



Minutes

Special Meeting Board of Trustees

Saturday, May 21, 2011

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. OPENING

1.01 **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Margie Garrett, Vice President at 9:31 a.m., in the Board Room of the District Education Service Center, 501 South Santa Fe Avenue, Compton, CA 90221.

1.02 **ROLL CALL**

The following Board Members were present

**Micah Ali
Fred Easter
Margie Garrett
Emma Sharif
Marjorie Shipp**

The following Board Member was not present

**Mae Thomas
Satra Zurita
Donnie King
*Student Board Member***

1.03 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board Member Emma Sharif led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

1.04 **INVOCATION**

Board Member Fred Easter requested that the invocation be conducted silently.

It was the consensus of the Board to adjust the agenda to receive the Open Session Presentations prior to Audience Comments.

3. OPEN SESSION

- **Board Docs Overview - Interactive Presentation Regarding Possible Use of Paperless System For Distribution Of Board Materials**

Comment: BoardDocs provides a means of immediately publishing and revising agenda items, supporting documents, policies and procedures via the Internet.

Deborah Willard, Associated Superintendent, Business Services

Administration, introduced Bill Terry, eGovernance Specialist, Emerald Data Solutions and Ari Ioannides, President, BoardDocs who provided a detailed overview of the company and the service they provide. The presentation was conducted via webcam and Messrs. Terry and Ioannides addressed questions and concerns raised by the Board.

Ari Ioannides agreed to provide Deborah Willard with a copy of the company's proposal that addressed pricing.

Board Member Ali suggested that staff provide the Board with a list of competitors and software regarding this type of program; suggested that the Board give consideration to piloting a paperless system; and requested that staff provide a plan that would address how the Board Meeting could become more efficient and effective.

- **Technology Audit - Total School Solutions**

Comment:

On June 22, 2010, the Board approved a contract with educational consulting firm *Total School Solutions* (TSS) to conduct an audit of District technology services.

Tehir Ahad, President and Tina Burkhart, Director, Total School Solutions, provided a detailed presentation addressing the methods used, conclusions reached, and recommendations for the District's technology department. Mr. Ahad and Ms. Burkhart addressed questions and concerns raised by the Board.

Board Member Easter suggested that staff provide the Board with an improvement plan that would address issues presented in the report by TSS.

- **Student Nutrition Services Budget Forecast**

Tracie Thomas, Director, Student Nutrition Services (SNS), provided an overview of the SNS Division; shared information as to how the infrastructure could be enhanced to better address student needs; commented on the Student Choice Pilot program (to be implemented from full-preparation kitchens at eight (8) elementary schools that served 500 meals or less); stated that the project was targeted for the upcoming school year; explained that the project would eliminate eight supervisor positions; and reported on the financial challenges that exist in SNS relative to competitive food sales. Tracie Thomas addressed questions raised by the Board.

3. **OPEN SESSION**

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Student Nutrition Services Budget Forecast – Tracie Thomas

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Board Member Easter inquired about the revenue generated from vending machines on the school campuses; and where the revenue was being deposited.

Board Member Ali requested that there be a comprehensive plan presented to the Board that would address specific aspects of the Student Choice Pilot program, i.e., site supervision, the transportation system for the distribution of food in a timely manner, the cost of fuel and additional equipment.

Deborah Willard agreed to provide the requested information.

2. **AUDIENCE COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS**

- **KIMBERLY MAHMOUD**, 413 South Acacia Avenue, #A, Compton, CA 90220
Expressed concern about the implementation of the Student Choice Pilot program; commented on the elimination of 8 supervisor positions; and spoke in opposition to pre-packaged food for students.
- **ADRIAN CLEVELAND**, 12501 South Wilmington Avenue, Compton, CA
Expressed concern about the District's fiscal position; reported that Governor Brown has allocated additional monies for schools in the "May Revise"; that Congress has allocated funding for school student nutrition services; requested that the Board look into the management of funds received by the District; inquired about how student nutrition claims were being made, if the claims were submitted in a timely manner and whether the District filed claims for each student who has been fed; commented that there was a pilot program similar to Student Choice conducted at Cesar Chavez; reported that the transportation vehicles used to deliver the food to the school sites were inadequate; that the school kitchens were not equipped to handle the pilot program; and explained that the food served by SNS was not pre-packaged food but rather subsidized meals from the Government.

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

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MOTION by *MR. ALI*, **SECOND** by *MRS. SHARIF*, to adjourn the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees - the time being 12:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Karen E. Frison
Interim Superintendent

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