

**West Contra Costa Unified School District  
Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes  
LOVONYA DEJEAN MIDDLE SCHOOL  
3400 MACDONALD AVENUE  
RICHMOND, CA 94805**

May 24, 2017 6:30 PM

Amended

**Attendance Taken at 6:48 PM:**

Present:

Liz Block

Valerie Cuevas

Madeline Kronenberg

Tom Panas

Mister Phillips

**A. CLOSED SESSION**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. DISCLOSURE OF ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION - (Government Code 54957.7)**

**3. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION AS SCHEDULED**

**1. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR (Section 54956.8)**

**2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION [Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)]**

**3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION/SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION [Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) or (d)(3)]**

**4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION/INITIATION OF LITIGATION [Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)]**

**5. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS**

**6. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code Section 54957)**

**7. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT**

**8. REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS**

**B. OPENING PROCEDURES**

Minutes:

President Block called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

Public Comment

David Montes, Jen Komaromi

The Board recessed into Closed Session. President Block called the Public Session to order at 6:45 P.M.

### **1. Pledge of Allegiance**

Minutes:

President Block led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **2. Welcome and Meeting Procedures**

### **3. Roll Call**

Minutes:

Board Members Present: Liz Block, Valerie Cuevas, Madeline Kronenberg, Tom Panas, Mister Phillips, Student Representative Zunarah Ahmad

Staff Present: Mark Bonnett, Executive Director Bond Finance; Denise Cifelli, Sr. Administrative Assistant Confidential; Linda Delgado, Charter Oversight; Matthew Duffy, Superintendent; Otilia Espinoza, Translator; Luis Freese, District Engineer; Sheri Gamba, Associate Superintendent Business Services; Joshua Herrera, Maintenance Supervisor; Barbara Jellison, Food Service Director; Nicole Joyner, Director Accountability & Assessment; Lisa LeBlanc, Associate Superintendent Facilities, M & O/Bond Program; Vince Meyer, Executive Director M & O; Christopher Mount-Benites, Associate Superintendent Business Services; Melissa Payne, Director Contracts Administration; Eric Peterson, Principal Mandarin School; Mary Phillips, Chief Technology Officer; Nia Rashidchi, Interim Associate Superintendent PreK-Adult Educational Operations; Adam Taylor, Executive Director: Marcus Walton, Communications Director; Mike Wasilchin, Director Classified Employees; Regina Webber, Executive Director Business Services; Ken Whittemore, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources

### **4. Report/Ratification of Closed Session**

Minutes:

Superintendent Duffy asked the Board to ratify action taken in Closed Session to appoint the following Executive Director(s), Assistant Principal(s), Vice Principal(s), and an Elementary Principal for the 2017-2018 school year:

Lisa Jimenez, Executive Director of Multilingual and Multicultural Learning  
Julio Arroyo, Executive Director of Maintenance and Operations  
Megan Burnham, Lincoln Elementary School Principal  
Chelsea LaForest, Murphy Elementary School Principal  
John Hillyer, Richmond High School Assistant Principal  
Michael Hatcher, Richmond High School Assistant Principal  
Christopher Read, Downer Elementary School Vice Principal

Superintendent Duffy also asked the Board to ratify action taken in Closed Session to approve a one-year extension to the lease agreement at 6500 Stockton Avenue in El

Cerrito for the city's continued use of the site for a Senior Center, and give a one-year termination notice to the City.

### **5. Review of Number of Requests to Address the Board For Comment On Individual Agenda Items**

Minutes:

President Block assessed the number of speakers signed up in consideration of adjusting the agenda.

### **6. Agenda Review and Adoption (Public Comment)**

Minutes:

Mr. Phillips requested Items G.1, G.3, G.7, G.12 and G.13 be pulled for discussion.

Mr. Panas requested Items G.5, G.6, G.8 and G.10 also be pulled for discussion.

**Motion Passed:** Ms. Cuevas moved approval of the agenda as amended. Mr. Panas seconded. Ms. Cuevas, Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Panas, Mr. Phillips, Student Representative Zunarah Ahmad (advisory vote only), and President Block voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0. Passed with a motion by Valerie Cuevas and a second by Tom Panas.

Yes Liz Block

Yes Valerie Cuevas

Yes Madeline Kronenberg

Yes Tom Panas

Yes Mister Phillips

### **7. Minutes: April 12, 2017; May 3, 2017; May 10, 2017**

Minutes:

Mr. Panas requested a correction on the vote for Items F.1 and F.3 on the April 12, 2017 minutes.

Mr. Phillips asked that minutes be completed so they can be addressed at the next meeting.

**Motion Passed:** Ms. Cuevas moved approval of the April 12, 2017 minutes as amended. Mr. Panas seconded. Ms. Cuevas, Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Panas, Mr. Phillips, Student Representative Zunarah Ahmad (advisory vote only), and President Block voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0. Passed with a motion by Valerie Cuevas and a second by Tom Panas.

Yes Liz Block

Yes Valerie Cuevas

Yes Madeline Kronenberg

Yes Tom Panas

Yes Mister Phillips

**Motion Passed:** Ms. Kronenberg moved approval of the May 3, 2017 minutes. Mr. Panas seconded. Ms. Cuevas, Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Panas, Mr. Phillips, Student

Representative Zunarah Ahmad (advisory vote only), and President Block voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0. Passed with a motion by Madeline Kronenberg and a second by Tom Panas.

Yes Liz Block  
Yes Valerie Cuevas  
Yes Madeline Kronenberg  
Yes Tom Panas  
Yes Mister Phillips

**Motion Passed:** Mr. Panas moved approval of the May 10, 2017 minutes. Ms. Kronenberg seconded. Ms. Cuevas, Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Panas, Mr. Phillips, Student Representative Zunarah Ahmad (advisory vote only), and President Block voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0. Passed with a motion by Tom Panas and a second by Madeline Kronenberg.

Yes Liz Block  
Yes Valerie Cuevas  
Yes Madeline Kronenberg  
Yes Tom Panas  
Yes Mister Phillips

#### **8. Request to Address the Board - Demetrio Gonzalez and Elizabeth Sanders**

Minutes:

Demetrio Gonzalez, UTR President, introduced Elizabeth Sanders, the bargaining chair for UTR, who spoke on the ways UTR and the district could work together to attract and retain teachers and reduce turnover. She stated main reasons for turnover was the lack of a competitive salary and high cost of living.

#### **9. WCCUSD Public Comment**

Minutes:

Janet Stickmon, Alison Naihman, Ben Steinberg, Jack Weir, Ada Bustamante, Alan Marks, Michael Beer, Ricardo Nieto, Christina Tworek, George Pursley, Carlos Taboada, Colleen Ballantine, Jim Knebelman, Jeff Kilbreth, Saidah Said, Janet Johnson, Silvia Avila, Maria Patino, John Juminger, Jason Singer, Bridget Moran, Kimathi Harris, Pat Miles, Marge Russel, Maris Arnold, Maria Garcia, Cindy Wu, Sasha Gordon, Amy Cantu, Bob Mandel

7:33 P.M. Student Representative Samuel Solis arrived.

### **C. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

**1. Ivy League Summer Programs: Students from El Cerrito High School, Pinole Valley High School, De Anza High School, Hercules High School and Middle College High School will participate in college readiness programs offered at respective Ivy League Universities**

Minutes:

Mr. Gosney presented information on the Ivy League Connection crediting its growth as a result of contributions from benefactors and corporations who have invested in the students. He congratulated the sixteen students selected to participate in the program. Chaperones introduced the students and university they will attend. A student representative from each chaperone group spoke on the benefits of the program, ways it had helped them and what they hoped to gain from the experience. Students will be attending Cornell University, Brown University, Vanderbilt University and the University of Chicago this summer.

Public Comment:  
None

Board Comment:  
None

7:57 P.M. Student Representative Zunarah Ahmed left the meeting.

#### **D. COMMITTEE COMMUNICATION**

##### **1. Superintendent's Report**

Minutes:

Superintendent Duffy dispelled rumors around the Mandarin School at the Serra campus reiterating there were no plans to close the campus or move Adult Ed for 2017-18 and provided a report of activities in the District.

Board Comment:

Mr. Phillips voiced community concerns brought to his attention around the transitioning of Washington to a full dual language school and staff not bringing the issue back to Board to discuss.

Ms. Cuevas understood there was a conversation and agreement on expanding dual immersion programs and asked for clarity from the previous minutes, give members time to review the video from that meeting, then bring back to the Board at the next meeting to discuss.

Mr. Phillips clarified he agreed the Board voted to expand dual immersion and also agreed to retain the traditional track which the Superintendent's report just contradicted.

Ms. Cuevas reiterated her request to have members review the video for clarification and return to the next meeting to discuss.

President Block agreed minutes and video should be reviewed and brought back for discussion.

Public Comment:

Pat Miles, Bob Mandel, Jim Knebelman

## **2. Standing Reports**

Minutes:

West Contra Costa Administrators Association (WCCAA). Sara Danielson presented an update on WCCAA end of year and preparation for the next year's activities and upcoming celebratory events.

Safety Committee. Mr. Phillips stated the committee met on May 5th which turned into a working session regarding willful defiance and suspensions. Their recommendations will be presented to an ad-hoc committee for review.

Governance Subcommittee. Ms. Cuevas stated the Governance Subcommittee worked on reconciling the Board Handbook and strengthening the Uniform Complaint Process with an ombudsman role recommendation. She noted sites would be receiving additional LCFF funding and discussed the opportunities for stewardship of those funds for School Site Councils with the committee discussing requirements, best practices, consistency, and continued improvement of School Site Councils.

## **E. DISCUSSION ITEMS AND REPORTS**

### **1. Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Update**

Minutes:

Ms. Rashidchi presented the new LCAP template and changes to the Actions and Services Summary and walked through Goal 1 to illustrate the changes.

Superintendent Duffy went through the Annual Measurable Outcomes (AMO) proposed to date highlighting some of the template language changes and revised measures and summary noting how the AMO's best measure outcomes.

Public Comment:

None

Board Comment:

President Block requested clarification on measurements. Ms. Rashidchi explained the State's requirements which do not always tie to a specific area the district is keying in on. Ms. Joyner explained state measures and indicators stating she understood some of the confusion between state requirements and local indicators and said they will separate out going forward.

Mr. Panas commended staff on work done to date and appreciated everyone's efforts.

Ms. Cuevas questioned the connection between LCAP activities and reaching the

state marks, how that work is being assessed, and how to explain that ties back to the value of the programs and money being spent.

Mr. Phillips reiterated his support for the addition of Vice Principals and feels they should be at all sites with funding from central support funds and not through site funds as he hears is happening. He stated specifically that he believes K-8 schools should have Assistant Principals added to them as well without having to pay for them, specifically requesting for Stewart and Mira Vista effective at the start of the next school year.

Ms. Cuevas questioned if staffing ratios were dictated by union contracts. Ms. Gamba explained how staffing is allocated and that the budget for 2017-18 is about complete with monies being allocated. She stated adding positions at this time would add to the deficit and at a critical juncture should the Board wish to make this type of change.

Ms. Rashidchi drew the Boards attention to the enrollment formulas used and dot matrix in their LCAP document and provided further explanation. Discussion continued around the formulas used to determine number of staff at sites and funding and the need for future discussions on criteria to staff. Mr. Phillips clarified his request was to specifically add Vice Principals to Mira Vista and Stewart.

8:55 P.M Student Representative Zunarah Ahmad returned to the meeting.

Ms. Kronenberg thanked Ms. Joyner for her work to ensure the District is answering the states questions and how best to answer the community when the two don't mesh. She appreciated the work on the dashboards.

Superintendent Duffy introduced and welcomed Mr. Chris Mount-Benites as the newest member to the administration.

## **2. Suspensions Based on Willful Defiance**

Minutes:

Superintendent Duffy presented a summary review of Willful Defiance including updated ethnicity numbers. This led to his recommendation to continue to review and dig into the data and trends along with strategies for professional development for staff and creation of a task force.

Public Comment

Hank Roberts, Alanzo Brown, Caleb Maldonado, Deborah Bayer, Demetrio Gonzalez, Sasha Gordon, Amira Jones, Noe Gandino, Sara Danielson, Ayana Young, Alex Beltran

Board Comment:

Ms. Cuevas shared comments she'd received from the community and supports changing the culture in schools understanding it's a complex issue that takes time.

She questioned how to best support and deal with suspensions as a whole and requested those conversations be started.

Mr. Phillips agreed District culture needs to change and discussions need to begin to include and involve stakeholders. He spoke passionately about discrimination, acknowledging those in the community who care about this issue. He shared about a meeting with the teachers' union president to involve stakeholders while not continuing to subjecting children to discriminatory practices. He read a motion he hoped to bring to the Board at a future meeting requesting a moratorium on suspensions and willful defiance, and supported the establishment and charge of an ad-hoc committee.

President Block stated she wanted any task force formed to include administrators and teachers. She then stated conversation was straying from the agenda topic and requested members stay on topic and hold requests for future agenda items until the end of the meeting.

Ms. Cuevas requested to hear from the teachers union. Mr. Gonzalez gave his position on banning willful defiance suspensions.

Ms. Kronenberg agreed she would like to see a moratorium effective August and to start the year with it in place and utilize the task force to do long range planning.

Mr. Panas noted his agreement to much of what had been said this evening and supported the Superintendent's proposal to create a task force. He stated he would like to see information on campus arrests.

President Block wanted to receive input from sites and the summer in order to have something in place for 2017-18. Superintendent Duffy agreed this could be done and was willing to put a group together to begin work by August as well as a year from now.

Mr. Phillips wanted to ensure seeing a change going into next year.

Ms. Cuevas added her support to begin a task force as soon as possible and have a policy in place for August.

## **F. ACTION ITEMS**

### **1. Memorandum of Understanding between West Contra Costa Unified School District and Turning Green to Implement The Conscious Kitchen**

Minutes:

Ms. LeBlanc summarized the memorandum and introduced Ms. Barbara Jellison who presented information on the potential partnership with Conscious Kitchen on a one-year pilot at Madera ES and Peres ES in 2017/18. She introduced Judi Shils,

Founder of Conscience Kitchen, who explained the program in more detail along with members of her staff.

10:00 P.M. Student Representatives Zunarah Ahmed and Samuel Solis left the meeting.

Conscience Kitchen Partners, site staff and students from Madera and Peres provided their input on the program.

**Public Comment:**

Kelly Fimbres, Baulio Munoz, Leslie Cervantes, Judi Shils, Thuksonh Bachen,

**Board Comment:**

Mr. Phillips appreciated Conscience Kitchen for the quality of the food provided to the students and stated he met with a class of 6th graders who gave their feedback on food served at their site. He requested staff report back on what they can do to improve the quality of food served.

**MOTION:** Ms. Kronenberg moved to extend the meeting until midnight; Mr. Panas second. Vote was unanimous to extend.

Ms. Kronenberg asked Ms. Jellison to the podium who explained the focus of her controls is the kitchen and food. She talked about complaint follow-up and student taste testing and stated she had not heard the complaints cited by Mr. Phillips. She also appreciated his point regarding culture difference between the Conscious Kitchen environment and normal site environment.

Mr. Panas questioned if there was interest from funders to which Ms. Shils provided details. He also questioned what would happen if money could not be raised. Ms. Shils stated the MOU was written with an opt-out clause which either party could utilize, however she was confident money would be raised. Mr. Panas requested confirmation that the District would contribute \$20,000 up front and the funders would cover the rest. Ms. LeBlanc confirmed.

Ms. Cuevas commented on the need for the program to sustain itself and how to scale up for all schools. Ms. Jellison explained the healthy food grant she has applied for along with her work with local farms to benefit all schools.

Ms. Block noted the importance of healthy food but expressed concern as it's an isolated and expensive program.

**Motion Passed:** Ms. Kronenberg moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between West Contra Costa Unified School District and Turning Green to Implement The Conscious Kitchen. Mr. Phillips seconded. Ms. Cuevas, Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Panas, Mr. Phillips, and President Block voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0 Passed with a motion by

Madeline Kronenberg and a second by Mister Phillips.

Yes Liz Block

Yes Valerie Cuevas

Yes Madeline Kronenberg

Yes Tom Panas

Yes Mister Phillips

## **2. Facilities Use Agreement and Ground Lease with Caliber Schools**

Minutes:

Ms. LeBlanc presented the final agreement to house Caliber at the North Campus site. She went over key terms of the agreement and facility improvements needed stating there was minimal impact to the District for this long-term solution.

Public Comment:

Joanna Pace, Brian Atkins, Elinor Blake

Board Comment:

Mr. Phillips asked counsel clarifying questions on the contract language relating to ownership of the facilities. There was continued dialog between Mr. Phillips and counsel over Mr. Phillips request to strike the words "ownership and" from page 9 stating the broadness of language makes ownership ambiguous.

**MOTON FAILED:** Mr. Phillips moved to amend the Facilities Use Agreement and Ground Lease with Caliber Schools by striking the words "ownership and" from page 9. Ms. Kronenberg seconded. Ms. Kronenberg and Mr. Phillips voted yes. Ms. Cuevas, Mr. Panas, and President Block voted no. There were no abstentions and no absences. Motion failed 2-3-0-0.

Ms. Kronenberg questioned the preference for union labor and local businesses and how that would work. Caliber attorney explained the bid and award process noting that monitoring of the process would be overseen through a collaboration between Caliber and the District through a public bid process.

Mr. Panas questioned his understanding on the gross financing amount. Ms. Leblanc provided information.

**Motion Passed:** Ms. Cuevas moved to approve the Facilities Use Agreement and Ground Lease with Caliber Schools as presented. Mr. Panas seconded. Ms. Cuevas, Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Panas, Mr. Phillips, and President Block voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0. Passed with a motion by Valerie Cuevas and a second by Tom Panas.

Yes Liz Block

Yes Valerie Cuevas

Yes Madeline Kronenberg

Yes Tom Panas

Yes Mister Phillips

**3. Resolution No. 86-1617 Consent to Caliber Schools to Submit Application to Charter School Facilities Program (CSFP) for Rehabilitation Funds and Resolution No. 87-1617 Certification of Unhoused Pupils related to CSFP New Construction Funds**

Minutes:

Public Comment:

Joanna Pace

Board Comment:

None

**Motion Passed:** Mr. Panas moved approval of Resolution No. 86-1617 Consent to Caliber Schools to Submit Application to Charter School Facilities Program (CSFP) for Rehabilitation Funds. Ms. Kronenberg seconded. Ms. Cuevas, Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Panas, Mr. Phillips, and President Block voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0. Passed with a motion by Tom Panas and a second by Madeline Kronenberg.

Yes Liz Block

Yes Valerie Cuevas

Yes Madeline Kronenberg

Yes Tom Panas

Yes Mister Phillips

**Motion Passed:** Mr. Panas moved approval of Resolution No. 87-1617 Certification of Unhoused Pupils related to CSFP New Construction Funds. Ms. Kronenberg seconded. Ms. Cuevas, Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Panas, Mr. Phillips, and President Block voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0. Passed with a motion by Tom Panas and a second by Madeline Kronenberg.

Yes Liz Block

Yes Valerie Cuevas

Yes Madeline Kronenberg

Yes Tom Panas

Yes Mister Phillips

**4. Decision for Material Revision Charter Petition, Aspire Richmond California College Preparatory Academy (Aspire RCCPA)**

Minutes:

Superintendent Duffy noted that due to the discussion that took place the last meeting's public hearing there was no plan for a presentation for this item or Item F.5.

Public Comment:

Joanna Pace, Elinor Blake

Board Comment:

Ms. Cuevas commented she is doing her best to service district students and recognizes the need to work on legislative change.

**Motion Passed:** Ms. Kronenberg moved approval of the Decision for Material Revision Charter Petition, Aspire Richmond California College Preparatory Academy (Aspire RCCPA). Mr. Panas seconded. Ms. Cuevas, Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Panas, Mr. Phillips, and President Block voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0. Passed with a motion by Madeline Kronenberg and a second by Tom Panas.

Yes Liz Block  
Yes Valerie Cuevas  
Yes Madeline Kronenberg  
Yes Tom Panas  
Yes Mister Phillips

**5. Decision for Material Revision Charter Petition, Aspire Richmond Technology Academy (Aspire RTA)**

Minutes:

Public Comment:

Joanna Pace

Board Comment:

None

**Motion Passed:** Mr. Panas moved approval of the Decision for Material Revision Charter Petition, Aspire Richmond Technology Academy (Aspire RTA). Ms. Kronenberg seconded. Ms. Cuevas, Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Panas, Mr. Phillips, and President Block voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0. Passed with a motion by Tom Panas and a second by Madeline Kronenberg.

Yes Liz Block  
Yes Valerie Cuevas  
Yes Madeline Kronenberg  
Yes Tom Panas  
Yes Mister Phillips

**6. Resolution No. 89-1617 To Approve Renewal to the Leadership Public Schools (LPS), Richmond Charter Petition**

Minutes:

Public Comment:

Joanna Pace

Board Comment:

None

**Motion Passed:** Ms. Kronenberg moved to approve Resolution No. 89-1617 To Approve Renewal to the Leadership Public Schools (LPS), Richmond Charter Petition. Mr. Panas seconded. Ms. Cuevas, Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Panas, Mr. Phillips, and President Block voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0. Passed with a motion by Madeline Kronenberg and a second by Tom Panas.

Yes Liz Block

Yes Valerie Cuevas

Yes Madeline Kronenberg

Yes Tom Panas

Yes Mister Phillips

## **7. Special Education Annual Service Plan Public Hearing**

### **Special Education Annual Budget Plan Public Hearing**

Minutes:

Mr. Collins presented history and a high level overview of the Service and Budget Plan requirements. Mr. Berger, Director Elementary Programs, presented information on the annual budget plan and requirements and walked through the line items. Mr. Nazario, Director Secondary Programs, presented service plan information and requirements and services being provided, some of which are unique to fit the needs of our students.

President Block opened the public hearing.

Public Comment:

None

President Block closed the public hearing.

Board Comment:

Ms. Block questioned where autism classes are. Mr. Collins provided site locations.

Ms. Cuevas questioned the parent/student survey results on how serving the needs of the students. Mr. Collins stated they were just completed and data has not been compiled as yet and will be presented in September.

President Block reiterated her concern that numbers are being under reported but acknowledged staff is a better job of identifying.

**Motion Passed:** Ms. Kronenberg moved to approve the Special Education Annual Service Plan Public Hearing Special Education Annual Budget Plan. Mr. Panas seconded. Ms. Cuevas, Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Panas, Mr. Phillips, and President Block voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0. Passed with a motion by Madeline Kronenberg and a second by Tom Panas.

Yes Liz Block

Yes Valerie Cuevas  
Yes Madeline Kronenberg  
Yes Tom Panas  
Yes Mister Phillips

**8. Adopt Resolution No. 88-1617 Ratifying Budget Revisions, Resulting Transfers, Increases and/or Decreases in Appropriations for the 2016-17 Budget**  
Minutes:

Public Comment:  
None

Board Comment:  
None

**Motion Passed:** Ms. Cuevas moved to approve Resolution No. 88-1617 Ratifying Budget Revisions, Resulting Transfers, Increases and/or Decreases in Appropriations for the 2016-17 Budget. Ms. Kronenberg seconded. Ms. Cuevas, Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Panas, Mr. Phillips, and President Block voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0. Passed with a motion by Valerie Cuevas and a second by Madeline Kronenberg.

Yes Liz Block  
Yes Valerie Cuevas  
Yes Madeline Kronenberg  
Yes Tom Panas  
Yes Mister Phillips

**9. Madera Elementary School Kindergarten Portable Classroom Change Order Approval**

Minutes:

Ms. LeBlanc explained the reason for the change was to address code requirements for fire rating of the portables.

Public Comment:  
None

Board Comment:  
President Block questioned the location of the portable. Mr. Freese clarified.

**Motion Passed:** Mr. Panas moved to approve the Madera Elementary School Kindergarten Portable Classroom Change Order Approval. Ms. Kronenberg seconded. Ms. Cuevas, Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Panas, Mr. Phillips, and President Block voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0. Passed with a motion by Tom Panas and a second by Madeline Kronenberg.

Yes Liz Block  
Yes Valerie Cuevas

Yes Madeline Kronenberg  
Yes Tom Panas  
Yes Mister Phillips

## **G. BUSINESS ITEMS - CONSENT ITEMS**

### **1. Contracts**

Minutes:

This item was pulled for discussion.

MOTION: Mr. Phillips stated he felt the plan for Kennedy Family was incomplete and motioned to table the Partners in Innovation contract until that piece has been completed along with further discussion among the Board regarding reclassification of ELL students. Ms. Kronenberg seconded. Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Phillips and President Block voted yes. Mr. Panas and Ms. Cuevas voted no, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 3-2-0-0 to table the item to a future meeting.

Superintendent Duffy requested clarification from the Board as to information required.

MOTION: President Block motioned to reconsider tabling of the Partners in Innovation contract, Mr. Panas seconded. Ms. Cuevas, Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Panas, Mr. Phillips and President Block voted yes with no abstentions and no absences. Motion was approved unanimously to reconsider tabling of the item.

Mr. Derek Mitchell, CEO Partners in Innovation, provided information on the remediation process, student performance and teacher development plans. Discussion continued around remediation planning and plan responsibility.

**MOTION:** At 11:57 PM Mr. Panas moved to extend the meeting to 12:30 AM which was unanimous.

Discussion continued regarding academic and staffing plan components, teacher retention and success matrix of the program.

Mr. Phillips requested the reclassification campaign portion of the plan be re-agendized at a future meeting which President Block agreed should be brought back for future discussion. He also questioned what could be done to provide incentives for teachers to stay at particular sites.

Mr. Panas questioned the plan should funding not materialize which Superintendent Duffy stated no one would pay as scope is being negotiated at this time. He also questioned leadership development of principals which Superintendent Duffy responded to.

Discussion continued about changing the culture at schools creating an environment to retain teachers at high need schools.

Ms. Cuevas requested a roll call vote.

**Motion Passed:** Mr. Panas moved approval of Consent Item G.1 in total. Ms. Kronenberg seconded. A roll call vote was taken with Ms. Cuevas, Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Panas, Mr. Phillips, and President Block voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0. Passed with a motion by Tom Panas and a second by Madeline Kronenberg.

Yes Liz Block  
Yes Valerie Cuevas  
Yes Madeline Kronenberg  
Yes Tom Panas  
Yes Mister Phillips

## **2. Summary of Payroll and Vendor Warrant Reports**

### **3. Routine Personnel Changes - Certificated**

Minutes:

This item was pulled for discussion and separate action.

Mr. Phillips questioned experience of the Principal position. Mr. Whittemore clarified.

**Motion Passed:** Ms. Kronenberg moved approval of Consent Item G.3. Ms. Cuevas seconded. Ms. Cuevas, Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Panas, Mr. Phillips, and President Block voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0. Passed with a motion by Madeline Kronenberg and a second by Valerie Cuevas.

Yes Liz Block  
Yes Valerie Cuevas  
Yes Madeline Kronenberg  
Yes Tom Panas  
Yes Mister Phillips

## **4. Routine Personnel Changes - Classified**

### **5. Approve the following new job description - Campus Security Officer Supervisor**

Minutes:

This item was pulled for discussion.

Mr. Panas questioned the potential for conflict between positions or roles in Items G.5 and G.6. and what the Willful Defiance task force might recommend. Mr. Whittemore advised there was not a conflict of interest.

President Block expressed concern over hiring positions not directly related to

teaching and what the Director of Safety would be responsible for. Superintendent Duffy responded.

**Motion Passed:** Mr. Panas moved approval of Consent Item G.5. Ms. Kronenberg seconded. Ms. Cuevas, Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Panas, Mr. Phillips, and President Block voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0. Passed with a motion by Tom Panas and a second by Madeline Kronenberg.

Yes Liz Block  
Yes Valerie Cuevas  
Yes Madeline Kronenberg  
Yes Tom Panas  
Yes Mister Phillips

**6. Approve the following new job description - Director of Safety**

Minutes:

This item was pulled for discussion and separate action.

**Motion Passed:** Mr. Panas moved approval of Consent Item G.6. Ms. Kronenberg seconded. Ms. Cuevas, Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Panas, Mr. Phillips, and President Block voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0. Passed with a motion by Tom Panas and a second by Madeline Kronenberg.

Yes Liz Block  
Yes Valerie Cuevas  
Yes Madeline Kronenberg  
Yes Tom Panas  
Yes Mister Phillips

**7. Acceptance of Contra Costa County Office of Education Third Quarterly Report for Williams Settlement Legislation**

Minutes:

This item was pulled for discussion and separate action.

**Motion Passed:** Mr. Phillips moved approval of Consent Item G.7. Ms. Kronenberg seconded. Ms. Cuevas, Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Panas, Mr. Phillips, and President Block voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0 Passed with a motion by Mister Phillips and a second by Madeline Kronenberg.

Yes Liz Block  
Yes Valerie Cuevas  
Yes Madeline Kronenberg  
Yes Tom Panas  
Yes Mister Phillips

**8. Revised Board Policies: BP 1221 Parcel Taxes and BP 1312.3 Uniform Complaint Procedures**

Minutes:

This item was pulled for discussion and separate action.

Mr. Panas requested this item be considered as a first reading.

President Block adjourned the meeting prior to completion of discussion. The item was tabled for the next meeting.

**9. Approval of Board Member Travel**

**10. Community Advisory Committee (CAC) for Special Education**

Minutes:

This item was pulled for discussion and separate action.

Due to lack of time this item was tabled for the next meeting.

**11. Students and Chaperones from Richmond High will be visiting Atlanta, Washington D.C., Norfolk and Greensboro**

**12. Ratification and Approval of Engineering Services Contracts**

Minutes:

This item was pulled for discussion and separate action.

Due to lack of time this item was tabled for the next meeting.

**13. Ratification of Negotiated Change Orders**

Minutes:

This item was pulled for discussion and separate action.

Due to lack of time this item was tabled for the next meeting.

**14. Increase the Budget for Fairmont Elementary School Portable Project and Award of Contract for the Fairmont Elementary School Portables Replacement**

**15. Award of Contract: Fairmont Elementary School Exterior Painting**

**16. Kennedy High School Welding Lab Project Rejection of Bid and Authorization for Staff to Rebid the Project**

**17. Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC) Appointment**

**Motion Passed:** Ms. Cuevas moved approval of Consent Items G.2, G.4, G.9, G.11 and G.14 G.17. Ms. Kronenberg seconded. Ms. Cuevas, Ms. Kronenberg, Mr. Panas, Mr. Phillips, and President Block voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0. Passed with a motion by Valerie Cuevas and a second by Madeline Kronenberg.

Yes Liz Block

Yes Valerie Cuevas

Yes Madeline Kronenberg

Yes Tom Panas

Yes Mister Phillips

**H. UNFINISHED REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD**

Minutes:

None

**I. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Minutes:

None

**J. THE NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

Lovonya DeJean Middle School – June 14, 2017

**K. ADJOURNMENT**

Minutes:

President Block adjourned the meeting at 12:22 AM.