

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

Meeting:	<u>Regular Meeting</u>	Date:	<u>April 22, 2014</u>
Place:	<u>Culver City High School (Multi-Purpose Room) 4401 Elenda Street Culver City, CA 90230</u>	Time:	<u>6:00 p.m. – Public Meeting 6:01 p.m. – Closed Session 7:00 p.m. – Public Meeting</u>

Board Members Present
Laura Chardiet, President
Nancy Goldberg, Vice President
Steven M. Levin, Ph.D., Clerk
Susanne Robins, Member
Katherine Paspalis, Esq., Member

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

Call to Order

Board President Ms. Chardiet 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 7:10 p.m. with all Board members in attendance. High School student, Kishore Athreyas, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Report from Closed Session

Ms. Chardiet 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.

8. Adoption of Agenda

It was moved by Ms. Robins and seconded by Ms. Paspalis that the Board adopt the April 22, 2014 agenda as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes from Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays.

9. Consent Agenda

Ms. Chardiet called the Consent Agenda and asked if any member of the audience or the Board wished to withdraw any item. Ms. Paspalis withdrew items 9.8 and 9.9 so that the Board could read the Proclamations. No other items were withdrawn. It was moved by Ms. Robins and seconded by Ms. Paspalis to approve Consent Agenda Items 9.1 – 9.7 and 9.10 – 9.12 as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes from Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays.

- 9.1 Minutes of Regular Meeting – March 11, 2014
- 9.2 Purchase Orders and Warrants
- 9.3 Acceptance of Gifts
- 9.4 Certificated personnel Reports No. 15
- 9.5 Classified Personnel Reports No. 15
- 9.6 Williams Quarterly Report on Uniform Complaints
- 9.7 Acceptance of Baseball Scoreboard Donation from Grey Block Pizza
- 9.10 CCHS Human Relations Ambassadors Project Field Trip to Zaca Lake, CA, April 27-29, 2014
- 9.11 Student Teacher Agreement Between Culver City Unified School District and California State Teach under California State Universities.

9.8 Approval is Recommended for the Proclamation in Recognition of Classified Appreciation Week

9.9 Approval is Recommended for the Proclamation in Recognition of Teacher Appreciation Week

Items 9.8 and 9.9 were withdrawn from the agenda so that Board members could read the Proclamations out loud.

Board members took turns reading first the Proclamation in Recognition of Classified Appreciation Week and then the Proclamation in Recognition of Teacher Appreciation Week. Debbie Hamme, President of the ACE Union was present to accept the Proclamation.

10. Awards, Recognitions and Presentations

10.1 American Citizenship Awards

Mr. LaRose and the Assistant Superintendents read the names and accomplishments of each school's recipients of the American Citizenship Award for the month of April. The recipients were Rowan Atwood from El Marino School; Dominick Pineda from El Rincon Elementary; Richy Pasquel Sernas from La Ballona School; Eva Gibbs Zehnder from Linwood E. Howe School; Ava Frans from Farragut School; Sesebil Abduselam from Culver City Middle School; Gabriel Galdamez from Culver Park High School; and Catherine Paris from Culver City High School. Board members presented each recipient with a pin and certificate; and thanked the students and their families for attending the meeting.

10.2 Recognition of CCHS ROP Program Career and Technical Education Awards Recipients

Ms. Adrienne Madrid, ROP Counselor, recognized students for their CTE-ROP Student of Year medal placements. For the first time in Culver City, two students received Gold Medals: Kishore Athreya for UC Sports Medicine, and Kayla Kline for Culinary Arts. Talea Chaney received the Silver Medal for UC Sports Medicine. Two students received Bronze Medals: Ima DeLeon for Computer Applications and Gabriel Dordoni Maravankin for Automotive Technology. Marcos White, ROP Sports Medicine Teacher, announced the winners at the 13th Annual California State High School Sports Medicine Competition that took place on April 5, 2014. Those winners were Kishore Athreya, Talea Chaney, Elshadai Fekede, Aubree Flores, Chloe Green, Cynthia Herrera, Maya Lince, Martin Luna, Chris Muller, Madeline Parrales, Katie Rosengrant, Brenda Sernas, Marley Tellez, Jocelyn Torres, Imani White-Hinds and Leza Williams. In addition, Chloe Green earned first place for High School Student Trainer of the Year Advanced Division, and Chris Muller earned first place in the same competition's Rookie Division.

10.3 Certificates of Appreciation for Measure EE Committee Members

Mike Reynolds recognized and thanked members of the committee, Michael Arena, Lloyd Dixon, and Crystal Alexander for their commitment and hard work in helping to provide oversight of the Measure EE parcel tax funds.

10.4 Presentation and Thanks for Baseball Scoreboard Donation

This item was pulled from the agenda as the representatives did not make it to the meeting. It will be on a future agenda.

10.5 Spotlight on Education - Culver City High School

Dr. Krumpke stated that she wanted to be the first to introduce and congratulate Mr. Farris who has received his doctorate and is now Dr. Dylan Farris. Dylan Farris, Principal of Culver City High School, provided the Board with information about the High School beginning with the demographics and the API scores of 832 which he is very proud of the teachers and students efforts. He stated that staff started off the year with the theme of being "under construction." Part of this theme was because of the many capital improvements that have taken place at the school such as the athletic field, lockers, the new gym floor, and the new scoreboard. Dr. Farris thanked the Board for approving the much needed improvements. He also spoke about the emerging Professional Learning Community (PLC) that is working on rebuilding the infrastructure that is the learning community. One of the mantras for them is "Challenge Your Normal." Dr. Farris went on to explain what that mantra meant and envisioning a school where no one fails. Another statement or mantra is "What's your plus?" That statement is meant to ask what is that "thing" that moves you or that you are interested in. Mr. Farris also spoke about the guiding questions for the PLC: 1) What do we want our students to know? 2) How do we know when they know it? 3) What do we do when they don't? 4) What do we do when they do know it? He spoke about what staff is doing in response to these questions. Mr. Farris informed the Board of the school-wide goals and celebrations.

Mr. Farris introduced Nicholas Guthman, ASB President, who spoke about this year's ASB theme of the year which is "Legacy" and what that meant. Some of the events arranged by this year's ASB were the Centaurian

Leadership Conference; Adopt-A-Family; bringing snow to the school for a “Winter Break”; the Talent Show; the Non-Profit Organization Faire; the Student/Staff Basketball Game; Spring Carnival which had a Mardi Gras theme; and the Multi-Cultural Faire. Mr. Guthman also spoke about his future plans.

Kishor Athreya, President of ROP Ambassadors, spoke about his mentor, Adrienne Madrid, and how helpful she was. Mr. Athreya expressed some of the items that they have worked on this year such as his founding of a web site for students that are struggling in their classes. The College and Career Center’s Culver Closet is in full swing and students have been donating their time to help out. He stated that Ms. Fujisawa has created a job-shadowing program; and he thanked Mr. LaRose for his inspirational speech at the conference.

Kayle Khan Mohammed, a member of the AVP, spoke on behalf of the program and stated how the program really helped him to grow and build his confidence. The final speaker was Austin Carey who is the Student Panel Speaker. He spoke about his fulfilling experience at the High School, how much he has grown as a person, and the friendships he has made during his time. Mr. Carey shared with the Board how he got inspired to be a better student and how his interest grew to be a public speaker.

Board members thanked the presenters. Ms. Robins stated that many of the students, and Mr. Carey, were her students at the Middle School, and she expressed how proud she was to see them doing so well.

11. Public Recognition

11.1 Superintendent’s Report

Mr. Larose reported on his visit to El Rincon and complimented the students known as the El Rincon Rockets. He spoke about his visit to La Ballona for their validation visit for the California Distinguished School which went very well, and extended his compliments to the La Ballona Lions. He attended a Whole Child Whole Community meeting which was well attended. The Summer Lunch Program will be in session this summer and plans are being made. Mr. LaRose commended the Board on becoming a BLC (Board Learning Community) and expressed his appreciation. He commended Principal Veronica Montes on an outstanding Open House at Culver Park High School

11.2 Assistant Superintendents’ Reports

Dr. Krumpe thanked Dr. Farris and the students for such an inspiring presentation this evening. She provided an LCAP review and update. She explained how funding for schools will be change, and spoke about the final community meeting. Dr. Krumpe said that the community feedback was very encouraging. She met with the District Advisory Team and they provided reflective feedback for items that should be included in the District’s plan regarding low-income families. There will be three public meetings to further discuss the LCAP. Dr. Krumpe stated that she received a call from UC Berkeley to request that we speak to them to help other districts go through the same process.

Mrs. Lockhart reported that she has received the CFT Proposal for 2014/2015 and hopefully the Public Hearing will be at the next meeting. She thanked David Mielke for getting the information to the District, and stated the partnership has been a great experience.

Mr. Reynolds reported that the elevator project is finally “getting off the ground” and there will be a Ground Breaking Ceremony on April 30th. He stated that the District saved a substantial amount on the athletic field projects. Mr. Reynolds provided the Board with brief explanations regarding the contracts that are on the agenda. There are still larger scale improvements that the bond would help to fund. He announced that there is a current vacancy on the Measure EE Committee that needs to be addressed. He has received two potential candidates. The Board had a consensus that the Director of Fiscal, Sean Kearney, should continue serving on the committee.

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 upcoming field trip for 6th and 7th graders to Knott’s Berry Farm; and Grad Night taking place

on June 6th. She reported that the 8th Grade Formal will take place in June and that they are working with Culver Closet so that everyone is able to have formal wear.

Culver Park Student Representative

Wendy Mendoza, Culver Park High School Student Representative, reported on activities at Culver Park High School, including recognizing Gabe Galdamez at Culver Park who won a certificate for photography. She stated that Homeroom Wars are still happening with students competing to see who gets all of their needed credits, and the winning class will get free pizza. She spoke about how another motivation for the students is that they get to participate in many of the senior activities that the High School is doing.

Culver City High School Student Representative/Student Board Member

Roy Gonzalez, Student Board Member, reported on activities at Culver City High School, including the highlights of the year and the success of Student Councils. He stated that the college acceptance letters have arrived and seniors are making their decisions about where they will attend next year. Room 16 has a list of the colleges or universities that students have been accepted to. Mr. Gonzalez stated that Prom season is coming up, and there are a lot of great things still to come as we get closer to the end of the year that he will be reporting on.

11.4 Members of the Audience

Members of the audience spoke about:

- Robert Zirgulis stated that he was happy to see a postcard mailer that he received that had a picture of the Natatorium on it. Many people will get to see the condition of the Natatorium and hopefully vote to approve the bond measure on the June ballot.
- Jane Steinberg who is a parent of a 10th grader that is in AVPA. She invited the Board to look at the Art Work that was around the Multi-Purpose Room where the meeting is held. She stated that she is very appreciative of the Board for their commitment to the arts in the District. Ms. Steinberg gave an update on what has already been accessed at the Robert Frost Auditorium in regards to improvements and repairs. She thanked the Board for committing to funding renovations for the auditorium with funding from the bond; and she thanked them for their efforts.
- Todd Johnson, Co-Chair of the Environmental Sustainability Committee, provided the Board with good news. He stated that Grades of Green is awarding the District with a Leadership Award going to Linwood Howe Elementary School. He also announced that the Green 5 Campaign and composting is getting launched at La Ballona Elementary and he provided an Earth Day message.
- David Mielke apologized for being late to the meeting and commended Mr. LaRose for being in the office at 7:00 a.m. He stated that he was participating with the students making a presentation on “The Psychology of Happy.” Mr. Mielke reported on the opening of bargaining and how it has been great. He stated that there is a shared goal to reach the top forty-seven percent of the median of schools in the county. Part of the CFT proposal is to add ROP Program teachers to the bargaining unit. He explained how those teachers are in a “weird space” since they are part of that program, yet they are paid through the District.
- Leslie Adler, Executive Director of the Education Foundation, gave a reminder and extended invitations to the annual Tribute to the Stars. She announced Lloyd Dixon, who was in attendance, was the Volunteer of the Year at Culver City High School

11.5 Members of the Board

Board Members spoke about:

- Ms. Goldberg commended Todd Johnson and Shea Cunningham for their presentation at El Marino. She thinks it is great the way that the committee is preparing the students to be environmentally aware. Ms. Goldberg attended a tree planting in honor of Arbor Day. They planted a tree by Tito’s Tacos on Washington Boulevard. After watching the presentations this evening she stated that Culver City High School has always been an exceptional school.
- Ms. Paspalis stated that she hopes she has not been too disruptive stepping out to take phone calls but one of her children has a high fever. She hopes audience members have noticed the great art

surrounding them at the meeting. The art work was done by the AVPA students. She reported on her attendance at the Linwood Howe Royal T event, and the Art Works event at Farragut.

- Dr. Levin reported on his attendance at the Farragut Art Works, and the Culver Park Open House. He stated that he had a lot of fun talking to the high school students about science.
- Ms. Robins extended her congratulations to the ROP students. She excited to the transition of many of her former students. She provided an update from the LACSTA meeting that she attended. She stated that the topic of technology in schools and transition for Common Core were the main topics. Ms. Robins reported on her attendance at the Farragut Art Works event and stated the work was outstanding. She asked about the program cost for Measure EE once it sunsets. Mr. Reynolds responded that no, he does not anticipate any changes to programs once Measure EE is over. There are no plans to change anything with the programs at the schools. Ms. Robins would like to see a criteria formalized that the Board would use to prioritize the capital projects. Dr. Levin asked if staff could put it on the agenda for the next Board meeting.
- Ms. Chardiet thanked the Culver City Council for approving support of Measure CC. Both she and Ms. Robins visited an apprenticeship program for electricians. Hopefully the Board can have discussions on these programs. She thanked staff and the many in the audience who walked and canvassed the city in support of Measure CC. Ms. Chardiet was at many of the school site events and they were all great. She thanked Mr. LaRose for acknowledging the Board for their dedication.

13. Recess

The Board recessed at 9:20 p.m. and reconvened at 9:30 p.m.

12. Information Items

In the interest of time, and the presenters that were present, Ms. Chardiet moved item 12.3 up on the agenda to precede 12.1

12.3 Measure EE 2012-2013 Independent Audit

Lloyd Dixon presented on behalf of Crystal Alexander who was on vacation. He explained the audit and stated that it showed that the funds acquired from Measure EE are being used appropriately and for its intended uses. Michael Arenas thanked the Board for their earlier commendations. He also thanked Mr. Reynolds for his work with the committee and for announcing the current vacancy on the committee.

12.1 First Reading of Revised Board Policy 6020, Instruction – Parent Involvement; and New Administrative Regulation 6020, Instruction – Parent Involvement

Dr. Krumpe introduced the Board Policy and Administrative Regulation to the Board. Dr. Levin stated that community and parental involvement is important to him. He thinks that the policy is aligned to what he believes. Ms. Chardiet had a question about literacy training that is mentioned. Dr. Krumpe responded that we are providing that as the technology component. Each school has their own training. Further discussion ensued about how the funding will happen and the District Office liaison. The Board Policy and Administrative Regulation will be brought back to the next meeting for action.

12.2 First Reading of Revised Board Policy/Administrative Regulation 4113, Assignment

The Board Policy and Administrative Regulation were reviewed with no changes. They will be brought back to the next meeting for action.

14. Action Items

14.1 Superintendent's Items - None

14.2 Education Services Items

14.2a Approval is Recommended for the Exhibit to the AVID College Readiness System Services and Products Agreement for AVID Secondary

It was moved by Ms. Robins and seconded by Ms. Paspalis that the Board approve Exhibit to the AVID College Readiness System Services and Products Agreement for AVID Secondary Membership as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes by Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays.

14.2b Approval is Recommended for Revisions to the Secondary Enrollment Cap

Ms. Paspalis stated that 2,050 is the current enrollment, and wanted to know if putting the cap at 2,100 be too high. The previous complaints prior to the cap was the hallways were overcrowded and she wanted to make sure that this was not an issue again if the cap were at 2,100. Mr. Farris stated that he felt comfortable with the cap placed at 2,100. Ms. Paspalis wanted to be clear on what the Board was trying to do since the prior Board spent a lot of time establishing a cap. Ms. Paspalis asked for clarification on the second sentence. Mr. LaRose responded that it was to make sure that residents moving into to the area have a preserved space. It was moved by Ms. Paspalis and seconded by Dr. Levin that the Board approve Revisions to the Secondary Enrollment Cap as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes by Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays.

14.3 Business Services Items**14.3a Approval is Recommended for the Agreement with Balfour Beatty Company for Elevator Project**

It was moved by Ms. Paspalis and seconded by Ms. Goldberg that the Board approve the Agreement with Balfour Beatty Company for Elevator Project as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes by Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays.

14.3b Approval is Recommended to Ratify Purchase Order to Southern Bleacher Company, Inc.

****The Board Report for this item was inadvertently omitted for this item and therefore this item was pulled from the agenda. Instead, item 14.2b was numbered as the following item. Therefore, the rest of the items in the Business Section are moved up by one (1) letter than what is seen on the original agenda.**

14.3b Approval is Recommended for Site Maintenance Work Master Architect Agreement with Ghataode Bannon Architects

It was moved by Ms. Robins and seconded by Ms. Paspalis that the Board approve the Site Maintenance Work Master Architect Agreement with Ghataode Bannon Architects as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes by Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays.

14.3c Approval is Recommended for the Final Agreement with HplusF Architects for Robert Frost Modernization Project

It was moved by Ms. Paspalis and seconded by Ms. Goldberg that the Board approve the Final Agreement with HplusF Architects for Robert Frost Modernization Project as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes by Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays.

14.3d Approval is Recommended for the Agreement with Cumming for Independent Cost Estimating Services for the Robert Frost Modernization

It was moved by Ms. Robins and seconded by Ms. Goldberg that the Board approve the Agreement with Cumming for Independent Cost Estimating Services for the Robert Frost Modernization as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes by Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays.

14.3e Approval is Recommended for the Rejection of Claim

It was moved by Ms. Goldberg and seconded by Ms. Paspalis that the Board approve the Rejection of Claim as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes by Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays.

14.4 Personnel Items**14.4a Approval is Recommended for the Substitute Teacher Salary Schedule**

It was moved by Ms. Robins and seconded by Dr. Levin that the Board approve the Substitute Teacher Salary Schedule as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes by Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays.

14.4b Approval is Recommended for the Classified Substitute and Classified Temporary Salary Schedule

It was moved by Ms. Goldberg and seconded by Ms. Paspalis that the Board approve the Classified Substitute and Classified Temporary Salary Schedule as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes by Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays.

14.4c Approval is Recommended for the Adult School Unrepresented Teacher Salary Schedule

It was moved by Dr. Levin and seconded by Ms. Robins that the Board approve the Adult School Unrepresented Teacher Salary Schedule as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes by Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays.

14.4d Approval is Recommended for the Regional Occupational Program (ROP) Teacher Salary Schedule

Ms. Paspalis asked about credentials for the ROP teachers and would like to discuss what is necessary for them to be official teachers. Mrs. Lockhart stated that Career Tech Ed credentials, is different than teacher credentialing used to work in a classroom. It was moved by Ms. Goldberg and seconded by Ms. Paspalis that the Board approve the Regional Occupational Program (ROP) Teacher Salary Schedule as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes by Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays.

14.4e Approval is Recommended for the Independent Study & Home Teacher Salary Schedule

It was moved by Ms. Goldberg and seconded by Dr. Levin that the Board approve the Independent Study & Home Teacher Salary Schedule as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes by Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays.

14.4f Approval and Adoption of Indefinite Action for Management, Confidential and Other Unrepresented Employees for 2014/2015

It was moved by Ms. Robins and seconded by Ms. Goldberg that the Board approve the Adoption of Indefinite Action for Management, Confidential and Other Unrepresented Employees for 2014/2015 as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes by Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays.

14.4g Approval is Recommended for Resolution #18-2013/2014, Catastrophic Leave for Classified Employee

It was moved by Dr. Levin and seconded by Ms. Paspalis that the Board approve Resolution #18-2013/2014, Catastrophic Leave for Classified Employee as presented. The motion was unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes by Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays.

15. Board Business - None**Adjournment**

There being no further business, it was moved by Ms. Paspalis, seconded by Ms. Chardiet and unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes by Ms. Chardiet, Ms. Goldberg, Dr. Levin, Ms. Paspalis, and Ms. Robins; and 0 – Nays to adjourn the meeting. Board President Ms. Chardiet adjourned the meeting at 10:00 p.m.

Approved: _____
Board President

Superintendent

On: _____
Date

Secretary