

MINUTES
CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
PUBLIC EDUCATION FOUNDATION, LEADERSHIP TRAINING ROOM
4350 SOUTH MARYLAND PARKWAY, LAS VEGAS, NV 89119

Friday, August 17, 2018

9:04 a.m.

Roll Call: Members Present
Deanna L. Wright, President
Carolyn Edwards, Vice President
Lola Brooks, Clerk
Linda P. Cavazos, Member
Kevin L. Child, Member
Chris Garvey, Member
Linda E. Young, Member

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

Also present were: Mary-Anne Miller, Board Counsel, District Attorney's Office; Elizabeth Carrero, Executive Manager/Director II, Office of the Superintendent; Cindy Krohn, Executive Assistant, Board Office; Michael Casserly, Executive Director, Council of the Great City Schools.

FLAG SALUTE

Trustee Garvey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPT AGENDA

Adopt agenda, except move Item 4.01 and Item 4.02 to precede Item 2.01.

Motion: Edwards Second: Child Vote: Unanimous

AGENDA PLANNING: ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

None.

DISCUSSION AND REQUEST FOR SPECIAL MEETINGS

Trustee Child said he had a concern that a Trustee asked the Superintendent to review policies and procedures. He said that was the Board's purview, and the Board needs to discuss that as a whole.

Trustee Wright agreed to bring that discussion forward as an agenda item rather than as a special meeting.

DISCUSSION AND REQUEST FOR SPECIAL MEETINGS (continued)

Trustee Young asked that all Trustees be provided with a copy of the letter sent to Superintendent Jara as a part of the discussion.

Trustee Garvey requested that any information regarding what the Superintendent reviewed be provided as well.

After some input, Ms. Miller suggested narrowing the future agenda item to travel and what was reviewed and discovered since procedure would be discussed today.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

David Gomez said four of the Trustees made a terrible mistake and made a bad decision for 95 percent of the people.

Vikki Courtney said they are five days into the school year without a contract, and she asked that the Board do the right thing. She said think of all that could be accomplished if everyone worked together.

APPROVE BOARDMANSHIP TRAINING

Approval on strategies for improving and enhancing trustee and superintendent communication and effectiveness.

Mr. Casserly facilitated discussion on Board roles and responsibilities; goal-setting, guardrails, and monitoring and evaluation; community engagement; individual Trustee and Board requests; and agenda setting.

RECESS: 11:47 a.m.

RECONVENE: 12:05 p.m.

APPROVE BOARDMANSHIP TRAINING (continued)

Mr. Casserly led a discussion and exercise related to academic goals.

BOARD MEMBER LEAVES

Trustee Garvey left the Board meeting at 1:32 p.m.

TELECONFERENCE CALL WAS CONNECTED

Teleconference call with Trustee Garvey was connected at 1:34 p.m.

APPROVE BOARDMANSHIP TRAINING (continued)

The discussion and exercise continued with a focus on limitations and guardrails.

Mr. Casserly led a discussion and exercise focused on data evidence in monitoring student achievement goals.

APPROVE BOARDMANSHIP TRAINING (continued)

Mr. Casserly discussed how the board evaluates the superintendent and holds him or her accountable for progress on the goals they set and how the board should monitor student academic outcomes.

The Trustees discussed their self-evaluation tool and process and the Board's role and being informed.

Mr. Casserly recapped that the topics discussed here were of roles and responsibilities, goals, constraints, indicators of progress, evaluation of the Superintendent, and evaluation of the Board. He said follow-up activities include the Superintendent's development of a framework and procedure for Board requests for information.

Superintendent Jara said he would take the information from the previous Board retreat and this retreat regarding guidelines and guardrails and expectations and draft a document so that it is all aligned.

Trustee Wright suggested that as a follow-up the Board would need to then schedule a meeting to review their policies and the Board evaluation document.

Mr. Casserly said he also asked the Superintendent to work with his staff to calendar data as it is available so the Board is able to coordinate when they would monitor specific goals.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None.

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Motion: Edwards Second: Brooks Vote: Unanimous