

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District

REGULAR MEETING ORDER OF BUSINESS

333 South Beaudry Avenue, Board Room

1 p.m., Tuesday, May 23, 2006

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Inspirational Moment

Mr. James A. McConnell, Jr., Chief Facilities Executive

Superintendent's Instructional Highlights

Innovative Approaches to Teacher Recruitment and Retention

Student Input

Briana Weatherspoon from Birmingham High School, Jessyca Hernandez and Sharon Uppal from Monroe High School, and Rachael Braunstein from Taft High School

Public Notice of Bargaining Union Initial Negotiating Proposal

United Teachers Los Angeles (Received May 9, 2006)

Adoption of Consent Items – Regular Meeting of May 23, 2006

1. Board of Education Report No. 405 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Authorization to Negotiate and Enter into a Lease Amendment to Finance the Tenant Improvements of Local District 3 Administrative Offices at 3000 South Robertson Boulevard, Los Angeles) Authorizes staff to enter into an amendment of the existing lease until July 2010 to allow for tenant improvement work.
2. Board of Education Report No. 406 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Authorization to Enter into an Agreement for the Use of the Swimming Pool at Roosevelt High School) Authorizes the District staff to enter into an agreement with the City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks for the use of the swimming pool by the school for 20 years.

3. Board of Education Report No. 407 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Authorization to Negotiate and Enter into a New Lease at 1625 West Olympic Boulevard, Suite 819, Los Angeles, for the Educational Options Program (City of Angel)) Authorizes staff to enter into a lease for three years with two options for three years each for classroom space for an independent study program for 180 students, commencing October 1, 2006.
4. Board of Education Report No. 408 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Authorization to Negotiate and Enter into a New Lease at 1625 West Olympic Boulevard, Suite 900, Los Angeles, for the Early Childhood Education Program) Authorizes staff to enter into a lease for four years with one option for four years for administrative space for an oversight of Ready for School program, commencing July 1, 2006.
5. Board of Education Report No. 409 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Approval of an Existing Lease Agreement for Parking at 1053 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, for the Division of Adult and Career Education at Evans Community Adult School) Authorizes staff to enter into an ongoing, month-to-month lease for parking.

Receipt of Reports for Action at Next Board Meeting

6. Board of Education Report No. 431 – 05/06 **REGULAR**
Office of the General Counsel
(Ratification of Actions by the Office of the General Counsel) Approves payment of special education parent’s attorney fees of approximately \$773,000 and legal settlements and judgments of approximately \$690,000 made between January 2006 and March 2006.
7. Board of Education Report No. 432 – 05/06 **REGULAR**
Information Technology Division
(Updated and Revised May 2006 Information Technology Strategic Execution Plan) Approving the infrastructure plans to use E-rate and bond funds for technology services such as telephones and data transmission. The total funding for the plans is approximately \$827 million
8. Board of Education Report No. 437 – 05/06 **CONSENT**
Office of the Chief Financial Officer and Facilities Services Division
(Authorization to Negotiate and Enter into Renewals of Existing Lease Agreements with the Los Angeles Community College District at Two Locations) Authorizes staff to negotiate and enter into a one-year extension of an existing lease at Los Angeles Harbor College and a three and a half year extension at Southwest Community College.
9. Board of Education Report No. 438 – 05/06 (via Facilities Committee) **REGULAR**
Facilities Services Division
(Amendment to the New Construction Strategic Execution Plan to Change the Funding Contribution for the Demolition, Design and Reconstruction of Ramona Opportunity High School) Approves an amendment to the Strategic Execution Plan to change the LAUSD funding contribution to reconstruct Ramona Opportunity High School contingent upon final commitments from the MTA and the City of Los Angeles.

10. Board of Education Report No. 439 – 05/06 **REGULAR**
Charter Schools Division and Facilities Services Division
(Authorization to Negotiate and Enter into a Use Agreement with Green Dot Charter School for Space at Central Los Angeles Area New Middle School No. 4 and a Ground Lease Agreement with the Alliance for College Ready Schools for Space at 17th and Georgia Streets) Approves authorization for staff to negotiate and enter into a use agreement for a portion of a new middle school to be used as a high school charter and for District property in downtown Los Angeles to be used for an additional high school charter.
11. Board of Education Report No. 443 – 05/06 **REGULAR**
Business Services Division
(Approval of Agreements and Amendments) Approves an amendment to an agreement with Driver Alliant Insurance Services to include two new schools in the District coverage.
12. Board of Education Report No. 444 – 05/06 **CONSENT**
Chief Operating Officer
(Naming of Stanford Primary Center) Approves naming of Stanford New Primary Center as Stanford Primary Center.
13. Board of Education Report No. 445 – 05/06 **PUBLIC HEARING REGULAR**
Charter Schools Division
(Nuevo SOL (School of Leadership) Charter School Petition) Approves charter petition for a 240 student, grades K-5 school for 5 years to be located in the City of San Fernando.
14. Board of Education Report No. 446 – 05/06 **PUBLIC HEARING REGULAR**
Charter Schools Division
(Garr Academy of Mathematics and Entrepreneurial Studies Charter Petition) Approves charter petition for a 200 student, grades K-5 school for 5 years to be located in the South Los Angeles area at 51st Street and Vermont.
15. Board of Education Report No. 447 – 05/06 **PUBLIC HEARING REGULAR**
Charter Schools Division
(Wooden Secondary Charter Academy Petition) Approves charter petition for a 500-600 student, grades 7-12 school for 5 years to be located in the South Los Angeles area on South Mansfield Ave.
16. Board of Education Report No. 448 – 05/06 **PUBLIC HEARING REGULAR**
Charter Schools Division
(Los Feliz Charter School Through the Arts Petition) Approves charter petition for a 280 student, grades K-6 school for 5 years to be located in Los Angeles on Hollywood Blvd.
17. Board of Education Report No. 449 – 05/06 **REGULAR**
Instructional Support Services Division
(Revised May 2006 Library Services Strategic Execution Plan) Approves updated Strategic Execution Plan with projects including a centralized library automation system, book theft detection systems, network connectivity and opening day library collections for new schools to be funded from Measures K, R and Y bond funds.

18. Board of Education Report No. 450 – 05/06 **REGULAR**
Business Services Division
(RFP Process for Specific Technology Procurements) Authorizes use of a Request for Proposal competitive negotiation process instead of a lowest bid process for E-rate telecommunication and E-rate LAN modernization projects.
19. Board of Education Report No. 451 – 05/06 **CONSENT**
Chief Financial Officer
(Issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Election of 2004, Measure R, Series G (2006)) Requests the County of Los Angeles to issue and sell up to \$600 million of Measure R construction bonds for the District. In additions authorizes staff to enter into various agreements to facilitate the issuance.
20. Board of Education Report No. 452 – 05/06 **CONSENT**
Chief Financial Officer
(Issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Election of 2002, Measure K, Series B (2006)) Requests the County of Los Angeles to issue and sell up to \$600 million of Measure K construction bonds for the District. In additions authorizes staff to enter into various agreements to facilitate the issuance.
21. Board of Education Report No. 454 - 05/06 **CONSENT**
Information Technology Division
(Authorization to File E-Rate Applications for Year 2007 (FY 2007-2008) E-Rate Program and Approval of Matching Funds) Approves participation in the E-rate program and authorizes up to approximately \$41 million is matching funds.

Special Reports and Presentations

Recognition of North Hollywood Science Bowl and Math Day Winners (Mr. Lauritzen)

Recognition of Feria de Libro Authors (Ms. Canter)

Recognition of Mr. James McConnell, Chief Facilities Executive

Superintendent Search Survey - An interactive facilitation of the Superintendent Search Survey (www.lausd.net/survey) to be conducted in the Board Room with the entire audience and television and internet viewers

Report and Items Postponed from Regular May 9, 2006, Board Meeting

22. Board of Education Revised Report No. 357 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan Amendment Measure Y Small Learning Communities Projects - Abram Friedman Occupational Center) Approves amendment to the June 2005 SEP to create modernization projects, including a career-themed Small Learning Community of 450 high school students from the Santee/Jefferson High School attendance area for a total cost of approximately \$9.6 million.

23. Board of Education Revised Report No. 393 – 05/06 (Postponed Items B-1, A, B & C)
Business Services Division **POSTPONED TO BOARD MEETING OF 6/13/06**
(Approval of Agreements and Amendments) Approves agreements with Arey Jones Educational Solutions and Gateway Companies, Inc., for the purchase of computers for up to \$340 million.

Adoption of Regular Calendar – Regular Meeting of May 23, 2006

24. Board of Education Report No. 402 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Ratification of Contract Actions and Approval of Professional Services Contracts) Approves ratification of 72 advertised construction contracts for approximately \$47.7 million, change orders for approximately \$9.8 million, awards 227 unadvertised and informal contracts awards totaling approximately \$2.6 million, 59 architectural and engineering contracts and amendments totaling approximately \$16.9 million, deducts approximately \$2.7 million of services from existing architectural or engineering contract, awards 7 professional services contracts below \$250,000 and option years to 3 previously approved contracts for below \$250,000 totaling approximately \$900,000, approves a real estate purchase and sale agreement for \$581,400, approves amendments to professional services contracts for construction management services and other services with 24 firms for approximately \$139.7 million, and awards 5 professional services contracts for inspection services for \$5 million.
25. Board of Education Report No. 403 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Authorization for Staff to Enter into a Development Agreement for the Delivery of East Valley New High School No. 1A) Authorizes entering into a development agreement with Turner Construction Company for the construction of a high school at Arleta Ave. and Roscoe Blvd. in Sun Valley for approximately \$87 million.
26. Board of Education Report No. 410 – 05/06 **POSTPONED TO**
Facilities Services Division **BOARD MEETING OF 6/27/06**
(Authorization to Negotiate and Enter into an Extension of the Charter School Use Agreement with Green Dot Public Schools for the Animo Venice Charter High School at Broadway Elementary School) Authorizes staff to negotiate and enter into an extension of the Charter School Use Agreement to authorize Green Dot to construct permanent high school facilities using Proposition 55 funds.
27. Board of Education Revised Report No. 411 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Office of Environmental Health and Safety
(Certification of Final Environmental Impact Report for South Region Elementary School No. 3 and Early Education Center No. 1) Approves certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report, adopts Findings of Fact, and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan, adopts Statement of Overriding Considerations for an elementary school and an early education center to be constructed at Atlantic Ave. and Live Oak Avenue in the cities of Bell and Cudahy.

28. Board of Education Report No. 412 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Project Approval for South Region Elementary School No. 3 and Early Education Center No. 1) Authorizes site acquisition and construction for a 775-seat K-6 elementary school and a 175 seat early education center located at Atlantic Ave. and Live Oak Avenue in the cities of Bell and Cudahy at a projected total cost of approximately \$58 million.
29. Board of Education Revised Report No. 413 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Office of Environmental Health and Safety
(Certification of Final Environmental Impact Report for South Region High School No. 2) Approves certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report, adopts Findings of Fact, and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan, adopts Statement of Overriding Considerations for high school to be constructed at Gage Avenue and Central Avenue in an unincorporated area of Los Angeles County.
30. Board of Education Report No. 414 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Project Approval for South Region High School No. 2) Authorizes site acquisition and construction for a 2,025-seat high school located at Gage Avenue and Central Avenue in an unincorporated area of Los Angeles County at a projected total cost of approximately \$174 million.
31. Board of Education Report No. 415 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Designation of the Site Located at the Northwest Corner of Imperial Highway and Hobart Boulevard as the Preferred Site for the Location of South Region High School No. 6) Approves designation of preferred site to conduct planning and feasibility studies for the construction of a new high school at Imperial Blvd. and Hobart St. in Los Angeles County for 351 students currently attending Middle College High School at an estimated cost of approximately \$27 million.
32. Board of Education Revised Report No. 416 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Office of Environmental Health and Safety
(Certification of Final Environmental Impact Report, California Environmental Quality Act, for Point Fermin Outdoor Education Center Improvements) Approves certification of the Final Environmental Impact Report, adopts Findings of Fact, and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan, adopts Statement of Overriding Considerations for an outdoor education center and dormitories to be constructed at Fort MacArthur in San Pedro.
33. Board of Education Report No. 417 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Facilities Services Division
(Project Approval and Amendment to the Existing Facilities Strategic Execution Plan to Authorize Measure K and Measure R Joint-Use Funds for the Point Fermin Outdoor Education Center Project) Authorizes the use of \$2.5 million of Measure K and Measure R funds for demolition and the construction of an outdoor education center and dormitories to be constructed at Fort MacArthur in San Pedro at a projected total cost of approximately \$5 million.

34. Board of Education Report No. 421 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Office of the Superintendent
(Request for Waiver of State Education Code for Senior Management Positions) Approves a request to apply for a waiver from the State Board of Education to allow for the designation of 7 existing specified positions as Senior Management.
35. Board of Education Report No. 427 – 05/06 **POSTPONED TO BOARD MEETING OF**
Business Services Division **6/13/06**
(Approval of Agreement) Approves agreement with Variable Annuity Life Insurance Company to establish and offer a 457 Retirement Plan for District employees.
36. Board of Education Revised Report No. 428 – 05/06 **ADOPTED**
Charter Schools
(Multicultural Learning Center Charter Renewal) Approves charter petition renewal for 5 years of an existing grades K-5 charter school with the addition of grades 6-8 in the Canoga Park area of Los Angeles. This charter emphasizes a dual language English-Spanish instructional program.

Directs

37. Board of Education Report No. 433 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**
Human Resources
(Provisional Internship Permit) Approves request to apply for Provisional Internship Permits for 23 teachers.
38. Board of Education Report No. 434 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED AS AMENDED**
Business Services Division **(WITHDRAW EXHIBITS E-H)**
(Various Purchasing Transactions) Ratifies regular purchase orders and other transactions for approximately \$27 million; approves authorization to purchase passenger vans, cargo vans, stake bed trucks, tacos, and maintenance service for copy machines.
39. Board of Education Report No. 435 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**
Pupil Services
(Student Expulsion Issues) Approves expulsion and placement of 11 students and the suspension of enforcement for 10 of the students with conditions for their reinstatement,
40. Board of Education Report No. 436 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**
Pupil Services
(Student Reinstatements) Approves reinstatement of 3 previously expelled students.
41. Board of Education Report No. 440 – 05/06 (Direct) **POSTPONED TO BOARD MTG.**
Facilities Services Division **MEETING OF 6/13/06**
(Resolution of Intention to Dedicate Water Facility Easements to the City of Los Angeles at Central Los Angeles New High School No. 1) Dedication of easement to the City of Los Angeles, without consideration, for water facilities to be located at 1309 N. Wilton Place in Los Angeles.

42. Board of Education Report No. 441 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**
Human Resources
(Nonroutine Personnel Actions) Approves the dismissal of 3 classified employees, the demotion of 1 employee, the rescission of dismissal for 2 employees and the rescission of suspension of 1 classified employee.
43. Board of Education Report No. 442 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED**
Human Resources
(Routine Personnel Actions) Approves 6,334 routine personnel actions such as promotions, transfers, leaves, etc.
44. Board of Education Report No. 453 – 05/06 (Direct) **ADOPTED AS AMENDED**
Human Resources **(SUBSTITUTING REVISED REPORT)**
(Initiatives to Help Close the Student Achievement Gap and Staff Program Improvement Schools) Approves use of Teacher Recruitment and Student Support grant funds to recruit and train highly qualified math, science and special ed teachers in Decile 1-3 schools and for a Priority Staffing Program to support and assist the 22 Program Improvement 4 and 5 senior high schools and their feeder middle schools.

Board Members Resolutions

Action

45. Mr. Lansing, Ms. LaMotte – School Site Security Staffing (Notice March 28, 2006) Assigned to School Safety, Student Health and Human Services, and Human Relations Committee
POSTPONED TO BOARD MEETING OF 6/13/06

Whereas, It is the intent of the Los Angeles Unified School District to provide safe schools for its students and employees to attend; and

Whereas, Parents and community members look to a principal for maintaining the safety and security of a school campus; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That all secondary school principals have the option of substituting two School Safety Officers for a second Campus Police Officer to be reassigned to a school based on current District policy;

Resolved further, That all three-hour campus aides provided by the District and charged with supervision and security duties be increased to six-hours with support from the principal;

Resolved further, That increased funding for security at schools be ongoing and incorporated into the District's 2006-07 budget;

Resolved further, That all six-hour campus aides receive basic training that includes clear guidelines for interacting with students and staff and a be uniform in appearance so as to be easily identifiable to parents and students as a campus aide; from the Los Angeles School Police Department; and be it finally

Resolved further, That evaluation of campus police officers be shared by the Area Sergeant and school principal using a process developed by the Personnel Commission and the Los Angeles School Police Department;

Resolved further, That any issues which cannot be implemented due to contractual restrictions be included in upcoming negotiations with appropriate labor units; and be it finally

Resolved, That the School Safety, Student Health and Human Services and Human Relations Committees receive periodic updates on the progress of implementation.

46. Mr. Lauritzen – Charter Schools (Noticed April 4, 2006) **POSTPONED TO BOARD MEETING OF 6/13/06**

Whereas, Under the California State Education Code, charter schools are recognized as legal entities that are required to be reviewed and approved if they plan to operate within a school district's boundaries;

Whereas, Charter schools are considered to be an important part of the public educational system, and were originally established to:

1. Improve pupil learning.
2. Increase learning opportunities for all pupils, with special emphasis on expanded learning experiences for pupils who are identified as academically low-achieving.
3. Encourage the use of different and innovative teaching methods.
4. Create new professional development opportunities for teachers, including the opportunity to be responsible for the learning program at the school site.
5. Provide parents and pupils with expanded choices in the types of educational opportunities that are available within the public school system.
6. Hold the schools established under this part accountable for meeting measurable pupil outcomes, and provide the schools with a method to change from rule-based to performance-based accountability.
7. Provide vigorous competition within the public school system to stimulate continual improvements in all public schools.

Whereas, The Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District has approved or will soon approve an unprecedented 100 charter schools, which place a tremendous work load on our charter office in terms of oversight and review;

Whereas, The District has had little opportunity to assess the effect of Charter schools in relation to traditional school enrollment, traditional school attendance, student selection, racial and socioeconomic balances, segregation of charter school students, and other potential impact areas; and

Whereas, The charter office and the Program Evaluation Research Branch need time to evaluate the value, performance and effect of charters on the district; now, therefore, be it

~~Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District declare a one-year moratorium, effective May 1, 2006, on the approval of new charter applications;~~

Resolved further, That the Superintendent be directed to restructure the charter office to provide better oversight and support to charters already approved by the Board;

Resolved further, That the Superintendent initiate a study of the effect of charter schools on the District, and evaluate best practices, both academically and fiscally, and present this report to the Board for review within 6 months;

Resolved further, that the Board support AB 2954 (Liu) School District Charter Petition; and be it finally

Resolved, That pending the findings of the study, the Superintendent present a comprehensive plan for possible implementation of the aforementioned best practices in our non-charter schools throughout the District. °

47. Mr. Tokofsky – Support of Proposition 82, Pre-School For All **ADOPTED**

Whereas, The Los Angeles Unified School District has help set the trend statewide in recognizing the value of early, age-appropriate education for all children through its full-day kindergarten program;

Whereas, It has been shown that quality preschool programs prepare children to do their best by nurturing their social-emotional, cognitive, linguistic and physical development; enhancing their self-confidence; and paving the way for a lifetime of learning;

Whereas, During their K-12 years and beyond, children who attend quality preschool perform better on standardized tests in reading and math; exhibit more positive behaviors in the classroom; and are more likely to graduate from high school, continue their education and be more prosperous as adults;

Whereas, Ensuring access to quality preschool for all 4-year-olds whose parents chose to send them has proven to be one of the soundest educational and financial investments the public can make, providing demonstrated significant, long-term savings on the costs of special education, grade retention, welfare and crime;

Whereas, Proposition 82, Pre-School For All, encourages parental involvement, allows parents to choose preschools, and makes sure preschool programs are coordinated with local elementary schools;

Whereas, The Reiner Initiative provides teacher training and raises standards for preschool teachers;

Whereas, Proposition 82 limits administrative expenses so that 94% of all funds go directly to children's education and requires audits of county programs and establishes criminal penalties for misuse of funds;

Whereas, Researchers at the RAND Corporation found that every dollar California invests in quality preschool would return \$2.62 in savings from reduced remedial education, lower drop out rates, less crime and a better-educated workforce; and

Whereas, Preschool programs should be funded adequately in order to assure adherence to established standards of quality, and to attract and keep professionals who are educated and compensated at levels comparable to those in California's K-12; be inclusive of children with special needs; be offered in culturally, ethnically and linguistically appropriate settings; be clearly articulated with the K-12 system and programs serving younger children; be linked to full-day, affordable early care and education programs to meet the needs of working families; and be subject to research-based assessment to assure desired outcomes for children; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Governing Board of the Los Angeles Unified School District supports Proposition 82, Pre-School for All, the State of California to invest in voluntary, quality pre-school for all four-year-olds.

Motion Requested by the Superintendent

48. Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators Senate Bill 435 (Watson) and Senate Bill 148 (Bergeson) **ADOPTED**

Resolved, That Governing Board the Los Angeles Unified School District declares that having conducted extensive recruitment throughout the community, state, region, and nation, having offered employment to all fully-credentialed candidates who applied and who have met District standards and qualifications in the designated subjects, and having implemented and operated alternative programs for teacher credentialing, there are insufficient fully-credentialed teachers to meet the staffing and instructional needs of the Los Angeles Unified School District, and it is necessary to employ teachers with emergency permits under provisions of Education Code 44300.

Correspondence and Petitions

49. Report of Correspondence **APPROVED**

Miscellaneous

Approval of Minutes APPROVED

- 50. 3:00 p.m., Special Meeting, April 4, 2006
- 1:30 p.m., Special Meeting, May 2, 2006
- 9:30 a.m., Special Meeting, May 16, 2006

This Week in Education

Announcements

Please note that the Board of Education may consider at this meeting any item referred from a Board Meeting five calendar days prior to this meeting (Education Code 54954.3(b)(3))

The Board of Education may also refer any item on this Order of Business for the consideration of a Standing Committee of the Board of Education which meets on the Tuesday or Thursday immediately after this meeting.

Members of the public who wish to address the Board regarding items on this agenda should contact the Board Secretariat in person or by calling (213) 241-7002 or toll free (877) 772-6273, extension 128, prior to 5 p.m., the Monday, prior to the meeting to determine if they may be added to the speakers' list. Requests for disability related modifications or accommodations shall be made 24 hours prior to the meeting to the Board Secretariat.

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