

**West Contra Costa Unified School District  
Minutes of the Board of Education Meeting  
Lovonya DeJean Middle School  
3400 Macdonald Avenue  
Richmond, CA 94805**

Revised for approval on  
January 20, 2010

**January 6, 2010**

**A. CLOSED SESSION**

**B. OPENING PROCEDURES**

President Madeline Kronenberg called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. The Board recessed into Closed Session. President Kronenberg called the Public Session to order at 6:35 PM.

**B.1 Pledge of Allegiance**

President Kronenberg led those in attendance in the pledge of allegiance.

**B.2 Welcome and Meeting Procedures**

President Kronenberg offered welcome and instructions to the public regarding the meeting.

**B.3 Roll Call**

**Board Members Present:** Madeline Kronenberg, Antonio Medrano, Audrey Miles, Charles Ramsey, Tony Thurmond

**Staff Present:** Doris Avalos, Executive Director; André Bell, Senior Director Bond Finance; Martin Coyne, Director Accounting/Audits; Steve Collins, SELPA Director; Otilia Espinosa, Interpreter; Bill Fay, Associate Superintendent for Operations; Luis Freese, Executive Director Maintenance and Operations; Sheri Gamba, Associate Superintendent for Business Services; Wendell Greer, Associate Superintendent K-Adult; Bruce Harter, Superintendent; Debbie Haynie, Executive Secretary; David Johnston, Director General Services; Joe Mayes, Maintenance Manager; Ken McDaniel, Electronics Supervisor; Lyn Potter, Coordinator State & Federal Programs; Raul Ramirez, Assistant Principal Adult Education; Nia Rashidchi, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services; Jessica Romeo, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Bill Savidge, District Engineering Officer; Marin Trujillo, Coordinator Community Engagement

**B.4 Presentation of Student Board Representative Brandon Amargo, Middle College High School**

Mr. Amargo spoke of activities and opportunities for students at Middle College High School located on the Contra Costa Community College campus.

**B.5 Report/Ratification of Closed Session**

Superintendent Harter asked the Board to ratify the vote taken in Closed Session to expel two (2) students and suspend those expulsions for placement in the West Contra Costa Unified School District.

**Motion: Mr. Medrano moved approval of the expulsion of two (2) students, suspending those expulsions for placement in the West Contra Costa Unified School District. Mr. Ramsey seconded. Mr. Medrano, Ms. Miles, Mr. Ramsey, and President Kronenberg voted yes, Mr. Thurmond voted no, with no abstentions. Motion carried 4-1-0-0.**

**B.6 Agenda Review and Adoption**

**Public Comment:** None

**MOTION: Mr. Ramsey moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Medrano seconded. Mr. Medrano, Ms. Miles, Mr. Ramsey, Mr. Thurmond, Student Representative Brandon Amargo (advisory vote only) and President Kronenberg voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0.**

**B.7 Minutes:** December 9, 2009; December 14, 2009; December 15, 2009

**MOTION: Mr. Ramsey moved to approve Minutes for the December 9, 2009, December 14, 2009, and December 15, 2009 meetings. Ms. Miles seconded. Mr. Medrano, Ms. Miles, Mr. Ramsey, Mr. Thurmond, Student Representative Brandon Amargo (advisory vote only) and President Kronenberg voted yes with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0.**

**C. BUSINESS ITEMS**

**C.1 Grants/Awards/Agreements**

**C.2 Acceptance of Donations**

**C.3 Approval of Fund-Raising Activities**

**C.4 Contracts with Employee Health and Welfare Providers**

**Resolution No. 61-0910: United Teachers of Richmond (Active)**

**C.5 Contracts with Employee Health and Welfare Providers**

**Resolution No. 39-0910 (REVISED): School Supervisors Association, Unrepresented Classified Management and Confidential Employees Retiring after June 30, 2010**

**Resolution No. 42-0910 (REVISED): Unrepresented Management Retiring Prior to July 1, 2010**

**Resolution No. 43-0910 (REVISED): Unrepresented Management Retiring After December 31, 2008 but before July 1, 2010**

**Resolution No. 44-0910 (REVISED): Public Employees Union, Local One Retiring Prior to July 1, 2010**

**Resolution No. 45-0910 (REVISED): Public Employees Union, Local One Retiring After June 30, 2009**

**Resolution No. 55-0910 (REVISED): United Teachers of Richmond Retiring Prior to January 1, 2007**

**Resolution No. 56-0910 (REVISED): United Teachers of Richmond Retiring Prior to July 1, 2010 BUT AFTER December 31, 2006**

**Resolution No. 57-0910 (REVISED): United Teachers of Richmond Retiring After June 30, 2010**

**Resolution No. 59-0910: Unrepresented Certificated Management Retiring after June 30, 2010**

**Resolution No. 60-0910: School Supervisors Association and Confidential Employees Retiring Prior to July 1, 2010**

Superintendent Harter reported a parenthetical correction to the language of item C.5 Contracts with Employee Health and Welfare Providers Resolution No. 60-9010.

**C.6 Certificated Personnel Changes**

**C.7 Approve Job Description: Director of Facilities and Construction**

**C.8 E-Rate Funding Year 13 – Form 470 Technology Services**

**C.9 Ratification of Previously Awarded Contract for Nutrition Center Ice Builder Replacement**

**C.10 Ratification and Approval of Engineering Services Contracts**

**C.11 Ratification and Approval of Negotiated Change Orders**

**MOTION: Mr. Ramsey moved approval of Consent Items C.1 – C.11 with the correction to Item C. 5. Mr. Thurmond seconded. Mr. Medrano, Ms. Miles, Mr. Ramsey, Mr. Thurmond, Student Representative Brandon Amargo (advisory vote only) and President Kronenberg voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0.**

**AWARDS, RECOGNITIONS, AND REPORTS**

**D.1 Recognition of El Cerrito High School student Joseph Young as National Merit Scholarship Program Semifinalist**

Mr. Greer provided background to recognize Joseph Young, senior at El Cerrito High School and National Merit semi-finalist. He is one of the top 16,000 students throughout the United States, and will learn later in January whether he places as a finalist. The Board recognized Joseph for his strong academic achievement.

**Public Comment:** None

**Board Comment:**

Mr. Ramsey recognized Mr. Young for his accomplishments and involvement over last two years in Ivy League Connection.

**D.2 Recognition of Middle College High School as a Bronze Medal School in the U.S. News and World Report of America's Best High Schools**

Mr. Greer honored Middle College High School and its current 307 students who represent every attendance area throughout the District. Middle College has been recognized by U.S. News and World Report as ranking among other top high schools in the nation. Mr. Greer recognized Principal Hattie Smith, Project Administrator Jennifer Crowell, and College President McKinley Williams.

**Public Comment:** None

**Board Comment:**

President Kronenberg acknowledged the extraordinary job done by students and staff.

**D.3 Recognition of WCCUSD National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) Teachers**

Ms. Rashidchi acknowledged current NBPTS teacher Gay Grieger-Lods, who provided background on the program and introduced Ellen DeCarlo and Claudia Velez for achieving certification as National Board Certified Teachers.

**Public Comment:** None

**Board Comment:**

President Kronenberg said she was excited to hear about teachers striving for excellence in their profession.

Mr. Ramsey offered congratulations and well wishes.

Mr. Thurmond offered congratulations and highlighted how great District teachers are. He said he would like to hear about mentor strategies for other teachers.

Ms. Rashidchi responded that these teachers are eagerly serving as mentors to others, assuming extra work and responsibility.

Mr. Medrano asked about the number of teachers who have completed the National Board Certification. Ms. Grieger-Lods responded that there are six currently certified teachers.

**MOTION: Mr. Ramsey requested to reopen and amend the order of the Agenda. Mr. Ramsey offered a motion to move item F.6 Interfund/Tier III Transfer to follow item D.5 In Memory of Members of the School Community in order to accommodate families with children in the audience. Mr. Medrano seconded. Mr. Medrano, Ms. Miles, Mr. Ramsey, Mr. Thurmond, Student Representative Brandon Amargo (advisory vote only) and President Kronenberg voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0.**

**D.4 Standing Reports**

Community Budget Advisory Committee - Charles Cowens announced that the next meeting is set for January 21, 2010 in order to accommodate upcoming community budget meetings. He reported that the agenda will cover several items, including the first interim budget, parcel tax expenditures and oversight responsibility, the Governor's proposed budget, audit, and election of chair and vice chair officers. He reported that the committee has been looking at similar committees in other school districts to review set-up and membership of stakeholders.

Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee – Robert Studdiford announced the next meeting for January 27, 2010 at 6:00 PM.

Academic Subcommittee – Ms. Rashidchi reported that at its last meeting, conversation was held around character development programs with overarching themes including involvement of staff, student and community buy-in. She also reported that self assessments will be done by each school using the recommended tools from the California Department of Education. The next meeting is scheduled for January 26, 2010.

Ivy League Connection – Mr. Ramsey reported on the recent interviews for the University of Pennsylvania and Columbia University summer programs. President Kronenberg spoke about the Ivy League blog and the variety of college campuses to which students have submitted applications.

Safety Committee – Mr. Thurmond announced the upcoming January 26<sup>th</sup> meeting at Kennedy High School.

Youth Commission – Mr. Thurmond announced the upcoming January 27<sup>th</sup> meeting and acknowledged that many students from Middle College have participated on the commission.

**D.5 In Memory of Members of the School Community**

Dr. Harter recognized contributions of members of the community who have passed away.

**F.6 Interfund/Tier III Transfer**

Ms. Gamba provided a presentation of information regarding interfund transfers to assist the District in meeting Reserve requirements. As a part of the First Interim Report, staff recommended that a transfer be made from the programs which fall under the State Tier III flexibility in order to address the funding and reserve shortfall in the 2011-12 school year. In accordance with the State of California Tier III flexibility transfer provisions, staff is requesting a fund balance transfer from the Deferred Maintenance Fund and Adult Education Fund to the Special Reserve fund for the purpose of funding a portion of the 3% required reserve due to the State funding shortfall.

**Public Comment:**

Veronica Sanchez, Kimi Honda, Antonia Jackson, Narely Castanon, Earleani Kennedy, Al Kirkman, Kristen Pursley, Lisa Burton, Ken Ryan

**Board Comment:**

Mr. Thurmond thanked the speakers for their compelling testimony and asked questions about the financial impact on Adult Education. Ms. Gamba responded that this item is an addition to the Special Reserve fund and will not have a programmatic impact to the Adult Education program for this year.

Mr. Medrano asked for clarification of the funds and potential 2010-2011 cuts for Adult Education. Ms. Gamba responded with clarification that this would require additional information brought to the Board for discussion at a future meeting.

Mr. Ramsey commented about Deferred Maintenance funds also being used for reserve funds. He expressed the need to sustain programs in this accounting procedure. He said he thinks this is an appropriate use of funds.

Ms. Kronenberg spoke as an adult school teacher and about Tier III flexibility as well as the drastic reduction in state funding. She spoke of developing a different business model to support adult education in California and that no programs cut will be made with this decision.

Mr. Ramsey said he supports this action as it helps the District stay viable and does not jeopardize the District as a whole.

Mr. Thurmond spoke about the adult school program assisting the District in remaining solvent, with no services reduced for 2009-10 school year. He asked whether this action would trigger an automatic action of some future reduction. Ms. Gamba clarified that separate action would be required to make any additional reductions to Adult Education programs and services.

**MOTION: Mr. Ramsey moved to approve the Interfund/Tier III Transfer. Ms. Miles seconded. Mr. Medrano, Ms. Miles, Mr. Ramsey, Mr. Thurmond, Student Representative Brandon Amargo (advisory vote only) and President Kronenberg voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0.**

**E. PUBLIC AND COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS**

(Education Code 35145.5; Government Code 54950 et seq.)

**E.1 Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Harter provided a report of events in District schools.

**E.2 WCCUSD Public Comment**

Patricia Durham, Judy Jung, Robert Studdiford, Al Kirkman, Pat Coleman, John Irminger, Charles Cowens

**F. ACTION ITEMS**

**F.1 Temporary Housing Alternatives – Portola Middle School**

Superintendent Harter provided information for this item, following the recent meeting with the El Cerrito City Council, for the relocation of Portola students. This presentation was in response to the Board's request for additional alternatives that could be considered along with other options, as well as a recommendation to rescind the decision to place the temporary campus at El Cerrito High School.

**Public Comment:** Robert Studdiford, Joanna Pace, Charles Cowens

**Board Comment:**

Mr. Ramsey commented about the Adams school site closure, availability of the site, and documents from the joint meeting with the city council. He said he would like to hear Board members' comments about closing an option by taking the El Cerrito campus off as an alternative and urged caution before proceeding without full information. He continued with comments about Adams site seismic upgrades and potential funding support from other sources to maintain school sites.

**MOTION: Mr. Medrano made a motion to rescind the decision to move Portola students to the El Cerrito temporary campus and as quickly as possible to convert the land where the portable buildings currently stand to playfields for the El Cerrito students.**

Ms. Miles said she agreed with Mr. Ramsey in eliminating one option without vetting all options and having discussions with the community. She said she does not feel the option should be eliminated at this time, but that decisions need to provide opportunity for the community to participate in these decisions.

Mr. Thurmond said he would like to know the rationale for the direction to proceed before rescinding a previous decision by the Board. He said he would like to use safety, speed and time line, and cost effectiveness as guidelines for action which would eliminate several options. He further said that he supports the redistribution of students to other schools and parent choice options. Mr. Thurmond said he would second the motion if Mr. Medrano would consider including these two options in his motion.

Mr. Medrano said he agreed.

Mr. Ramsey said he understands and respects the recommendation to redistribute to other schools, while rebuilding Portola, but does not support it.

Mr. Medrano said he looked at the expense of some of the recommendations and supports saving funds that could go to other school construction projects as worthy projects.

Mr. Amargo commented that construction at Pinole Middle did not affect his ability to perform well while in attendance at that school. He said he disagreed that students would perform as well in a displaced environment.

Ms. Miles urged vetting all options with the community before a final decision is made. She said that while disbursement of students to other campuses might be a better financial decision, she agreed with Mr. Amargo about disrupting a campus family.

President Kronenberg said she agreed that decisions about alternatives will not be made at this meeting. The only decision before the Board at this time is regarding the portable buildings at El Cerrito High School. She continued by asking what would happen to the principal and staff with the disbursement of students to other school campuses. She concluded by urging community meetings around all alternatives.

Mr. Thurmond said that the Board needs to make a statement of intention to rescind the previous decision and give the public notice of options for consideration. He said he would support community meetings, bringing the item back at the January 20 meeting for public hearing, and a full decision at a later meeting.

Mr. Ramsey spoke about narrowed options and opportunity for community feedback.

Ms. Miles asked for clarification of the motion.

Mr. Thurmond asked Superintendent Harter whether there are other considerations from staff.

Superintendent Harter spoke about the impact of Board approval to remove the El Cerrito option, lower pad option, remove all Adams options, and create community conversation around parent choice options that would eventually come back to the Board for approval for the temporary relocation of Portola students beginning in August of 2010.

Mr. Ramsey pointed out that removal of portables would allow El Cerrito fields projects to proceed.

Mr. Thurmond suggested that this item could be agendaized for action at the January 20 meeting.

**MOTION: Mr. Medrano restated and amended his motion to rescind the original Board approval of moving Portola students to the portable buildings at El Cerrito High School, convert the land where the portable buildings currently stand to playfields for the El Cerrito students, and that the Board would make a statement of intention to pursue a combination of a parent choice options and redistribution of students to other middle schools during construction. Mr. Thurmond seconded. A roll call vote was taken with Mr. Medrano, Ms. Miles, Mr. Thurmond, Student Representative Brandon Amargo (advisory vote only), and President Kronenberg voting yes, and Mr. Ramsey voting no, and no abstentions. Motion carried 4-1-0-0.**

A five minute recess was taken at this time.

## **F.2 Survey Report**

At the December 9, 2009 meeting, the Board reviewed a community survey done by Godbe Research to assess the degree to which there is community support for possible measures that would help in replacing the vast amount of state funding that has been lost due to the State's revenue shortfall and / or moving forward the renovation and rebuilding of schools. Superintendent Harter introduced Bryan Godbe, of Godbe Research, who provided recommendations with data and information regarding recent community surveys conducted for a potential parcel tax and bond measure. He reported that the survey supported a viable bond measure in 2010.

### **Public Comment:**

Charles Cowens

### **Board Comment:**

Mr. Ramsey spoke about the level of support for a viable political campaign for a bond measure and about the history of the District in successful passage of parcel taxes and bond measures.

Mr. Thurmond asked whether to anticipate any significant change in support between the time of the October survey and a June or November election. Mr. Godbe responded that a twelve-month period is acceptable in a general economy, but can't assume that the current economic climate won't have a negative impact. Mr. Thurmond followed with questions about survey responses regarding use of funds for maintenance or construction. Mr. Godbe recommended that the characteristics of a new school should be handled in the wording of the ballot measure question and accompanying resolution to identify projects. Follow up questions were discussed about education campaigns with Mr. Godbe providing his opinion about opportunities to inform the community.

President Kronenberg said she is very optimistic, that the community is optimistic and willing to support future resources for schools.

Mr. Amargo said he agreed with the bond measure.

Mr. Thurmond asked for a restatement of the motion.

**Motion: Mr. Ramsey moved to authorize up to \$50,000 for a consultant and future survey for a potential bond measure to go before the voters. Mr. Medrano seconded. A roll call vote was taken with Mr. Medrano, Ms. Miles, Mr. Ramsey, Mr. Thurmond, Student Representative Brandon Amargo (advisory vote only) and President Kronenberg voting yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0.**

### **F.3 Race to the Top Participation**

Superintendent Harter provided information regarding the memorandum of understanding to be filed with the State for eligibility to participate in Race to the Top federal funding. He spoke about the major priorities which include improving teaching and leadership, aligning standards, effective use of data systems, improving lowest performing schools, and the opportunity to work with new provisions in the contract with the United Teachers of Richmond. Dr. Harter provided a revised recommendation that would allow the District to participate including three significant caveats: that the plan be jointly developed by UTR and the District with approval of the UTR Executive Board and the Board of Education, full funding of planning, operational and implementation costs to the District, and that legislation does not adversely impact the District giving the Board final authority to determine impact.

**Public Comment:** Al Kirkman

#### **Board Comment:**

Mr. Thurmond asked when the District might receive additional information.

Superintendent Harter responded for clarification.

**MOTION: Mr. Ramsey moved approval of the District Race to the Top application to the State of California for the Race to the Top funding. Mr. Medrano seconded. Mr. Medrano, Ms. Miles, Mr. Ramsey, Mr. Thurmond, Student Representative Brandon Amargo, and President Kronenberg voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. The motion carried 5-0-0-0.**

### **F.4 Board Approval of Single Plans for Student Achievement (SPSAs) December 2009 – December 2010**

Ms. Potter provided information regarding parent involvement and the overall process for development and implementation of school plans for improving achievement for all students.

**Public Comment:** None

#### **Board Comment:**

Mr. Medrano asked questions about addressing drop outs and truancy. Ms. Potter explained that individual schools have components in their plans to address attendance and that each section of the plan has a component for communication with parents.

Ms. Miles commented that the plans are tied to attendance, accountability for each school to address attendance, safety, and parent involvement.

Mr. Thurmond asked questions for clarification about individual school plans and availability to the public. Ms. Potter responded that current plans are available on the District website. Ms. Rashidchi provided additional clarification about plan implementation, review and feedback.

**MOTION: Mr. Ramsey moved approval of Single Plans for Student Achievement (SPSAs). Mr. Thurmond seconded. Mr. Medrano, Ms. Miles, Mr. Ramsey, Mr. Thurmond, Student Representative Brandon Amargo and President Kronenberg voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0.**

**F.5 Presentation of the 2008-09 Audit Report by Perry-Smith, LLP**

Ms. Gamba introduced Mr. Matthew Nethaway, of Perry-Smith, LLP, who presented the independent audit. Ms. Gamba also recognized Mr. Martin Coyne for his exemplary work in coordinating the audit services amid challenges required by changes in state accounting procedures. Mr. Nethaway communicated to the Board the opinions rendered in the audit process.

**Public Comment:** None

**Board Comment:**

Mr. Thurmond asked for a restatement of the recommendations. Mr. Nethaway clarified by addressing the District policy regarding vacation accrual monitoring and an attendance recording error which was extrapolated and corrected. President Kronenberg thanked the auditors and commended staff for all their work.

**MOTION: Mr. Ramsey moved approval of the 2008-09 Audit Report. Mr. Medrano seconded. Mr. Medrano, Ms. Miles, Mr. Ramsey, Mr. Thurmond, Student Representative Brandon Amargo (advisory vote only) and President Kronenberg voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0.**

Mr. Thurmond commented about public perspective and making it known that the finances of District are well managed.

Mr. Ramsey suggested that the purpose of Citizen's Budget Oversight Committee is to provide that information to the public.

President Kronenberg agreed with Mr. Thurmond that this is an opportunity for positive publicity.

Ms. Miles said she valued Mr. Ramsey's opinion and hoped he might consider providing input to assist in the direction of the committee.

Mr. Medrano encouraged Board members to approach service organizations to share the District's budget message.

Mr. Thurmond reiterated that this is an opportunity to share with the public that something is right with the District's financial management.

**F.6 Interfund/Tier III Transfer**

This item was moved to follow D.5.

**F.7 Resolution No. 53-0910, Level II and Level III Developer Fees**

Mr. Fay presented information as an annual requirement to prepare a school needs analysis in order to gauge the annual rate of developer fees.

President Kronenberg opened the public hearing.

**Public Comment:**

Dan Boatwright spoke in opposition of the Level II Developer Fee.

Mr. Fay responded that the proposed fees are based on the expertise of consultant recommendations and that the proper venue for a dispute is to present a claim since there seems to be a difference in interpretation.

Mr. Thurmond spoke about the error in the date on the notice of public hearing. Discussion took place.

Mr. Savidge responded affirmatively that the notice was improperly dated and suggested this item be tabled to a later meeting.

Consultant Alana Cunningham from Jack Schreder and Associates was available to address any concerns.

President Kronenberg closed public hearing.

**MOTION: Mr. Ramsey moved to table Resolution No. 53-0910, Level II and Level III Developer Fees to a later meeting. Mr. Thurmond seconded. Mr. Medrano, Ms. Miles, Mr. Ramsey, Mr. Thurmond, Student Representative Brandon Amargo, and President Kronenberg voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0.**

**F.8 Safety Committee Recommendation**

Mr. Greer provided information regarding recommendations to establish procedures to require intermittent safety patrols on high school campuses during evening student activities, including extra-curricular, co-curricular and athletic events.

**Public Comment:** None

**Board Comment:**

Ms. Miles asked questions about expectations. Mr. Greer responded that these recommendations will be introduced to students, parents, and included in student handbooks.

Mr. Medrano asked about student behavior expectations and photo identification requirements. Mr. Greer responded for clarification.

Mr. Thurmond asked further questions about intermittent campus patrols. Mr. Greer responded that security perimeter checks would be an expectation at events.

**MOTION: Mr. Ramsey moved approval of the Safety Committee Recommendations. Mr. Thurmond seconded. Mr. Medrano, Ms. Miles, Mr. Ramsey, Mr. Thurmond, Student Representative Brandon Amargo, and President Kronenberg voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0.**

**F.9 Request for Proposal for Commercial Real Estate and Consulting**

Mr. Fay provided information regarding possibilities for property income generation and potential lease alternatives in order to reduce vandalism to vacant buildings.

**Public Comment:** None

**Board Comment:**

Mr. Ramsey said his position remains that the District maintain surplus property for future use.

Ms. Miles said she agreed that at this time the market does not bear selling property at a high value and would support leasing alternatives to generate income.

Mr. Medrano agreed with pursuing leasing opportunities and expressed concerned about vandalism and theft at vacant sites.

Mr. Ramsey said he supported awarding a Request for Proposals for the purpose of alternative land use.

Mr. Thurmond asked whether there are commercial vendors who would take property on a commission basis to find potential buyers.

Mr. Fay spoke about alternative land use plans rather than the sale of property.

President Kronenberg reiterated that the Board is concerned with use of the term “an intention of sale” in the recommendation.

**MOTION: Mr. Ramsey moved approval of the Request for Proposal for Commercial Real Estate and Consulting with the modification of the language to eliminate “proceeds for sale.” Mr. Medrano seconded. Mr. Medrano, Ms. Miles, Mr. Ramsey, Mr. Thurmond, Student Representative Brandon Amargo, and President Kronenberg voted yes, with no abstentions and no absences. Motion carried 5-0-0-0.**

**G. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**G.1 Status Reports – Facilities Planning and Construction**

Mr. Bill Savidge provided a report on various facilities projects throughout the District.

**Public Comment:** None

**Board Comment:** None

**H. UNFINISHED REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD** (continued from Item E)

None

**I. COMMENTS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SUPERINTENDENT**

Mr. Ramsey wished everyone a happy New Year. He said he was saddened to learn of an official killed in Mexico recently, Augustin Roberto “Bobby” Salcedo. He suggested that condolences be sent to the El Monte School District and to adjourn meeting in Mr. Salcedo’s memory.

**J. THE NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

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**K. ADJOURNMENT**

President Kronenberg adjourned the meeting at 10:52 PM.



AAM  
Approved 1/20/10

*Motion vote count order: Yes-No-Abstain-Absent*

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