

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, FEBRUARY 11, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Cox at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the Education Center.

Members Present: Priscilla S. Cox, President; Steve Ly, Clerk; Jeanette J. Amavisca, Carmine Forcina, Chet Madison, Sr., Anthony “Tony” Perez, and Bobbie Singh-Allen , Members

Others Present: Steven M. Ladd, Superintendent; Mark Cerutti, Glen De Graw, Rich Fagan, Robert Pierce, and Tina Penna, Associate Superintendents. The list of visitors who signed in is on file.

Pledge of Allegiance – Mr. Glen De Graw, Associate Superintendent Human Resources, led the Pledge.

Discussion Items

1. Board Governance

Upcoming Events – Time of Remembrance this Saturday, SCOE meeting on March 5, CSBA LCAP workshop on February 26.

Finance Committee Member Appointment Procedure – The procedure for advertising and submitting applications for the Finance Committee vacant positions was reviewed. Applications will be accepted by March 3, 2014, and the Board will then establish a workshop date to choose the members.

Board Budget – Funds are provided for professional conferences and travel; arrangements will be completed by staff and the timelines for making the conference and travel reservations and submittal of necessary documentations are forwarded prior to conference attendance.

Voting Requirements – Board policy and Roberts Rules of Order voting requirements for Board members were reviewed.

2. Review of Governor’s Budget Proposal

Reviewed were the K-12 Proposition 98 Proposals for 2014-15, the new State revenue for school districts, the General Fund Unrestricted Multi-Year Budget Projections, and components of the projection.

3. Translation, Interpretation and ELL Needs

A report on the English Learner Program, Language Services Delivery (interpretation and translation) was represented and reviewed with the Board. The report included steps in the process, a summarization of the findings in five areas; research reports, a recap of the findings; and recommendations and planned enhancements to Language Services. As a result of the examination of current language services and the resulting four recommendation will (1) ensure continued compliance with the mandate to provide translations in the top languages at “15%” schools; (2) expanding training for existing BTAs in providing school-home services to EL families, and (3) enhance and intensify strategic newcomer support.

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Mrs. Cox noted that they will possibly need more information and a continuance of this discussion, and asked that questions be emailed to Dr. Ladd.

Closed Session

Mrs. Cox announced that the Board would meet in closed session regarding the following item, would then meet in open session and announce any action taken in closed session.

4. Conference with Labor Negotiators

**Agency designated representatives: Glen De Graw, Richard Fagan,
Steven M. Ladd, Karen Rezendes**

**Employee Organization: All Elk Grove Unified School District
Bargaining Units and Classified Unrepresented Employees**

Open Session

Mrs. Cox called the meeting to order in open session and announced that no action was taken in closed session.

Discussion Items

5. Board Preparation and Work on LCAP

Presented to and reviewed were: the District's E4 integrated learning system and its definitions; the Local Control Funding Formula; a draft of the District's 2014-17 Local Control Accountability Plan and a Project Task Analysis of the Plan; a School Site suggested LCAP Development Timeline and a project Task Analysis of the Plan.

6. Advisory Committees

Dr. Ladd recommended that the Board consider using the existing advisory committees this year and in the summer in the summer and into early August build a new set of advisory committee is the Board wishes to do so; get their input and give responses, and where there are questions, put the information on the internet. He noted that every school site is having similar conversations.

Some concern was expressed (Forcina and Perez)

Adjournment – 7:50 p.m.

Submitted by:
Steven M. Ladd, Ed.D., Superintendent

Approve by: _____
Steve Ly, Clerk