San Leandro Unified School District Minutes

Regular Board Meeting - Celebrate Schools
March 26, 2019 6:00 PM
San Leandro Performing Arts Center

2250 Bancroft Avenue

San Leandro, CA 94577

Open Session: 6:00pm

Closed Session: 7:30pm

Attendance Taken at 6:00 PM:

Present:
James Aguilar
Dr. Kevin Collins
Evelyn Gonzalez
Dr. Mike McLaughlin
Peter Oshinski
Sonal Patel
Diana Prola
Christian Rodriguez
Leo Sheridan
Monique Tate
Dr. John Thompson

A. CALL TO ORDER - 6:00 P.M.

Minutes:
Meeting was called to order at 6:02pm

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Minutes:
President Sheridan led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

C. LEGAL STATEMENT

D. PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Minutes:
There was no public testimony on non-agenda items.

E. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

E.1. Business & Operations

E.1.a. Approve Second Interim Report

Minutes:
Upon the motion and seconding of this agenda item, voting took place by a show of hands.

Motion Passed: Recommend to approve Second Interim report with positive certification. Passed with a motion by Evelyn Gonzalez and a second by Peter Oshinski.

Yes James Aguilar
Yes Evelyn Gonzalez
Yes Peter Oshinski
Yes Diana Prola
Yes Christian Rodriguez
Yes Leo Sheridan
Yes Monique Tate

F. PRESENTATIONS

F.1. Muir Middle School

Minutes:
Dr. Vernon Walton, Principal, shared the middle school's successes with implementation of the 2017-2020 SLUSD Strategic Plan for the 2018-19 school year.

Successes include:

Falcons Stand Strong
Stand Up
Stand together

- Focus on ensuring access to systematic language
- Development opportunities throughout the instructional day for our English learners
- Promote prevention and intervention programs that focus on health, wellness and positive personal, social development
- Effectively collaborate and remain fully engaged around our goals of student learning in order to provide outstanding educational experiences

- To build reciprocal relationships that promote and support the positive social, emotional, and academic development of our students
- Maintain and improve infrastructure in order to provide an optimal learning environments for all students

Student Leadership

Two Leadership teachers were introduced: Mycel Jacob & Arcy Dever. They co-teach the class. They invited some of the students to speak on how they've improved the community.

Students told members of the audience and board members how they have participated in School Site Council and Youth Leadership Council. They've hosted dances and donated the proceeds to families in need, such as those who were recently impacted by the fires in Paradise. Students have participated in Season of Service, Period of Peace.

John Muir Middle School Falcon Theatre Productions: Mohammed Mangrio was introduced as the Drama teacher. Several students participated in a mini theatre production of The Addams Family Musical.

Volunteers honored at John Muir Middle School:
- Regina Seng-Choo Chennault
- Jennifer Herzner
- Wendy Hung

F.2. Garfield Elementary School

Minutes:
Lynda Hornada, Principal of Garfield Elementary School, provided a presentation highlighting activities, events and modernization of the school site via the strategic plan as follows:
- Measure J1 has enabled modernization of the school site including a new library, heating and air conditioning and new modules coming to the school site
- Gatorville PTO – The principal acknowledged members of this organization for transforming the work and for creating several community and fundraising events at the site
- Mindfulness includes "I wish my teacher (or principal or librarian) knew"
    - Students can anonymously place a topic that is difficult to address in public anonymously about what is going on in their life
    - RISE Series - an empathy circle which was open to all Garfield Staff who wanted to hone their ability to listen to their feelings and the needs behind them. Takes place monthly and is voluntary to participate

- Staff is raising awareness to students about college prep students/staff wear college gear to encourage elementary students to consider college after graduation

- The opening of the new STEAM work at Garfield
    - Students were invited to speak about why STEAM is important at their school site

- Technology – students are enjoying the 3D printer they are able to utilize in their recently renovated library

Volunteers being honored at Garfield Elementary School:

- Linda Bowden
- Maureen Forney
- Bibiana Sandoval

F.3. Madison Elementary School

Minutes:
Garry Grotke, Principal of Madison Elementary School provided a presentation utilizing the school district's strategic plan as follows:

- Mr. Grotke brought several staff and students from Madison to share how they're utilizing the strategic plan at James Madison
- Students came and spoke about
    - Outdoor Education (thanks to SLED and community funding)
    - Project based learning experiences
    - Science participation in the classrooms
    - Enjoying the FOSS science kits provided by the school district
- Teachers enjoy the positive partnership and encouraging leadership who understands the importance of collaboration
- School site looks forward to the upgrades coming to the sites and adding the Juniper Wing to the Madison Campus

Volunteers being honored at James Madison Elementary School:

- Darlene Stevenson
- Joyce Wagner

F.4. Monroe Elementary School

Minutes:
Jeannette McNeil, Principal of Monroe Elementary School, provided her school sites presentation as outlined with the strategic plan:

Utilizing the Strategic Plan, the Graduate Profile and the school's mission and ision, Mrs. McNeil discussed the path to becoming a PBL (project based learning) school. Various slides were displayed reflecting the work taking place around project based learning.

Monroe recently opened the entire school to a sharing morning of PBL projects where the School Board, several administrators and many parents were able to view projects from all classrooms, including the kindergarten class - who shared their work with 5th graders.

PBL has been an amazing journey at the school. The overwhelming feedback from the staff has been positive; the excitement of the students is contagious.

Technology integration is important to high level PBL implementation.

Students provided feedback to the school board and audience regarding their experiences with PBL:

- PBL makes the students feel happy to learning something new
- Studying real world problems
- You work with other people to get outstanding ideas
- We spend a lot of time studying and researching our projects
- Can show people what they are learning through the PBL process

Volunteers being honored at Monroe Elementary School:

- Jacqueline Chun
- Nancy Morris
- Mark Piccolo

F.5. Wilson Elementary School

Minutes:
Virginia Quock, Principal of Wilson Elementary School, provided a presentation in alignment with our strategic goals:

Highlights included:

- Engaging, responsive and personalized learning experiences
- Real-world learning: classroom re-design
- Responsive, engaging pedagogy
- Social emotional development

- Equitable outcomes
- Employee Relations and staff wellness
- Role Model Day
- Coffee chats
- Time management a goal setting workshops
- Digital citizenship workshops
- Barbara Lee Center partnerships
- Family and community engagement
- Book and blanket night
    - Bite sized parent education about Clever and blending learning platforms
- Modernization taking place at the school site

Volunteers being honored at Wilson Elementary School:

- Huy Nguyen
- Mercy Sotelo
- Edith Alvarado

G. ADDITIONAL SUGGESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Minutes:
Upon hearing all presentations all board members and the student board member provided positive feedback to all staff, students and volunteers who participated in this meeting.

H. PUBLIC TESTIMONY - CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Minutes:
There was no public testimony on closed session items.

I. RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION - 7:30 P.M.

Minutes:
The Board recessed into closed session at 7:48pm.

I.1. Student Expulsions; EC 35146 and 48918(c) - None

I.2. Public Employee Performance Evaluation, Title: xxxx; GC 54957 - None

I.3. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Hiring; GC 54957

I.4. Conference with Labor Negotiator (Government Code Section 54957.6) Employee organizations: SLTA, CSEA, T/T, Unrepresented Groups, Designated Representative: John Thompson - None

I.5. Conference with Legal Counsel Anticipated Litigation - Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9: (specify number of potential cases) - None

I.6. Public Employee Appointment - Title: xxx; Government Code 54957 - None

I.7. Conference with Real Property Negotiator - Property(ies); xxx; Government Code 54956.8 - None

I.8. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation - (Specify number of potential cases); Government Code 54956.9 - None

I.9. Liability Claims; Government Code 54956 - None

I.10. Matters Related to Students EC 35146 and 48912 - None

J. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION - 8:00 P.M.

Minutes:
The Board reconvened to open session at 8:18pm. The board took no action during closed session.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes:
Upon the motion to adjourn and the seconding of the motion to this agenda item, a vote was made by a show of hands. The meeting adjourned at 8:19pm.

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Evelyn Gonzalez and a second by Peter Oshinski.

Yes James Aguilar
Yes Evelyn Gonzalez
Yes Peter Oshinski
Yes Diana Prola
Yes Christian Rodriguez
Yes Leo Sheridan
Yes Monique Tate

Respectfully submitted,

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Clerk/Secretary of the Board of Education

Board Approved: