

**CULVER CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
ADOPTED MINUTES**

Meeting:	<u>Regular Meeting</u>	Date:	<u>November 12, 2013</u>
Place:	<u>District Administration Office</u>	Time:	<u>6:00 p.m. – Public Meeting</u>
	<u>4034 Irving Place</u>		<u>6:01 p.m. – Closed Session</u>
	<u>Culver City 90232</u>		<u>7:00 p.m. – Public Meeting</u>

Board Members Present
Katherine Paspalis, Esq., President
Nancy Goldberg, Clerk
Laura Chardiet, Member
Karlo Silbiger, Member

Staff Members Present
David LaRose, Superintendent
Kati Krumpe
Leslie Lockhart
Mike Reynolds

Call to Order

Board President Ms. Paspalis called the meeting of the Culver City Unified School District Board of Education to order at 6:00 p.m. The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 6:01 p.m. and reconvened the public meeting at 7:00 p.m. with four Board members in attendance. Ms. Siever was not present. Kelly Wilcox led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Report from Closed Session

Ms. Paspalis reported that the Governing Board met in Closed Session regarding issues listed on today's Closed Session agenda and announced that no reportable actions were taken.

7. Public Hearing

7.1 Association of Classified Employees (ACE) Initial Collective Bargaining Proposal to the Culver City Unified School District (CCUSD) for the 2013-2014 School Year

Ms. Paspalis opened the public hearing at 7:03 p.m. With no comments from the audience Ms. Paspalis closed the public hearing at 7:04 p.m.

7.1 Culver City Unified School District (CCUSD) Initial Collective Bargaining Proposal to the Association of Classified Employees (ACE) for the 2013-2014 School Year

Ms. Paspalis opened the public hearing at 7:05 p.m. George Laase stated that it is hoped in his household that the District find the money to be an “equal partner” in health benefits. Last he checked in 2010 the employees were paying 56% and the District was paying 44%. With no additional comments from the audience Ms. Paspalis closed the public hearing at 7:07 p.m.

8. Adoption of Agenda

It was moved by Ms. Chardiet and seconded by Ms. Goldberg that the Board adopt the November 12, 2013 agenda as presented. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

9. Consent Agenda

Ms. Paspalis called the Consent Agenda and asked if any member of the audience or the Board wished to withdraw any item. No items were withdrawn. It was moved by Ms. Chardiet and seconded by Ms. Goldberg to approve Consent Agenda Items 9.1 – 9.7 as presented. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

- 9.1 Minutes of Regular Meeting – October 22, 2013
- 9.2 Purchase Orders
- 9.3 Acceptance of Gifts – Donations
- 9.4 Certificated Personnel Reports No. 7
- 9.5 Classified personnel Reports No. 7

9.6 Enrollment Report

9.7 Disposal of Surplus Equipment

10. Awards, Recognitions and Presentations

10.1 CCUSD – Power of Us Recognition

Mr. LaRose informed the Board about this new monthly agenda item that will focus on celebrating staff, students, community members, and partners whose efforts model our deep belief in all students and represent our commitment to working together to ensure all children learn at high levels. Dr. Krumpke informed the Board about the District partnerships with Loyola Marymount University, the Cotsen Foundation who have been providing strong professional development to our K-12 math teachers, and The Leonetti O'Connell Family Foundation. She spoke about how none of the current work being done would be possible without the hard work and dedication of our math teachers. They go above and beyond the call of duty. She said their work is not to go unrecognized or commended. Dr. Krumpke presented the teachers with certificates that have been participating in the program and "CCUSD Power" of US t-shirt.

11. Public Recognition

11.1 Superintendent's Report

Mr. LaRose began his report by acknowledging Ms. Slabbinck, Principal at La Ballona Elementary School, and her staff as they have been notified that the school is eligible to receive the 2014 California Distinguished School honor. Mr. LaRose announced that the Superintendent from Berkeley Unified School District along with his Cabinet members and principals will be visiting the High School next week to look at some of the work being done there regarding closing the achievement gap. There was also a visit from a Southern California public radio staff member who was doing a story on symphonic jazz. She had been taking a look at how symphonic jazz is being used at some of our schools. Mr. LaRose announced that Student Board Member, Roy Gonzalez, has made won his primary election is advancing to the final round in the statewide Lieutenant Governor election in Youth and Government. Ms. Goldberg gave Mr. Gonzalez commendations saying that he is our first major contender for the position. Ms. Paspalis added that two other students made it to the primaries. The first is Simon Johnson for Forearm Speaker of the Assembly and her son Matt Paspalis won Forearm Sergeant at Arms.

11.2 Assistant Superintendents' Reports

Dr. Krumpke reported that the Math Achievement Committee met to finalize the Middle School math sequences for 2014-2015 school year. They have completed the Middle School pathways and the math pathway recommendations will come to the Board in December. Dr. Krumpke provided the Board with a tentative schedule that she and Mr. LaRose prepared for "mini-Board workshops starting at 4:45 p.m. and taking place before the regular Board meetings. She explained what information would be covered at these workshops. Ms. Paspalis asked where were other subjects such as social studies, languages, and the arts in the planning of curriculum. Dr. Krumpke stated that the District has not been given that information yet. She also spoke about the requirements with the local control funding that the District receives.

Mrs. Lockhart reported that negotiations will take place with CCFT on November 14th. Since the public hearing took place with ACE we can start negotiations. She also reported on her attendance at the ACSA Leadership Summit which consisted of three days of workshops.

Mr. Reynolds provided the Board with a budget status report. He stated he received the information from the Department of Finance and the District is looking very good financially.

11.3 Student Representatives' Reports

Middle School Student Representative

Natalya Tapia, Culver City Middle School Student Representative, reported on activities at Culver City Middle School, including reported that Thanksgiving O'Grams are being sold but they are for the teachers, so they are called the "Thank you Teacher O'Grams." The Middle School is also contributing to the Back Pack for kids program and they are trying to get the students to donate canned spaghetti sauce. The dance was two weeks ago and the school made one thousand dollars in profit.

Culver Park Student Representative

Wendy Gonzalez, Culver Park High School Student Representative, reported on activities at Culver Park High School, including the Sweater Forums and there has been a lot of student interest. She stated the school was participating in the fundraising for the Back Pack for Kids program and they are trying to get the student to donate canned fruit.

Culver City High School Student Representative/Student Board Member

Roy Gonzalez, Student Board Member, thanked Board members for their encouraging words. He also congratulated the three winners of the School Board elections and informed the Board how the elections were followed by students at school. It had a very positive effect. Nick Guthman, ASB President turned eighteen two weeks before the elections and had his first opportunity to vote. They started a Young Political Club at the High School and tried to rally anyone that could vote to go and vote. He reported on activities at Culver City High School, including a House of Representatives meeting which was very productive ASB this year is trying to embody the fact that it is a student government. So they are adopting a bicameral legislature in the school and using the ASB and the House of Representatives as the Senate. They're doing a new process called Proposal Making. The first proposal passed through administration which is to incorporate birthdates on the school I.D. to show the students' age. ASB is trying to fundraise for more charitable events such as the Back Pack for Kids Program and for people in the Philippines that have suffered after the recent events. AVPA is performing "12 Angry Jurors." Mr. Gonzalez provided the Board with updates on the various team sports in the school such as the girl's volleyball team being undefeated, and the football team being undefeated in the league. The first Centaurian Leadership Conference was held and there were about eighty people in attendance and there were three workshops. Mr. Gonzalez thanked Mr. LaRose for arranging the sponsors for the event which were Sony, Jackson Market and Culver City Toyota. He said that Nick Guthman spoke to Council Member Jim Clarke who suggested that the students try to reach out to the non-profit organizations in Culver City to see if they need help which in turn would help the seniors with obtaining their service credits if they are short.

Nick Guthman, ASB President, arrived at the meeting and congratulated Simon Johnson and Matt Paspalis for their achievements with Youth and Government. Mr. Guthman stated that he spoke to Council Member Jim Clarke who proposed the idea of a Non-Profit Faire. The faire would be to try to get non-profit companies/organizations in Culver City to partner with Culver City High School to assist with service hours. Todd Johnson, father of Simon Johnson, wanted to add that he was very impressed with the high school seniors in Sacramento and how great they were with the kids.

11.4 Members of the Audience

Members of the audience spoke about:

- Todd Johnson spoke about his attendance, along with Shea Cunningham, at the Green Schools Summit in Pasadena. The District was commended as a Leadership District and we were awarded with the commendation for the category of energy as it relates to the Green 5 Program. Mr. Johnson read what was inscribed on the award.
- Michelle Mayans produced the Us Snow Farm event at West Los Angeles College and wanted to clarify the teachers that helped produced the event. It would not have been as successful without teachers, Kelly Tarvyd, Genevieve Gilbert Rolfe, and Brandy Peacock. They were amazing.

11.5 Members of the Board

Board Members spoke about:

- Ms. Chardiet stated that it was great to have teachers present at the meeting tonight. The CCEF Benefactors Breakfast was great this morning and very fulfilling to see. She feels that rolling out the common core curriculum is going to be "tricky and challenging" but as long as we have communication it should be okay.
- Mr. Silbiger stated that he thinks the workshops are a good idea but he was not sure about the time of 4:45 p.m. He said that it could be hard for parents to attend. Mr. Silbiger reported that there was a bond meeting with Keygent and it seemed like it went well. He noted that there were fewer questions from the

community at the meeting which could mean that there is a better understanding of the process starting to happen.

- Ms. Goldberg agreed that one meeting after another might be difficult for some to attend, such as a “mini Board workshop” to precede a regular Board meeting. She stated that was proud of the Environmental Sustainability Committee and feels that she has been a part of it from the beginning. Ms. Goldberg feels that the atmosphere post-election has been less contentious which she appreciates. She attended AVPA’s “12 Angry Jurors” which was great.
- Ms. Paspalis stated that she appreciates the service of Mr. Silbiger and Ms. Siever, and she looks forward to working with the new Board members. She went to the Benefactor’s Breakfast at Akasha and it was really inspiring. She commented on how much Downtown Culver City has changed and improved. These changes along with the schools bring a great value to the City. She appreciates being part of a great city. Ms. Paspalis reported on her attendance at the Linwood Howe and La Ballona and El Marino fall carnivals and they were all great and well attended. She is looking forward to seeing “12 Angry Jurors.” She thanked everyone for supporting her son.

12. Information Items

12.1 CCUSD PLC – Question 2 – How will we know if they know it?

Dr. Krumpe shared details of our efforts to collaboratively design common assessments for each identified essential standard and emphasized how this process is critical to our effective implementation of common core. She also shared the status of state testing for the 2013-2014 school year and the expected testing for the 2014-2015 school year. Dr. Krumpe also spoke about the funding for common core. Mr. Silbiger thanked Dr. Krumpe for her presentation and asked about the costs to the District and how many days of testing are we anticipating. Dr. Krumpe stated that there will be one class period for math and one class period for ELA testing. He also inquired about the assessments. Dr. Krumpe explained how the assessments will be built. Mr. Silbiger thinks it would be beneficial to have the teachers from each grade level come together to prepare the assessment questions. Ms. Chardiet stated that over the past five years the District has spent a lot of time on the arts and wanted to know how the integration piece is going to work. Dr. Krumpe explained that they are working with the Music Center and the teachers are very interested in keeping the art integration lessons. Ms. Goldberg stated that she is frustrated with all of the testing and she thought with common core there would be less testing, but there isn’t. She thinks there needs to be a policy on the requirements for testing. Ms. Goldberg also asked how we really deal with the very advanced students when you are trying to teach standards. Mr. LaRose explained what the staff outlook is on trying to work with all students, and how we are trying to create a system that is designed internally to address the needs of all students.

13. Recess

The Board agreed to bypass recess.

14. Action Items

14.1 Superintendent’s Items - None

14.2 Education Services Items

14.2a Approval is Recommended for the Agreement between Loyola Marymount University and Culver City Unified School District

It was moved by Mr. Silbiger and seconded by Ms. Chardiet that the Board approve the Agreement between Loyola Marymount University and Culver City Unified School District as presented. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

14.3 Business Services Items

14.3a Approval is Recommended for the Agreement between Culver City Unified School District and Alliant Consulting

It was moved by Ms. Goldberg and seconded by Ms. Chardiet that the Board approve the Agreement between Culver City Unified School District and Alliant Consulting as presented. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

14.3b Approval is Recommended to Ratify the Addendum to the Site Maintenance Lease Lease-Back Agreement with Balfour Beatty Company

It was moved by Ms. Goldberg and seconded by Ms. Chardiet that the Board approves to Ratify the Addendum to the Site Maintenance Lease Lease-Back Agreement with Balfour Beatty Company as presented. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

14.4 Personnel Items

14.4a Approval is Recommended for Resolution #3-2013/2014 (HR), Regarding Layoff of Classified Vacant Position (Clerk Typist II-Security)

It was moved by Ms. Chardiet and seconded by Ms. Goldberg that the Board approve Resolution #3-2013/2014 (HR), Regarding Layoff of Classified Vacant Position (Clerk Typist II-Security) as presented. Mr. Silbiger asked if this item had the approval of ACE President Debbie Hamme. Mrs. Lockhart confirmed. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

14.4b Approval is Recommended for New Classified Job Classification and Job Description – Security Communications Technician

It was moved by Ms. Goldberg and seconded by Ms. Chardiet that the Board approve the New Classified Job Classification and Job Description – Security Communications Technician as presented. Ms. Paspalis stated that she assumes this item has the approval of Ted Rochetti the Supervisor of Security. Mrs. Lockhart confirmed. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

14.4c Approval is Recommended for the 2013/2014 Initial Collective Bargaining Proposal from the Culver City Unified School District (CCUSD) to the Association of Classified Employees (ACE) for the 2013/2014 School Year

It was moved by Ms. Goldberg and seconded by Ms. Chardiet that the Board approve the 2013/2014 Initial Collective Bargaining Proposal from the Culver City Unified School District (CCUSD) to the Association of Classified Employees (ACE) for the 2013/2014 School Year as presented. The motion was approved with a vote of 4 – Ayes and 0 – Nays.

15. Board Business - None

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Ms. Chardiet, seconded by Ms. Goldberg and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting. Board President Ms. Paspalis adjourned the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

Approved: _____
Board President

Superintendent

On: _____
Date

Secretary