

BERKELEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Board of Education
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Official Minutes
June 26, 2019

Vice President Beatriz Leyva-Cutler called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. She reported that the Board convened to Closed Session at 5:30pm.

Roll Call

Board of Education:

Judy Appel, President – Excused
Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Vice President – Present
Ty Alper, Director/Clerk – Present
Ka’Dijah Brown, Director – Present
Julie Siniai, Director -- Present

Administration:

Donald E. Evans, Ed. D, Superintendent
Pasquale Scuderi, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services
Pauline Follansbee, Interim Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Vacant, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
Lyz Chairez, Recorder

OPEN SESSION

APPROVAL OF REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Motion to approve agenda:

At the request of Director Alper, item 12.17, Approval of Contracts/Purchase Orders for Services Contracts, was moved to action.

Motion to approve the agenda as amended:

Sinai/Alper and approved 4-0.

REPORT CLOSED SESSION

Vice President Leyva-Cutler reported out on closed session:

Consideration of Student Expulsion (Ed Code Section 48918(c))
Case No. 022105

Motion to approve deferral agreement:
Brown/Sinai and approved 4-0.

Case No. 040203

Motion to approve staff recommendation:
Alper/Leyva-Cutler and approved 4-0.

Parent/Student Challenge to Content of Pupil Records (Ed Code Section 49070(c))

Case No.122206

Motion to approve expungement of student record:
Alper/Brown and approved 4-0.

Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(a))

OAH Case No. 201904145

Motion to approve staff recommendation:
Alper/Brown and approved 3-0:
Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Vice President – *Recused*
Ty Alper, Director/Clerk – *Yes*
Ka’Dijah Brown, Director – *Yes*
Julie Sinai, Director -- *Yes*

OAH Case No. 2019040484

Motion to approve staff recommendation:
Brown/Sinai and approved 3-0:
Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Vice President – *Recused*
Ty Alper, Director/Clerk – *Yes*
Ka’Dijah Brown, Director – *Yes*
Julie Sinai, Director -- *Yes*

OAH Case No. 2019050461

Motion to approve staff recommendation:
Alper/Leyva-Cutler and approved 4-0.

Public Employee Appointment (Government Code Section 54957)

Vice Principal, Longfellow

Motion to approve the appointment of Doreen Bracamontes as Vice Principal at Longfellow Middle School:
Alper/Leyva-Cutler and approved 4-0.

Authorize the Superintendent to Appoint Employees During the Board’s Summer Recess

Motion to authorize the Superintendent to appoint employees during the Board’s summer recess:
Sinai/Brown and approved 4-0.

Collective Bargaining Government Code Section 54957.6(a) (District Negotiator: Roy Combs)
Berkeley Federation of Teachers (BFT)

The Board heard an update on this matter; no action was taken.

Snapshot of Our Schools

Presented on excellence through equity at Washington Elementary.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

A total of two people addressed the Board:

- One comment in gratitude of staff at King CDC
- One comment regarding budget for the offices of student services and title IX complaints

BOARD MEMBER AND SUPERINTENDENT COMMENTS

Vice President Leyva-Cutler recognized Associate Superintendent Scuderi, thanking him for his years of service to BUSD and wishing him well as he moves on.

Director Sinai also recognized Scuderi for his educational leadership and added that he will be missed. She went on to announce that the City of Berkeley approved budget for workforce housing planning.

Director Alper thanked Director Sinai for her work around workforce housing. He also thanked Associate Superintendent Scuderi, saying that his departure was a great loss for BUSD, even though the continued purge of Dodgers fans from the District was worthy of celebration .

Director Brown thanked Associate Superintendent Scuderi for his commitment to BUSD students and families. She congratulated Superintendent Evans on his retirement.

Superintendent Evans thanked Principal Hazen for a wonderful presentation on the work happening at Washington Elementary. He thanked Associate Superintendent Scuderi and wished him all the success in his new role as Superintendent in Alameda USD.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar:

Alper/Brown and approved 4-0

Approval of Contracts/Purchase Orders for Services Contracts 12.7 –

Motion to approve contracts/purchase order for services:

Alper/Brown and approved 3-0:

Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Vice President – Yes

Ty Alper, Director/Clerk – Yes

Ka'Dijah Brown, Director – Yes

Julie Sinai, Director -- *Recused*

Update on K-9 Math in BUSD – *Discussion/40 min Actual:56 min*

Allotted time: 40 min

Actual time: 56 min

Presenters:

Pasquale Scuderi, Associate Superintendent

Maggie Riddle, Executive Director, K-8 Schools

Suneye Cardakli, 9th Grade Math Coordinator

Tracey Iglehart, K-5 Math Coach

Ryan Keely, Middle School Math Coach

Presenters reported that much discussion has taken place with math teachers, administrators and district staff in response to ongoing concerns around mathematics. Their presentation outlined challenges and areas of improvement as well as potential strategies to address each of them.

Approval of Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) for 2019-20 – *Action*

Time allotted: 20 min

Actual time: 4 min

Associate Superintendent Scuderi requested Board approval of the final 2019-20 LCAP for submission to the County:

Motion to approve final LCAP:

Alper/Sinai and approved 3-0:

Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Vice President – *Yes*

Ty Alper, Director/Clerk – *Yes*

Ka'Dijah Brown, Director – *Absent*

Julie Siniai, Director -- *Yes*

Approval of Adopted Budget for 2019-20 – *Action*

Alper/Leyva-Cutler and approved 3-0:

Beatriz Leyva-Cutler, Vice President – *Yes*

Ty Alper, Director/Clerk – *Yes*

Ka'Dijah Brown, Director – *Absent*

Julie Siniai, Director -- *Yes*

ADJOURNMENT

9:10pm