

Regular Board Meeting  
January 10, 2017  
Board Conference Room

Call to Order:

President Nick Aguinaga called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room, whereupon roll was subsequently taken. Melissa Bell-Yates, Leroy Duncan, Rebecca Leggett, Jennifer Murray, Mark St. Peters, and Nick Aguinaga answered the roll call to establish a quorum. Absent: Mike Redman. Present were administrators and/or directors John Pearson and Leigh Robinson. No audience was present.

Board Communications:

None.

Public Comments:

None.

Minutes:

Motion by Mr. St. Peters; second by Mr. Duncan, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meetings of December 6, 2016 and December 13, 2016. Motion Carried Voice Vote.

Approve Payment of District Bills and Quick Pays:

Motion by Ms. Leggett; second by Mrs. Murray, that the payment of bills as presented in the amount of \$42,585.07 be authorized; that salaries for the month of December in the amount of \$498,247.78 and bills quickly paid for the month of December in the amount of \$148,177.60 be approved and that January salaries and bills to be paid quickly be authorized. Aye: Mrs. Bell-Yates, Mr. Duncan, Ms. Leggett, Mrs. Murray, Mr. St. Peters, and Mr. Aguinaga. Nay: None.

Adopt Policy 4.125 (Convicted Child Sex Offender):

Dr. Pearson reminded the Board that it had agreed last week to consider this the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of this policy and to adopt said policy revision tonight. This Policy 4.125 had been a part of the bundle of policy revisions first considered in November 2016, but was inadvertently omitted from the December list.

Motion by Mr. Duncan; second by Mrs. Bell-Yates, to adopt the Policy 4.125, as presented and discussed. Motion Carried Voice Vote.

Policy Revisions - 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and Subsequent Adoption:

Dr. Pearson recommended the adoption of all of the policy revisions as first read on December 6, 2016. There was no further discussion or consideration given, since these had been reviewed in December.

Motion by Ms. Leggett; second by Mrs. Murray, to adopt the policies listed on the Agenda on their second reading. Motion Carried Voice Vote.

Approve the 2017-18 School Calendar:

Superintendent Pearson asked the Board to approve the 2017-18 calendar, as recommended in December and as developed by the three school districts cooperatively. The dates of the 2017-18 calendar are those that were agreed to at a joint meeting between the three superintendents and board presidents.

Motion by Mrs. Bell-Yates; second by Mr. St. Peters, to approve the 2017-18 school calendar, as presented. Motion Carried Voice Vote.

2016 Strategic Plan 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Update:

The Board reviewed the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter “progress report” on its 2016 Strategic Plan. Several goals were highlighted that had new updates since the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter report in October. Reports were heard about the Memorial Stadium Life Safety work finally concluding; a current study being undertaken to upgrade and expand the security camera network; an update on the progress towards the new 10-Year Life Safety Plan; and progress made on inter-district cooperation.

The Board will use this 2016 Plan as a jumping off point to begin the work on the 2017 Plan. He reminded the Board that it would be meeting on January 28<sup>th</sup> to establish and prioritize goals to that end.

Principal’s Report:

Mrs. Robinson reported on the following:

*Upcoming dates to remember*

Jan	14	MORP
	16	MLK Day—No School
	27	11:15 Student Dismissal—SIP Day for Faculty

*Committees*

Focus groups continue to meet throughout the 16-17 school year. Career Day is planned for April 28<sup>th</sup>.

### *Miscellaneous*

Mrs. Robinson related that the faculty heard a thought-provoking presentation from Dr. Jesse Jackson III at the teacher institute day on January 4<sup>th</sup>. He was well received by the faculty and we will continue the discussion from the presentation throughout the school year.

Mrs. Robinson highlighted some of the highlights of Dr. Jackson's presentation to the Board, which entailed the teachers, administration and board setting of high and "non-negotiable" standards for student behavior; gaining an understanding of students from poverty environments, with the goal of making those students accountable for their misbehaviors; getting teachers to realize when students may lash out, they are often reacting only indirectly at that teacher; etc. All of these teacher practices are geared towards increased retention of students in the classroom with the ultimate goal of improved student performance.

### Superintendent's Report:

Dr. Pearson reported that the Foundation was conducting its bi-annual cash raffle, with the goal being the fundraising of \$10,000 for the purchase of window A/C units in top floor classrooms. Foundation Board members and others have been given tickets to sell. The drawing for the cash prizes would be held on March 15, 2017.

He also noted that the Hall of Fame Selection Panel would likely begin its work on the selection of the 2017 Induction Class sometime in March. He has already received several nominations for consideration (from alumni) with the panelists expected to have their own nominees.

### Executive Session:

Motion by Mr. St. Peters; second by Mr. Duncan, to adjourn to executive session to: a) Discuss individual student matters, b) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District, c) Discuss collective bargaining matters, d) Discuss pending or current litigation, and e) Discussion of school safety and security procedures. Aye: Mrs. Bell-Yates, Mr. Duncan, Ms. Leggett, Mrs. Murray, Mr. St. Peters, and Mr. Aguinaga. Nay: None. Absent: Mr. Redman. Motion Passed at 7:15 p.m.

[Asst. Principal Kevin Gockel joined the meeting at 7:18.]

Come Out of Executive Session:

Motion by Mr. Duncan; second by Ms. Leggett, to come out of executive session.

Aye: Mrs. Bell-Yates, Mr. Duncan, Ms. Leggett, Mrs. Murray, Mr. St. Peters, and Mr. Aguinaga. Nay: None. Absent: Mr. Redman. Motion Passed at 7:35 p.m.

Action Items:

Motion by Mr. Duncan; second by Mrs. Murray to approve the Executive Session Minutes of December 6, 2016 and December 13, 2016. Motion Carried Voice Vote.

Motion by Ms. Leggett; second by Mrs. Murray, to approve the destruction of the audio recordings of the Executive Session Minutes of July 2015. Motion Carried Voice Vote.

Motion by Mrs. Murray; second by Mr. Duncan, that, after the six-month review of Executive Session minutes, to keep all Board executive session minutes closed to public inspection. Motion Carried Voice Vote.

Adjournment:

Motion by Mr. Duncan; second by Mr. St. Peters, to adjourn. Motion Carried Voice Vote at 7:36 p.m.