error in Reference 6.01, page 2 of 3, number 3, stating it should read, "...during the year as set forth..."

*Motion to accept Item 6.01 as presented with the correction of the typographical error.*

*Motion: Edwards Second: Alderman Vote: Unanimous*

**NOTICE OF INTENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES' GOVERNANCE POLICY EL-6: FINANCIAL CONDITION AND ACTIVITIES**

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Board of Trustees' Governance Policy EL-6: Financial Condition and Activities, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on April 12, 2012, as recommended in Reference 6.02.

Trustee Edwards asked for an explanation of the difference between "annual expenditures" and "general fund revenue" as written in Reference 6.02, page 2 of 2, number 4.

Jeff Weiler, Chief Financial Officer, Operations Support Unit, explained that the change is toward more of a standard; that it was previously based on expenditures, and this change makes this language consistent with policy language.

*Motion to accept.*

*Motion: Edwards Second: Alderman*

Trustee Cole expressed concern with number 5 on page 2 of 2, stating that there may be instances when decisions must be made that will affect the bond rating. He spoke in favor of the idea of the deleted number 9 on page 2 of 2, stating that he felt seeking public input was an important aspects of the Board's responsibility in being transparent to the community.

Trustee Cranor stated that the deleted number 9 still exists but had been removed from EL-6: Financial Condition and Activities.

Trustee Young referred to number 8, page 2 of 2, and asked what a "reasonable grace period" was determined to be. She also asked if there was a standard terminology with reference to budget or finance terms for the word "reasonable".



**NOTICE OF INTENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES' GOVERNANCE POLICY EL-6: FINANCIAL CONDITION AND ACTIVITIES (continued)**

Trustee Cranor said in discussions with the Audit Advisory Committee, it was expressed that this would be an instance where the Superintendent would provide his interpretation in terms of "reasonable grace period." She explained that with regard to number 9, it was discovered that the intent of number 9 coincided with number 4 in EL-5: Financial Planning/Budgeting, so that item was rewritten to encompass what was in number 9 and other concerns that were brought forth in previous Board discussions. With regard to the bond rating issue, she offered to bring the discussion of that item back to the Audit Advisory Committee to be addressed possibly at the end of this calendar year or the beginning of next calendar year.

Trustee Cole stated that he was concerned with the timeliness of the bond rating discussion due to the present economic state of the District and the fact that the District and the Board are going to have to consider a bond issuance shortly.

Mr. Weiler stated that he shares Trustee Cole's concern regarding the bond rating. He suggested adding language to number 5 such as, "...cause the bond rating to be downgraded without notification to the Board."

Trustee Cole agreed that the additional language suggested by Mr. Weiler would be helpful.

Trustee Cranor asked for counsel's advice on adding the language to number 5 as suggested by Mr. Weiler at this time.

Mary Ann Peterson, Board Counsel, District Attorney's Office, stated that adding that language as a point of clarification would be acceptable.

Trustee Cranor suggested that the Board ought to decide whether the language should be added or whether the Board should provide the opportunity for staff to seek a waiver of the policy in an exceptional circumstance.

Trustee Edwards agreed with comments made by Trustee Cranor and opposed adding the language, "...without notification to the Board." She suggested that any added language should be, "without Board approval," or the language should be left as it is currently stated, and the Superintendent should seek a waiver if needed, which would be her preference.

*Vote on Trustee Edwards' motion was unanimous.*

**APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES' GOVERNANCE POLICY EL-8: ASSET PROTECTION**

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Board of Trustees' Governance Policy EL-8: Asset Protection, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on April 12, 2012, as recommended in Reference 6.03.

**APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES' GOVERNANCE POLICY EL-8: ASSET PROTECTION (continued)**

*Motion to accept.*

*Motion: Edwards Second: Alderman*

Trustee Cole questioned the responsibility of the Superintendent to "certify to the Board" as stated in Reference 6.03, page 3 of 3, number 13. He asked if that responsibility would be that of the external auditors instead through their review of the external controls.

Trustee Cranor explained that the instrument by which the Superintendent would certify would be the external auditors and the District's Internal Audit Department.

Trustee Cole disagreed with the use of the word "certify," stating that the Superintendent does not personally conduct the testing, that he relies on the certification of an outside expert.

Trustee Cranor offered to discuss with the Audit Advisory Committee changing the language to "provide certification" or "forward certification."

Trustee Cole suggested the language, "...present to the Board expert certification as to the effectiveness..."

Trustee Edwards agreed with the language, "Fail to provide certification..." She asked for counsel's input.

Carlos McDade, General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, offered that the language, "Fail to provide certification..." would be an acceptable modification.

Trustee Cranor agreed with that language change.

*Trustee Edwards modified her motion to reflect the language change in number 13 to, "Fail to provide certification to the Board..."*

*Trustee Alderman agreed to that modification.*

*Vote on Trustee Edwards' motion was unanimous.*

**BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATION**

Mr. Martinez reported on his visit with Superintendent Jones to the Indian Springs prison and schools and the discussions about what is being done there to help students. He spoke about his visit with former First Lady Sandy Miller to Gordon McCaw, John Vanderburg, Frank Lamping, and Sandy Searles Miller Middle Schools.

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

Trustee Alderman asked about bringing GP-4: back to the Board for discussion.

Trustee Edwards stated that GP-4: Board Members' Principles of Operations -- Conduct and Ethics would be presented as GP-4.1 and GP-4.2 as two policies when appropriate.

## **BOARD REPORTS**

Trustee Alderman reported on the Attendance Zone Advisory Commission (AZAC) meeting at which the commission asked when they could expect a decision from the Board on year-round school calendars for next season and were told that staff would be working on gathering information this spring. She said the Board should have what they need by May to make a decision for the next AZAC season. She spoke about the AZAC luncheon. She shared that the Public Education Foundation is celebrating 20 years; that a new partnership with Superintendent Jones and Dr. Rick Hess is beginning and they would be developing the Leadership Institute, with their first Principles' Summit scheduled for May 4, 2012. She said they have received over 5,000 applications for scholarships this year, and they are expecting to award \$630,000 in scholarships. She said the scholarship luncheon is scheduled for May 25, 2012, at the Venetian Las Vegas. She shared that MGM Resorts is working with the School-Community Partnership Program Office and the Public Education Foundation to plan a breakfast to honor the Reclaim Your Future graduates.

Trustee Cole reported on this week's Student Council Advisory Committee to the Board of School Trustees meeting. He stated that topics of discussion at the committee meeting were Advanced Placement (AP) classes and PG-13 movies. He said the committee would be bringing to the Board the outcome of their discussion on preventing bullying at the March 22, 2012, Board meeting.

Trustee Edwards reported on the meeting in Washington, D. C. She said funding for Vegas PBS was discussed, and the Association of Public Television Stations (APTS) is not asking for any increases. She shared that the Nevada Association of School Boards (NASB) has voted to amend their bylaws to reflect the ability to add an additional at-large member to the executive committee. She reported that the Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association (NIAA) had a discussion regarding separating private and public school members, which turned into a discussion specifically about addressing discrepancies in competitiveness between Bishop Gorman and the other high schools in the state. She said the decision was made to form a committee to address this issue and find a resolution which would be brought to a meeting to be held in June in Las Vegas. She stated that the NIAA did move forward with a new category of membership that allows a member, such as Clark County or Bishop Gorman, to select its own schedule for competition and would not be permitted to compete at state.

Trustee Garvey reported that during the recent NASB meeting she and Trustee Edwards, Trustee Cranor, and Trustee Alderman participated in a certified public officials training. She shared that at that meeting, attendees received an update on the Nevada Department of Education's search for Superintendent of Public Instruction to be appointed by the Governor. She said that the three finalists for the position were James Guthrie, Caroline McIntosh, and Rene Cantu. She shared that Las Vegas would be hosting the National School Boards Association (NSBA) Pacific Region meeting in December 2013 at Paris Las Vegas.

## **BOARD REPORTS (continued)**

Trustee Cranor reported on the Audit Advisory Committee meeting, stating that the committee considered whether to recommend to the Board to renew its engagement with the external auditor, which they did; that there was a discussion on the District's ending fund balance, and the committee expressed their discomfort with the ending fund balance; and that it was suggested by the committee that the Board take the opportunity during their interactions with community members and stakeholders to gather input regarding the dashboard presented by Gibson Consulting Group with regard to what information or data individuals would want to see in this online transparency tool. She shared that she is serving on the NASB P-16 Council, and she has been asked to solicit school board input regarding possible nominees for a liaison position to be created as a liaison to the council. She said the council is looking to have a teacher fill the position of liaison, and the executive committee suggested recommending the past two recipients of the Innovative Educator of the Year award, and those two names have been submitted, and they have been approved to be nominated at the next P-16 Council meeting.

Trustee Young reported on today's Clark County Debt Management Commission meeting. She stated that the major agenda item before the commission was concerning their proposal to the Las Vegas Valley Water District Nevada to issue general obligation limited tax water bonds, and she talked about the details related to this issue. She shared that there was a Prime 6 community meeting at Nevada Partners to provide a status report to the community regarding the nine Prime 6 Schools.

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

None.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

None.

**ADJOURN:** 8:36 p.m.

*Motion: Edwards    Second: Cole    Vote: Unanimous*

Meeting minutes transcribed by Stephanie Gatlin.