

BAKERSFIELD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education, Tuesday, May 22, 2007
Education Center - 1300 Baker Street, Bakersfield, California

Regular Session: The regular session of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Karen DeWalt.

Members Present: The following members were present:

Mrs. DeWalt
Mrs. Tafoya
Mr. Tate
Mr. Van Horne
Mr. Vereen

Also present:

Mr. Lingo, Superintendent
Dr. Holton, Asst. Supt., Instruction
Dr. Jones, Asst. Supt., Academic Accountability and Improvement
Mrs. Schallock, Chief Business Official
Mrs. Driskill, Administrative Assistant
Mrs. Sutton, Administrative Secretary

Recessed to Closed Session: On motion by Mrs. Tafoya, seconded by Mr. Tate, it was ordered by the affirmative vote of the members present to recess to closed session.
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Closed Session: A closed session was held from 6:05 to 6:28 p.m. for the purpose of the following:

- Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.
- Conference with Labor Negotiator, Michael Lingo, regarding negotiations with employee organizations, pursuant to Government Code Section 3549.1.
- Discussion of Student Matters (*Administrative Hearing Panel recommendations and alternative school placement*), pursuant to Education Code Section 48918(c).

Reconvened to Regular Session: On motion by Mr. Van Horne, seconded by Mr. Tate, it was ordered by the affirmative vote of the members present that the Board reconvene to regular session.
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The regular session of the Board of Education reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

Pledge to Flag:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Vincent Fong.

Approval of
Minutes:

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On motion by Mrs. Tafoya, seconded by Mr. Vereen, it was ordered by the affirmative vote of the members present that the minutes of April 24, 2007, be approved.

Presentations:

Certificates of Service were presented to BCSD certificated and classified employees with 25, 30, and 35 years of service with the District.

The following students were recognized for receiving perfect attendance from kindergarten through eighth grades.

Ashley Sandoval, Stiern Middle High School

Martin Mejia, Sierra Middle School

Reyna Picazo, Sierra Middle School

Gelacia Torivio, Sierra Middle School

David Wright, Chipman Junior High School

Mr. Lingo announced that these students will be awarded certificates of achievement at their graduation ceremonies if they continue to have perfect attendance through the end of the year.

Hearings:

- >> Sandra Aguayo, Voorhies Parent, reported that Voorhies parents would like more District support for the Dual Immersion Program at their school. She requested that another kindergarten dual immersion class be added and provided a list of signatures supporting this request.
- >> Laura Silvas, Voorhies Parent, stated that parents feel a lack of support for the Dual Immersion Program by the principal and the District. She stated that there is scientific research on the effectiveness of the Dual Immersion Program and its effectiveness at closing the achievement gap and requested that the District support the program at Voorhies School.
- >> Kariana Sotelo, East High School student; and Laura Robles, Stiern Parent; spoke on the attributes of Mr. Swancott, a teacher at Stiern Middle School, and requested that he be returned to the classroom.
- >> Carol Reichert, BETA President, thanked Rick Van Horne for attending the Day of the Teacher Picnic and thanked Lillian Tafoya and Karen DeWalt for their support through CSBA and for placing the resolution to fix NCLB on the agenda. She stated that she is looking forward to consent agenda item A-3 being approved.

Comments of
Board Members
and Staff:

Mrs. Tafoya

-Congratulated all the people who were honored with certificates of service and the students for their perfect attendance.

-Thanked all the parents who are showcased on the bulletin board in the Ed Center lobby for being Parent Volunteers of the Year.

-Thanked Alfonso Gamino for his services and wished him the best in his new position in Tulare.

-Noted that she was impressed with the report provided by Dr. Jones and his staff at the last Board meeting. Stated that she was most impressed with the number of books and research that he has done. She referenced a book, "Teach with Your Heart" by Erin Gruwell, and challenged the superintendent and top management to read this book. She lent her copy of the book to Mr. Van Horne.

Mr. Van Horne

-Thanked everyone for attending the meeting and congratulated the retirees and employees who received certificates for their years of service.

-Thanked Stiern Middle School for hosting the O.D. Williams event at their site and Debbie Castillo and Rosalie Rocha for all their work to organize the event.

Mr. Tate

-Apologized for not being at the retirement dinner and O.D. Williams Program and noted that it was the first time he missed the retirement dinner. Noted that he and his wife were doing what most retirees will soon be doing – traveling.

Mr. Vereen

-Thanked Dr. Holton for her speeches at the Parent University Graduation and the Parent Volunteer of the Year Awards. He attended both events and is trying to get around to the schools and will be at a couple of the graduation ceremonies.

Mrs. DeWalt

-Noted that she also attended those events and thanked staff for organizing them.

Mr. Lingo

-Thanked Gay Barney and everyone who organized the Juliet Thorner Event.

-Reported that Gladys “Tapp” Hancock, teacher at Owens Primary, was the only teacher in the State to receive the Presidential Award for Excellence in Math and Science. She was honored in Washington DC last week and was introduced to the President. Mr. Lingo introduced Vincent Fong, a representative from Congressman Kevin McCarthy’s office. Mr. Fong read a letter personally written by Congressman McCarthy to Tapp acknowledging her achievement. Mr. Lingo introduced Brian Williams, a representative from Assemblymember Fuller’s office, who presented Tapp with a certificate of recognition for her achievement. Tapp said this was the biggest honor in her teaching career. She thanked the Board for allowing her to take the time to travel to Washington DC. She encouraged other teachers to apply for this award.

-Acknowledged staff for other awards and recognition:
Kern County Teachers Recognized for Excellence in Teaching

Kimberly Baker, Curran Middle School

Mary Fambrough-Flucker, Casa Loma School

Mary Moon, Curran Middle School

Sharleen Myers, Harris School

Sandra Patrick, Eissler School

Abraham River, Sierra Middle School

Patricia Jeanene Perry, Chavez School

Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year Award

Warren Ramay, Principal Stiern Middle School

Point Loma University’s

Prize Principal of the Month Award for April

-Introduced Dr. Evellyn Elizondo as the new Director of Research and Evaluation.

Report No. 1
DELAC Report

A report on the District English Learner Advisory Committee Classroom Visitation Commendations and Recommendations was provided for the Board’s information. Report No. 1 in the minutes file is hereby made a part of the minutes of this meeting by reference as if fully set forth herein.

Report No. 2
BCSD 2007-08
Budget
Information

A report on the Bakersfield City School District 2007-2008 Budget Information was provided for the Board’s information. Report No. 2 in the minutes file is hereby made a part of the minutes of this meeting by reference as if fully set forth herein.

Report No. 3
Instructional
Services

Dr. Ruth Holton, Assistant Superintendent, Instruction, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the accomplishments of the departments who report to the Assistant Superintendent of Instruction:

- English Language Learners
- Special Education
- Migrant Programs
- Student Services
- Pre-Kindergarten
- Parent Involvement
- New Teacher Support
- Health Services
- Library Media Services
- Visual and Performing Arts

Mrs. Tafoya complimented everyone in the Department of Instructional Services and asked several questions:

- Regarding Beginning Teacher Support Services - She has read about districts losing teachers in the first few years and asked if we have data on the number of teachers we lose.

Staff will research and provide that information.

- Regarding Summer School – We have 6,000 students enrolled in summer school with another 1,000 on the waiting list. Are there plans to expand this program? Why aren't we serving more kids?

Dr. Holton responded that in Summer School, typically all the students don't show and the waiting list helps to fill the program. Mrs. Tafoya stated that she would like to see us accommodate all the students.

Mr. Lingo stated that typically we are able to accommodate all the students on the waiting list.

- Regarding Parent University – Do we have a class on health and wellness for our parents?

Ruth Van Rodgers responded that there is a nutrition class available for parents through the Parent Academy.

Report Nos.
A-1 through A-11,
B-1 through B-3,
C-1 through C-8, and
D-1 through D-3

Refer to Board Order 71, pages 6-9.

Report No. E-1
Approved
Certificated
Personnel
Report:

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On motion by Mr. Tate, seconded by Mrs. Tafoya, it was ordered by the affirmative vote of the members present that the personnel report and supplements covering employments, changes, resignations, retirements, job descriptions, extra-time, leaves of absence and supplements No. 1, 2, and 3 for certificated employees be approved. Copy of Report No. E-1 in the minutes file is hereby made a part of the minutes of this meeting by reference as if fully set forth herein.

Report No. E-2
Approved
Classified
Personnel
Report:
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On motion by Mr. Tate, seconded by Mrs. Tafoya, it was ordered by the affirmative vote of the members present that the personnel report covering employments, suspensions, dismissals, terminations, changes, resignations, retirements, job descriptions, extra-time, and leaves of absence for classified employees be approved. Copy of Report No. E-2 in the minutes file is hereby made a part of the minutes of this meeting by reference as if fully set forth herein.

Report No. G-1
Public Hearing
Special Education
Budget and Service
Plan
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A public hearing was held at 7:37 p.m. to receive public comment regarding the Annual Service Plan and Budget Plan for the District's Special Education Local Plan Area Program and Services as required by Education Code Section 56205 (b) (1) and (2).

No one addressed the Board at this time.

Approval or
Ratification
of the Consent
Agenda:
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On motion by Mr. Van Horne, seconded by Mrs. Tafoya, it was ordered by the affirmative vote of the members present that the following reports be approved, adopted or ratified:

- A-1 Gifts to Chavez and Harris schools
Chavez: \$241.81 from White Forest Nursery to restore the school grounds
Harris: a King flute with case, a Besson trombone with case, a used freezer and mailbox from the PTA
- A-2 Consultant services
- A-3 Resolution – Fix the No Child Left Behind Act
- A-4 Amendment to Administrative Services Agreement with Central Drug System, Inc. for Random Drug Testing
- A-5 Memorandum of Understanding between the Kern County Superintendent of Schools and the BCSD for Elementary Community School Services
- A-6 Agreement for Employment Entrance Examination Provider Services with Central Valley Occupational Medical Group, Inc.
- A-7 Agreement for Services on Workers' Compensation Return-to-Work Program
- A-8 Community Classroom Agreement with the Kern High School District for the 2007-2008 School Year
- A-9 Agreement for Summer Session at California State University, Bakersfield with College Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP) June 4-29, 2007
- A-10 Contract with California State University, Bakersfield to provide sports instruction and educational enrichment to low-income students
- A-11 Workers' Compensation Service Contract with SISC from July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2010

- A-12 Agreement with Schools Legal Services for Professional Services (Developer Fee and Other Matters) for 2007-08 School Year
- B-1 District Investments and Interest Earnings for the Quarter Ending March 31, 2007
- B-2 Payment of warrants to vendors for the period May 23, 2007, through June 26, 2007
- B-3 Request to Award Bank Deposit Service Bid – Department of Food Services
- C-1 Kern County Fair/15th District Agricultural Association Lease of the Fire Station
- C-2 Request to Participate – Anaheim Union High School District Cooperative Bid #2003-30 with Class Leasing, Inc. for Lease/Purchase of DSA Modular Buildings for Modernization Projects
- C-3 Agreement for Architectural Services with Ordiz-Melby Architects, Inc.
- C-4 Garza Elementary School – Street Right-of-Way Dedication for Descanso Street
- C-5 Request to File a Notice of Completion - New Relocatable Classrooms at Hort Elementary School
- C-6 Request to Award Contracts – Asphalt Work at Various School Sites within the District
- C-7 Five Year Plan – Deferred Maintenance Program
- C-8 Contract for Services with School Facility Consultants
- D-1 Award of Bid – Art and Music Equipment
- D-2 Request to Award Produce and Related Items Bid – Department of Food Services – 2007-08 School Year
- D-3 Request to Award the Dairy Products and Related Items Bid – Department of Food Services – 2007-08 School Year
- E-3 Memorandum of Understanding between the BCSD and the California School Employees Association, Chapter #48 regarding Donation of Sick Leave
- E-4 Memorandum of Understanding between the BCSD and the California School Employees Association, Chapter #48 regarding Donation of Sick Leave
- E-5 Variable Term Waiver to assign teachers with their consent to teach out of their credentialed area, in accordance with the provisions of Education Code 44253.3: certificate or credential to provide instruction to limited English proficient students
- E-6 Variable Term Waiver to assign teachers with their consent to teach out of their credentialed area for the 2006-2007 school year, in accordance with the provisions of Education Code 44268: Professional Preparation Program for the Clinical or Rehabilitative Services Credential
- E-7 Variable Term Waiver to assign teachers with their consent to teach out of their credentialed area for the 2006-2007 school year, in accordance with the provisions of Education Code 44265:

- Professional Preparation Program for a Specialist Credential in Special Education
- E-8 Resolution to assign teachers with their consent to teach subjects in which they have completed the necessary coursework, in accordance with the provisions of Title 5, Regulations Section 80021 and 80021.1
 - E-9 Memorandum of Understanding between the BCSD and the California School Employees Association, Chapter #48, regarding Summer Pilot Program (modified work week of four ten-hour days)
 - F-1 Administrative Hearing Panel action
 - F-2 Interdistrict Agreements for attendance
 - G-2 Federal Assurances, Annual Service and Annual Budget Plan for the District's Special Education Local Plan Area Program and Services, as required by Education Code Section 56205 (b) (1) and (2).
 - G-3 Kern Regional Center Interagency Agreement for the 2006-07 and 2008-09 school years
 - G-4 Master Contract Agreement with the Center for Neuro Skills to provide nonpublic agency services for the 2006-07 school year
 - G-5 Master Contract Agreement with the Center for Neuro Skills to provide nonpublic agency services for the 2007-08 school year
 - G-6 Individual Service Agreement with Center for Neuro Skills for non-public agency services for the 2006-07 school year
 - G-7 Individual Service Agreement with Center for Neuro Skills for non-public agency services for the 2007-08 school year
 - G-8 Agreement for Summer Session "Math/Science Academy" with National Training Institute: June 11 – July 6, 2007
 - G-9 Settlement Agreement for case #1260.10506 regarding Special Education
 - G-10 Agreement with the Wright Group-Insight Professional Development to provide SB472 Professional Training Services
 - G-11 Agreement with Action Learning Systems, Inc. to provide SB 472 Professional Training Services
 - G-12 2007-2008 Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) Program Application
 - G-13 California Department of Education, Child Development Division, 2006-2007 Program Self-Evaluation

Copies of reports are hereby made a part of the minutes of this meeting by reference as if fully set forth herein.

Adjournment:
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On motion by Mr. Van Horne, seconded by Mr. Vereen, it was ordered by the affirmative vote of the members present that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, June 26, 2007.

ATTEST:
MR. MICHAEL D. LINGO
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Clerk

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