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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION - MINUTES

December 18, 2007

The Board of Education of the San Leandro Unified School District met in special session on December 18, 2007, in the San Leandro Unified School District Office Conference Room 1, 14735 Juniper Street, San Leandro, California.

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m. by President Davis.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Mike Katz-Lacabe (arrived at 5:36 p.m.)

Ms. Linda Perry

Mr. T.W. "Rick" Richards

Mrs. Pauline Cutter, Clerk

Mrs. Lisa Hague, Vice President

Mr. Ray Davis, President

BOARD MEMBER ASBENT

Mr. Stephen Cassidy

DISTRICT STAFF PRESENT

Christine Lim, Superintendent

Song Chin-Bendib, Assistant Superintendent

Cindy Cathey, Assistant Superintendent

Byron Isaac, Assistant Superintendent

Consent

Human Resources

2.1-C Acceptance of Personnel Report

On a motion made by Mrs. Hague and seconded by Ms. Perry, the Board approved the Personnel Report as presented by a 5-0 vote. Trustees Cassidy and Katz-Lacabe were absent.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

CLOSED SESSION

At 5:37 p.m. the Board went into Closed Session regarding Conference with Labor Negotiator pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6.

The Board returned to open session at 6:30 p.m. President Davis noted that the Board had been in closed session and that no action was taken.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

- Mr. Katz reported that the San Leandro City Council heard a presentation on the results of the Revenue Measure Feasibility Survey with regards to the Marina boat harbor at their meeting last night, noting that public schools/education was cited as the single most important issue facing San Leandro in the next five years, and that improving the quality of education was the second-highest priority cited by the respondents. He felt that this information would be relevant as the District considers pursuing a parcel tax. President Davis added that the Superintendent would be forwarding the document to the Board in the PDF format.
- Mr. Davis reported that, as part of the Diversity Speaker Series: *Dismantling Systemic Racism* offered by Notre Dame De Namur University (NDNU) in Belmont, Angela Davis, activist and educator, would be speaking on "Building Communities of Activism," on January 31, 2008, 7 p.m. in the NDNU Theatre. If Board members are interested, he will be happy to purchase tickets.

He noted that Mr. Cassidy had contacted Administrative Assistant Linda Pollard requesting a CD copy of the audio of the December 13 Board meeting, and was asking for Board direction as to whether or not to grant this request, adding that normally the official record of the meetings are the minutes, and that the District currently has the recordings available at the District Office so that the public can come and listen to the audio of the meetings.

While the Board agreed that the audio tapes were public record and that the public is entitled to request and receive a copy of the audio, there was some concern regarding releasing a copy of the audio because the information could be manipulated, per Board bylaw the District is only required to keep copies of the recordings for six months following the approval of the minutes, and should there be a fee for this service.

Because this discussion had not been agendized for this meeting, Ms. Perry suggested that it be referred to the Policy Committee for review of the current policy, the California Public Records Act, and related requirements. She asked and received consensus from the Board.

The Board wished everyone a happy and restful holiday, noting the District Office would be closed through January 4, reopening on January 7, 2008.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Mrs. Cutter seconded by Mrs. Hague, the Board adjourned the meeting at 6:17 p.m. by 6-0 vote. Trustee Cassidy was absent.

Respectfully submitted,

Pauline Cutter, Clerk