Beverly Hills Unified School District Minutes

Regular Board of Education Meeting
April 10, 2018, 5:00 PM

CLOSED SESSION - Administrative Building
255 South Lasky Drive Beverly Hills, CA  90212

OPEN SESSION - STC/Jon Cherney Lecture Hall, Beverly Hills High School
241 Moreno Drive Beverly Hills,

Attendance Taken at 5:15 PM:

Present:
Jonathan Artal
Howard Goldstein
Isabel Hacker
Lisa Korbatov
Noah Margo
Mel Spitz

I. OPEN SESSION-3:00 P.M.

II. AGENDA HEARING PERIOD-PUBLIC COMMENT

III. CLOSED SESSION-3:00 P.M.

III.A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - THREAT TO PUBLIC SERVICES OR FACILITIES pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 54957

III.B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) & (d)(2) of Section 54956.9: (3 Cases)


III.D. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE

IV. OPEN SESSION-CALL TO ORDER-FLAG SALUTE-5:00 P.M.

Minutes:
Board President Lisa Korbatov called the meeting to order at 5:20 p.m. and asked Bob Rubin to lead the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

V. SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENTS

V.A. El Rodeo School
Minutes:
El Rodeo Principal Kevin Allen introduced 4th grade teacher Lindsey Houlberg, Ms.
Houlberg runs a group at ER called the Kind Club. This is a girl empowerment club for girls in 4th and 5th grades. The following students spoke on the program: Phebie Krevoy, Sabrina Niku, Sofia Giovine, Olympia Lifson and parent Susan Zelinka. Additional El Rodeo Kind Club students in attendance: Ashley Pirian, Liora Boroumand, Isabella Kadz, Chaya Mobasser, Audrey Rahimi, Matilda Kohanim, Maddie Giorgio, Jilliam Samadi, Sienna Stomer.

VI. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion Passed: A motion was made to approve the Agenda. Passed with a motion by Mel Spitz and a second by Noah Margo.
Yes Howard Goldstein
Yes Isabel Hacker
Yes Lisa Korbatov
Yes Noah Margo
Yes Mel Spitz

VII. REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTION

Minutes:
Dr. Bregy reported that in Closed Session the Board voted 5-0 to approve the OAH Case #2017110428. The Board voted 5-0 to approve the release of probationary classified employee #SM10317569. The Board voted 5-0 to approve the suspension of classified employee #GS8067050.

VIII. AGENDA HEARING PERIOD-PUBLIC COMMENT

Minutes:
The following people addressed the Board:
Coleen Davenport, Christopher Bushee, Telly Tse, Stephen Clements, Joanna Smith and Ethan Smith.

IX. CONSENT CALENDAR*

Motion Passed: A motion was made to approve the Consent Calendar. Passed with a motion by Noah Margo and a second by Mel Spitz.
Yes Howard Goldstein
Yes Isabel Hacker
Yes Lisa Korbatov
Yes Noah Margo
Yes Mel Spitz

IX.A. Approval Board Meeting Minutes

IX.A.1. Regular Board Meeting-3-27-2018

IX.B. Personnel Reports

IX.B.1. Certificated Personnel Report
IX.B.2. Classified Personnel Report
IX.C. Approval of Williams Uniform Complaint Quarterly Report Summary - Third Quarter (January 1, 2018 - March 31, 2018)

IX.D. Approval-Professional Services Agreement - Jill Myers

IX.E. Approval-Professional Services Agreement - Mary Ann Baum

IX.F. Approval/Acceptance of Donations Listed Pursuant to Board Policy 3290

IX.G. Ratification of Purchase Order #17 2017/2018

IX.H. Cash Collection Report #17 for 2017-2018

IX.I. Approval of Warrant Report #11 for 2017-2018

X. REPORTS

X.A. Superintendent's Report

Minutes:
Dr. Bregy reported on the following events going on in our school district:
-BHUSD K-8 Art Exhibit April 9-24 from 10:00-5:00 at the BH City Hall-Municipal Gallary
-Plugged in Parents Series-The Art of Screen Time April 17 at 5:30 p.m. at Horace Mann School
-2018 Apple Awards event April 25 at 5:00 p.m. at BHHS in the STC Courtyard. Congratulations to the following Apple Award Recipients:
Administrator:
Chris Hertz
Certificated:
Josh Glass-BHHS
Ali Norman-Franks-BHHS
Katina Vallens-Beverly Vista
Jocelyn Bresnick-El Rodeo
Jory Lindsay-Hawthorne
Belinda Maisterra-Horace Mann
Emmanuelle Rousseaux-BV/ER/HAW/HM
Classified:
Linda Omansky

X.B. Student Board Member Report

Minutes:
Student Board Member Jonathan Artal reported that the high school students are in the process of state testing. He also reported that ASB is looking for ways to change the way they hold elections. Mr. Artal said that all students who wish to run will need to fill out an application and that there will be a debate process involved.
XI. HUMAN RESOURCES

XI.A. Approval of the Certificated Supplemental Early Retirement Program (SERP)

Motion Passed: A motion was made to approve A. Approval of the Certificated Supplemental Early Retirement Program (SERP) and B. Approval of the Certificated Supplemental Early Retirement Program (SERP) December 2018. Passed with a motion by Noah Margo and a second by Isabel Hacker.

Yes Howard Goldstein
Yes Isabel Hacker
Yes Lisa Korbato
Yes Noah Margo
Yes Mel Spitz

XI.B. Approval of the Certificated Supplemental Early Retirement Program (SERP) December 2018

Motion Passed: A motion was made to approve A. Approval of the Certificated Supplemental Early Retirement Program (SERP) and B. Approval of the Certificated Supplemental Early Retirement Program (SERP) December 2018. Passed with a motion by Noah Margo and a second by Isabel Hacker.

Yes Howard Goldstein
Yes Isabel Hacker
Yes Lisa Korbato
Yes Noah Margo
Yes Mel Spitz

XI.C. Approval of Resolution #2017-2018-030 Regarding Layoff of Classified Personnel

Motion Passed: A motion was made for Approval of Resolution #2017-2018-030 Regarding Layoff of Classified Personnel. Passed with a motion by Lisa Korbato and a second by Noah Margo.

Yes Howard Goldstein
Yes Isabel Hacker
Yes Lisa Korbato
Yes Noah Margo
Yes Mel Spitz

XII. TECHNOLOGY

XII.A. Approval of Emergency Resolution No. 2017-2018-031: Health and Safety of Students and Staff at Beverly Hills High School, Paging System

Motion Passed: A motion was made for Approval of Emergency Resolution No. 2017-2018-031: Health and Safety of Students and Staff at Beverly Hills High School, Paging System. Passed with a motion by Noah Margo and a second by Mel Spitz.

Yes Howard Goldstein
Yes Isabel Hacker
Yes Lisa Korbato
Yes Noah Margo
Yes Mel Spitz
XIII. PLANNING AND FACILITIES

XIII.A. Acceptance of Beverly Hills HS Temporary Security Fencing project by Quality Fence and Authorization to File a Notice of Completion

Motion Passed: A motion was made to approve the Acceptance of Beverly Hills HS Temporary Security Fencing project by Quality Fence and Authorization to File a Notice of Completion. Passed with a motion by Noah Margo and a second by Mel Spitz.
Yes Howard Goldstein
Yes Isabel Hacker
Yes Lisa Korbatov
Yes Noah Margo
Yes Mel Spitz

XIII.B. Acceptance of Horace Mann School Bldg A Structured Cabling Project by Vector USA, and Authorization to File a Notice of Completion.

Motion Passed: A motion was made for approval of Acceptance of Horace Mann School Bldg A Structured Cabling Project by Vector USA, and Authorization to File a Notice of Completion. Passed with a motion by Noah Margo and a second by Mel Spitz.
Yes Howard Goldstein
Yes Isabel Hacker
Yes Lisa Korbatov
Yes Noah Margo
Yes Mel Spitz

XIV. PROFESSIONAL AND OFFICIAL BUSINESS

XIV.A. 2018 CSBA Delegate Assembly "Run Off" Election

Motion Passed: A motion was made to cast a vote for Maggie Bove-LaMonica for the 2018 Delegate Assembly Run-Off Ballot for Region 24. Passed with a motion by Howard Goldstein and a second by Mel Spitz.
Yes Howard Goldstein
Yes Isabel Hacker
Yes Lisa Korbatov
Yes Noah Margo
Yes Mel Spitz

XIV.B. Discussion-Reconfiguration

Minutes:
All Board members had a chance to speak about reconfiguration.
Mr. Spitz asked that his statement be put into the minutes:
We have two reasons to reconfigure our schools. One is to improve the educational program, and the other is to improve the financial condition of the district. Improving the financial condition is urgent because two months from now we must adopt a budget for the upcoming school year. That budget will forecast depletion of reserves and insolvency, unless we commit to a significant reduction of operating expenses, which will require reconfiguration.
Two proposals for reconfiguration have been suggested: Permanent closure of one K-8
school, or conversion to one middle school and three K-5s. I suggest that staff evaluate both proposals and report at our next meeting on the practicality, advantages and disadvantages of each of them, and make their recommendation. If the board will decide on one of them by the end of this month, staff will have one month, to the end of May, to propose a detailed plan for implementation in the 2019-20 school year. The board will then have about 1-1/2 weeks to consider and approve the plan before mid-June, when the 2018-19 budget must be adopted and submitted to LACOE.

If reconfiguration is implemented in year 2019-20 along with other expense reductions, the currently projected operating deficits of $5 million will be offset, and the budget will be stabilized with retention of reserves at 8 percent or more. With just two months to go before adopting the 2018-19 budget, we can no longer postpone an orderly decision-making process.

Staff Direction:
Dr. Bregy will start collecting specific questions from the Board members dealing with reconfiguration. This will be a very comprehensive process and will take some time to answer them.

XV. COMMUNICATION FROM THE BOARD MEMBERS

XVI. FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

XVI.A. Regular Board Meeting-Tuesday, April 24, 2018-5:00 PM-STC/Jon Cherney Lecture Hall, Beverly Hills High School

XVI.B. Regular Board Meeting-Tuesday, May 8, 2018-5:00 PM-STC/Jon Cherney Lecture Hall, Beverly Hills High School

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes:
Mrs. Korbatov announced the Future Board Meetings and adjourned the meeting at 7:03 p.m.