

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, November 14, 2013

4:00 p.m.

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Roll Call:    Members Present  
Carolyn Edwards, President  
Deanna L. Wright, Clerk  
Erin E. Cranor, Member  
Chris Garvey, Member  
Patrice Tew, Member  
Linda E. Young, Member  
Vacant, Member

Pat Skorkowsky, Superintendent of Schools

**FLAG SALUTE**

Mojave High School ROTC led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**INVOCATION**

Aleda Nelson, Baha'i Faith, performed the invocation.

**ADOPT AGENDA**

*Adopt agenda, except move Item 8.04 to precede Item 8.01 and note revised reference material for Item 11.01.*

*Motion: Cranor    Second: Young    Vote: Unanimous  
Trustee Garvey was not present for the vote.*

**BOARD MEMBER ARRIVES**

Trustee Garvey arrived at the Board meeting at 4:05 p.m.

**STUDENT REPORTS**

Kamal Counts, student body president at Cheyenne High School; Arianna Joslyn, student body president at Mojave High School; and Miguel Carrasco, student body vice president at West Prep High School, all represented by Linda E. Young, District C Trustee, gave brief overviews of present and future activities, plans, and goals for their respective schools.

## **STUDENT COUNCIL ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES**

Samantha Wolk, chairperson of the School Board Student Council Advisory Committee, reported on the committee's November 5 meeting. She said topics of discussion included teen suicide, ParenLink, and the District's tardy policy. She said there was also discussion of the Board's proposed revision of its Vision Statement presented by Trustee Tew.

## **RECOGNITION AWARDS**

Trustee Edwards recognized Ray Mathis, Executive Director, Instructional Support and Student Activities, Office of the Superintendent, for being honored by the Southern Nevada Officials Association and being inducted as an honorary member of the association for his service and contribution to athletics in CCSD and in the state of Nevada.

## **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

### **PRESENTATION OF EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION HALL OF FAME AWARDS**

Presentation of the 2013 Excellence in Education Hall of Fame recipients. Joyce Haldeman, Associate Superintendent, Community & Government Relations, Clark County School District.

### **PRESENTATION OF EACH ONE READ ONE**

Overview of the Each One Read One program will be given and this year's book will be announced. Dr. Linda Young, President, Board of School Trustees, Clark County School District; Judy Myers, Coordinator, School-Community Partnership Program, Clark County School District; Thanah Ho and Adriana Tindall, students from Wengert Elementary School.

## **BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATION**

Superintendent Skorkowsky highlighted the number of CCSD employees who have earned college degrees or are in the process of earning a degree. He also shared recent activities and accomplishments of CCSD students, teachers, and schools throughout the District.

**RECESS:** 5:17 p.m.

**RECONVENE:** 6:00 p.m.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Terri Wright-Lyman said the purpose of school has shifted, in her opinion, from educating the whole child to creating kids who do well on tests. She said education no longer values or focuses on the whole child.

Autumn Tampa said that while more affordable health plans are being offered to families, single person plans have gone up drastically. She asked what the negotiations have been for these plans and costs.

## **ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA**

Adoption of Consent Agenda.

*Motion to approve the consent agenda.*

*Motion: Wright Second: Young*

Regarding Item 5.03, Trustee Garvey asked that the Board be provided with information regarding the cost to the District and what was provided by the legislature as they move forward with meeting the requirements.

Trustee Garvey also asked to be provided with information regarding change orders and the categories to which they are assigned.

Trustee Edwards commented on Item 5.06, stating Valley High School does not receive credit for International Baccalaureate (IB) program exams, and she asked for the status of the state School Performance Framework (SPF) on this issue.

Superintendent Skorkowsky stated that in the waiver that the state is in the process of writing currently, the SPF will be revised to reflect the credit given to IB exams for those school who do not currently receive credit.

Trustee Edwards noted the language in Item 5.08, "...until the agreement is rescinded..." and asked legal counsel if it is advisable to enter into and opt out of an agreement in this manner.

Carlos McDade, General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, explained that the provision regarding the life of the service is one component, and with the provision that allows the District to opt out at any time, he does believe it would be a wise decision to enter into this agreement.

Trustee Edwards said she would be abstaining from voting on Item 5.15, and she asked the maker of the motion to acknowledge that Item 5.15 would be considered separately.

*Trustee Wright amended her motion to reflect that Item 5.15 would be considered separately.*

*Trustee Young agreed with that amendment.*

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

5.01 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES. Discussion and possible action on the approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of September 26, 2013, is recommended.

**ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA** (continued)

- 5.02 DISTRICT IMPLEMENTATION REPORT - PROGRESSIVE DISCIPLINE. Discussion and possible action on acceptance of the District Implementation Report for progressive discipline plans to the Superintendent of Public Instruction as required by NRS 392.4644, is recommended. [Contact Person: Andre Denson] (Ref. 5.02)
- 5.03 KINDERGARTEN CLASS SIZE REDUCTION – NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. Discussion and possible action on authorization to submit and continue to implement the Class Size Reduction for Kindergarten program, from July 1, 2013, through June 30, 2014, in the approximate amount of \$11,004,714.00 per year, to be paid from FY 14, Fund 0279, is recommended. [Contact Person: Mike Barton] (Ref. 5.03)
- 5.04 SOFTWARE AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT – MEASURED PROGRESS. Discussion and possible action on authorization to expend additional funds to the current contract with Measured Progress for the utilization of the DATAWISE assessment tool to provide professional development services to Marvin Sedway Middle School at a one-day cost of \$1,247.50 and for 1,450 licenses at a per student cost of \$2.28 for an approximate cost of \$4,546.240 effective September 1, 2012 through June 30, 2014, to be paid from FY 14, Fund 0100, Cost Center 9210001545, GL5650000000; and to purchase 2,200 licenses at a per student cost of \$3.50 and the DATAWISE assessment program for Desert Pines High School, at a per student cost of \$1.50 at an approximate cost of \$11,000.00, effective November 15, 2013 through June 30, 2014, to be paid from FY 14, Fund 0280, Internal Order G6623000114, GL 5610000000, for an approximate total cost of \$64,797.59, is recommended. [Contact Person: Mike Barton] (Ref. 5.04)
- 5.05 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES – IT STRATEGIES INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION. Discussion and possible action to contract with IT Strategies International Corporation for technical report development professional services, at a cost of \$97.00 per hour for approximately 1,544 hours, for an approximate total cost of \$150,000.00, effective November 15, 2013, through June 30, 2014, to be paid from Fund 1000000000, Cost Center 1010003058, is recommended. [Contact Person: Jhone Ebert] (Ref. 5.05)
- 5.06 INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE TEST FEE PAYMENT PROGRAM, TITLE I, PART G. Discussion and possible action on authorization to submit and implement the International Baccalaureate Test Fee Payment Program, from August 1, 2013, through July 31, 2014, in the amount of \$13,724.00, to be paid from Fund 280, Internal Order Number G6640000114, with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. [Contact Person: Jhone Ebert] (Ref. 5.06)

**ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA** (continued)

- 5.07 INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE ON-SITE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT - INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE ORGANIZATION. Discussion and possible action on the request to contract with the International Baccalaureate (IB) Organization for on-site professional development on February 13-14, 2014, for approximately 100 teachers at a cost of \$420.00 per participant, as well as four Primary Year Program leaders at a cost of \$2,500.00 per leader, four Middle Year Program leaders at a cost of \$2,500.00 per leader, one IB field representative at a cost of \$2,500.00, and \$400.00 for workshop supplies, for a total cost not to exceed \$64,900.00 effective November 18, 2013, through February 25, 2014, to be paid from Unit 304, FY 14, Cost Center 9110001304, Fund 100, is recommended. [Contact Person: Jhone Ebert] (Ref. 5.07)
- 5.08 COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE SOUTHERN NEVADA AREA COMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL. Discussion and possible action on approval of a Cooperative Agreement between the Clark County School District (CCSD) and the Southern Nevada Area Communications Council (SNACC) to provide reliable radio communication, effective upon approval by all existing SNACC members and continue in force until this Agreement is rescinded and SNACC is terminated by a majority vote of its members, with no impact to the budget, and for the President and the Clerk of the Board of School Trustees to sign the Agreement, is recommended. [Contact Person: James R. Ketsaa] (Ref. 5.08)
- 5.09 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: Andre Denson] (Ref. 5.09)
- 5.10 UNIFIED PERSONNEL EMPLOYMENT. Discussion and possible action on approval to employ unified personnel, is recommended. [Contact Person: Pat Skorkowsky] (Ref. 5.10)
- 5.11 LICENSED PERSONNEL EMPLOYMENT. Discussion and possible action on approval to employ licensed personnel, is recommended. [Contact Person: Staci Vesneske] (Ref. 5.11)
- 5.12 PURCHASE ORDERS. Discussion and possible action on ratification of the purchase orders in the total amount of \$1,178,010.95 as listed, is recommended. [Contact Person: Jim McIntosh] (Ref. 5.12)
- 5.13 PURCHASING AWARDS. Discussion and possible action on approval to purchase goods or services in the estimated total amount of \$8,491,730.00, in compliance with NRS 332, as listed, is recommended. [Contact Person: Jim McIntosh] (Ref. 5.13)
- 5.14 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: Jim McIntosh] (Ref. 5.14)

**ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA** (continued)

- 5.16 RECAP OF BUDGET APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS. Discussion and possible action on authorization to include the Recap of Budget Appropriation Transfers between governmental functions of all funds for the period beginning September 1, 2013, through September 30, 2013, in the official Board minutes as required by NRS 354.598005, is recommended. [Contact Person: Jim McIntosh] (Ref. 5.16)
- 5.17 LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT AND KEVIN O'TOOLE AT MOAPA VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL FARM. Discussion and possible action on approval to renew a lease agreement with the farm manager, a District employee as tenant, for a four bedroom, 2,280-square-foot, manufactured home, located at 1625 North Moapa Valley Boulevard, for a three-year term at a lease rate of \$800.00 per month, beginning December 1, 2013, and expiring November 30, 2016, and for Jim McIntosh, Interim Chief Financial Officer, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee to sign the lease agreement, is recommended. [Contact Person: Jim McIntosh] (Ref. 5.17)
- 5.18 RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO ENTER INTO AN EXCHANGE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE HOWARD HUGHES CORPORATION FOR EXCHANGE OF REAL PROPERTY. Discussion and possible action on approval to adopt a Resolution of Intent to enter into an Agreement between The Howard Hughes Corporation and the Clark County School District for the Exchange of Real Property, and to set December 12, 2013, at 4:00 p.m., in the Board Room of the Edward A. Greer Education Center, 2832 East Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, Nevada, as the time and place to hear objections, in accordance with Nevada Revised Statue 393.140, is recommended [Contact Person: Jim McIntosh] (Ref. 5.18)
- 5.19 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN SERVICES, LOCAL AREA NETWORK SYSTEM UPGRADE, K. O. KNUDSON MIDDLE SCHOOL. Discussion and possible action on approval to select the architectural firm of JMA Architects to provide architectural design services to prepare plans, specifications, and other documents for a construction manager at-risk delivery method to upgrade the local area network system at K. O. Knudson Middle School in the amount of \$269,500.00, to be paid from the 1998 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3080000000, Project C0012649; and for Jim McIntosh, Interim Chief Financial Officer, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, is recommended. [Contact Person: Jim McIntosh] (Ref. 5.19)
- 5.20 CHANGE IN SERVICES, ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENTS. Discussion and possible action on ratification of total change in services to the architectural/engineering services agreements for a net increase of \$43,135.25 for Rose Warren Elementary School (Pugsley Simpson Coulter Architects) and Dean LaMar Allen Elementary School (Precision Design Group), is recommended. [Contact Person: Jim McIntosh] (Ref. 5.20)

**ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA** (continued)

5.21 CHANGE ORDERS. Discussion and possible action on ratification of total change orders for a net increase of \$148,898.31 to the construction contracts for the Billy S. Key Northwest Transportation Facility (CORE Construction) and Edna F. Hinman Elementary School (Tele Data Contractors, Inc.), is recommended. [Contact Person: Jim McIntosh] (Ref. 5.21)

**APPROVE SPECIAL COUNSEL RATES OF COMPENSATION**

Approval of the rates of compensation of outside or special counsel employed by the District, as required by NRS 41.0344, as recommended in Reference 5.15.

Trustee Young noted the difference in the rates of compensation for the two providers.

*Motion to accept.*

*Motion: Young Second: Wright Vote: Yeses – 5 (Wright, Cranor, Garvey, Tew, Young);*

*Abstain – 1 (Edwards)*

*The motion passed.*

**APPROVE ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES – VICE PRESIDENT**

Approval on the election of the Office of the Vice President. Should the Office of the Clerk become vacant, then discussion and possible action will take place on the election of the Office of Clerk.

Trustee Garvey nominated Trustee Wright to fill the remaining term for the Office of the Vice President.

*Motion to close nominations.*

*Motion: Cranor Second: Tew Vote: Unanimous*

*Vote for Trustee Wright for the Office of the Vice President for the remainder of the 2013 calendar year was unanimous.*

Trustee Tew nominated Trustee Cranor for the Office of the Clerk.

*Motion to close nominations.*

*Motion: Garvey Second: Wright Vote: Unanimous*

*Vote for Trustee Cranor for the Office of the Clerk for the remainder of the 2013 calendar year was unanimous.*

**APPROVE ITEMS 6.02 THROUGH 6.09, EXCLUDING ITEM 6.07**

Approval of Items 6.02, 6.03, 6.04, 6.05, 6.06, 6.08, and 6.09, respectively, as follows;

Referencing Item 6.06, GP-10: Construction of the Agenda, Trustee Edwards noted the additional change to Number 7, "...as mutually agreed upon both by the Board President and by the Superintendent."

After some discussion on Item 6.07, GP-14: Board Committee Principles, the Board asked Mary Ann Peterson, Board Counsel, District Attorney's Office, to review the language of the opening paragraph.

**Public Hearing**

Stephen Augspurger spoke specifically to Items 6.02 and 6.06, stating that he believes there is a Trustee who is not adhering well to the Board's governing principles set in Policy GP-4.1: Board Members' Conduct and Ethics. He said the Clark County Association of School Administrators and Professional-technical Employees (CCASAPE) attorney filed a records request with the Superintendent's Office because of proposed language to EL-5: Financial Planning/Budgeting and EL-6: Financial Condition and Activities. He said he expects that the proposed language would not be discussed at tomorrow's meeting with external auditors, Kafoury, Armstrong & Co., because it has not been agendaized explicitly. He mentioned a letter from Trustee Cranor to the Superintendent that he viewed as part of the records request and said if legitimate problems and concerns exist, Trustee Cranor has an obligation to bring that forward and not to act independently.

**APPROVE AMENDMENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES' GOVERNANCE POLICY GP-4.1: BOARD MEMBERS' CONDUCT AND ETHICS**

Approval of the Amendment of the Clark County School District Board of Trustees' Governance Policy GP-4.1: Board Members' Conduct and Ethics, as recommended in Reference 6.02.

**APPROVE AMENDMENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES' GOVERNANCE POLICY GP-5: BOARD OFFICERS**

Approval of the Amendment of the Clark County School District Board of Trustees' Governance Policy GP-5: Board Officers, as recommended in Reference 6.03.

**APPROVE AMENDMENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES' GOVERNANCE POLICY GP-6: PRESIDENT'S ROLE**

Approval of the Amendment of the Clark County School District Board of Trustees' Governance Policy GP-6: President's Role, as recommended in Reference 6.04.

**APPROVE AMENDMENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES' GOVERNANCE POLICY GP-9: MEETING PLANNING**

Approval of the Amendment of the Clark County School District Board of Trustees' Governance Policy GP-9: Meeting Planning, as recommended in Reference 6.05.



**APPROVE ITEMS 6.02 THROUGH 6.09, EXCLUDING ITEM 6.07 (continued)**

**APPROVE AMENDMENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES' GOVERNANCE POLICY GP-10: CONSTRUCTION OF THE AGENDA**

Approval of the Amendment of the Clark County School District Board of Trustees' Governance Policy GP-10: Construction of the Agenda, as recommended in Reference 6.06.

**APPROVE AMENDMENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES' APPENDIX: A GUIDE TO RULES OF ORDER FOR SMALL BOARDS**

Approval of the Amendment of the Clark County School District Board of Trustees' Appendix: A Guide to Rules of Order for Small Boards, as recommended in Reference 6.08.

**APPROVE AMENDMENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES' APPENDIX: PUBLIC SPEAKING GUIDELINES**

Approval of the Amendment of the Clark County School District Board of Trustees' Appendix: Public Speaking Guidelines, as recommended in Reference 6.09.

*Motion to approve Items 6.02, 6.03, 6.04, 6.05, 6.06, 6.08, and 6.09, with the minor changes to 6.06, as noted.*

*Motion: Wright    Second: Tew    Vote: Unanimous*

**APPROVE AMENDMENT OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES' GOVERNANCE POLICY GP-14: BOARD COMMITTEE PRINCIPLES**

Approval of the Amendment of the Clark County School District Board of Trustees' Governance Policy GP-14: Board Committee Principles, as recommended in Reference 6.07.

*Motion to hold Item 6.07.*

*Motion: Young    Second: Wright*

Trustee Edwards noted that this would be brought back to the Board's next regular meeting with proposed clarifying language.

Trustee Young asked for clarification of what changes would be made.

Trustee Edwards suggested perhaps identifying the general policy in the first paragraph and then further identifying the difference between a working Board committee and other Board committees for clarification.

The Board agreed that Trustee Tew would work with Ms. Peterson on the language of the policy.

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

**APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT OF CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES' GOVERNANCE POLICY GP-1: GLOBAL GOVERNANCE COMMITMENT**

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Board of Trustees' Governance Policy GP-1: Global Governance Commitment, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on December 12, 2013, as recommended in Reference 6.10.

Trustee Wright proposed the language change to GP-1: Global Governance Commitment, "...at a cost comparable to school districts of like size and demographics and avoids..."

Trustee Young expressed support of that language change.

*Motion to approve.*

*Motion: Young    Second: Garvey    Vote: Unanimous*

**APPROVE ITEMS 6.11 AND 6.12**

Approval of Items 6.11 and 6.12, respectively, as follows:

**APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT OF CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES' GOVERNANCE POLICY GP-15: BOARD AFFILIATED COMMITTEES**

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Board of Trustees' Governance Policy GP-15: Board Affiliated Committee, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on December 12, 2013, as recommended in Reference 6.11.

**APPROVE NOTICE OF INTENT OF CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES' APPENDIX: BOARD COMMITTEES**

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Board of Trustees' Appendix: Board Committees, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on December 12, 2013, as recommended in Reference 6.12.

Trustee Edwards said the intent of the language being proposed for GP-15: Board Affiliated Committees is to align and clarify the difference between Board committees and other committees the Board members serve on. She suggested the language change in Reference 6.12, page 3 of 6, under Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association (NIAA) Board of Control, Trustee role, from "The Board will nominate..." to "The Board will appoint..."

Trustee Young referred to GP-15: Board Affiliated Committees, Reference 6.11, and recommended differentiating between national committees and state committees.

Trustee Edwards suggested indicating whether the committee is a national or state committee in parentheses after the committee name.

Trustee Young agreed with that suggestion.

**APPROVE ITEMS 6.11 AND 6.12 (continued)**

*Motion to approve Items 6.11 and 6.12 with noted changes.*

*Motion: Young    Second: Wright    Vote: Unanimous*

**AUTHORIZE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR – REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL PROCESS**

Authorization for a member of the Clark County School District Board of Trustees and/or a member of the Clark County District Board of Trustees' Audit Advisory Committee to observe the Request For Proposal (RFP) process to obtain an independent financial auditor, is recommended.

Trustee Cranor explained that the Audit Advisory Committee has expressed an interest in being part of the RFP process for selection of an independent financial auditor, and the committee chairman has requested that Trustee Cranor express the committee's interest to the full Board for their consideration. She said that at the October Audit Advisory Committee, there was a question of whether or not a Board member and/or a member of the committee ought to observe the process through participating in the scoring portion as observers. She said options discussed were to have a Trustee observe and then ask the Audit Advisory Committee for input if necessary; to have a Trustee and a member of the committee observe; or to have an Audit Advisory Committee member observe.

Trustee Edwards said the Board did have someone observe the previous RFP process, but that person did not participate in the scoring, nor were they involved in the structure of the RFP. She said she observed during the architect selection process but did not participate in the scoring.

**Public Hearing**

Stephen Augspurger said after reviewing information on the Audit Advisory Committee, he believes what the Board is considering to be in complete contrast to the Board's policies, and he believes it to be an inappropriate delegation, as it conflicts with the established role of committees. He said this proposed action should be more open and transparent, should be better communicated, and should be discussed in a public meeting.

Trustee Edwards stated that this agenda item refers to Board Committee Principles because it is a request from the Audit Advisory Committee. She said the Board is within its authority to conduct direct inspections, and this is a type of direct inspection of a process. She said she believes it would be of value to have someone observe a District process as an assurance that it is a fair and well-constructed process. She suggested that the Board authorize an Audit Advisory Committee member to observe the process, allowing the committee to make the decision of who it would be, if they choose to do so, and to have a Board member also observe the process. She said it should be a Board member other than Trustee Cranor since Trustee Cranor is the liaison to the Audit Advisory Committee so another Board member could gain that exposure.

Trustee Wright agreed with Trustee Edwards' comments and suggestions.

#### **AUTHORIZE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR – REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL PROCESS (continued)**

Trustee Garvey also agreed that it would be wise to have an Audit Advisory Committee member and a Board member observe the process. She suggested that the Board member who is currently assigned to the Audit Advisory Committee would be the best choice because that person has firsthand knowledge of the committee's discussions and thought and has a working relationship with the committee members.

Trustee Young said she feels it is a good idea to have checks and balances in place for any RFP process. She suggested that the Board may want to consider a Board policy to have RFPs in other areas observed in this manner.

*Motion to authorize a member of the Board of School Trustees and a member of the Audit Advisory Committee to observe the scoring portion of the Request for Proposal process to obtain an independent financial auditor.*

*Motion: Cranor*

Trustee Edwards suggested that a Board member could volunteer to observe this process.

Trustee Cranor suggested it should be a Board officer who has not served on the Audit Advisory Committee.

Trustee Wright volunteered to observe the scoring portion of the RFP process.

*Trustee Cranor included that in her motion.*

*Trustee Garvey seconded the motion.*

*Trustee Cranor clarified that the Board is authorizing the Audit Advisory Committee to select a member of their committee to observe the scoring portion of the RFP process if they choose to do so.*

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

#### **TRUSTEE WRIGHT LEFT THE DAIS**

Trustee Wright left the dais at 7:20 p.m.

#### **EMPLOYEE LABOR RELATIONS AND CLOSED SESSION**

*Approval of closed session pursuant to NRS 288.*

*Motion: Young      Second: Tew      Vote: Unanimous*

*Trustee Wright was not present for the vote.*

**RECESS:** 7:20 p.m.

**RECONVENE:** 7:52 p.m.

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE MODIFICATION OF THE COLLECTIVELY BARGAINED AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

This is the time and place to conduct a public hearing for the modification of the collectively bargained agreement between the Clark County School District and the Police Officers Association of the Clark County School District.

**Public Hearing**

Paul Moradkahn said the Las Vegas Metro Chamber of Commerce would like to acknowledge the Board for the information and documents being provided on the District's website as a positive move toward transparency, and the Chamber believes the length of the contract to be appropriate. He said the Chamber suggests including the number of employees that are part of the contract in the information provided for financial transparency.

Superintendent Skorkowsky said there are 166 employees in this bargaining unit and said staff would include that information in the future.

Edward Goldman, Associate Superintendent, Employee-Management Relations, Office of the Superintendent, read the terms and conditions of the contract into the record.

**RATIFICATION OF THE NEGOTIATED AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE POLICE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF THE CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Ratification of the 2013-2014 Negotiated Agreement between the Clark County School District and the Police Officers Association of the Clark County School District, as recommended in Reference 7.03.

*Motion to approve the ratification of the Negotiated Agreement between the Clark County School District and the Police Officers Association of the Clark County School District.*

*Motion: Young    Second: Wright    Vote: Unanimous*

**PRESENTATION OF HOUR OF CODE-COMPUTER SCIENCE WEEK**

Presentation and possible discussion on Computer Science Week for students and teachers, December 9-15, 2013.

Trustee Tew requested a statement of facts about the program to be able to forward to her school principal.

Trustee Wright asked to be provided with a list of all of the schools that are participating in the competition.

Superintendent Skorkowsky said he would be providing that list after the Hour of Code.

## **PRESENTATION OF HOUR OF CODE-COMPUTER SCIENCE WEEK (continued)**

Trustee Young invited the presenters to her November District C Village meeting to provide information to the parents in that community.

Trustee Edwards asked that the Board be provided with the competition date information via email.

## **BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATION**

Superintendent Skorkowsky announced that Katie Decker, principal at Walter Bracken Elementary School, was awarded the Terrel H. Bell award.

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

None.

## **BOARD REPORTS**

Trustee Cranor said she was able to travel to Washington, D. C., to learn about a program being used in a high performing school district in Maryland, which is a collaborative effort between the school district and the teacher's association called Peer Assisted Review. She thanked Vegas PBS for making family literacy information and resources available in English and in Spanish.

Trustee Young reported on the Las Vegas Sun Youth Forum held yesterday. She reminded the Board members that they would be receiving their Each One Read One books and to read them to their students when they visit their schools. She asks that the Trustees indicate which schools they leave the books at. She shared her experience with the Council of the Great City Schools. She thanked Trustee Garvey for her support and her help with the community linkage meeting held yesterday in Moapa.

Trustee Garvey thanked Trustee Young for her leadership and expertise with the Moapa community linkage meeting. She said she would be providing a report on the Nevada Association of School Boards' (NASB's) upcoming event.

Trustee Tew also commented positively on the Council of the Great City Schools and the great conversations had at the Moapa Valley community linkage meeting. She reported on the School Board Student Advisory Committee meeting where discussion was held regarding the Board's proposed Vision Statement.

Trustee Edwards reported that she participated as a judge in the spelling bee and that finals would be coming up in December. She shared that NASB executive director Dotty Merrill attended a professional development training event for all the states' executive directors. She said Dr. Merrill found that the other states provide professional development training for their executive committees, and she then arranged and provided professional development for NASB's executive committee, which took place this past Saturday in Reno, Nevada.

**DISCUSSION AND REQUEST FOR SPECIAL MEETINGS**

None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

None.

**ADJOURN:** 8:43 p.m.

*Motion: Wright    Second: Young    Vote: Unanimous*