

**ALAMEDA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Meeting Location: Alameda County Office of Education  
313 W Winton Avenue, Hayward, CA 94544

**Adopted Minutes of the Board Meeting of August 14, 2012**

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Presiding:	Madam President Yvonne Cerrato opened the meeting at 3:00pm and welcomed all in attendance.
Roll Call	At the request of the President, the Secretary called roll:  Joaquin Rivera, Marlon McWilson, Ken Berrick, Aisha Knowles, Fred Sims, Eileen McDonald, Yvonne Cerrato -all present.
Interdistrict Transfer Appeal IDT # 09-DH-12/13	Ms. Giannes, Appeals Coordinator (A.C.), introduced all parties present. President Cerrato opened the Interdistrict Appeal Hearing IDT # 09-DH-12/13 from Contra Costa USD to Berkeley USD and arguments from appellants were heard in closed session:  President Cerrato closed the hearing.  Discussion ensued.  Request for transfer from Contra Costa USD to Berkeley USD was approved.  Ayes: Berrick, Cerrato, Knowles, McWilson, Knowles, Noes: McDonald, Rivera, Sims Abst: None Absent: None
Interdistrict Transfer Appeal IDT # 22-AW-12/13  Interdistrict Transfer Appeal IDT # 23-AW-12/13	Ms. Giannes (A.C.) introduced all parties present. President Cerrato opened the Interdistrict Appeal Hearing IDT # 22-AW-12/13 and IDT # 23-AW-12/13 from Oakland USD to Alameda USD and arguments from appellants were heard in closed session:  There was no vote on this appeal. Ms. Giannes settled the appeal between the district and the family.
Interdistrict Transfer Appeal IDT # 07-IW-12/13	Ms. Giannes (A.C.) introduced all parties present. President Cerrato opened the Interdistrict Appeal Hearing IDT #07-IW-12/13 and IDT # 08-ZW-12/13 from Oakland USD to Emery UDS and arguments from appellants were heard in closed session:

<p>Interdistrict Transfer Appeal IDT # 08-ZW-12/13</p>	<p>President Cerrato closed the hearing.</p> <p>Discussion ensued.</p> <p>Request for transfer from Oakland USD to Emery USD was denied.</p> <p>Ayes: McWilson Noes: Berrick, Cerrato, Knowles, McDonald, Rivera, Sims Abst: None Absent: None</p>
<p>Interdistrict Transfer Appeal IDT # 11-AH-12/13</p>	<p>Ms. Giannes (A.C.) introduced all parties present. President Cerrato opened the Interdistrict Appeal hearing IDT # 11-AH-12/13 from Hayward USD to Castro Valley USD and arguments from appellants were heard in closed session:</p> <p>President Cerrato closed the hearing.</p> <p>Discussion ensued.</p> <p>Request for transfer from Hayward USD to Castro Valley USD was denied.</p> <p>Ayes: None Noes: Berrick, Cerrato, Knowles, McDonald, McWilson, Rivera, Sims Abst: None Absent: None</p>
<p>Interdistrict Transfer Appeal IDT # 16-JH-12/13</p> <p>Interdistrict Transfer Appeal IDT # 17-TH-12/13</p>	<p>Ms. Giannes (A.C.) introduced all parties present. President Cerrato opened the Interdistrict Appeal hearing IDT # 16-JH-12/13 and IDT # 17-TH-12/13 from Hayward USD to Castro Valley USD and arguments from appellants were heard in closed session:</p> <p>President Cerrato closed the hearing.</p> <p>Discussion ensued.</p> <p>Request for transfer was approved.</p> <p>Ayes: Berrick, Cerrato, Knowles, McDonald, McWilson, Rivera, Sims Noes: None Abst: None Absent: None</p>
<p>Regular Board Meeting Begins</p>	<p>President Cerrato resumed the Regular meeting of the Board at 6:50 p.m.</p>
<p>Mission Statement</p>	<p>Trustee McWilson read the mission statement into the record: <b>Provide, promote and support leadership and service to ensure the success of Every Child...in Every School...Every day!</b></p>
<p>Flag Salute</p>	<p>Trustee McDonald led the recitation of the pledge of allegiance.</p>

<p>Staff</p>	<p>The Secretary introduced the staff present:                  Adrian Kirk-Principal/Coordinator of Transition Bridge School                  Tahitia Dean-back up support to Lycette                  Phil Grasso- video team                  Lycette Kintanar-secretary                  Karen Monroe- Associate Superintendent                  Damon Smith-Associate Superintendent</p>
<p>Item #1: Determination hearing on a charter school petition for Synergy Independent Study Charter School</p>	<p>President Yvonne Cerrato noted that Synergy recalled their petition.</p>
<p>Item #2: Items from the floor will be heard as close to 7:00pm</p>	<p>President Cerrato introduced three speakers each afforded 2 minutes to address the Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Dr. Ida Oberman</li> <li>2) Principal Becky Westbrook</li> <li>3) Latasha North</li> </ol> <p>*Dr. Oberman and Principal Westbrook gave updates on Community Charter School:                  -moving to location of intention: San Antonio, Oakland                  -won three prestigious grants: Walton, Stewart and Ford Foundations                  -grant for playground given by Jet Blue-ribbon cutting is Saturday August 18, 2012 at 2:30pm                  -including more informational/creative writing classes                  -Fully staffed, enrollment increase                  -94% of families moving to new location                  -diverse charter school</p> <p>*Latasha North requested assistance with regard to a petition for an inter-district transfer.</p>
<p>Item #3: Consent Agenda-General Matters:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Minutes of the July 10, 2012 reorganization meeting</li> <li>B. Resolution No. 1928: California Sikh American Awareness a&amp; Appreciation Month</li> <li>C. Student programs and Services (SPAS) report on Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures</li> </ol>	<p>Trustee McDonald moved for approval of all 3 items with a change in language, replacing “President Berrick” with “Trustee Berrick” in the minutes.</p> <p>-Motion for all three passed.</p> <p>Ayes: Berrick, Cerrato, Knowles, McDonald, McWilson, Rivera, Sims                  Noes: None                  Abst: None                  Absent: None</p>

<p>Item #4: Public Hearing on Board Resolution No. 1929: Sufficient Textbooks and Instructional Materials</p>	<p>Trustee McDonald moved to open the public hearing on resolution No.1929 : Sufficient Textbooks and Instructional Materials</p> <p>Trustee Berrick seconded.</p> <p>-Motion passed.</p> <p>Ayes: Berrick, Cerrato, Knowles, McDonald, McWilson, Rivera, Sims  Noes: None  Abst: None  Absent: None</p> <p>Section A.  Superintendent introduced Dr. Greta Nash who discussed changes in curriculum based on Common Core. The curriculum will change as we move forward based on new changes to regulations.</p> <p>Discussion followed on use of technology.</p> <p>Superintendent Jordan and Associate Superintendent Monroe clarified to the Board that decisions will be made based on level of technology required.</p> <p>ACOE emphasized the importance of reading books and the use of libraries.</p> <p>Trustee McDonald motioned to close the public hearing.</p> <p>Trustee Sims seconded.</p> <p>-Motion passed.</p> <p>Ayes: Berrick, Cerrato, Knowles, McDonald, McWilson, Rivera, Sims  Noes: None  Abst: None  Absent: None</p>
<p>Item #4: continued</p>	<p>Section B.  Vice President Rivera moved to approve resolution No. 1929 Sufficient textbooks and instructional materials.</p> <p>Trustee Berrick seconded.</p> <p>-Motion passed.</p> <p>Ayes: Berrick, Cerrato, Knowles, McDonald, McWilson, Rivera,  Noes: None  Abst: None  Absent: Sims</p>

<p>Item #5: California School Boards Association (CSBA) Directors-At-Large Nominations</p>	<p>President Cerrato introduced nominations for CSBA Directors-at-Large. Trustee Berrick nominated Vice President Rivera for Director-at-Large Hispanic.</p> <p>Trustee McWilson seconded.</p> <p>-Motion passed.</p> <p>Ayes: Berrick, Cerrato, Knowles, McWilson, Rivera,          Noes: None          Abst: None          Absent: McDonald, Sims</p>
<p>Item #6: Board Committees</p>	<p>Trustee Berrick reminded the Board about the September 25, 2012 planned workshop/retreat.</p> <p>President Cerrato would like to see regular reports from committee chairpersons from the different agencies so the Board can all stay updated.</p> <p>Superintendent Jordan will report back on the work of the committee and staff.</p>
<p>Item #7: Items from the Board: Board Member discuss status of their activities/interests</p>	<p><b>Trustee McDonald reported on the following:</b></p> <p>*She attended the opening of Waldorf school and reported on excellent graduation ceremony of one of our students at juvenile hall.          -Supervisor Richard Valle was also in attendance.</p> <p><b>Trustee McWilson reported on the following:</b></p> <p>*He visited the Community School for Creative Education and notes that there are issues with permit and space in the city of Oakland (occupancy for building incomplete, permit expired) but he is working with Oakland facilities to get them through the process.</p> <p>*He attended the Juvenile Hall graduation and had a wonderful experience. Trustee McWilson expressed concern about the timing of the Williams Inspections. Superintendent Jordan and Associated Superintendent Damon Smith will follow up with staff regarding the inspections.</p> <p><b>VP Rivera reported on the following:</b></p> <p>*He and President Cerrato attended State Board of Education on meeting July 19th 2012 where they heard the appeal from Portola Academy. The state Board of Education upheld the decisions of the Livermore USD and the ACBE and denied the Charter, albeit this was not a unanimous vote.</p> <p>Trustee Berrick: passed          Trustee Sims: passed          Trustee Knowles: passed</p>

Item #8: President's Report	<p><b>President Cerrato reported on the following:</b></p> <p>*She attended the Chabot Institute Integrated Learning workshop and thought it was a wonderful event. She also took a tour of Ashland Youth Center with Rachael Osaguma and Violet Juno Sweeney.</p>
Item #9: Items from the Secretary	<p><b>Superintendent Jordan reported on the following:</b></p> <p>*She discussed results of last discussion with FAME which resulted in an action plan. Staff continues to work with FAME on an MOU which will address the various concerns/issues noted by the Board. Staff clarified that these issues have been remedied.</p> <p>*She reported on the successful countywide symposiums offered by ACOE as part of our professional development program assisting Districts with preparing for the new federally mandated Common Core Curriculum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-math symposium</li> <li>-science symposium</li> <li>-Project Eat symposium</li> <li>-Integrated learning at Chabot Science center</li> </ul>
Adjournment	<p>Having no further business the Board adjourned the meeting at 8:07p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____ Yvonne Cerrato, Board President</p> <p style="text-align: center;">_____ Sheila Jordan, Board Secretary</p>