

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

August 12, 2014
Alameda City Hall
2263 Santa Clara Avenue
Alameda, California 94501

UNADOPTED MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING: The meeting of the AUSD Board of Education was held on the date and place stated above.

A. CALL TO ORDER

1. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION TOPICS:

Sarah Cruz - addressed the Board in opposition to cell phone antennas at Maya Lin School.

Jeannie D'Amato - addressed the Board in opposition to cell phone antennas at Maya Lin School.

Jessica Reed - addressed the Board in opposition to cell phone antennas at Maya Lin School.

Laura Fredrickson Daly - addressed the Board in opposition to cell phone antennas at Maya Lin School.

2. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION: 5:15 PM

3. RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION: 6:30 PM – Council Chambers

4. CALL TO ORDER - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Board Members

5. INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS & STAFF:

Members Present: Members Kahn, McMahon, Sherratt, Spencer, Tam

Absent: None

B. MODIFICATION(S) OF THE AGENDA: A Board member pulled items E1, E3, and E23 from the Consent Calendar. These items will be discussed at the end of the General Business section of the agenda.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – minutes from minutes from the Special Meetings of July 8, 2014, July 11, 2014, July 16, 2014, July 18, 2014 and the Regular Board Meetings of June 10, 2014, and June 24, 2014

Motion to Approve the Minutes from the Special Meetings of July 8, 2014, July 11, 2014, July 16, 2014, July 18, 2014 and the Regular Board Meetings of June 10, 2014, and June 24, 2014 Board meeting with minor corrections.

MOTION: Member Spencer

SECONDED: Member McMahon

AYES: Members Sherratt, McMahon, Spencer, Kahn, Tam

NOES: None

MOTION APPROVED

D. COMMUNICATIONS

1. WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

The following emails were received on the following topics:

- Over eighty emails were received concerning the proposed personnel action for Employee Appeal No. 2014-15.01 (Teacher)
- Over ten emails were received concerning Cell Phone Antennas.

2. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT -

The Acting Superintendent Barbara Adams reported on the following topics:

- First day of school on August 25, 2014
- Welcome to the New Administrators
 - Mike Bowers – Interim Chief of Human Resources
 - Adelita Martinez – English Language Department Coordinator
 - Lawrence Gotanco -- Lum Elementary School Principal
 - Danielle (Dani) R. Krueger – Administrative Assistant to the Chief Business Officer
 - Deborah (Debbie) Austin – Director of Food Services
- Alameda Special Education Parent Support Group

3. REPORT FROM EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS

AEA – None

CSEA 27 – None.

CSEA 860 – AEA President Frank Munoz addressed the Board in regards to looking forward to working with the new Interim Superintendent.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Nora Bullock – addressed the Board and submitted a new Charter petition from the Academy of Alameda.

David Howard– addressed the Board about 1) Measure I Bonds not being used for repayment of the series A and series B of Measure C, 2) Michelle Ellison blog, and 3) a public records request in regards to a proposed personnel action of a teacher and the redaction of records.

George Archibeque- addressed the Board regarding a student enrollment case.

Andrew Huntoon - addressed the Board in opposition to a proposed personnel action.

Sarah Feldman – addressed the Board in opposition to the cell phone antenna at Maya Lin School.

Erik Endress - addressed the Board in support of the Shared 911 contract.

Debra Mendoza– addressed the Board about transparency and opposition to a proposed personnel action.

Peach Salisbury & Gabby Chao– addressed the Board in opposition to the cell phone antenna at Maya Lin School.

7. CALENDAR REVIEW – Board President Sherratt read upcoming District meetings and events.
8. CLOSED SESSION ACTION REPORT – None

E. ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

2. Classified Personnel Actions
4. Approval of Contract for Interim Chief of Human Resource Services
5. Approval of Special Education Local Plan Area Master Contracts
6. Approval of Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints
7. Approval of Local Early Access Program (LEAP) 2014-2015
8. Approval of Bill Warrants and Payroll Registers
9. Resolution No. 2014-2015.03 Approval of Budget Transfers, Increases, Decreases
10. Approval and Acceptance of Donations
11. Ratification of Contracts Executed Pursuant to Board Policy 3300
12. Resolution No. 2014-2015.11 Appointment of Authorized Agents for the Board of Education
13. Resolution No. 2014-2015.12 Delegation of Authority to Purchase and Contract
14. Resolution No. 2014-2015.13 Approval of Appointment of Authorized Agents to Sign Warrants Drawn on District Accounts
15. Resolution No. 2014-2015.14 Annual Authorization to Purchase as Needed Various Commodities through Contracts Awarded by Other Public Agencies
16. Resolution No. 2014-2015.16 Approval to Establish Foundation Private Purpose Trust Fund 73 (AUSD Scholarships)
17. Approval of the Ruby Bridges Window Repair Construction Contract with A.E. Nelson Construction
18. Approval of Annual Lease of Office Space with Alameda Education Foundation (AEF)
19. Approval of Termination of Lease Agreement with Sprint/Nextel for Wood Middle School Cell Phone Antennae
20. Approval of Board Policy Revisions as Recommended by Board Policy Subcommittee on June 26, 2014
21. Approval of Contract Between AUSD and OnScene Technologies, Inc.
22. Approval of New Course Descriptions - AP Physics 1 and AP Physics 2
24. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Colleges and Universities for Student Teacher Interns: Rossier School of Education at USC; Teacher Pathways Support Program of Alameda County ("TPP"); The Regents of the University of California

Motion to approve adoption of the Consent Calendar with the exception of E1, E3, E23

MOTION: Member McMahon

SECONDED: Member Tam

AYES: Members Kahn, McMahon, Sherratt, Spencer, Tam

NOES: None

MOTION APPROVED

F. GENERAL BUSINESS – Informational reports and action items are presented under General Business. The public may comment on each item listed under General Business as the item is taken up. The Board reserves the right to limit public comment on General Business items to ten (10) minutes per item. The Board may, with the consent of persons representing both sides of an issue, allocate a block of time to each side to present their issue.

1. Presentation by AT&T on Cell Phone Towers at Maya Lin and Wood Middle School (10 Mins/Information)

Daren Chan, AT&T External Affairs presented a statement of information about AT&T on Cell Phone Towers at Maya Lin and Wood Middle School.

Jessica Reid – addressed the Board in opposition to Maya Lin’s Cell Phone Antenna.

Jeannie D’Amata - addressed the Board in opposition to Maya Lin’s Cell Phone Antenna.

Daren Chan of AT&T Discussion:

- Community outreach meeting and attended two school board meetings to answer questions about the facility.
- The facility has been operating for the past ten years and serves the area bounded roughly by Lincoln Ave., Saint Charles St., San Antonio Ave. and Page St. The site serves an area of approximately 0.75 square miles.
- The site provides service to those who work at home, need to stay in touch with family and friends, reach emergency services and conduct business while traversing this part of town.
- This is a valuable and important site because: It provides good, reliable in-building and road coverage. The nearest site to provide support is 0.4 miles away from Maya Lin. It provides good wireless coverage so customers can reliably make emergency calls from their cell phones. Nearly 70% of emergency calls are made from cell phones in the U.S. And in emergencies, school administrators, staff and parents often rely on wireless networks to provide them quick access to emergency services personnel and to one another.
- AT&T cannot eliminate this site without significantly impacting our customers

Board Discussion:

- How far is the nearest site that can serve Maya Lin’s community?
- Has AT&T looked into alternate locations to serve Maya Lin’s service areas?

- What are the parameters for alternative sites?
- What makes alternative sites a possibility?
- How disruptive would it be to remove the Maya Lin cell antenna?
- What is the farthest distance from each cell antenna to provide service to the Maya Lin's service areas?
- Contract renewal information
- Can AT&T provide a map of all AT&T's Cell Antennas in Alameda?
- Working together
- Does AT&T still place cell antennas on school sites?

2. Board Member Referral for All Cell Phone Tower Antennae Contracts (5 Mins/Information)
Robert Clark, Chief Business Officer presented All Cell Phone Tower Antennae Contracts

Board members discussed:

- When did Nextel/Sprint request for termination?
- Why did Nextel/Sprint request termination?
- Board Member Referral for no new cell phone antennas
- Need for staff to research how to put restrictions in place for no new cell phone antennas on any school sites
- Need for staff to bring back a resolution to a future Board meeting and to terminate the AT&T Cell Antenna at Wood, and implement the one year notification process.
- A future public process about the removal of cell phone antennas

G. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND REFERRALS– Requesting Party: Member Tam Agenda Item Title: Brown Act Regulations Agenda Category: General Business and Action Item Description: Member Tam requests that the General Counsel review the Brown Act in regards to what a school Board member can say or cannot say when there are three Board members attending a meeting in the community or when an individual school Board member is attending a community meeting when no other Board members are present.

Board members discussed:

- Recommendation that new Board Members receive Brown Act training through the California School Board Association.
- Benefits of the Brown Act training
- Possibility of receiving information or memo from the General Counsel regarding the Brown Act
- Limits on Board Members discussion at social events with more than two Board Members present.

PULLED CONSENT ITEMS:

E1-Certificated Personnel Actions

Motion to Approve Certificated Personnel Actions

MOTION: Member McMahon

SECONDED: Member Tam

AYES: Members Kahn, McMahon, Sherratt, Tam

NOES: Member Spencer

MOTION APPROVED

Board Member Spencer - stated in opposition of the motion because this includes an involuntary transfer of two teachers. This is the first time that the District has treated teachers as interchangeable. I think teachers should be notified before the summer what their assignments will be.

E-3 Approval of Contract for Interim Superintendent Services

Motion to Approve Contract for Interim Superintendent Services

MOTION: Member McMahon

SECONDED: Member Tam

AYES: Members Kahn, McMahon, Sherratt, Tam

NOES: Member Spencer

MOTION APPROVED

Board Member Sherratt – stated in support of the motion, our new Interim Superintendent Sean McPhetridge will bring to our community a confidence builder, and he is someone who knows families, and employees. He has over fourteen years of experience and has worked in the District as Assistant Superintendent, Principal, Assistant Principal, and Director.

E-23 Approval of Recommendations for Phase II Planning for New Innovative Programs

Motion to Approve Approval of Recommendations for Phase II Planning for New Innovative Programs

MOTION: Member McMahon

SECONDED: Member Tam

AYES: Members McMahon, Tam

NOES: Member Spencer, Kahn, Sherratt

MOTION FAILED

Board Members Discussed:

- Discuss the new Interim Superintendent reviewing the agenda item
- Discuss the agenda item to come back to the August 26, 2014 BOE meeting.

Board Member Spencer - stated in opposition of the motion because she would like this item to come back after the new Interim Superintendent reviews the agenda item.

I. ADJOURNMENT: 7:47 PM