

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

Meeting:	<u>Regular Meeting</u>	Date:	<u>May 27, 2014</u>
Place:	<u>Culver City Middle School (Multi-Purpose Room) 4601 Elenda Street Culver City 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 Krumpke
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 7:05 p.m. with all Board members in attendance. Culver City Middle School student Natalya Tapia 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.

7. Public Hearing

7.1 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)

Ms. Chardiet opened the public hearing at 7:10 p.m. With no comments from the public Ms. Chardiet closed the public hearing at 7:11 p.m.

7.2 Textbook Adoption, Culver City High School: Language Arts Department, *Reading for Diversity and Social Justice*; and History/Social Studies Department, *Krugman's Macroeconomics for AP*

Ms. Chardiet opened the public hearing at 7:11 p.m. With no comments from the public Ms. Chardiet closed the public hearing at 7:12 p.m.

7.3 Culver City Unified School District (CCUSD) Initial Collective Bargaining Proposal to the Culver City Federation of Teachers (CCFT) for the 2014-2015 School Year

George Laase stated that after hearing the state budget that was recently released, the items being stated in the proposal should be more of a "wish list." He stated that now with additional LCFF there will be more schools receiving more money. Mr. Laase stated that teachers are now at the median for health and welfare as they requested, but he questioned the request of getting salary to the median at this time. With no additional comments from the public, Ms. Chardiet closed the public hearing at 7:13 p.m.

8. Adoption of Agenda

It was moved by Dr. Levin and seconded by Ms. Paspalis that the Board adopt the May 27, 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. There were no items withdrawn from the audience or from Board members.

It was moved by Ms. Robins and seconded by Ms. Paspalis to approve Consent Agenda Items 9.1 – 9.7 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 – May 13, 2014

9.2 Purchase Orders and Warrants

9.3 Acceptance of Gifts – Donations

9.4 Certificated Personnel Reports No. 17

9.5 Classified Personnel Reports No. 17

9.6 2014-2015 Designation of California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) Representatives to the Ocean League

9.7 Acceptance of Enrollment Report

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 May. The recipients were Maya Sakamoto from El Marino School; Dominick Pineda from El Rincon Elementary; Leslie Hernandez from La Ballona School; Lena Klein from Linwood E. Howe School; Tessa Farrell from Farragut School; Megan Shimoda from Culver City Middle School; Allan Sahagun-Jimenez 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 the Toby Rubenstein 5th Annual Chess Tournament

Mr. Adam Adamucci, sixth grade Science Teacher provided background on the Chess Tournament and introduced Mr. Neil Rubenstein. Mr. Rubenstein spoke about the benefits to students who learn the game chess; and spoke about the skills of his late wife Toby Rubenstein and how much she enjoyed it. Mr. Rubenstein began this tournament in her memory. Mr. Adamucci read the names of the second place winner, Nick Fernandez; and first place winner Ben Glick who won fifty dollars and will have his name added to a plaque that hangs at the Middle School.

10.3 Spotlight on Education - Culver City Middle School

Jon Pearson, Principal at Culver City Middle School, spoke about the teachers focusing on the transition to the new Common Core standards. Staff has been focused on the four focus questions that has been district wide, but his presentation focused on questions three and four: What do we do when our kids don't know and What do we do when our kids do know?

Ruth Morris, GATE Coordinator, spoke about the A.E.I.O.U. Program. In the program students spend time during the day Tuesday through Thursday for intervention. The program is self funding by the student's own entrepreneurial efforts. Morris also spoke about how the SSR Program started and the bell schedule changing in the 2011-2012 school year. Ms. Lazat spoke about the types of enrichment activities that are currently at the Middle School such as stage production; publishing, broadcast news, Debate Club, ASB, and GATE, Inc., School of Business. Ms. Lazat then spoke about the intervention methods such as OLWEUS, and stated that the advisory aspect is always happening. Students did a dance performance. Board members commented and thanked Mr. Pearson for his presentation.

11. Public Recognition

11.1 Superintendent's Report

Mr. LaRose stated that he was excited about what was happening at the Middle School. Mr. LaRose wanted to compliment Mr. Pearson and thank him for gracing us with his presence and his knowledge. He announced that Mr. Pearson is leaving the District and stated he will be missed. Mr. LaRose also commended the Middle School staff on their hard work. He stated that he knows that their effort has been tremendous. He commended the AVPA seniors and the business partnerships that have been established throughout the community. Mr. LaRose announced that the 2nd Annual Summer Lunch Program will be taking place again this summer and stated that there will be many community partners involved with the program everyday such as Lakeshore Learning, Young

Storytellers, the Culver City Police Department, the Culver City Fire Department, and our own High School Cheerleaders.

11.2 Assistant Superintendents' Reports

Dr. Krumpe reported on her attendance at Farragut Elementary School's Open House. She stated she had a great time and was very impressed by the students who showed their technological expertise through interactive projects. She also reported on her attendance at the Next Generation Science Standards Rollout along with approximately 15 other teachers and administrators from Culver City. Dr. Krumpe also reported on her weekend in Santa Barbara where she was presented to the Leonetti/ O'Connell Family Foundation on the progress of year one of our Math Leadership Corps (MLC) K-12 program. She was pleased to announce that the foundation voted to continue the funding with the program. Finally, she stated that tomorrow staff is continuing their work on common core implementation.

Mrs. Lockhart announced that the District started the year off with the Health and Wellness Expo and has continued on that path throughout the year offering Zumba and yoga classes. Staff has started other activities on their own such as walking clubs and bike groups, and she was happy to see that staff continued on the theme of health and wellness through the year. Mrs. Lockhart thanked Farragut Elementary and El Rincon for hosting the Zumba and yoga classes.

Mr. Reynolds provided the Board with a lease lease-back update, and announced that the District is taking bids on the lease lease-back projects. He then explained how the projects will get done using this funding method.

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 the upcoming 8th Grade Formal on May 31st. Chipotle will be catering and they will also have a dessert bar; and the 8th grade Grad Night will take place on June 6th.

Culver Park Student Representative

Wendy Mendoza, Culver Park High School Student Representative, reported on activities at Culver Park High School, including Tie-Dye Day which was on Friday and turned out to be a big success; and the last Student Council meeting.

Culver City High School Student Representative/Student Board Member

Roy Gonzalez, current Student Board Member, had the incoming Student Board Member, Natalia Saucedo provide the report to the Board. Miss Saucedo reported on activities at Culver City High School which included Prom taking place on May 31st. Tickets sales have been great and they have sold five hundred so far. The theme is going to be Van Gogh's "Starry Night." She also spoke about Project Prom which is to assist students with items needed for Prom such as dresses and shoes. Miss Saucedo stated that she is working with City Council to try to create events that are more interactive with the students at the High School.

11.4 Members of the Audience

There were no comments from audience members.

11.5 Members of the Board

Board Members spoke about:

- Ms. Paspalis welcomed Natalia Saucedo to the Board. She thanked Jon Pearson for everything that he has done at the Middle School and for keeping an open mind about really creating an immersion program at the school.
- Dr. Levin stated that it was fun to be at the Middle School tonight because he has a fifth grader that will be attending next year. He reported on his attendance at the AVPA performance which was great; and the Farragut and La Ballona Open House events. He stated that at La Ballona he could really see the community spirit and it felt like a family. Dr. Levin wanted to point out that there are

many events that take place throughout the schools and sometimes there are overlapping events. He suggested if anyone is looking for a specific event they can look at the Community Calendar on the District's website.

- Ms. Goldberg reported on a surprise encounter she had at an event she was attending when a student of hers from 1974 walked up to her. She reported on her participation in packing the backpacks on Thursdays for some of the students. Ms. Goldberg reported on her attendance at Java Gala and "Seussical the Musical" which she stated was unbelievable.
- Ms. Robins told Mr. Pearson that the District will miss him and she wished him the best. What struck her about tonight was that every presentation had some aspect of community participation. She thanked the businesses that partner with the District. Ms. Robins attended the play "Different Words for Same Thing" which cast students in the District and she thought it was great.
- Ms. Chardiet reported on her attendance at the La Ballona Open House. She stated that it was great and there was the best food. Ms. Chardiet asked that Veronica Montes, Principal of Culver City Adult School, speak about AB86 when she does her Spotlight presentation at the next meeting. She would also like to see trend data regarding attendance, and suggested possibly getting a report at the end of the year. Ms. Chardiet thanked Mr. Reynolds and Mr. LaRose for giving information to the community regarding the needs of the District. She also thanked Dr. Krumpe for all of her hard work on the LCAP. Ms. Chardiet also thanked Mr. Pearson who she said she initially met as an irate parent, but has really gotten to know him and appreciates all of his hard work.

12. Information Items

12.1 Revised Administrative Regulation 5141.2, Students – Health Examinations; and New Board Policy 5141.3, Students – Health Examinations

Board members reviewed the information. There were no revisions and the Administrative Regulation and Board Policy will be brought back to the next meeting for approval.

12.2 First Reading of Revised Board Policy 4136/4236/4336, Non-School Employment

Ms. Paspalis had a small revision where she crossed out Government Code 1126 on the first page. Dr. Levin had a question regarding number four on the first page. Ms. Paspalis provided clarification. The Board Policy will be brought back to the next meeting for approval.

13. Recess

Board members agreed to bypass a recess.

14. Action Items

14.1 Superintendent's Items

14.1a Second Reading and Approval of Revised Board Policy 0410, Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities

It was moved by Ms. Goldberg and seconded by Dr. Levin that the Board approve Revised Board Policy 0410, Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities 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.

14.2 Education Services Items

14.2a Approval is Recommended for the Textbook Adoption, Culver City High School: Language Arts Department: *Reading for Diversity and Social Justice*; and History/Social Studies Department, *Krugman's Macroeconomics, for AP*

It was moved by Ms. Goldberg and seconded by Dr. Levin that the Board approve the Textbook Adoption, Culver City High School: Language Arts Department: *Reading for Diversity and Social Justice*; and History/Social Studies Department, *Krugman's Macroeconomics, for AP* 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.

14.3 Business Services Items

14.3a Approval is Recommended for Resolution #19/2014-2015, Approval Piggy-Back and Proposal from Class Leasing, Inc.

It was moved by Ms. Robins and seconded by Ms. Paspalis that the Board approve Resolution #19/2014-2015, Piggy-Back and Proposal from Class Leasing, Inc. 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.

14.3b Approval is Recommended for the Agreement with Balfour Beatty Company for Construction Services

It was moved by Ms. Paspalis and seconded by Ms. Goldberg that the Board approve the Agreement with Balfour Beatty Company for Construction Services 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.

14.3c Approval is Recommended for an Addendum to the Contract with Harrington Geotechnical Engineering, Inc.

It was moved by Ms. Goldberg and seconded by Ms. Paspalis to approve the Addendum to the Contract with Harrington Geotechnical Engineering, Inc. as amended. 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.

14.3d Approval is Recommended for the Agreement with Balfour Beatty Company to Provide Pre-Construction Services

Ms. Paspalis stated that this item means that the project at Robert Frost Auditorium is moving forward which she fully applauds. It was moved by Dr. Levin and seconded by Ms. Robins that the Board approve the Agreement with Balfour Beatty Company to Provide Pre-Construction Services 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.

14.4 Personnel Items

14.4a Approval is Recommended for the Adoption of the Culver City unified School District Initial Collective Bargaining Proposal to the Culver City Federation of Teachers for the 2014/2015 School Year 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.

15. Board Business

15.1 Capital Projects

Mr. LaRose stated that he and staff wanted to make sure that they are thoughtful and consistent about the capital projects. Ms. Robins stated that the criteria are still in process, but she likes the idea of established priorities so that we move forward in a logical manner. Ms. Paspalis stated that part of the projects will be to finish what we started on the athletic field. There are also potential safety issues with our fields, and we have many students using the field everyday from the Middle School and the High School. Ms. Robins stated that at the last meeting there was a suggestion to look at the field at Linwood Howe and asked if there has been any discussion on that issue.

Mr. Reynolds announced that CBAC is meeting tomorrow at 6:30 p.m. in the District Office Board Room.

Adjournment

Ms. Goldberg requested that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Robert Van Ornam. There being no further business, it was moved by Ms. Paspalis, seconded by Ms. Goldberg and unanimously approved with a vote of 5 – Ayes from 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 8:40 p.m. in memory of Robert Van Ornam. Ms. Paspalis added the meeting was also adjourned in recognition of Board President Ms. Chardiet’s birthday.

Approved: _____
Board President

Superintendent

On: _____
Date

Secretary