The Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles, acting as the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District, met in regular session on Tuesday, January 24, 2006, at the Los Angeles City Board of Education Administrative Offices, Board Room, 333 South Beaudry, Los Angeles, California.

President Marlene Canter called the meeting to order at 10:14 a.m.

The following Board Members were present: Ms. Marguerite Poindexter LaMotte, Mr. Jon Lauritzen, Mr. David Tokofsky, and President Marlene Canter. Ms. Julie Korenstein and Mr. Mike Lansing arrived at 10:15 a.m. and 10:21 a.m., respectively.

Mr. Lauritzen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**INSPIRATIONAL MOMENT**


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President Canter modified the Order of Business.

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**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Ms. LaMotte moved the adoption of the following reports, designated as Consent Calendar items in accordance with Board Rule 61, with the exceptions of Board of Education Report Nos. 200 and 204 – 05/06, which were held until later in the meeting to allow for speakers:

**BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 196 – 05/06**
Certification of the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for Central Region Area New Middle School No. 7

**BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 197 – 05/06**
Project Approval for Central Region Area New Middle School No. 7

**BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 202 – 05/06**
Lease Agreements for Radio Tower Locations
Authorization to Negotiate and Enter into an Agreement to Extend Existing Lease at 4201 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 202, in Los Angeles for the Special Education Support Unit East

Authorization to Negotiate and Exercise an Option to Renew the Existing Lease at 1001 Carson Street, Torrance, for the Division of Adult and Career Education Harbor Community Adult School

Naming of Mt. Vernon Middle School to Johnnie Cochran, Jr. Middle School

The following speakers addressed the Board on Board of Education Report No. 208 – 05/06:

Mr. Scott Schmerellson, Principal, Mt. Vernon Middle School
Rev. Elliott J. Mason, Sr., Pastor Emeritus, Trinity Baptist Church
Ms. Gwen Lisboa, Assistant Principal, Mt. Vernon Middle School
Ms. Kristin Nimmers, Student Body President, Mt. Vernon Middle School
Ms. Geraldine Washington
Dr. Carlton Blanton, Polemarch, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., Los Angeles Alumni Chapter
Atty. Carl Henley, NAACP College Alumni Association
Dr. Louis Murdock, President Emeritus, 100 Black Men

Mr. Lauritzen seconded the motion, which by general consent the Consent Calendar was adopted with the noted exceptions.

Later in the meeting, Ms. Korenstein moved the adoption of the following report designated as a Consent Calendar item in accordance with Board Rule 61:

Authorization to Enter into a Joint Use Agreement for the Construction of a Los Angeles County Health Center on Sun Valley Middle School Property

Hon. Zev Yaroslavsky, Supervisor, Los Angeles County, addressed the Board on the report.

Ms. LaMotte seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted.

Ms. Korenstein also moved the adoption of the following report, designated as a Consent Calendar item in accordance with Board Rule 61:

Amendment to 2005 New Construction Strategic Execution Plan to Add the New Project Definition for Valley Region Montague Charter Academy Addition

Mr. Lansing seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted.
RECEIPT OF REPORTS FOR ACTION AT NEXT BOARD MEETING

Board of Education Report No. 218 – 05/06 – Adoption of a Resolution of Necessity and Authorization to Obtain Orders for Possession of Land Parcels Required for Central Region Elementary School No. 16 and Early Education Center No. 1 Located on the Northeast Corner of Main and 58th Streets: Assigned to Regular Calendar of the Special Board Meeting of February 14, 2006

Board of Education Report No. 219 – 05/06 – Adoption of a Resolution of Necessity to Obtain Orders for Possession of Land Parcels Required for Central Region Elementary School No. 15 Located on the Southeast Corner of Washington Boulevard and Budlong Avenue: Assigned to Regular Calendar of the Special Board Meeting of February 14, 2006

Board of Education Report No. 220 – 05/06 – Adoption of a Resolution of Necessity and Authorization to Obtain Orders for Possession of Land Parcels Required for East Los Angeles High School No. 2 Located on the Southeast Corner of Brannick Avenue and Hammel Street: Assigned to Regular Calendar of the Special Board Meeting of February 14, 2006

Board of Education Report No. 221 – 05/06 – Designation of the Site Located at the Northeast Corner of San Pedro Street and 88th Place as the Preferred Site for the Location of the South Region High School No. 12: Assigned to Regular Calendar of the Special Board Meeting of February 14, 2006

Board of Education Report No. 222 – 05/06 – Designation of the Site Located at the Northwest Corner of Santa Fe Avenue and Nadeau as the Preferred Site for the Location of the South Region Middle School No. 3: Assigned to Regular Calendar of the Special Board Meeting of February 14, 2006

Board of Education Report No. 223 – 05/06 – Authorization to Negotiate and Enter into a New Lease for an Existing Location at 13545 Van Nuys Boulevard, Pacoima – Division of Adult and Career Education, Pacoima Skills Center: Assigned to Regular Calendar of the Regular Board Meeting of February 28, 2006

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President Canter passed the gavel to Mr. Lauritzen and left the meeting.

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Mr. Scott Graham, Director, Real Estate Branch, and Mr. Tony Arellanos, Division of Adult and Career Education, responded to questions from Board Members regarding new leases, renewal of existing leases, and options to buy.


Mr. Mark Hovatter, Director, Facilities Contracts, responded to questions from Board Members regarding Delegations of Authority, change orders, and contractor fees.
Board of Education Report No. 226 – 05/06 – Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan Amendment Measure R Small Learning Community Conversion Projects: Assigned to Regular Calendar of the Regular Board Meeting of February 28, 2006

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President Canter assumed the Chair.
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Mr. Bruce Kendall, Deputy Chief Executive Existing Facilities, Superintendent Romer, and Mr. Guy Mehula, Deputy Chief Facilities Executive, New Construction, responded to questions from Board Members regarding schedules, funding, and construction costs.

Board of Education Report No. 227 – 05/06 – Proposal to Amend the 2005 Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan to Expand Existing or Provide New Core Facilities – Phase 1: Assigned to Regular Calendar of the Regular Board Meeting of February 28, 2006

Mr. Michael Eugene, Business Manager, Mr. Kendall, and Mr. Reed responded to questions from Board Members regarding furnishings, equipment, computers, use of bond funds, and cafeteria modernization.

Board of Education Report No. 228 – 05/06 – Amendment to the 2005 Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan for Measure R Major Repair Projects: Assigned to Regular Calendar of the Regular Board Meeting of February 28, 2006

Board of Education Report No. 229 – 05/06 – Amendment to the Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan for Project at Cimarron and Beckford Elementary Schools: Assigned to Regular Calendar of the Regular Board Meeting of February 28, 2006

Mr. Kendall and Mr. Reed, responded to questions from Board Members regarding the Bond Oversight Committee recommendations.

SPECIAL REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Charles Burbridge, Chief Financial Officer, provided a summary of the content of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

Superintendent Romer addressed the Board on the report.

Mr. Burbridge and Superintendent Romer responded to questions from Board Members regarding rating agencies, independent audits, comparison to other school districts, deadlines, transparency, and unqualified opinions.

Mr. Chris Ray, Auditor, KPMG, and Ms. Tracey Hensley, Auditor, KPMG, addressed the Board on the financial statement audit portion of the report and the state and federal compliance portion of the report.
Mr. Burbridge, Superintendent Romer, and Dr. Jon Fullerton, Board of Education Director of Budget and Financial Policy, responded to questions from Board Members regarding audit cycles, recommendations, implementation compliance, errors of omission, performance monitoring, and noncompliance penalties.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following speakers addressed the Board on the subjects indicated:

Mr. Omar Amador, SEIU Local 1877 Beaudry Contract

CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Jefferson Crain, Executive Officer of the Board announced that the following items would be discussed in closed session:

1. Personnel (Government Code Section 54957)
   
   Employee Evaluation:
   
   Superintendent of Schools

   Public Employment:
   
   Inspector General

2. Conference with Labor Negotiator (Government Code Section 54957.6)

   Negotiator: Superintendent Romer

   Employee Organizations:

   Associated Administrators of Los Angeles
   California School Employees Association
   Los Angeles City and County School Employees’ Union (SEIU Local 99)
   Los Angeles County Building and Construction Trades Council
   Los Angeles School Police Officers Association
   Teamsters
   United Teachers Los Angeles
   District Represented Employees and Contract Management Personnel

The Board recessed the open portion of the meeting at 12:35 p.m. Closed session discussion began at 1:13 p.m. and ended at 2:16 p.m. All Board Members were present during the closed portion of the meeting.
The Board reconvened the public portion of the meeting at 2:21 p.m. The following Board Members were present: Ms. Korenstein, Ms. LaMotte, Mr. Lansing, Mr. Lauritzen, Mr. Tokofsky, and President Canter.

REGULAR CALENDAR

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 194 – 05/06
Certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for Central Region Area New Elementary School No. 13

Mr. Edgar Salazar, Plains Exploration & Production Co., addressed the Board on the report.

Mr. Lauritzen moved that the report be adopted. Ms. Korenstein seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. Korenstein and Mr. Lansing were absent.

Later in the meeting, Ms. Korenstein and Mr. Lansing recorded aye votes on the report.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 195 – 05/06
Project Approval for Central Region Area New Elementary School No. 13

The following speakers addressed the Board on the report:

   Mr. James D. Shafer, Pio Pico Span School
   Ms. Ki Cho
   Ms. Janet Renderos
   Ms. Stevie Stern, United Neighborhoods Neighborhood Council
   Ms. Laura Meyers, United Neighborhoods Neighborhood Council

Mr. Lauritzen moved that the report be adopted. Ms. Korenstein seconded the motion.

Mr. Tom Calhoun, Development Manager, Central Region, Ms. Barbara Wu, Senior CEQA Project Manager, Environmental Health and Safety, Ms. Maribel Medina, Special Counsel to the Board, and Mr. Angelo Bellomo, Director, Environmental Health and Safety, responded to questions from Board Members regarding community concerns, traffic mitigation and impacts, and historical analysis.

After discussion and by general consent, the report was adopted. Ms. Korenstein and Mr. Lansing were absent.

Later in the meeting, Ms. Korenstein and Mr. Lansing recorded aye votes on the report.

President Canter resumed the Order of Business.

Bd of Ed. Regular Meeting - 6 - Minutes, 10:00 a.m., January 24, 2006
STUDENT INPUT

Ms. Nancy Castillo, Student Body President, thanked the Board for allowing her the opportunity to share events and concern at Cleveland High School. She noted that Cleveland has a number of small learning communities, which give the students a sense of belonging. She commented on the many educational and extracurricular activities that take place at school and the great school spirit of the students. She expressed concerns regarding a service road on campus that floods badly during rainstorms, creating hazardous conditions on campus.

Student Body President, Ms. Erica Sterns, shared the success of El Camino Real High School’s academic, athletic, and extracurricular programs. The school’s academic decathlon team has won four national victories, and is hopeful that this year will be the fifth. Ms. Sterns also discussed the school’s small learning communities.

Mr. Tom Ing, Student Body President, told the Board that Chatsworth High School welcomed a new principal this year, Mr. Jeff Davis. He commented on the commitment and involvement of students and in community projects and various fund raising activities. He expressed concern about a large body of water that forms on campus after rainy weather.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 198 – 05/06
Certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for Central Region Area New High School No. 13 – Former Taylor Yard Site

Hon. Tom LaBonge, Los Angeles City Councilmember, addressed the Board earlier in the meeting on the report.

Mr. Tokofsky moved that the report be adopted. Ms. LaMotte seconded the motion.

This item was held until later in the meeting.

Later in the meeting, Mr. Calhoun provided the Board with an overview of the report.

The following speakers addressed the Board:

- Mr. George Villanueva, Office of California State Assemblymember Jackie Goldberg
- Ms. Albina Ferreyra, Office of Los Angeles City Councilmember Ed Reyes
- Ms. Roberta Troutman
- Ms. Celia Brugman, William C. Velasquez Institute

Mr. Reed and Ms. Medina responded to questions from Board Members regarding lobbying process.

- Ms. Maria Serafin, Greater Cypress Park Neighborhood Council
- Mr. George Brauckman, Glassell Park Improvement Association
- Ms. Irma Muñoz, Mujeres de la Tierra
- Mr. Art Pulido, Greater Cypress Park Neighborhood Council
President Canter passed the gavel to Mr. Lauritzen and left the meeting.

Mr. Calhoun, Ms. Rena Perez, Director, Master Planning and Demographics, Ms. Marina Perez, Community Outreach, and Ms. Wu addressed the Board on this report and Board of Education Report No. 199 – 05/06.

Ms. Perez, Mr. Calhoun, Mr. R. J. Comer, outside CEQA counsel, Ms. Wu, Mr. Bellomo, Ms. Medina, and Mr. Reed responded to questions from Board Members regarding enrollment projections, housing, single and multi-track calendars, late comment letters, acreage of project site, mitigation efforts, train operation, traffic and pedestrian study, alternative sites, mixed use development, CEQA requirements, alternative projects, and the FedEx site.

After discussion and by general consent, the report was adopted.

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 199 – 05/06
Project Approval for Central Region Area New High School No. 13 - Former Taylor Yard Site

The following speakers addressed the Board:

Ms. Lorena Jaramillo
Mr. Richard Meruelo
Mr. Sam Hall Kaplan
Mr. Fernando Guerra, Guerra and Associates
Ms. Belen Eller, Greater Cypress Park Neighborhood Council
Mr. Scott Folsom, Arroyo Seco Neighborhood Council
Mr. Tom Rubin, Bond Oversight Committee

Mr. Rubin responded to questions from Board Members regarding positions and donations.

President Canter assumed the Chair.

Mr. Ken Dixon
Mr. Onnik Mehrabian

Mr. Tokofsky moved that the report be adopted. Ms. LaMotte seconded the motion.

Mr. Calhoun, Superintendent Romer, Ms. Perez, Mr. Comer, Ms. Wu, Mr. Bellomo, and Ms. Medina responded to questions from Board Members regarding timelines, analysis, certification process, and statutory offers.
After discussion and by general consent, the report was adopted.

**SPECIAL REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

On behalf of the Board, Ms. LaMotte presented the 2005-2006 championship Crenshaw High School football team a Certificate of Accomplishment. Coach Robert Garrett accepted the Certificate and thanked the Board. Board Members congratulated Coach Garrett and the team.

Ms. Korenstein noted that yesterday the District received an award from the United States Environmental Protection Agency because of its comprehensive school health and safety inspection program which is being used as a national model.

**BOARD MEMBERS RESOLUTIONS FOR ACTION**

The following speakers addressed the Board on Mr. Lauritzen, Ms. Korenstein, and Mr. Tokofsky’s resolution regarding “Access for All” Concerning the District’s Homeless Children:

- Mr. Bob Erlenbusch, Los Angeles Coalition to End Hunger and Homelessness
- Ms. Zelenne Cardenas, United Coalition East
- Ms. Kerry Watson, Los Angeles County Education Coordination Council

Mr. Lauritzen moved the revised resolution:

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District currently enrolls an estimated 10,163 homeless students who lack a fixed, regular and adequate nighttime residence;

Whereas, The McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, requires the District, through the designated Homeless Education Program Coordinator and other staff, to ensure the identification, enrollment, attendance and success of all homeless students, and therefore prescribes that the district serve as an anchor for children who often lack stability in their lives;

Whereas, The State funding formula for the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act allocates a maximum of $175,000 for each school district that educates 100 or more students who meet the definition of homelessness;

Whereas, The $175,000 allocated annually by the state government to ensure the implementation of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act is inadequate to properly serve the more than 10,000 eligible children currently attending District schools, equating to less than $17.50 per student for the performance of these vital services;

Whereas, A recent study conducted by Youth Coalition X under the auspices of the United Coalition East Prevention Project of the children living in “skid row” documents the adversities homeless children endure, such as economic hardships and instability, often preventing them from purchasing and laundering uniforms, limiting their access to healthy, hot meals, and undermining their utilization of much needed supportive services;
Whereas, There is a great need for a stronger collaboration between the District, other governmental entities, and community groups to develop alternatives that more effectively serve homeless youth, thereby reducing the likely number of suspensions and expulsions of homeless students, addressing the lack of transportation to and from school which currently increases the likelihood of truancy, and to ensure that homeless students have equal access to education;

Whereas, The District’s mission is to “provide educational and tactical services related to compliance and policy issues, to provide support to students representing the 8 Local Districts and to ensure maximum success for the varied socio-economic and culturally diverse student population of the District” and the District is committed to closing the achievement gap for at risk students; and

Whereas, The Board wants to improve the visibility, credibility and effectiveness of the Homeless Education Program; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That in order to ensure “Access for All” students within the District without regard to their living conditions and/or economic status, the Superintendent will make implementing an effective Homeless Education Program a high priority and work to improve collaboration between the District and appropriate government and community-based organizations serving this population;

Resolved further, That a Homeless Collaborative be established, to be convened by the Homeless Education Program Coordinator, to ensure that homeless youth are served more effectively. This group shall include, but not be limited to, the following agencies and individuals: the Department of Children and Family Services; Los Angeles County Office of Education; the Department of Public Social Services, City of Los Angeles; Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority, Education Coordinating Council; local community-based agencies working with homeless youth; and parents and caregivers;

Resolved further, That the Superintendent provide the Homeless Education Program with the necessary resources from multiple funding sources to fully fund the mandates of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, the program and in addition, funds five full-time Pupil Services and Attendance Counselor (PSAC) positions and conduct a thorough needs assessment of the program within the next 60 days and report to the Board of Education;

Resolved further, That the Homeless Education Program Coordinator, or a designee, will inform and educate principals and identified homeless education liaisons at the school sites and Local Districts as to the educational rights of all homeless students, using language-appropriate information, to guarantee that they have access to comparable services and resources as mandated by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act;

Resolved further, That a collaboration between the Homeless Education Program and the District’s Information Technology Division (ITD) ensure that the program has appropriate interface with the Integrated Student Information System (ISIS) in order to effectively track and monitor service delivery to homeless students in the District;
Resolved further, That the Homeless Education Program report to the Board’s School Safety, Student Health and Human Services and Human Relations Committee on a bi-annual basis regarding progress in implementing District Policy as required by federal and state law, as well as efforts to improve current methods of service delivery and effectiveness; and be it finally

Resolved, That, in an effort to provide uniformity of services and ensure the success of homeless youth, the District will work with local and state advocates through the district’s Office of Governmental and Legislative Affairs, to support the advocacy for HUD to adopt the definition of homeless as defined by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act to create a uniform definition across all levels of government.

Ms. Korenstein seconded the motion.

Ms. Rowena Lagrosa, Deputy Superintendent, Educational Services, Ms. Michelle King, Assistant Superintendent, Student Health and Human Services, Mr. Hector Madrigal, Director, Pupil Services Branch, and Superintendent Romer responded to questions from Board Members regarding Title I funds, PSA counselors, resource connections, partnerships with the City of Los Angeles, and various funding sources.

Ms. Canter moved that the third “Resolved” of the resolution be amended to strike the words “fully” and “the mandates of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, the program and in addition, funds…. “

With the consent of the mover and seconder, the amendment was accepted as friendly.

Ms. Lagrosa, Superintendent Romer, Ms. King, and Mr. Madrigal, continued to respond to questions from Board Members regarding funding and Title I services.

Ms. Amy Yeager, Office of Los Angeles Councilman Jose Huizar, addressed the Board on the resolution.

After discussion and on roll call, the resolution, as amended, was adopted, 5 ayes, 1 abstention, Mr. Lansing.

The final version reads as follows:

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Resolved, That, in an effort to provide uniformity of services and ensure the success of homeless youth, the District will work with local and state advocates through the district’s Office of Governmental and Legislative Affairs, to support the advocacy for HUD to adopt the definition of homeless as defined by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act to create a uniform definition across all levels of government.

DIRECT CALENDAR

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 217 – 05/06
Student Reinstatements

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 236 – 05/06
Student Expulsions

Mr. Lauritzen moved that the reports be adopted. Ms. Korenstein seconded the motion.

Ms. Linda Wilson, Coordinator, Student Discipline Proceedings Unit, responded to questions from Board Members.

By general consent, the reports were adopted.

PUBLIC COMMENT (continued)

The following speakers addressed the Board on the subjects indicated:

Mr. Merrill Lyons  Allowing Private Vocational Schools in HS
Ms. Fran Lyons  Allowing Private Vocational Schools in HS
President Canter passed the gavel to Mr. Lauritzen and left the room.

Ms. Guadalupe Lopez, 32nd Street School Facilities

Ms. Lisa Ivie, 32nd Street School Facilities

Ms. LaMotte responded to the speakers’ concerns.

Ms. Tracy Aragon USC Math/Science Magnet

Ms. Maria Carillo Suspension

Mr. Harry Bey, Project G.A.N.G.S. Awards to Middle and High Schools

President Canter assumed the Chair and resumed the Order of Business.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INITIAL PROPOSALS FROM BARGAINING UNIONS AND THE DISTRICT

President Canter made the following statement:

An opportunity is now given to those individuals who had requested to address the Board on the Initial Proposals from the Los Angeles School Police Association (LASPA), and the District’s proposals for Unit A – School Police, Unit B – Instructional Aides, Unit C – Operations-Support Services, Unit D – Office-Technical and Business Services, Unit E – Skilled Crafts, Unit F – Teacher Assistants, Unit G – Playground Aides, and Unit S – Classified Supervisors received December 13, 2005.

There were no speakers.

President Canter made the following statement:

This was the final opportunity to address the Board on the initial proposals.

President Canter modified the Order of Business.
REGULAR CALENDAR (continued)

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 178 – 05/06
District’s 2005-2006 Initial Bargaining Proposals to Unit A – School Police

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 179 – 05/06
District’s 2005-2006 Initial Bargaining Proposals to Unit B – Instructional Aides

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 180 – 05/06
District’s 2005-2006 Initial Bargaining Proposals to Unit C – Operations-Support Services

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 181 – 05/06
District’s 2005-2006 Initial Bargaining Proposals to Unit D – Office-Technical and Business Services

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 182 – 05/06
District’s 2005-2006 Initial Bargaining Proposals to Unit E – Skilled Crafts

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 183 – 05/06
District’s 2005-2006 Initial Bargaining Proposals to Unit F – Teacher Assistants

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 184 – 05/06
District’s 2005-2006 Initial Bargaining Proposals to Unit G – Playground Aides

BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT NO. 186 – 05/06
District’s 2005-2006 Initial Bargaining Proposals to Unit S – Classified Supervisors

Mr. Lansing moved that the reports be adopted. Mr. Lauritzen seconded the motion.

Ms. Linda del Cueto, Office of Staff Relations, responded to questions from Board Members regarding salary offers.

After discussion and by general consent, the reports were adopted.

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President Canter resumed the Order of Business.

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ITEM POSTPONED FROM REGULAR NOVEMBER 22, 2005, BOARD MEETING

BOARD OF EDUCATION REVISED REPORT NO. 151 – 05/06
Approval of Nonroutine Personnel Actions (Item 24, Employee No. 310602)

Mr. Lansing moved that the report be adopted. Ms. LaMotte seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted.
Mr. Lansing moved that the reports be adopted. Ms. LaMotte seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Mr. Lauritzen was absent.

Later in the meeting, Mr. Lauritzen recorded aye votes on the reports.

Ms. Korenstein moved that the report be adopted. Mr. Lauritzen seconded the motion.

Mr. Hovatter responded to questions from Board Members regarding timelines.

By general consent, the report was adopted. Mr. Tokofsky was absent.

Later in the meeting, Mr. Tokofsky recorded an aye vote on the report.

This item was postponed to the Regular Board Meeting of February 14, 2006.

This item was withdrawn.

Mr. Lauritzen moved that the report be adopted with the amendment to withdraw Item 1, Employee No. 310602. Ms. LaMotte seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted as amended.
Mr. Lansing moved that the report be adopted. Ms. Canter seconded the motion.

Mr. Reed and Mr. James Alther, Chief Technology Director, responded to questions from Board Members regarding litigation and vendors.

After discussion and by general consent, the report was adopted.

BOARD MEMBERS RESOLUTIONS (continued)

Mr. Tokofsky—Special Tax in an Effort to Improve the Academic Achievement of the Los Angeles Unified School District’s Students by Adequately Funding This Community’s Goals (Noticed January 10, 2006)

Resolved, That the Superintendent and the Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles develop a working group to focus on this critical effort to adequately fund a quality education for the children of this community:

Resolved further, That the Board directs the Superintendent and staff to prepare appropriate budget, content, argument and election materials for a District or countywide parcel tax in the June or November election if Governor Schwarzenegger’s State of the State speech does not indicate the Governor’s compliance with earlier Proposition 98 guarantees, “deals” and statutory arrangements; and be it finally

Resolved, That the Superintendent returns to the Board prior to February 4§ with complete and election-ready materials.

This item was postponed to the Special Board Meeting of January 31, 2006.

INITIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Ms. LaMotte – Legal Scrutiny for All Motions

Whereas, The motion titled “Motion to Ensure that the Path to Leadership within LAUSD’s Management Structure is Visibly Open to Talented and Qualified Individuals of Every Race and Ethnicity,” a motion calling for fair treatment of all individuals, regardless of race, national origin or ethnicity received unprecedented legal scrutiny; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That all motions coming before the Board for action receive the same degree of legal scrutiny prior to Board action.

This item was postponed to the Regular Board Meeting of February 14, 2006.
CORRESPONDENCE AND PETITIONS

President Canter made the following statement:

Before action is taken on the Report of Correspondence regarding Williams Uniform Complaint Quarterly Report Summary from Renee Jackson, Executive Liaison Administrator, a public hearing must be held.

This constitutes a public hearing and those individuals who wish to address the Board on this item will be heard. Speakers should go to the recording booth at the back of the auditorium and fill out a card. Those individuals will be heard after any speakers already on the list.

Ms. Ruth Sarnoff addressed the Board on the Report of Correspondence.

Mr. Lansing moved that the recommended disposition of the items of correspondence as indicated in the Report of Correspondence be approved. Mr. Tokofsky seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. Korenstein was absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Lansing moved the approval of the following minutes of the governing board of the Los Angeles Unified School District:

1 p.m., Regular Board Meeting, June 8, 2004
3:30 p.m., Special Board Meeting, August 30, 2005
10 a.m., Special Board Meeting, January 17, 2006

Mr. Tokofsky seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. Korenstein was absent.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Lansing moved that the meeting be adjourned in memory of Mr. Phil Saldivar, longtime District employee. Ms. LaMotte seconded the motion, which by general consent was adopted. Ms. Korenstein was absent.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

APPROVED BY BOARD: April 8, 2008

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MARLENE CANTER                                    JEFFERSON CRAIN
PRESIDENT                                    EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE BOARD

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Bd of Ed. Regular Meeting - 18 - Minutes, 10:00 a.m., January 24, 2006