

MINUTES
CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
EDWARD A. GREER EDUCATION CENTER, BOARD ROOM
2832 E. FLAMINGO ROAD, LAS VEGAS, NV 89121

WORK SESSION

Wednesday, September 3, 2014

8:01 a.m.

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

Pat Skorkowsky, Superintendent of Schools

Also present were: Carlos McDade, General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel; Kim Wooden, Deputy Superintendent, Educational and Operational Excellence Unit; Jim McIntosh, Chief Financial Officer, Business and Finance Division; Jesse Welsh, Academic Manager, Innovative Learning Environments, Technology and Information Systems Services Division; Cindy Krohn, Executive Assistant to the Board, Board Office; Elizabeth Carrero, Executive Manager, Office of the Superintendent; and Lisa Chrapcynski, Administrative Secretary II, Board Office.

FLAG SALUTE

Trustee Young led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPT AGENDA

Adopt agenda.

Motion: Edwards Second: Young Vote: Unanimous

Trustees Corbett, Garvey, and Wright were not present for the vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None.

BOARD MEMBER ARRIVES

Trustee Corbett arrived at the Board meeting at 8:04 a.m.

FUTURE BUILDING PROGRAMS: NONTRADITIONAL SOLUTIONS

Presentation and discussion of nontraditional solutions regarding future building programs.

Superintendent Skorkowsky said this presentation looks at more options on how to address the overcrowding issues in the District.

Mr. McIntosh and Dr. Welsh presented *Nontraditional Solutions to CCSD's Capital Program* as provided in Reference 4.01.

BOARD MEMBER ARRIVES

Trustee Garvey arrived at the Board meeting at 8:09 a.m.

FUTURE BUILDING PROGRAMS: NONTRADITIONAL SOLUTIONS (continued)

Mr. McIntosh continued the presentation with Enrollment History.

Trustee Edwards expressed a concern with space for parking and drop off and pick up areas.

Mr. McIntosh agreed that is something that needs to be taken into consideration when looking at existing properties. He continued with the presentation.

Trustee Edwards said her biggest concern with the portable campus solution is that a permanent facility would never be built.

Trustee Garvey questioned the level of security on a portable campus.

Trustee Young said many of the behavioral school campuses are portables, and that is not the best educational environment.

Mr. McIntosh continued the presentation with Portable Campus Projected Costs.

Trustee Garvey said her concerns with the charter schools option are that the District has no control over where the charter schools site a school, transparency issues in terms of spending, and stability in terms of what happens if they shut down.

Trustee Edwards said another concern would be if students are not selected to attend a particular charter school and then have to be sent out to other schools outside of their community.

Dr. Welsh continued the presentation with Blended Learning.

BOARD MEMBER ARRIVES

Trustee Wright arrived at the Board meeting at 9:04 a.m.

FUTURE BUILDING PROGRAMS: NONTRADITIONAL SOLUTIONS (continued)

Dr. Welsh continued the presentation with Blended Learning School-Plus-One.

Trustee Edwards noted that increased student achievement would be another pro listed under the Blended Learning option, and she said she would want that data tracked if the District decided to move forward with a similar model.

Superintendent Skorkowsky said another blended learning option that was not included in this presentation is looking at partnerships with the Boys & Girls Clubs of America or the cities or county for the use of their community centers. He suggested that they could also look at a model that involves industry-focused early childhood centers where an industry whose employees' children would potentially attend a CCSD early childhood center would be identified, and there would be a partnership between CCSD and that organization or industry to open a center specifically for their employees' students.

Trustee Corbett suggested looking at grants to support the early childhood and blended learning options, which could also be listed as a pro. He also suggested that there may be some existing partners who may want to provide support.

Trustee Young suggested that churches could be a resource as well. She said she was in support of educating parents in how to help their students and in educating the community and organizations as we begin to talk about partnerships.

Dr. Welsh and Mr. McIntosh continued the presentation.

Trustee Young said safety concerns with the students traveling to and from the campus should also be included in the list of cons for the Double Sessions option.

Mr. McIntosh continued the presentation with Financing.

Trustee Edwards said as a future analysis, she would want to know how much more the Public/Private Partnership option would cost the District. She said she would also like to see a fiscal analysis showing whether or not this type of option truly makes sense for the District.

Trustee Wright suggested that the analysis should also include information about the buildings in Canada and California that were used in partnerships with the school district.

Trustee Edwards said another concern she would have with the Public/Private Partnership option is that it not be used as a way to avoid prevailing wage. She suggested that a future discussion should be had on imposing impact fees on developers.

Trustee Corbett requested information related to capacity and cost if the District were to go back to a full year-round schedule.

FUTURE BUILDING PROGRAMS: NONTRADITIONAL SOLUTIONS (continued)

Trustee Tew offered that these options could be applied to the areas where they would be most beneficial as opposed to using one option across the District as a blanket solution. She wondered if adjusting start times could affect capacity.

Superintendent Skorkowsky said start times would be coming forward in another presentation, but start times do not affect capacity.

Trustee Young asked that access to meals for students be kept in mind when considering blended learning and students not being on a campus. She said the local libraries are also valuable resources.

Trustee Tew said safety concerns should be added to the list of cons in the Early Childhood Centers option.

AGENDA PLANNING: ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

Trustee Cranor requested an agenda item to discuss public comment periods, specifically about public speakers not attacking District employees and the Board's ability to stop that.

Trustee Young asked for a discussion regarding the Board having a representative from the District Attorney's Office.

Trustee Edwards said she and Trustee Cranor submitted a letter asking for that decision to be reviewed, and they are awaiting a response.

Trustee Young withdrew her request.

DISCUSSION AND REQUEST FOR SPECIAL MEETINGS

Trustee Cranor said she and Superintendent Skorkowsky discussed having an in-depth discussion on E-2: Student Achievement in a Board retreat format in early December.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None.

ADJOURN: 10:18 a.m.

Motion: Young Second: Edwards Vote: Unanimous