San Leandro USD Minutes

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Special Board Meeting

March 12, 2013
Tuesday, 07:00 PM
San Leandro Unified Administration Office
14735 Juniper Street
San Leandro, CA

Attendees

Ron Carey	Board Trustee	
Lance James	Board Trustee	
Mike Katz-Lacabe	Board Trustee	
Corina Lopez	Board Trustee	
Diana Prola	Board Trustee	
Vince J. Rosato	Board Member	
Jason Toro	Board Member	
Cindy Cathey	Superintendent	*non-voting*
Song Chin-Bendib	Assistant Superintendent	*non-voting*
John Thompson, Ed.D.	Senior Director II	*non-voting*
Debbie Wong	Assistant Superintendent	*non-voting*

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL - 6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by President Prola at 6:04 p.m. It was noted that all Board members were present with the exception of Trustee López.

2. PUBLIC TESTIMONY - CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There were no public comments regarding the closed session agenda.

3. RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION - 6:00 P.M.

The Board recessed into to closed session at 6:04 p.m.

a. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/ Hiring, Government Code Section 54957

b. Conference with Labor Negotiator; Government Code Section 54957.6

c. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9, subd. (a))

4. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION - 7:00 p.m.

The Board reconvened into open session at 7:02 p.m. Present Prola said that Trustee López arrived at 6:09 p.m.

a. Report on Closed Session Action

President Prola said that the Board had been in closed session where no action was taken.

b. Pledge of Allegiance
President Prola led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

c. Approval of Agenda *(V)*
The Board approved the Special Board meeting agenda held on March 12, 2013.

Motion made by: Mike Katz-Lacabe
Seconded by: Ron Carey

Votes

Unanimously Approved

d. LEGAL STATEMENT

5. PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS - 7:05-7:15 p.m.

There were no public comments on non-agenda items.

6. PRESENTATIONS - 7:15-7:45 p.m.

a. 2012-2013 Second Interim Report
Song Chin-Bendib, Assistant Superintendent of Business & Operations, presented the 2012-2013 Second Interim Report which includes Fiscal Years 2013-2014 and 2014-2015. Included in the presentation was fiscal information that was presented to the Finance Committee on March 4, 2013, including such topics as: Local Control Funding Formula, Measure L, Sequestration, increasing Special Education costs, Affordable Care Act and any other relevant information since the meeting.

Assistant Superintendent Chin-Bendib reported that for the fiscal year 2012-2013 Second Interim Report, San Leandro USD is certifying a positive certification. Business Services staff has prepared the Second Interim Report, along with assumptions from the School Services of California (SSC), Inc. Dartboard, which provides school districts critical economic indicators for budget projections. Multi-Year projections along with other analytical reports were provided under separate cover.

Below are the Second Interim Report projected ending Fund Balances after designations for 2012-2013 and two subsequent years. The unrestricted ending fund balances include Tier III Flexibility funds that have been swept/approved by the Board. Any unswept or unapproved funds have been accounted for in a separate account and are not included in these balances.

Fund Balance	**2012-2013**	**2013-2014**	**2014-2015**
After designations*	$1,252,148	$775,028	($2,257,162)

* These balances reflect keeping the 3% Reserve Requirements in Fund 17 (a separate Fund).

The following major assumptions have been applied toward the 2012-2013 Second Interim Report:

- Revenue Limit statutory COLA for 2012-2013 - 0%,

- Reduction of COLA for 2013-2014 from 2.0% to 1.65%
- Reduction of COLA for 2014-2015 from 2.3% to 2.2%
- Revenue Limit deficit factor - 22.272%
- Special Ed additional encroachment of $100,568 due to declining enrollment for 2012-2013 only
- Superintendent search firm for $25,000 – 2012-2013 only
- Gas savings due to pool construction of $50,000 for 2012-2013 only
- CSR/Lottery revised revenue increase of $94,371 for 2012-2013 only
- Mandated Cost Block Grant revenue at $47/ADA for 2013-2014 and 2014-2015
- Special Ed ongoing encroachment of $700,000 per year for 2012-2013, 2013-2014 and 2014-2015
- No mid-year reductions for 2012-2013
- State Categorical COLA: Tier I = 0.00%, Tiers II & III = 0.00% for 2013-2014 to 2014-2015
- Special Education COLA = 1.65% for 2013-2014 and 2.20% for 2014-2015 (on state and local share only)
- Lottery = $124.00 unrestricted and $30.00 restricted for 2013-2014
- Lottery = $123.75 unrestricted and $30.00 restricted for 2014-2015
- 8,430.3 ADA projections for 2013-2014 and 2014-2015

The Assistant Superintendent further explained that:

- The Second Interim does not reflect the Governor's Budget Proposal for Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF). At this time, LCFF has not yet been approved by the Legislature, however it is clear that implementation of the LCFF is the Governor's highest priority. The District has started discussing LCFF but is uncertain how much the District will actually receive. It is important to note that most school districts will receive additional funding for the first time since 2007-2008.
- The usual Revenue Limit calculation was used as assumptions for the Second Interim. This is the direction provided by the Alameda County Office of Education (ACOE).

It was noted that the State of California has shown positive reports for a fiscal recovery; on the other hand federal sequestration has started. The impact to the District is primarily in Title I and Special Education funding. It is therefore prudent for the District to continue to be fiscally responsible, conserve its resources, and keep its flexibility open.

After the presentation, the Board of Education thanked Assistant Superintendent Chin-Bendib and her staff for their work, and posed clarifying questions which were addressed by staff.

7. ACTION ITEM

a. Approval of Action Items

8. Business and Operations

a. A Positive Certification of the Second Interim Report for 2012-2013 Which Includes Fiscal Years 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 As Required by Assembly Bills 1200 and 2756 *(V)*

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Carol Delton, San Leandro Teachers' Association, thanked the Board and District staff for their efforts to not issue pink slips this year, and appreciated that everyone is looking in other areas to get the District through the Second Interim instead of looking at additional cuts at this time. She also addressed the Board regarding the ADA numbers, and comparisons of projected expenditures between the First and Second Interim.

The Board approved the positive certification of the Second Interim Report of 2012-2013 which includes Fiscal Years 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 as required by Assembly Bills 120 and 2756.

Motion made by: Lance James
Seconded by: Corina Lopez

Votes

Unanimously Approved

9. BOARD COMITTEE REPORTS - 7:45-7:50 p.m.

a. Facility and Technology

Trustee Katz-Lacabe reported that the Facilities and Technology Committee met on March 6, 2013, and discussed the marquee at McKinley Elementary School which is on the agenda tonight for Board consideration. The committee also discussed the parking lot vs. sod replacement at McKinley, the contract with AT&T for E-rate funding, both of which are also on the agenda for Board consideration tonight. Permanent fencing at Madison Elementary School, housing options for the District Office and permanent plans of the Instructional Materials Center (IMC), were discussed and the committee received an update on Request for Qualifications (RFQ) regarding Solar consultants.

10. CONSENT ITEMS - 7:50-8:05 p.m.

a. Approval of Consent Items *(V) (C)*

The following item was pulled from the Consent Calendar:

- 13b - Contract with Lemke Landscape for the Natural Grass and Irrigation Repair Project at McKinley Elementary School, Funded from Measure B Savings (Trustee Katz-Lacabe)

With the exception of 13b, the Board approved the Consent Calendar as amended.

Motion made by: Mike Katz-Lacabe
Seconded by: Lance James

Votes

Unanimously Approved

11. General Services

a. Approval of Minutes - February 26, 2013

b. Contract With Hazard, Young, Attea and Associates for Superintendent Search *(V) (C)*

12. Business and Operations

a. Voice and Long Distance Contract Between San Leandro Unified School District and AT&T *(V) (C)*

b. InterSchola Services Agreement *(V) (C)*

c. Contracts for Amounts $5,000 or Less for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 *(V) (C)*

13. Facilities and Construction

a. Bond Contracts $15,000 or Less for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 *(V) (C)*

b. Contract with Lemke Landscape for the Natural Grass and Irrigation Repair Project at McKinley Elementary School, Funded from Measure B Savings *(V) (C)*

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Ed Shapiro, on behalf of the Parks and Recreation Commission Representative Evelyn Gonzalez, addressed the Board regarding community gardens and partnering with San Leandro schools which might have community garden space. He urged the Board to consider postponing their decision to see if there is community interest in reopening these gardens as community gardens.

Trustee Katz-Lacabe made a motion which was seconded by Trustee López to table this item to the April 9 Board meeting which failed by a 4 to 3 vote. Trustees Rosato, James, Carey and Toro voting no.

A second motion was made by Trustee Carey and seconded by Trustee Toro, to move forward with the contract for priority natural grass and irrigation repairs at McKinley Elementary School, in the amount of $18,194, with Lempke Landscaping, to be funded from Measure B savings. The motion was approved by the Board by the following 4-3 vote:

Motion made by: Ron Carey
Seconded by: Jason Toro
Votes

Ron Carey	Yes
Lance James	Yes
Mike Katz-Lacabe	No
Corina Lopez	No
Diana Prola	No
Vince J. Rosato	Yes
Jason Toro	Yes

c. Installation of a Marquee at McKinley Elementary School and Contract Agreement with Sign-a-Rama *(V) (C)*

14. ACTION ITEMS - 8:05-8:15 p.m.

15. Human Resources

a. San Leandro Unified School District's Initial Proposal to the California School Employees Association Chapter #94 *(V)*

The Board adopted the San Leandro Unified School District's Initial Proposal to the California School Employees Association Local Chapter $94.

Motion made by: Mike Katz-Lacabe
Seconded by: Lance James

Votes

Unanimously Approved

b. San Leandro Unified School District's Initial Proposal to the Teamsters Union Local No.856/Alameda Building Trades Council *(V)*

The Board adopted the San Leandro Unified School District's Initial Proposal to the Teamster Union Local No. 856/Alameda Building Trades Council.

Motion made by: Lance James
Seconded by: Ron Carey

Votes

Unanimously Approved

c. San Leandro Unified School District's Initial Proposal to the San Leandro Teachers' Association *(V)*

The Board adopted the San Leandro Unified School District's Initial Proposal to the San Leandro Teachers' Association.

Motion made by: Lance James
Seconded by: Vince J. Rosato

Votes

Unanimously Approved

16. INFORMATION ITEM - 8:15-8:20 p.m.

a. Information Items

17. Human Resources

a. Acknowledgement of Receipt of the San Leandro Teachers' Association's Initial Proposal to the San Leandro Unified School District

b. Acknowledgement of Receipt of the Teamsters Union Local No.856/Alameda Building Trades Council Intent to Bargain Notice

18. ADDITIONAL SUGGESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS-8:20 p.m.

Trustee Rosato enjoyed the African American Achievement Night, and is looking forward to the Latino Achievement Night and band festival. He announced that Saturday, March 16, The Alameda County Office of Education Project EAT is sponsoring "Let's Walk! A Multi-City Walk for Health". Walking groups in neighborhoods all over Hayward, San Lorenzo, San Leandro, Oakland, and Livermore will be taking place on the same day between 9 a.m. and 12 p.m.

Trustee López also enjoyed the African Amrican Achievement Night and is looking forward to the Latino Achievement Night, adding that she was the keynote speaker at that event in 2010. She also thanked Assistant Superintendent Debbie Wong for all of her work towards the success of these events.

Trustee Katz-Lacabe commented that while the San Leandro High School boys basketball team narrowly lost their final game, he reiterated what a great season they had and looked forward to recognizing them for their achievement at an upcoming Board meeting.

Trustee James attended the San Leandro High School Coaches Crab Feed on Saturday, March 9.

Trustee Carey joined a standing-room only crowd at the African American Achievement Night.

Trustee Prola will be attending a press event at Jefferson Elementary School on March 14, where Coca-Cola will be presenting a $50,000 check to SLED for a recess-activity grant. This generous gift will allow SLED to support Playworks Program at Wilson, McKinley, and Jefferson Elementary Schools.

19. ANNOUNCEMENT

a. Board of Education Meetings

- **Regular Board Meeting - March 19, 2013 including a Community Forum on Budget - John Muir Middle School**
- ~~Regular Board Meeting - April 2, 2013~~ **(Rescheduled)**
- **Regular Board Meeting - April 9, City Council Chambers**
- Regular Board Meeting - April 16, 2013 **(Tentative)**
- Regular Board Meeting - May 7, 2013
- Tentative Board Meeting/Work Session - May 14, 2013 (District Office)
- Regular Board Meeting - May 21, 2013
- Regular Board Meeting - June 4, 2013
- Regular Board Meeting - June 18, 2013
- Special Board Meeting - June 25, 2013 (District Office)

20. ADJOURNMENT*

a. Time *(V)*

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Motion made by: Lance James
Seconded by: Corina Lopez

Votes

Unanimously Approved

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Carey, Clerk

Board Approved: 4/9/13