



MINUTES

BOARD STUDY SESSION

October 12, 2010

Order of Business

A. OPENING

A.1 CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Mae P. Thomas, Board President, at 5:07 p.m., in the Board Room of the District Education Service Center, 501 South Santa Fe Avenue, Compton, CA 90221.

A.2 ROLL CALL

The following Members were present:

Micah Ali
Fred Easter
Margie N. Garrett
Marjorie Shipp
Mae Thomas
Satra Zurita
Karen E. Frison
Arturo Teran *[Arrived 5:20 p.m.]*
Alternate Student Board Member

The following Member was not present:

Emma Sharif

A.3 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Micah Ali, Board Vice President, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

A.4 INVOCATION

Marie Hollis, Community Member, was called upon to render the invocation who, in turn, requested that the audience recite the Lord's Prayer in unison.

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A. OPENING

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A.5 PUBLIC COMMENTS - CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

- **Dr. Kaye E. Burnside**, *No address provided.*
- **George W. Shaeffer, Jr., Attorney**, *No address provided.*

Dr. Burnside read from a prepared statement that will be appended to the minutes of this meeting.

The following individuals addressed the Board regarding Dr. Kaye E. Burnside.

- **MONA JONES**, *300 South Poinsettia Avenue, Compton, CA 90221*
- **LUCKY GREEN**, *466 West Raymond Street, Compton, CA*
- **ELLIS COOKE**, *530 West Raymond Street, Compton, CA*
- **YOLANDA LOPEZ**, *2809 1/2 North Wilmington Avenue, Compton, CA*
- **MARIE HOLLIS**, *520 West Raymond Street, Compton, CA*

B. CLOSED SESSION

10/11-025a

MOTION by *MR. ALI*, **SECOND** by *MS. ZURITA* to recess to Closed Session to consider matters within the purview of the Brown Act. (Time: 6:05 p.m.), specifically:

- **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/SUSPENSION/RELEASE/ NONREELECTION/NONREEMPLOYMENT/LEAVE/RESIGNATION**
(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957)
- **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - (Existing Litigation)**
(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a))
 - USD CV-06-4717 AHM; USCA Case No. 07-55751
 - (Case names unspecified: Disclosure would jeopardize existing settlement negotiations)
- **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - (Anticipated Litigation)**
(Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(c))
 - 4 Potential Cases
 - 6 Potential Defendants
- **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS**
(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6)
 - Agency Designated Representatives: *Mr. Barrett K. Green*
Alejandro Flores
 - Employee Organizations: *California School Employees Association*
American Federation of Teachers
Police Officers' Association
Service Employees International Union
Compton Education Association
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- **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS** - *(Continued)*

Unrepresented Employee(s):

Certificated/Classified Management

Nonrepresented Classified

Deputy Superintendent

Associate Superintendents

Acting Superintendent

Chief Facilities Officer

- **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**

(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957)

- *Acting Superintendent*

- *Superintendent*

- **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE COMPLAINTS**

VOTE ON MOTION TO RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

MOTION CARRIED

10/11-025b

B. OPEN SESSION

MOTION by *MS. ZURITA*, **SECOND** by *MRS. GARRETT* to reconvene into Open Session – Time: 9:20 p.m.

VOTE ON MOTION TO RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

MOTION CARRIED

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10/11-025b B. OPEN SESSION
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- **Report Out of Closed Session**
(Pursuant to Govt. Code Section 54957.1)

*Satra Zurita, Clerk read the following report out of Closed Session.
Educational Code 54956.9.*

“In accordance with Governmental Code Section 54957.1, this is to report that in closed session, the Board of Trustees took action to:

- 1) Terminate the Superintendent for Cause pursuant to paragraph 13(b) of the Superintendent’s contract based on the specific grounds contained in the October 8, 2010, notice provided to the Superintendent.

Roll call vote of the Board was as follows:

Board Member Ali	YES
Board Member Easter	NO
Board Member Garrett	YES
Board Member Sharif	ABSENT
Board Member Shipp	NO
Board Member Zurita	YES
Board Member Thomas	YES

IN FAVOR 4 AGAINST 2 ABSTENTION 0 ABSENT 1

- 2) Initiation litigation against the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Compton.

Roll call vote of the Board was as follows:

Board Member Easter	YES
Board Member Ali	YES
Board Member Sharif	ABSENT
Board Member Shipp	YES
Board Member Thomas	YES
Board Member Zurita	ABSTAINED
Board Member Garrett	YES

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C. COMMUNICATIONS

- C.1 SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**
None.

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C. COMMUNICATIONS

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C.2 RECOGNITION

Dr. Abimbola Ajala, Associate Superintendent, Elementary Schools, introduced Greg Johnson, Post Commander, VFW, Howard Martin Richardson Post 5394, Compton, CA, who provided a brief overview of the VFW Essay Competition and presented the 2009/2010 Local Teacher of the Year award to Lakeisha Moore, teacher, Roosevelt Elementary Education.

C.3 INFORMATION ITEM

Compton Unified School District - Williams/Valenzuela/CAHSEE Lawsuit Settlement, First Quarterly Report on Uniform Complaints.

Karen Frison, Acting Superintendent, reported that there were two (2) complaints filed during the First Quarter (July 1, 2010 to September 30, 2010); and that both complaints were resolved in a timely manner.

The Compton Unified School District - Williams/Valenzuela/CAHSEE Lawsuit Settlement, First Quarterly Report on Uniform Complaints will be submitted to the Los Angeles County Office of Education.

D. SPECIAL SESSION

Public Hearing - 7:00 p.m.

Certification of Provision of Standards-Aligned Instructional Materials - 2010/2011 School Year.

10/11-033a

MOTION by *MR. ALI*, **SECOND** by *MS. ZURITA* to open the Public Hearing on Certification of Provision of Standards-Aligned Instructional Materials - 2010/2011 School Year. Time: 9:29 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

Karen Frison reported that all CUSD Schools met the requirements regarding the Standards-Aligned Instructional Materials for the 2010/2011 School Year; that they were certified and 100% compliant pursuant to the Education Code and the California Code of Regulation.

Audience Comments

None.

10/11-033b

MOTION by *MRS. ZURITA*, **SECOND** by *MR. ALI* to close the Public Hearing on Certification of Provision of Standards-Aligned Instructional Materials - 2010/2011 School Year. Time: 9:30 p.m.

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E. PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA & NON AGENDA ITEMS

- **MARY L. SITTER**, 829 North Lemon Street, Anaheim, CA 92805
Inquired about the Breakfast Program; asked when the program would begin; whether the teachers serving breakfast would be violating the Williams Act; and who would be responsible for cleaning-up after the students.
- **MARIA VILLAREAL**, 609 West Peach Street, Compton, CA 90222
Shared concerns about the CUSD PTA; requested assistance from the Board to conduct an investigation into the operational aspects of the District PTAs because each organization was run differently; stated that reports of fundraising events and dues were not being disclosed; reported that active employees were also serving in official capacities (president and vice president); and spoke in favor of giving the Superintendent a second chance.

Karen Frison, Acting Superintendent, Agreed to provide a report to the Board concerning Mrs. Villareal's concerns.

- **HERLES HOLMES**, 723 South Alameda, Compton, CA
Expressed concern about unwanted items, (textbooks/reading materials and confidential documents) that are being stored outside of the warehouse facility; and reported that the items were attracting rodents and stray animals. He also inquired about the removal of inoperable vehicles that were being stored near the warehouse.

Deborah Willard, Associated Superintendent, Business Services Administration, assured the Board that the unwanted items would be properly disposed of in a timely manner.

Board Member Ali stated that there was an Educational Code that directed the disposal of textbook related materials.

Board Member Shipp requested that staff implement a plan to properly dispose of confidential documents.

Board President Thomas requested that the matter be handled immediately.

Board Member Zurita referred staff to the City of Elkwoods's website and suggested that they review their Disposal Plan.

F. COMMENTS OF THE STUDENT BOARD MEMBER

Arturo Teran, Alternate Student Board Member, shared concerns about the unkempt restroom facilities at Centennial High School.

Board President Thomas asked about the air conditioning system at Centennial.

Arturo Teran stated that the matter was not resolved.

Board President Thomas requested copies of all schools that need repairs to the air conditioning systems.

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G. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Presentation **Breakfast First (Healthy Food for Hungry Minds)**
(Student Nutrition Services)

Comment: The District would like to work in collaboration with Breakfast First (Healthy Food for Hungry Minds) in conducting a pilot project that would dramatically increase breakfast participation. The Breakfast First Campaign is a three-year initiative that will help California schools maximize available federal resources. Since breakfast is the most important meal of the day, with this initiative, Breakfast will be offered in the classroom to elementary schools and at the front gate in secondary school sites.

Recommendation: Information only

Fiscal Impact: *No Cost to the District.*

Karen Frison, Acting Superintendent, introduced Nicola Edwards, Representative, California Food Policy Advocates, who presented a short video regarding the Breakfast First Campaign; and addressed questions and concerns raised by the Board.

10/11-034

MOTION by *MRS. SHIPP*, **SECOND** by *MR. ALI* to extend the meeting by 30 minutes – until 11:05 p.m. (Time: 10:35)

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by *MR. EASTER*, **SECOND** by *MRS. SHIPP* to approve Item No. 10/11-027.

H. ACTION ITEMS (Non-Consent)

10/11-027 **Applications to Attend Professional Conferences/School Business Meetings.**

No Discussion

VOTE ON MOTION TO APPROVE ITEM No. 10/11-027.

MOTION CARRIED

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MOTION by *MRS. ZURITA*, **SECOND** by *MRS. SHIPP* to approve Item Nos. 10/11-028, 029, 030, 031, 032 and 1023.

I. BUSINESS/CONSENT ITEMS

10/11-028 **Resolution No. 10/11-08 Proclaiming the Month of October 2010 as Character Education Month**

Recommendation: Adoption of Resolution.

Fiscal Impact: *None.*

10/11-029 **Resolution No. 10/11-09 Proclaiming the Month of October 2010 as Disability Awareness Month**

Recommendation: Adoption of Resolution.

Fiscal Impact: *None.*

10/11-030 **Resolution No. 10/11-10 Proclaiming the Week of October 23-31, 2010 as Red Ribbon Week**

Recommendation: Adoption of Resolution.

Fiscal Impact: *None.*

10/11-031 **Resolution No. 10/11-11 Proclaiming the Month of October 2010 as School Safety Month**

Recommendation: Adoption of Resolution.

Fiscal Impact: *None.*

10/11-032 **Resolution No. 10/11-12 In Support of Career and Technical Education**

Recommendation: Adoption of Resolution.

Fiscal Impact: *None.*

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I. BUSINESS/CONSENT ITEMS

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10/11-1023 Resolution No. 10/11-04 Certification of Provision of Standards-Aligned Instructional Materials - 2010/2011 School Year

Recommendation: Adoption of Resolution.

Fiscal Impact: *None.*

No Discussion

VOTE ON MOTION TO APPROVE ITEM No. 10/11-028, 029, 030, 031, 032 and 1023.

MOTION CARRIED

J. COMMENTS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND SUPERINTENDENT

- **BOARD MEMBER ALI**
Requested that the Board Meeting close in memory of Ira Galloway.
- **BOARD MEMBER ZURITA**
Requested that staff follow-up with the parents who were in attendance regarding an Individual Education Plan (IEP) for their son.
- **ACTING SUPERINTENDENT, KAREN FRISON**
None.
- **BOARD MEMBER MARJORIE SHIPP**
Reported on her visit to Bunche Middle School to observe the Young Scholars Program; thanked the elementary and middle school teachers, Chief Hourie Taylor and Tami Foy for their work with the students; and announced that the volunteers from the Compton Initiative would be at Dominguez High School on Saturday, October 16, 2010, from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon.
- **BOARD MEMBER MARGIE GARRETT**
Announced that the School Pride television program, featuring Enterprise Middle School, would be airing on Friday, October 15, 2010, at 8:00 p.m. on NBC (Channel 4), reported on her attendance at the How Sweet the Sound choir competition; announced that the Voices of Destiny church choir of Greater Zion Church Family of Compton, (Michael Fisher, Pastor), won the How Sweet the Sound Regional Competition; and that the choir has been invited to compete in the "How Sweet the Sound" grand finale on November 13, 2010, in Washington D.C.

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• **BOARD MEMBER FRED EASTER**

Thanked the staff for rejuvenating the flower bed (outside of Risk Management and Payroll Department).

• **PRESIDENT MAE THOMAS**

Requested that the Board Meeting close in memory of Louvenia Harris-Woods and Ira Galloway; stated that she was for the children 100% but expressed concern about the cafeteria being closed and the secondary schools receiving breakfast at the gate; requested the immediate removal of items and confidential documents from the Warehouse area; and challenged all Board members to join the PTA.

K. THE NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD STUDY SESSION

Education Service Center Board Room - November 9, 2010

ADJOURNMENT

10/11-9007 **MOTION** by *MR. EASTER*, **SECOND** by *MRS. GARRETT* to adjourn the Special Meeting/Study Session of the Board of Trustees. Time being 10:45 p.m.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of the aforementioned individuals.

Karen Frison
Acting Superintendent

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