

**West Contra Costa Unified School District
Minutes of the Board of Education Meeting
Facilities Operations Center
1400 Marina Way South
Richmond, CA 94804**

June 17, 2015

***Minutes of the Joint Meeting of the Board Of Education
And Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee***

A. OPENING PROCEDURES

A.1 Call to Order

President Todd Groves called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

A.2 Welcome and Meeting Procedures

Chairperson Ivette Ricco offered remarks of welcome and appreciation.

A.3 Roll Call

Board Members Present: Liz Block, Randy Enos, Todd Groves, Madeline Kronenberg,

Board Members Absent: Valerie Cuevas

CBOC Members Present:

Margaret Browne, Don Gosney, Charlene Harlan-Ogbeide, Marianne Harrison, Dennis Hicks, Madeleine Jen Kin; Anton Jungherr, Chris Kelly, Kelvin Love, Tom Panas, Stephen Purser, Ivette Ricco, Maureen Toms, Tom Waller, Orlandus Waters

Staff Present: Mark Bonnett, Senior Director, Bond Finance; Adam Ferber, CBOC Attorney; Luis Freese, District Engineering Officer; Bruce Harter, Superintendent; Debbie Haynie, Executive Secretary; Keith Holtslander, Director of Facilities & Construction; Lisa LeBlanc, Associate Superintendent Operations; Vince Meyer, M&O Executive Director

A.4 Approval of Agenda

Chairperson Ricco requested that Public Comment for Items *Not On the Agenda* be added.

MOTION: Chairperson Ricco approved the agenda as amended.. Mr. Gosney seconded the motion. The agenda was approved as amended by voice vote.

Public Comment for Items Not on the Agenda

Lorraine Humes

Pledge Of Allegiance

B. DISCUSSION ITEMS

B.1 Update on the Board Authorized Investigation of the Clay Allegations and discussion of scope of the investigation

President Groves remarked that the Board had asked staff not to participate in the procedures and the process was taking time.

Ms. Block shared discussion at a recent meeting regarding the withdrawal of Attorney Scott Emblidge due to the appearance of a conflict of interest. She reported on the agreed upon process for attorney selection, followed by forensic auditor selection, and a subcommittee of the board to monitor the process during public meetings.

Discussion was held regarding makeup of the committee and a request to include a CBOC member. Mr. Jungherr distributed written recommendations for consideration. Discussion continued regarding a timeline, funding from the District's general fund and input to the overall process.

B.2 Performance and Financial Audit Discussion for the Upcoming Audits

Mr. Waters provided an update regarding the VTD audit and agreed upon procedures for financial and performance audits.

Chairperson Ricco asked about the District's financial audit as it regarded bond funds and whether there should be CBOC involvement. Superintendent Harter responded with information about the Board's determination to combine the audits, not previously done.

B.3 Review of the CBOC's Role and Responsibilities under Policy 7214.2

Superintendent Harter spoke about concern that the increased scope and duties of the CBOC and the ten subcommittees had increased. He wanted the Board and Committee to come together to review the Board Policy that governs the committee as well as consider the level of staff support.

Discussion covered the responsibilities of the Committee and the various subcommittees. Superintendent Harter emphasized that there cannot be any delay to projects that must be completed for the opening of school later this summer. Board members supported the investment of additional staffing resources to allow the CBOC to review matters in order to instill public confidence.

Superintendent Harter thanked the Board and Committee for direction. He indicated that general funds and bond funds will continue to be used to provide needed resources for support.

B.4 Discussion of the size of the CBOC and authority for recommending appointments

Discussion was held about various recommendations regarding the size of the Committee. Discussion included public perception and view point of a recent Grand Jury report.

C. FUTURE MEETINGS

C.1 Board Meeting June 24 2015

C.2 CBOC Meeting July 15, 2015

Superintendent Harter reported that as the Board adopts the 2016 calendar of meetings, two joint meetings with the CBOC will be incorporated.

D. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Ricco adjourned the meeting at 7:27 PM.

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<p><u>R. Enos</u> Approved 7/8/15</p>
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