

County Board of Education
Ronald L. Stewart Center
77 Santa Barbara Road, Pleasant Hill, California
August 6, 2008

ROLL CALL: David T. Krapf, Area 2 Trustee; Daniel Gomes, Area 3 Trustee; Glenn Ruley, Area 4 Trustee; and Daniel Borsuk, Area 5 Trustee

Absent: Pamela Mirabella, Area 1 Trustee

Others: Ellen Elster, Karen Sakata, Susan Magnone, Michael Bowers, Peggy Marshburn, Launi Holland, Diane Misasi, Lindy Khan, Rhonda Dunning, Ken Lowy, Instructor Eva, and Laura Dorsey Huerta, County Office staff; Student A-8/6/08 and parent; Gloria Ervin, Antioch Unified School District; Student B-8/6/08's parent; Student C-8/6/08 and D-8/6/08 and parents; and parents of Students E-8/6/08, F-8/6/08, and G-8/6/08. A partial list of attendees is on file at the County Office of Education.

Presiding: Glenn Ruley, Board President

The regular meeting of the Contra Costa County Board of Education was called to order at 5:00 p.m. with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA REVIEW AND ADOPTION The Board adopted the agenda with the following amendment: Item 8.2, the minutes from the July 16, 2008, Board meeting, was removed from the Consent Agenda to be handled separately (M/S: Borsuk/Gomes; Mirabella absent).

PUBLIC COMMENT None.

CLOSED SESSION

Interdistrict Attendance Transfer Appeal of Student A-8/6/08

The Board convened in closed hearing at 5:41 p.m. to consider the interdistrict attendance transfer appeal of a parent for a child, Student A-8/6/08, from the Antioch Unified School District to the Liberty Union High School District. The Board recessed to closed deliberation at 5:49 p.m. The Board reconvened to closed hearing at 5:53 p.m. and immediately to open session. On behalf of the Board, Hearing Facilitator Launi Holland announced that the Contra Costa County Board of Education voted 4-0 (Mirabella absent) to grant the interdistrict attendance transfer appeal of Student A-8/6/08 based upon CCCOE Board of Education's Administrative Regulation 5200(E)(3.13) (there is evidence that the student has a genuine and substantial fear of attending the school of residence).

Interdistrict Attendance Transfer Appeal of Student B-8/6/08

The Board convened in closed hearing at 5:57 p.m. to consider the interdistrict attendance transfer appeal of a parent for a child, Student B-8/6/08, from the Antioch Unified School District to the Liberty Union High School District. The Board recessed to closed deliberation at 6:14 p.m. The Board reconvened to closed hearing at 6:19 p.m. and immediately to open session. On behalf of the Board, Hearing Facilitator Launi Holland announced that the Contra Costa County Board of Education voted 4-0 (Mirabella absent) to grant the interdistrict attendance transfer appeal of Student B-8/6/08 based upon CCCOE Board of Education's Administrative Regulation 5200(E)(3.12) (the receiving school is geographically closer to the student's residence) and 5200(E)(3.15) (continued enrollment in the desired district would promote an important level of continuity that is in the best interest of the student).

Interdistrict Attendance Transfer Appeals of Student C-8/6/08 and Student D-8/6/08

The Board convened in closed hearing at 6:22 p.m. to consider the interdistrict attendance transfer appeals of parents for their children, Student C-8/6/08 and D-8/6/08, from the Antioch USD to the Liberty Union HSD. The Board recessed to closed deliberation at 6:39 p.m. The Board reconvened to closed hearing at 6:41 p.m. and immediately to open session. On behalf of the Board, Hearing Facilitator Launi Holland announced that the Contra Costa County Board of Education voted 4-0 (Mirabella absent) to grant the interdistrict attendance transfer appeals of Students C-8/6/08 and D-8/6/08 based upon CCCOE Board of Education's Administrative Regulation 5200(E)(3.12) (the receiving school is geographically closer to the students' residence) and 5200(E)(3.15) (continued enrollment in the desired district would promote an important level of continuity that is in the best interest of the students).

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**Interdistrict Attendance Transfer
Appeals of Student E-8/6/08, F-8/6/08
and G-8/6/08**

The Board convened in closed hearing at 6:45 p.m. to consider the interdistrict attendance transfer appeals of a parent for her children, Students E-8/6/08, F-8/6/08, and G-8/6/08, from the Antioch Unified School District to the Oakley Union Elementary School District. The Board recessed to closed deliberation at 7:00 p.m. The Board reconvened to closed hearing at 7:09 p.m. and immediately to open session. On behalf of the Board, Hearing Facilitator Launi Holland announced that the Contra Costa County Board of Education voted 3-1 (Krapf dissented; Mirabella absent) to grant the interdistrict attendance transfer appeals of Students E-8/6/08, F-8/6/08, and G-8/6/08 based upon CCCOE Board of Education's Administrative Regulation 5200(E)(3.15) (continued enrollment in the desired district would promote an important level of continuity that is in the best interest of the students).

**Interdistrict Attendance Transfer
Appeal of Student H-8/6/08**

This appeal was cancelled because the student was allowed to attend the requested school district.

**RECOGNITIONS
Granting of Contra Costa County
Adult School Diploma and Contra
Costa County High School Diplomas**

The Board voted unanimously to grant a Contra Costa County Adult School Diploma to adult school student CCAS 3 8-06-08 and Contra Costa County High School Diplomas to high school students DVHS1-8/6/2008, DVHS2-8/6/2008, and DVHS3-8/6/2008 (M/S: Gomes/Krapf; Mirabella absent). Karen Sakata, Associate Superintendent of Student Programs and Services, welcomed the graduates and their families and friends. Delta Vista High School (DVHS) Principal Diane Misasi then introduced DVHS teachers Rhonda Dunning and Kevin Lowy, who spoke of their respective graduates' educational accomplishments. Contra Costa Adult School Principal Lindy Khan introduced adult school teacher Eva, who congratulated her graduate and spoke of his educational background. Board President Glenn Ruley then spoke to the graduates about lifelong learning and future opportunities before presenting them with their diplomas and conveying his congratulations.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

SUPERINTENDENT

Report

None.

**BUSINESS & ADMINISTRATIVE
SERVICES**

Board Resolution No. 1-08/09

Deputy Superintendent Ellen Elster reported that the Certificate of Signatures was being presented this evening because Ray Penning is no longer someone who can sign orders drawn on the funds of the County Office, since he has retired from the agency, and newly appointed Associate Superintendent Karen Sakata's signature needs to be added. The Board then voted by the following roll call vote to adopt Board Resolution No. 1-08/09 to verify Certificate of Signatures of person or persons authorized to sign orders drawn on the funds of the county office and Notice of Employment as defined on the Certificate: Krapf, aye; Gomes, aye; Borsuk, aye; and Ruley, aye (M/S: Krapf/Gomes; Mirabella absent).

Staff Report

None.

**STUDENT PROGRAMS AND
SERVICES**

Staff Report

None.

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

Staff Report

None.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Staff Report

Michael Bowers, Associate Superintendent, Human Resources, reported that the New Certificated Staff Member orientation is scheduled for September 6, 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., in the CCCOE Board Room, and he informed Board members that they are welcome to attend.

COMMUNICATIONS

Staff Report

Communications Officer Peggy Marshburn reminded the Board that Staff Development Day is scheduled for September 5 and that Michael Pritchard would be the speaker for the morning session at El Campanil Theatre in Antioch.

**BOARD
Legislative Update**

None.

Regulation 5200

Deputy Superintendent Ellen Ester reported that Deputy County Counsel Esther Milbury worked with staff to streamline the process set forth in Regulation 5200 with regard to hearing procedures for handling interdistrict attendance transfer appeals. She also noted that, if approved this evening, all parents seeking to receive decisions from the Board that evening with regard to their children's interdistrict attendance transfer appeals have been notified that the procedures outlined in the newly approved regulation would be followed. Mr. Ruley clarified that the streamlined procedures set forth in the revised regulation have been put into place in order to avoid encouraging debates between the parents and the district. The Board then voted to approve Regulation 5200: Interdistrict Attendance Transfer Appeals, which was presented for second reading (M/S: Gomes/Krapf; Mirabella absent).

**CSBA's 2008 Outstanding Legislator
of the Year**

After a brief discussion, no nominations of local legislators for CSBA's 2008 Outstanding Legislator of the year were suggested; therefore, no action was taken on this matter.

CONSENT ACTIONS

Minutes of July 16, 2008

The Board voted to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2008, Board meeting (Borsuk/Gomes; Krapf abstained; Mirabella absent).

**Minutes of July 9; Contra Costa
High School Diplomas; Contra Costa
Adult School Diplomas; and a
Public Gift**

The Board voted to approve/accept/grant the following Consent Actions: the minutes from the July 9, 2008, Board meeting; Contra Costa County High School Diplomas to high school student MM1-8/6/2008 and adult school student CCAS 1 8-06-08; Contra Costa County Adult School Diplomas to adult school students CCAS 2 8-06-08 and CCAS 4 8-06-08; and the following public gift that has been donated to the Contra Costa County Office of Education: \$1,000 from Mr. and Mrs. Futterman to the Floyd Marchus Special Education Program (M/S: Borsuk/Gomes; Mirabella absent).

**CORRESPONDENCE/
EVENTS CALENDAR**

Correspondence: Letters dated July 14, 2008, to Board members from Lesa R. McIntosh, President, Board of Directors, East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD), with an update on EBMUD's progress with mandatory water rationing and upcoming events; letter received July 29, 2008, to Daniel Gomes from Jennifer Baker, President, California Latino School Boards Association, inviting him to attend the 2008 Unity Conference on October 9-12; letters to the Board dated July 28, 2008, from Pamela Aguilar, Executive Director, Central Labor Council, AFL-CIO, and Greg Feere, CEO, Contra Costa Building Trades Council, soliciting tribute ads and table sponsorship at the Annual Labor to Labor dinner on September 12.

Calendar of Events: September 5 – Staff Development Day, 8:30 – 11:30 a.m., El Campanil Theatre, Antioch; September 6 – New Certificated Staff Member Orientation, 8:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m., CCCOE Board Room; September 10 – meeting of the Contra Costa County Committee on School District Organization, Acalanes High School gymnasium; September 16 – Contra Costa Adult School Awards, 9:30-11:30 a.m., West County Detention Facility; September 18 – Contra Costa Adult School Awards, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Marsh Creek Detention Facility; September 25 – Teacher of the Year Dinner Celebration, Concord Hilton.

**BOARD REPORTS OF
ACTIVITIES**

No written or oral reports of activities were provided by Board members.

RECESS

The Board recessed from 5:19 p.m. to 5:41 p.m. prior to convening to Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 7:10 p., m.

Joseph A. Ovick, Ed.D., Ex Officio Secretary
County Board of Education

Copies of all resolutions adopted by the Board are on file in the Office of the Superintendent, Ex Officio Secretary of the Board of Education.

These unadopted minutes are summaries and excerpts from the regular meeting of August 6, 2008, and are subject to amendment and/or correction prior to the approval of the County Board of Education.