

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

Joint Meeting with the Audit Advisory Committee

Thursday, November 9, 2023

5:02 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

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 Zamora led the Pledge of Allegiance with the presentation of colors led by the Eldorado High School ROTC.

Adoption of the Agenda

Adopt agenda, except note revised reference material provided for Item 2.29 and additional reference material provided for Item 3.02.

Motion: Williams Second: Guzmán Vote: Unanimous

Approve Adoption of Consent Agenda

Approval of consent agenda, as submitted, as recommended.

Public Hearing

Ryan Fromoltz commended CCSD Emergency Management and School Safety services for their response to a recent incident at Kathleen and Tim Harney Middle School. He asked questions related to Items 2.14 through 2.18 and said CCSD needs to take a more proactive approach.

Approve Adoption of Consent Agenda (continued)

Andrea Aguilar said many students graduate from high school lacking the education or skills needed to be productive citizens. She disagreed with children learning to read before the age of six and said play is how they learn.

Anna Binder commented on Item 2.34 and said any meeting concerning special education should be open to the people most affected by it. She said there have not been any improvements to special education over the last four or five years.

Motion to accept the consent agenda.

Motion: Guzmán Second: Williams Vote: Unanimous

2.01 Approval of the Minutes.

Discussion and possible action on the approval of the minutes from the regular meeting of September 28, 2023, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** (Ref. 2.01)

2.02 Early Childhood Innovative Literacy Program Grant: Infant and Toddler Family Engagement Program.

Discussion and possible action on authorization to submit and implement the Early Childhood Innovative Literacy Program Grant, Infant and Toddler Family Engagement Program to enhance early learning experiences for infants and toddlers in Clark County, with funding made available through the Nevada Department of Education, for an approximate amount of \$6,500,214.00, to be paid from the Early Childhood Innovative Literacy Program Grant, Infant and Toddler Family Engagement Program, Fund 0279, effective November 10, 2023, through June 30, 2024, with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Monica Cortez] (Ref. 2.02)

2.03 Early Childhood Innovative Literacy Program Grant: Child Find Expansion Program.

Discussion and possible action on authorization to submit and implement the Early Childhood Innovative Literacy Program Grant, Child Find Expansion Program to support families of young children transitioning from Part C to Part B services or who have been referred for evaluation for special education services, with funding made available through the Nevada Department of Education, for an approximate amount of \$4,962,993.00, to be paid from the Early Childhood Innovative Literacy Program Grant, Child Find Expansion Program, Fund 0279, effective November 10, 2023, through June 30, 2024, with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Monica Cortez] (Ref. 2.03)

Approve Adoption of Consent Agenda (continued)

2.04 Grant Application: Designated STEM School Grant, D. L. "Dusty" Dickens Elementary School, Nevada Governor's Office of Science, Innovation and Technology.

Discussion and possible action on authorization to utilize funds made available through the Nevada Governor's Office of Science, Innovation and Technology with a Designated STEM School Grant to provide science, technology, engineering, and mathematics-related professional learning for educators at D. L. "Dusty" Dickens Elementary School, in an amount not to exceed \$31,000.00, to be paid from the Designated STEM School Grant, Fund 0279, effective November 10, 2023, through June 30, 2024, with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Melissa Gutierrez] (Ref. 2.04)

2.05 Memorandum of Agreement Between the Clark County School District and PM Pediatrics of Nevada-Bachman, P.C.

Discussion and possible action on approval to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement between the Clark County School District and PM Pediatrics of Nevada-Bachman, P.C. to provide telehealth-based pediatric urgent care, excluding family planning services, to students enrolled in Clark County School District with parent/guardian consent, effective November 10, 2023, through November 9, 2028, at no cost to the Clark County School District or District students, and for the Superintendent of Schools, Clark County School District, and the President and Clerk, Clark County School District Board of Trustees, to sign the Memorandum of Agreement, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Monica Cortez] (Ref. 2.05)

2.06 Interlocal Agreement Between the Clark County School District and the Board of Regents of the Nevada System of Higher Education on Behalf of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas Center for Academic Enrichment and Outreach.

Discussion and possible action on approval to enter into an Interlocal Agreement between the Clark County School District and the Board of Regents of the Nevada System of Higher Education on behalf of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas Center for Academic Enrichment and Outreach to establish a collaborative project to implement and sustain the multi-year college and career readiness program, effective November 10, 2023, through June 30, 2033, subject to any termination, renewal, or extension as noted in the Interlocal Agreement, and for the Superintendent of Schools, Clark County School District, and the President and Clerk, Clark County School District Board of Trustees, to sign the Interlocal Agreement, with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Mike Barton] (Ref. 2.06)

2.07 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. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Jason Goudie] (Ref. 2.07)

Approve Adoption of Consent Agenda (continued)

2.08 Recap of Budget Appropriation Transfers - September 2023.

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, 2023, through September 30, 2023, in the official Board minutes as required by Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 354.598005, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Jason Goudie] (Ref. 2.08)

2.09 Recap of Budget Appropriation Transfers - October 2023.

Discussion and possible action on authorization to include the Recap of Budget Appropriation Transfers between governmental functions of all funds for the period beginning October 1, 2023, through October 31, 2023, in the official Board minutes as required by Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 354.598005, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Jason Goudie] (Ref. 2.09)

2.10 Unified Personnel Employment.

Discussion and possible action on approval to employ unified personnel, as listed, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Carol Tolx] (Ref. 2.10)

2.11 Licensed Personnel Employment.

Discussion and possible action on approval to employ licensed personnel, as listed, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Carol Tolx] (Ref. 2.11)

2.12 Purchasing Awards.

Discussion and possible action on approval to purchase goods or services in the estimated total amount of \$30,015,883.00 in compliance with NRS 332, as listed, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Mike Casey] (Ref. 2.12)

2.13 Purchase Orders.

Discussion and possible action on ratification of the purchase orders in the total amount of \$3,367,220.02 as listed, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Mike Casey] (Ref. 2.13)

2.14 New Grant Application: State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program, Incident Response Planning and Tabletop Exercise, U.S. Department of Homeland Security via the Nevada Division of Emergency Management.

Discussion and possible action on authorization to submit and implement the Fiscal Year 2023 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program Incident Response Planning and Tabletop Exercise, in the Clark County School District, with funding made available through the United States Department of Homeland Security via the Nevada Division of Emergency Management, submitted for an approximate amount of \$68,750.00, to be paid from the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program, Incident Response Planning and Tabletop Exercise Fund 0279, from December 1, 2023, through November 30, 2027 with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Marilyn Delmont] (Ref. 2.14)

Approve Adoption of Consent Agenda (continued)

2.15 New Grant Application: State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program, Multi-Factor Authentication - 500 Accounts, U.S. Department of Homeland Security via the Nevada Division of Emergency Management.

Discussion and possible action on authorization to submit and implement the Fiscal Year 2022 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program Multi-Factor Authentication - 500 Accounts, in the Clark County School District, with funding made available through the United States Department of Homeland Security via the Nevada Division of Emergency Management, submitted for an approximate amount of \$76,918.98, to be paid from the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program, Multi-Factor Authentication Fund 0279, from December 1, 2023, through November 30, 2026 with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Marilyn Delmont] (Ref. 2.15)

2.16 New Grant Application: State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program, Multi-Factor Authentication - All Employees, U.S. Department of Homeland Security via the Nevada Division of Emergency Management.

Discussion and possible action on authorization to submit and implement the Fiscal Year 2023 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program Multi-Factor Authentication - All Employees, in the Clark County School District, with funding made available through the United States Department of Homeland Security via the Nevada Division of Emergency Management, submitted for an approximate amount of \$782,800.00, to be paid from the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program, Multi-Factor Authentication - All Employees Fund 0279, from December 1, 2023, through November 30, 2027 with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Marilyn Delmont] (Ref. 2.16)

2.17 New Grant Application: State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program - Network Security, U.S. Department of Homeland Security via the Nevada Division of Emergency Management.

Discussion and possible action on authorization to submit and implement the Fiscal Year 2023 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program Network Security, in the Clark County School District, with funding made available through the United States Department of Homeland Security via the Nevada Division of Emergency Management, submitted for an approximate amount of \$1,291,781.26, to be paid from the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program, Network Security Fund 0279, from December 1, 2023 through November 30, 2027 with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Marilyn Delmont] (Ref. 2.17)

Approve Adoption of Consent Agenda (continued)

2.18 New Grant Application: State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program - Security Awareness Training, U.S. Department of Homeland Security via the Nevada Division of Emergency Management.

Discussion and possible action on authorization to submit and implement the Fiscal Year 2023 State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program Security Awareness Training, in the Clark County School District, with funding made available through the United States Department of Homeland Security via the Nevada Division of Emergency Management, submitted for an approximate amount of \$459,550.00, to be paid from the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program, Security Awareness Training Fund 0279, from December 1, 2023, through November 30, 2027 with no impact to the general fund, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Marilyn Delmont] (Ref. 2.18)

2.19 Contract Award: Construction Services Early Procurement of Electrical Gear at Laura Dearing Elementary School.

Discussion and possible action on approval of an award of contract to Roche Constructors, Inc., for the best-qualified construction manager at-risk for construction services in support of the early procurement of electrical gear at Laura Dearing Elementary School in the amount of \$633,300.00, to be paid from the 2015 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3150000000, Project C0001647; and for Richard Baldwin, Director of Comprehensive Planning, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee to sign the granting documents, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Jason Goudie] (Ref. 2.19)

2.20 Contract Award: Comprehensive Modernization at Marshall C. Darnell Elementary School.

Discussion and possible action on approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the comprehensive modernization at Marshall C. Darnell Elementary School in the amount of \$10,847,818.00 with subcontractor buy-up included, to be paid from the 2015 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3150000000, Project C0015067; and for Richard Baldwin, Director of Comprehensive Planning, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Jason Goudie] (Ref. 2.20)

2.21 Contract Award: Replace Theater Seating at Del Sol Academy of the Performing Arts.

Discussion and possible action on approval of award to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to replace the theater seating at Del Sol Academy of the Performing Arts in the amount of \$205,803.00, to be site funded, Fund 1000000000, Project C0016765; and for Richard Baldwin, Director of Comprehensive Planning, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee to sign the granting documents, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Jason Goudie] (Ref. 2.21)

Approve Adoption of Consent Agenda (continued)

2.22 Contract Award: Construction Services Phase I Phased Replacement at Las Vegas Academy of the Arts.

Discussion and possible action on approval of an award of contract to The PENTA Building Group for the best qualified construction manager at-risk for construction services in support of the Phase I phased replacement at Las Vegas Academy of the Arts in the amount of \$63,251,800.00, to be paid from the 2015 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3150000000, Project C0015904; and for Richard Baldwin, Director of Comprehensive Planning, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee to sign the granting documents, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Jason Goudie] (Ref. 2.22)

2.23 Contract Award: Replace Theater Seating at Green Valley High School.

Discussion and possible action on approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder to replace the theater seating at Green Valley High School in the amount of \$164,240.00, to be site funded, Fund 1000000000, Project C0016544; and for Richard Baldwin, Director of Comprehensive Modernization, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Jason Goudie] (Ref. 2.23)

2.24 Contract Award: Comprehensive Modernization at Jerome D. Mack Middle School.

Discussion and possible action on approval of award to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the comprehensive modernization at Jerome D. Mack Middle School in the amount of \$30,166,000.00, to be paid from the 2015 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3150000000, Project C0015080; and for Richard Baldwin, Director of Comprehensive Planning, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Jason Goudie] (Ref. 2.24)

2.25 Contract Award: Comprehensive Modernization at Cimarron-Memorial High School.

Discussion and possible action on approval of an award of contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the comprehensive modernization at Cimarron-Memorial High School in the amount of \$57,484,955.00, to be paid from the 2015 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3150000000, Project C0015065; and for Richard Baldwin, Director of Comprehensive Planning, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Jason Goudie] (Ref. 2.25)

2.26 Interlocal Contract: Southern Nevada Geographic Information System.

Discussion and possible action on approval to enter into an Interlocal Contract between Clark County and the Clark County School District to provide data and services from the County Geographic Information System from July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2026, in the amount of \$15,612.00, with annual increases not to exceed five percent, to be paid from Fund 1000000000, Cost Center 1010001593; and for the Superintendent of Schools, Clark County School District, and the President and Clerk of the Board of School Trustees, Clark County School District, to sign the Interlocal Contract, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Jason Goudie] (Ref. 2.26)

Approve Adoption of Consent Agenda (continued)

2.27 Professional Services Agreement Test and Balance Services School Replacement at Ruby S. Thomas Elementary School.

Discussion and possible action on approval to enter into a professional services agreement for test and balance services with Tabitt, LLC, to provide testing and balancing services and assist in the commissioning process in support of the school replacement at Ruby S. Thomas Elementary School in the amount of \$78,900.00, to be paid from the 2015 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3150000000, Project C0001635; and for Richard Baldwin, Director of Comprehensive Planning, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Jason Goudie] (Ref. 2.27)

2.28 Engineering Services Agreement Geotechnical Services Phase I Replacement School Frank F. Garside Junior High School.

Discussion and possible action on approval to enter into an engineering services agreement with Terracon Consultants, Inc., in support of the Phase I Replacement at Frank F. Garside Junior High School in the amount of \$301,220.00, to be paid from the 2015 Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3150000000, Project C0001644; and for Richard Baldwin, Director of Comprehensive Planning, to act as the Board of School Trustees' designee for all project documents, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Jason Goudie] (Ref. 2.28)

2.29 Purchase and Sale Agreement and Joint Escrow Instructions for the Purchase of 211 South 9th Street, 215 South 9th Street, 219 South 9th Street, 223 South 9th Street, and 227 South 9th Street, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89101.

Discussion and possible action on a purchase and sale agreement to purchase 211, 215, 219, 223, and 227 South 9th Street, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89101, a 0.92-acre parcels of land, Assessor's Parcel Numbers 139-34-712-026, 139-34-712-027, 139-34-712-028, 139-34-712-029, and 139-34-712-030 from Pioneer Heights, LLC and K W S Trust dated July 3, 2018, and restated March 3, 2021, and for Richard Baldwin, Director of Comprehensive Planning, to act as the Board of Trustees' designee to sign the purchase and sale agreement, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Jason Goudie] (Ref. 2.29)

2.30 Change in Service: Ernest A. Becker Sr. Middle School.

Discussion and possible action on ratification of a change in service to the professional services agreement for a net increase of \$17,840.00 to the agreement for Ernest A. Becker Sr. Middle School to be paid from the Capital Improvement Program, Fund 3150000000, Project C0014414, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Jason Goudie] (Ref. 2.30)

2.31 Change in Service: South Career and Technical Academy.

Discussion and possible action on ratification of a change in service to the architectural design services agreement for a net increase of \$1,295,234.00 to the agreement for South Career and Technical Academy to be paid from the Statutory Reserve, Fund 3150000000, Project C0001640, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Jason Goudie] (Ref. 2.31)

Approve Adoption of Consent Agenda (continued)

2.32 Change Order.

Discussion and possible action on ratification of a change order for a net increase of \$138,447.39 to the construction contracts for John C. Fremont Professional Development Middle School (\$138,447.39 - APCO Construction), is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Jason Goudie] (Ref. 2.32)

2.33 Approval of Settlement.

Discussion and possible action on the settlement of Ethan Bryan and Nolan Hairr, A-14-700018-C, in the total amount of \$826,500.00, and for the Superintendent of Schools, Clark County School District, and the President and Clerk, Clark County School District Board of Trustees, to sign the settlement agreement, and to authorize Luke Puschnig, General Counsel, to execute the appropriate settlement agreement, is recommended. (CONFIDENTIAL) **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Luke Puschnig] (Ref. 2.33)

2.34 Approval of Settlement.

Discussion and possible action on the settlement of United States District Court Case No. 19-cv-00965, J.W., a minor by and through his Parents, Joshua and Britten Wahrer v. Clark County School District, et. al., in the total amount of \$9,950,000.00, and for the Superintendent of Schools, Clark County School District, and the President and Clerk, Clark County School District Board of Trustees, to sign the settlement agreement, and to authorize Luke Puschnig, General Counsel, to execute the appropriate settlement agreement, is recommended. (CONFIDENTIAL) **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Luke Puschnig] (Ref. 2.34)

2.35 Memorandum of Agreement Between the Clark County School District (Vegas PBS) and Channel 5 Public Broadcasting, Inc. (PBS Reno) for the Allocation of Funds – Senate Bill 341 (2023).

Discussion and possible action on authorization to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with PBS Reno for the allocation of SB 341 funding to PBS Reno in the amount of \$1,115,452.00, effective November 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025 to be paid from Vegas PBS, Fund 2200000000, in the amount of \$1,115,452.00, with no impact to the general fund, and for the Superintendent of Schools, Clark County School District, the President and Clerk, Clark County School District Board of Trustees, to sign the Memorandum of Agreement, is recommended. **(For Possible Action)** [Contact Person: Mary Mazur] (Ref. 2.35)

Adoption of the Agenda - Joint Meeting with the Audit Advisory Committee

Adopt agenda.

Motion: Cavazos Second: Williams Vote: Unanimous

Presentation of the Annual Independent Auditor's Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023

Presentation and discussion of the annual Independent Auditor's Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023, by representatives from Eide Bailly LLP.

Presentation of the Annual Independent Auditor's Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023 (continued)

Kurt Schlicker, Partner, Eide Bailly LLP, reviewed the reports in the Annual Independent Auditor's Report for fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, as shown in Reference 3.02(A). The reports reviewed included the Independent Auditor's Report, Government Auditing Standards Report, Uniform Guidance, Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA), and Auditor's Comments.

Jason Goudie, Chief Financial Officer, Business and Finance Unit, reviewed several key items in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) as shown in Reference 3.02(B). Those items included the Letter of Transmittal; Financial Reporting Awards; Management's Discussion and Analysis; Basic Financial Statements; General Fund Comparative Balance Sheet; Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance; Property Tax Rates; Principal Property Tax Payers; Legal Debt Margin; Demographic and Economic Statistics; Principal Employers in Clark County; District Employees by Function; and Cost per Student.

Mr. Goudie discussed the internal control findings as well as management's plans moving forward.

Approve Independent Auditor's Narrative Report of Recommendations and District Responses to Recommendations for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023, and Independent Auditor's Statements on Nevada Revised Statutes Compliance

Approval to accept the Clark County School District's responses to the independent auditor's recommendations for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, with the written narrative and responses being incorporated by reference into the minutes of this meeting, and with the entire report being transmitted and filed as required in Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 354.624; and approval to accept the independent auditor's statements on NRS compliance for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, including the necessary corrective actions, if any, with the statements being transmitted and filed, as required in NRS 354.6245, as recommended in Reference 3.03.

Mr. Goudie stated this information was covered with the previous item.

Mr. Robinson acknowledged members of the Audit Advisory Committee and discussed the Committee's structure and objective.

The Audit Advisory Committee members introduced themselves and briefly shared their backgrounds.

Mr. Robinson acknowledge Mr. Schlicker as the new engagement partner from Eide Bailly.

Mr. Schlicker briefly shared his background and experience. He thanked District management for their work and responsiveness during the audit.

Trustee Brooks acknowledged the work and the service that the Audit Advisory Committee provides.

Approve Independent Auditor’s Narrative Report of Recommendations and District Responses to Recommendations for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2023, and Independent Auditor’s Statements on Nevada Revised Statutes Compliance (continued)

*Motion to accept the Independent Auditor’s Report and the narrative report and recommendations.
Motion: Binder Second: Throneberry Vote: Unanimous*

Motion to approve the Clark County School District’s responses to the independent auditor’s recommendations for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, with the written narrative and responses being incorporated by reference into the minutes of this meeting, and with the entire report being transmitted and filed as required in Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 354.624; and approval to accept the independent auditor’s statements on NRS compliance for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023, including the necessary corrective actions, if any, with the statements being transmitted and filed, as required in NRS 354.6245.

Motion: Bustamante Adams Second: Williams Vote: Unanimous

Authorize 2022-2023 Recap of Budget Appropriation Transfers

Authorization to include the Recap of Budget Appropriation Transfers between governmental functions of all funds for the period beginning July 1, 2022, and ending June 30, 2023, in the official Board minutes, as recommended in Reference 3.04.

Mr. Goudie presented a summary document of the Budget Appropriation Transfers as shown in Reference 3.04.

Motion to approve.

Motion: Williams Second: Guzmán Vote: Unanimous

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

Dr. Tiffanie Bemoll commented on statements made during the audit discussion pertaining to overcrowded schools. She pointed out that portable classrooms exist on school campuses because of a lack of space in school buildings. She suggested looking into alternate ideas for school buildings.

Adjourn – Joint Meeting with the Audit Advisory Committee

Audit Advisory Committee will adjourn.

Motion to adjourn.

Motion: Binder Second: Throneberry Vote: Unanimous

Motion to adjourn the joint meeting with the Audit Advisory Committee.

Motion: Williams Second: Zamora Vote: Unanimous

Fall MAP Growth

Presentation and discussion on Fall MAP Growth Results, in support of Focus: 2024 Indicators and Results pertaining to SS-1(A): English language arts, SS 1(B): Grade 3 reading, and SS-1(C): Mathematics.

Dr. Dustin Mancl, Chief Academic Officer, Academic Unit, and Greg Manzi, Assistant Superintendent, Assessment, Accountability, Research and School Improvement Division, Academic Unit, presented Fall MAP Growth Results as shown in Reference 4.01.

There was discussion regarding having continued, intentional interaction with students to help them progress and ensuring all students have access; support during testing for English language learner (ELL) high school students; challenges identified by staff; professional learning; identifying a student as at-risk through MAP Growth as mandated by state law; and expectations for seeing significant gains.

Accept Focus: 2024 Strategic Plan Update — Dual Enrollment and Advanced Placement

Acceptance of a report as presented on Focus: 2024 Indicators and Results pertaining to SS-3(B): Advanced coursework diversity and achievement.

Dr. Mike Barton, Chief College, Career, Equity and School Choice Officer, College, Career, Equity and School Choice Unit; Gia Moore, Director, Career and Technical Education/College and Career Readiness/School Choice Division, College, Career, Equity, and School Choice Unit; and Jennifer Lile, Coordinator, Career and Technical Education/College and Career Readiness/School Choice Division, College, Career, Equity, and School Choice Unit, presented Focus: 2024 Strategic Plan Update — Dual Enrollment and Advanced Placement as shown in Reference 4.02(A).

There was discussion regarding continued funding for the Advanced Placement (AP) exam; informing students and families about AP and dual enrollment opportunities; the partnerships, work and collaboration that contributed to the increase of students enrolled in dual enrollment classrooms; and funding for students to be enrolled in dual enrollment classrooms.

Public Hearing

Dr. Tiffanie Bemoll shared facts about the programs discussed. She said the focus needs to be on rigor, relevance, and relationships to ensure that the fidelity of these programs help students after graduation, which should be the number one goal in increasing enrollment in these programs.

Michael Flores, University of Nevada, Reno, thanked the District and the Board and talked about how the partnership was formed. He said he looks forward to continuing the partnership.

Motion to accept the Focus: 2024 Strategic Plan update on Dual Enrollment and Advanced Placement.

Motion: Brooks Second: Guzmán Vote: Unanimous

Accept Focus: 2024 Strategic Plan Update — Chronic Absenteeism

Acceptance of a report as presented on Focus: 2024 Indicators and Results pertaining to SS-4(B): Chronic absenteeism.

Dr. Barton and Kevin McPartlin, Assistant Superintendent, Education Services Division, College, Career, Equity and School Choice Unit, presented Focus: 2024 Strategic Plan Update — Chronic Absenteeism as shown in Reference 4.03(A).

There was discussion regarding support needed from agencies and parents, the protocol for teachers to contact parents if a student misses school due to illness, seeking feedback from teachers and forming a teacher advisory group, how schools are selected to host student town hall meetings, how topics or areas of concern are addressed during the student town halls, seeking feedback from school front office staff, the challenges identified by staff, educational neglect and supporting parents who struggle with getting their children to school, and looking at the number of absences due to school bus issues.

Board Member Leaves

Trustee Williams left the Board meeting at 8:12 p.m.

Accept Focus: 2024 Strategic Plan Update — Chronic Absenteeism (continued)

Discussion continued regarding streamlined and consistent absence processes across the District

Public Hearing

Dr. Tiffanie Bemoll stated CCSD must first define what an absence is, and she discussed the circumstances around some of her students' absences and the differing outcomes.

Motion to accept the Focus: 2024 Strategic Plan update on Chronic Absenteeism.

Motion: Guzmán Second: Zamora Vote: Unanimous

Trustee Williams was not present for the vote.

Approve Notice of Intent – Clark County School District Regulation 7113

Approval of the Notice of Intent to Adopt, Repeal, or Amend Clark County School District Policy 7113, Closing Schools, prior to submission to the Board of School Trustees for approval on December 14, 2023, as recommended in Reference 5.01.

Mr. Goudie presented proposed revisions to CCSD Regulation 7113 as shown in Reference 5.01.

Motion to accept.

Motion: Brooks Second: Cavazos Vote: Unanimous

Trustee Williams was not present for the vote.

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

Timothy Underwood disagreed with decisions made by the Board concerning equity, inclusion, and diversity. He stated the District is dictating strange values to children.

Davine McClodden spoke about how she has been the target of bullying and harassment at Palo Verde High School where she is a student.

Teleconference Call Connected

Teleconference call with Trustee Williams was connected at 8:43 p.m.

Public Comment on Items Not Listed as Action Items on the Agenda (continued)

Kristal McClodden stated the actions by Palo Verde High School administration leading to the recommendation for expulsion after her daughter had been bullied and attacked potentially represent racism.

Leslie Calianno demanded that Regulation 5138 and proposed Regulations 6150 and 6161 be repealed and removed. She said these regulations elevate students with diverse gender identities above all others and seek to remove parental involvement in decisions regarding school library resources.

Madeline Childers disagreed with the Board's attention to students with diverse gender identities. She stated with the poor educational ranking of Nevada schools and the issues around teacher retention, the District is focused on "transing students."

Brandon Summers noted that licensed teacher vacancies are now at 1,500. He discussed the poor rollout of the Transformation Network to substitute teachers.

Lorena Cardenas said Moms for Liberty was created by parents who wanted to address the failures of the school district but said people misconstrue who the group is and what they do. She spoke about what Moms for Liberty believes with regard to transgender girls in sports and banning certain books from school libraries.

Dr. Tiffanie Bemoll discussed how different high schools having the autonomy to choose their own schedule, as well as having different rules and requirements, impacts parents and students. She suggested discontinuing block scheduling.

Allison Toney stated substitute teachers are mitigating the large teacher shortage in CCSD and are an asset to the District. She discussed the pay issues substitute teachers have been dealing with. She said it is time that pay and benefits for all substitute teachers be addressed.

Carmiesha Carroll talked about an incident in which her son, Davon Carroll, Jr. (phonetic) was physically attacked at school. She discussed what happened following the incident when she arrived at the school and how the incident was handled by school staff and school police.

Public Comment on Items Not Listed as Action Items on the Agenda (continued)

Karen Wu said students support educators so they can receive the best education long term, and she shared how those educators are dedicated to students. She suggested that students be allowed to provide input and feedback on a larger scale.

Stephen Phillips discussed the data breach CCSD experienced and steps that could be taken to prevent such an event. He said this is an important issue that should be addressed.

Dr. Kyle Rogers provided information related to the District's expulsion policy and issues for parents having to do with the process. He spoke about the bullying issue in the District.

Akiko Cook talked about what she witnessed at two expulsion appeal panel hearings for two Black students of Palo Verde High School. She stated 1865 No Racism in Schools demands a comprehensive revision of the expulsion process and an investigation into Palo Verde High School as well as the immediate suspension and investigation of Principal Lisa Schumacher.

Vicki Kreidel spoke about the role and responsibilities of the schools to help all students be successful. She said the District's discipline and expulsion policies need revision. She said the expulsion policy should be clear and fair.

Jane Audette spoke in support of the demands of 1865 No Racism in Schools regarding Palo Verde High School. She said the expulsions given to the students involved should be reversed. She said the District's expulsion policy needs to be revised, stating that the policy and the procedures appear to be racist.

Caryn Lowe stated that providing an environment where children feel safe, accepted, and appreciated means providing an environment where teachers and school staff are supported and have what they need. She said CCSD is a public school for students from all backgrounds and asked why transgender students are being targeted by some.

Cyrus Hojjaty said funds need to be distributed more efficiently across the District. He stated he does support pay increases but the issue is the cost of living. He discussed race and where the highest crime rates exist versus the highest test scores.

Celine Chang spoke in support of teacher pay increases and stated that it is crucial for teachers to be compensated fairly in order to ensure students are given equal access to education. She spoke about how dedicated and supportive her teachers are.

Cristiane Mersch said parents who object to pornographic material in school libraries are not book banners but are concerned about explicit materials.

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Kimmy Lindsay read news headlines related to educators being charged with or accused of inappropriate sexual relations with students, sexual assault on minors, lewd conduct with a child, and being involved in sex schemes. She said students are being sexualized and groomed. She told the Board to repeal their "transgender" policy.

Leslie Quinn asked the Board to repeal Regulation 5138. She stated children's medical care and decisions are the responsibility of their parents. She spoke about the implications associated with the use of puberty blockers.

Karlana Kulseth spoke about the situations concerning the two Palo Verde High School students, Miss McClodden and Mr. Carroll, and the problems surrounding discipline and the expulsion process. She said there are serious issues with mental health and social-emotional learning in CCSD schools. She said Miss McClodden and Mr. Carroll are victims and no one has acknowledged that fact.

Jenna Robertson said a problem with the disciplinary process in CCSD is that the victim is often made to be just as guilty as the perpetrator. She expressed her support of Miss McClodden and Mr. Carroll. She noted that in order for a student to have a gender support plan, they must have the support of a parent.

Jshauntae Marshall called for the repeal of the expulsions of Miss McClodden and Mr. Carroll. She called for the revision of Policy 5114 and Policy 5114.2. She also asked that the item be placed on the Board's agenda for review, discussion, and action. She spoke about the disparities in suspensions and expulsions in the District and the issues with noncompliance of specific supports and programs.

Stephanie Kinsley asked why children are being told they could change their gender when they cannot instead of providing them with therapy and telling them that they are perfect the way they are and that they do not need to mutilate their bodies.

Rachelle Turner stated being the parent of a transgender child is a privilege and a responsibility, and she thanked the Board for being supportive. She said she is currently pursuing a license to become a foster parent in Clark County so she could take in those children who do not have an accepting parent and provide them with a safe, loving home and be an advocate for them.

Upcoming Meeting of the Board of Trustees – Wednesday, December 6, 2023, 4:00 p.m.

Trustee Garcia Morales stated the upcoming meeting of the Board is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, December 6, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. in the boardroom.

Adjourn: 10:07 p.m.

Motion: Cavazos Second: Brooks Vote: Unanimous