

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

<b>Meeting:</b>	<b><u>Regular Meeting</u></b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b><u>January 15, 2008</u></b>
<b>Place:</b>	<b><u>District Administration Office</u></b>	<b>Time:</b>	<b><u>6:00 p.m. – Public Meeting</u></b>
	<b><u>4034 Irving Place</u></b>		<b><u>6:01 p.m. – Closed Session</u></b>
	<b><u>Culver City 90232</u></b>		<b><u>7:00 p.m. – Public Meeting</u></b>

**Board Members Present**

**Dana Russell, D.D.S., President**  
**Jessica Beagles-Roos, Ph.D., Vice President**  
**Saundra Davis, M.A., Clerk**  
**Steven Gourley, Member**  
**Scott Zeidman, Esq., Member**

**Staff Members Present**

**Myrna Rivera Coté, Ed.D., Superintendent**  
**David El Fattal, M.B.A.**  
**Diane Fiello, Ed.D.**  
**Patricia Jaffe, M.S.**

**Call to Order**

Board President Dr. Russell 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 7:08 p.m. with all Board members in attendance. Ms. Debbie Hamme led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Report from Closed Session**

Dr. Russell 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 Proposal for School Year 2007-2008**

Dr. Russell opened the public hearing at 7:10 p.m. There being no comments from the audience Dr. Russell closed the public hearing at 7:11 p.m.

**8. Adoption of Agenda**

It was moved by Dr. Beagles-Roos and seconded by Mrs. Davis to adopt the January 15, 2008 agenda as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

**9. Consent Agenda**

Dr. Russell called the Consent Agenda and asked if any member of the audience or the Board wished to withdraw any item. Mr. David Mielke requested that item 9.2 be withdrawn.

It was moved by Dr. Beagles-Roos and seconded by Mrs. Davis to approve Consent Agenda Items 9.1, 9.3 - 9.10 as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

- 9.1 Minutes of Regular Meeting – December 11, 2007
- 9.3 Acceptance of Gifts - Donations
- 9.4 Certificated Personnel Reports No. 11
- 9.5 Classified Personnel Reports No. 11
- 9.6 Student Teacher Agreement between the Culver City Unified School District and California State University, Long Beach
- 9.7 Office of Child Development 2007/2008 Contract for the Infant Toddler Resource Program; the Instructional Materials Program; and the CCDF School Age Resource Program
- 9.8 Office of Child Development 2007/2008 Contract for the Infant Toddler Resource Program
- 9.9 Office of Child Development 2007/2008 Contract for the Instructional Materials Program
- 9.10 Office of Child Development 2007/2008 Contract for the CCDF School Age Resource Program

**9.2 Approval is Recommended for Purchase Orders and Warrants**

Mr. Mielke welcomed new Board members and requested additional information on five of the Purchase Orders. Mr. El Fattal provided information. It was moved by Dr. Beagles-Roos and seconded by Mrs. Davis that the Board approve purchase orders from December 3, 2007 through January 4, 2008 and warrants for December 1, 2007 through January 8, 2008 as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

**10. Awards, Recognitions and Presentations****10.1 Spotlight on Education - El Rincon Elementary**

Principal of El Rincon, Leslie Lockhart, presented the "Sweat for Nets" program and fundraiser that focused on raising awareness of malaria prevention. Board members thanked Mrs. Lockhart for her presentation and commended the High School students that put together the film for the presentation.

**11. Public Recognition****11.1 Student Representatives' Reports****Middle School Student Representative**

Edna Vogel-Amezcu, Culver City Middle School Student Representative, reported on activities at Culver City Middle School, including Valentine's Day Dance; Benchmark Testing; a visit by the 8<sup>th</sup> graders to USC, and a future trip to UCLA.

**Culver Park Student Representative**

Minilli Eustacio, Culver Park High School Student Representative, reported on activities at Culver Park High School, including an update on the outcome of the International Feast Event. Miss Eustacio extended thanks to all of the businesses who participated.

**Culver City High School Student Representative/Student Board Member**

Ogechi Wadibia, Student Board Member, reported on activities at Culver City High School, including the Pennies for Patients fundraiser; the addition of butterfly benches in the Peace Garden; a Powder Puff Game fundraiser; the AVPA One Acts performance; and the Art Department's exhibit at MOCA.

**11.2 Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Coté reported on Mr. Andrew Sotelo being named the new Assistant Principal on Special Assignment; the Governor's fiscal announcements; her attendance at the State Board regarding the appeal on the proposed Ladera Heights Territory Transfer; gathering information regarding budget cuts; her attendance at the School Services Budget Workshop; her recent joining of the Culver City Rotary; and her invitation to join the CSBA Superintendent's Committee.

**11.3 Assistant Superintendents' Reports**

Mr. El Fattal gave a preliminary report on the monetary loss to the District according to the Governor's budget proposal; an update on the next CBAC meeting; and an update on the website.

**11.4 Members of the Audience**

Members of the audience spoke about:

- The Art Department's upcoming exhibit at MOCA
- Commendations to El Rincon and the High School students for their presentation on malaria
- Keeping the students in mind to help with other duties now that the District is facing budget cuts
- Looking at priorities in the District during the fiscal crisis
- Upcoming dates for the bargaining units

**11.4 Members of the Board**

Board Members spoke about:

- Meeting with the City regarding the replacement of the grass on the fields with artificial turf
- City Council honoring students in the District
- Martin Luther King Day events taking place at the Senior Center

- A request to adjourn the meeting in memory of Emmett Walker
- Budget cuts in the District and the effect on the schools
- A request to poll Board Members to find out what information they would like to hear regarding permits
- A request to have information regarding negotiations and expulsions prior to Closed Session
- A request to receive information on the Union memberships
- Scheduling Board Workshops
- The successful Categorical Monitoring Review
- Emergency supplies at the school sites
- Culver City Friends of the Youth Health Center's upcoming Fundraiser on February 10, 2008
- Nominations being taken for the Culver City Education Foundation's Tribute to the Stars event which is scheduled for May 9, 2008; and their fundraiser at Whole Foods in El Segundo
- Dr. Beagles-Roos' attendance at the State Board's meeting regarding the appeal on the proposed Ladera Heights Territory Transfer
- The benches added at the High School in the Peace Garden
- Representatives of CBAC taking information back to their schools and to the community

Board Members recognized:

- The outstanding Blurred Vision performance by AVPA
- Dr. Fiello and Mr. Zeidman for their support in encouraging the Martin Luther King Day celebrations
- Kristine Hatanaka and her students for coming to the Board Meeting
- Dr. Beagles-Roos for attending the State Board meeting regarding Ladera Heights and representing the Board

## **12. Information Items**

### **12.1 Enrollment Report**

Mr. El Fattal presented the Enrollment Report to Board members.

### **13. Recess**

The Board declined taking a recess.

## **14. Action Items**

### **Superintendent's Items – None**

### **Education Services Items**

#### **14.1 Approval is Recommended for Overnight Out-of-State Field Trip to Sojourn to the Past to Southern states, February 14-23, 2008 – 15 CCHS Students and 2 Teachers**

Dr. Fiello provided additional information on the trip. Dr. Beagles-Roos and Dr. Russell thanked Dr. Fiello for the additional information. Dr. Russell requested that the students give a presentation on the trip at a future Board meeting. It was moved by Mrs. Davis and seconded by Mr. Gourley that the Board approve the proposed overnight field trip for 15 students to be accompanied by teachers Kelli Tarvyd and Wendy Beckendorf to Southern States, February 14-23, 2008 as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

### **Business Items**

#### **14.2 Approval is Recommended for Budget Revision to the General Fund**

It was moved by Mrs. Davis and seconded by Mr. Gourley that the Board approve the budget revision of \$2,152.42 to the General Fund as outlined in the Budget Revision Summary dated January 15, 2008 as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Personnel Items – None**

**15. Board Business - None**

**16. Public Recognition – Continued**

**16.1 Members of the Audience**

Members of the audience spoke about:

- The efficiency of the parking lot behind the Natatorium and the proposed dangers

**16.2 Members of the Board**

Members of the Board spoke about:

- The parking lot at Farragut Elementary and controlling the traffic in the area
- A request that Dr. Coté arrange to use City Hall’s Chambers for Mock Trial
- Board workshops to be arranged

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, it was moved by Dr. Beagles-Roos, seconded by Mrs. Davis and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting. Board President Dr. Russell adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m. in memory of Emmett Walker.

**Approved:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Board President

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Superintendent

**On:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Secretary