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**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION - MINUTES**

July 20, 2006

The Board of Education of the San Leandro Unified School District met in special session on July 20, 2006, in the San Leandro Unified School District Office Conference Room 1, 14735 Juniper Street, San Leandro, California.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Clerk Hague.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mr. Ray Davis  
Mr. Louis Heystek (arrived at 5:32)  
Ms. Linda Perry  
Mr. T.W. "Rick" Richards  
Mrs. Lisa Hague, Clerk  
Mr. Stephen Cassidy, Vice President (arrived at 5:38)

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Mrs. Pauline Cutter

**DISTRICT STAFF PRESENT**

Christine Lim, Superintendent  
Michael Martinez, Assistant Superintendent  
Cindy Cathey, Assistant Superintendent

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments concerning items on the closed session agenda.

**CLOSED SESSION**

At 5:31 p.m., the Board went into closed session regarding Public Employee Appointment – Title: Director of Curriculum and Professional Development pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.

The Board returned to open session at 5:40 p.m. Clerk Hague noted that the Board had been in closed session and the following action was taken:

- On a motion made by Mr. Davis and seconded by Ms. Perry, the Board appointed Judith Cameron as Director of Curriculum and Professional Development by a 5-0 vote. Trustees Cassidy and Cutter were absent for the vote.

Vice President Cassidy led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

- Mike Katz addressed the Board regarding intra-district transfers suggesting that there needed to be some indication on the exhibit form that indicated that it was a two-sided document, and on page 2, number 5 of the proposed AR 5116.2 the “IEP” abbreviation needed to be defined. He also felt that on page 4, under “Criteria for Approval or Denial on Ongoing Intra-district Transfer Requests”, the criteria for academic performance, attendance, and discipline as reasons for approving or denying a request should be further clarified.

## **CONSENT ITEMS**

Trustee Heystek asked to pull Consent Item 3.1-C, AR 5116.2, Intra-District Transfers and Exhibit 5112, Intra-District Transfer Request Form.

### Human Resources

- 2.1-C      Community Outreach Specialist Position Extension from December 2006 through June 30, 2007

On a motion made by Mr. Davis, and seconded by Ms. Perry, the Board approved the remaining consent item by a 6-0 vote. Trustee Cutter was absent.

### Educational Services

- 3.1-C      AR 5116.2, Intra-District Transfers and Exhibit 5116.2, Intra-District Transfer Request Form

Mr. Heystek thanked staff for being responsive to the Board’s comments made at the July 18, 2006, Board meeting and appreciated the language added regarding the lottery system.

He asked Assistant Superintendent Cindy Cathey to explain

the degree of flexibility taken into consideration when approving or deny requests.

Ms. Cathey said that because each request was often determined on a case by case basis, which may include lengthy discussions, she felt that further clarification of the reasons for approving or denying a claim on the administrative regulation would not be necessary, explaining that it was the District's philosophy that if there was space available, returning students would continue.

Ms. Hague noted that the second side of the transfer form requires that parents acknowledge that their "student must maintain satisfactory academic progress, have good attendance, with few or no tardies or unexcused absences, and must not have any behavior problems."

Prior to the vote, Mr. Cassidy asked staff to cite examples or situations where a continuing student had been denied in terms of academics and attendance.

Ms. Cathey said it would very rare for continuing students to be denied based on their grades; however, tardies was an area where students were denied because they lived in one area and attended school in another, noting that often there are multiple reasons that enter into the decision.

On a motion made by Mr. Heystek and seconded by Mr. Davis, the Board approved AR 5116.2, Intra-District Transfers, and Exhibit 5116.2, Intra-District Transfer form, with a notation indicating that the exhibit is a two-side document, and the addition of "Individualized Education Program" (IEP) be added to the AR 5116.2 (b) by a 6-0 vote. Trustee Cutter was absent.

## **PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

None

## **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

- Mr. Davis asked if the Board had received his email invitation "celebrating our accomplishments for the year".
- Mr. Heystek thanked Mr. Katz for attending this special meeting and voicing his concerns about intra-district transfers.
- Mr. Cassidy thanked Mr. Davis for his invitation.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

On a motion made by Mr. Davis and seconded by Ms. Perry, the Board adjourned the meeting at 5: 54 p.m. by a 6-0 vote. Trustee Cutter was absent.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Hague, Clerk