

Minutes
Clark County School District
Meeting of the Board of School Trustees
Edward A. Greer Education Center, Board Room
2832 East Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, Nevada 89121

Work Session

Wednesday, April 5, 2023

4:08 p.m.

Roll Call: Members Present
Evelyn Garcia Morales, President
Lola Brooks, Vice President
Irene Bustamante Adams, Clerk
Linda P. Cavazos, Member
Lisa Guzmán, Member
Katie Williams, Member
Brenda Zamora, Member

Jesus F. Jara, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools

Also present were: Nicole Malich, Board Counsel, District Attorney's Office;
Dr. Brenda Larsen-Mitchell, Deputy Superintendent, Office of the Deputy Superintendent;
Dr. Shana Rafalski, Chief of Staff, Office of the Superintendent; Cindy Krohn, Director, Board Office; Carmen West, Executive Manager/Director II, Office of the Superintendent;
and Lisa Chrapcynski, Administrative Secretary II, Board Office.

Teleconference Call Connected

Teleconference call with Trustee Zamora and Trustee Guzmán was connected at 4:08 p.m.

Announcements

Trustee Garcia Morales acknowledged that the land on which they are gathered is the territorial homelands of the Nuwu-the Moapa Band of Paiutes and the Las Vegas Band of Paiutes.

Flag Salute

Trustee Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adoption of the Agenda

Adopt agenda, except note reference material provided for Item 2.01, note reference material provided for Item 2.03, and move Item 2.03 to immediately follow adoption of the agenda.

Motion: Brooks Second: Williams Vote: Unanimous

Community Conversations Update Presentation

Presentation of input provided by stakeholders at recent community conversations on budget priorities for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

Dr. Rafalski provided an update regarding input provided during the community conversations on budget priorities, as shown in Reference 2.03.

Board members asked questions regarding attendees' responses to the event format; possibly including a question-and-answer segment at future events; possible plans to host this type of event regularly; how the District plans to address the bargaining units leveraging the input provided regarding the need for pay increases; the structure of future events; gathering input from the business community; community input regarding smaller class sizes; feedback regarding things that people would like to see in the District that may not necessarily be costly but might require a shift in thinking about education; event attendance during the week compared to the Saturday session; and the number of event attendees compared to the number of Clark County residents as it relates whether those who were present can truly represent the community as a whole.

Board Committees

Discussion and possible action on the committees of the Board, current appointments, committee bylaws, and the potential to streamline a single application process.

Trustee Garcia Morales presented information related to Board committees as outlined in Reference 2.01.

The Board reviewed and discussed the functions of the different committees; how committee appointments are determined; and current committee vacancies.

Trustee Williams recommended providing this information as part of the training for new Board members.

Trustee Cavazos suggested that Trustees should be provided with a factsheet of the committees so they could provide that information to people who may be interested in serving on a committee.

Trustee Guzmán suggested that Trustees should be given the names of people who have shown interest in committees so they can have quality conversations with those individuals when the comes time to appoint.

Trustee Garcia Morales said she looks forward to discussing committee structure and streamlining processes during the Board's May work session.

No action was taken on this item.

Board Committee Quarterly Report

Update and discussion regarding board committees which may include the Bond Oversight Committee, Council of the Great City Schools, Debt Management Commission//Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition, Nevada Association of School Boards, Nevada Interscholastic Athletic Association Board of Control, Oversight Panel for School Facilities, Public Broadcasting Service (PBS)/American Public Television (APT), Public Education Foundation, and School Name Committee.

Trustee Williams shared an update on the Debt Management Commission//Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition and said there have been discussions around disbanding the committee because it is ineffective to some degree.

Trustee Garcia Morales shared information about the Council of the Great City School and the work they do around their focus of improving student outcomes.

Upcoming Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Trustee Garcia Morales stated the Board's upcoming meeting would be held on Thursday, April 13, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. in the boardroom.

Public Comment on Items Not Listed as Action Items on the Agenda

None.

Adjourn: 5:24 p.m.

Motion: Williams Second: Guzmán Vote: Unanimous