Minutes of Meeting
Evergreen School District - Board of Trustees
Board Room
3188 Quimby Rd.
San Jose, CA 95148

Enclosure No. 1
Agenda Item 5.1
Date 8/14/14

Wednesday, July 23, 2014
4:30 p.m. Closed Session
5:00 p.m. Regular Session

Board of Trustees:	Sylvia Alvarez	President
	Vince Songcayawon	President Pro-Tem
	Jeff Fischer	Clerk
	Bonnie Mace	Trustee
	Jim Zito	Trustee
Administration:	Kathy Gomez	Superintendent
	Dan Deguara	Assistant Superintendent
	Nelly Yang	Chief Business Officer
	Mahmoud Abed	Director, Technology
	Gary Kishimoto	Director, Pupil Services
	Carole Schmitt	Director, Human Resources
	Denise Williams	Director, Instruction

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Sylvia Alvarez called the July 23, 2014 Board Meeting of the Evergreen School District Board of Trustees to order at 5:46 p.m.

At 5:46 p.m. President Alvarez convened the Board of Trustees Meeting to Closed Session as no comments were presented from the public to the Board of Trustees regarding Closed Session Item 17.1.

At 6:12 p.m. President Alvarez reconvened the Board of Trustees Meeting to Regular Session and stated the protocol for comments from members of the Public.

2. ROLL CALL/QUORUM

2.1	Sylvia Alvarez	President
2.2	Vince Songcayawon	President Pro-Tem
2.3	Jeff Fischer	Clerk
2.4	Bonnie Mace	Trustee
2.5	Jim Zito	Trustee
2.6	Kathy Gomez	Secretary Ex-Officio/Superintendent

Sylvia Alvarez, Vince Songcayawon, Jeff Fischer, Bonnie Mace, Jim Zito, and Kathy Gomez were present.

3. FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by President Alvarez.

4. CONVERSATION SESSION

4.1 Common Core Update and Integrated Math

Dan Deguara, Assistant Superintendent, presented to the Board of Trustees an update on the District's transition to Common Core and Integrated Math which included a summary on the Common Core Standards; shifts in mathematics and English Language Arts (ELA) literacy; the 4Cs – Communication, Collaboration, Creativity, and Critical Thinking; alignment with ELD Standards; and Common Core math. Mr. Deguara spoke about the implementation of Common Core Math Pathways in collaboration with the East Side Alliance, which is composed of East Side Union High School District (ESUHSD) and their feeder schools. He stated that the district Unit Design Team, consisting of district administrators, teachers and WestEd, has designed engaging and comprehensive learning experiences, lessons, and related assignments to be utilized in conjunction with ELA and mathematics resources and materials. Mr. Deguara stated that Pearson Investigations Grades K-5 Investigations in Number, Data, and Space and the College Preparatory Materials (CPM) Core Connections materials would be supported and professional development opportunities would be offered to teachers beginning this summer. He invited community input and questions by way of the district website – Share My Thoughts and the Common Core link– or by contacting him directly.

Mr. Deguara responded to inquiries from the Board members regarding math pathways in 2013-14, 2014-15, and future years; criteria and placement in classes; availability of classes; Common Core and district standards and framework; resources; and private school alignment.

In response to concerns regarding private school awareness of the East Side Alliance Math Pathways, Superintendent Kathy Gomez stated that Mr. Deguara could contact private schools and inform them of the pathways and inquire about their mathematics criteria for applicants from ESUHSD and their feeder schools.

President Sylvia Alvarez requested questions and comments from the Public.

Mr. Mamtora, parent of a 7th grader, inquired about cut scores for math placement in 7th and 8th grades and any limitations of student placement. Mr. Deguara stated that the cut scores would be developed from 6th grade Mathematics Diagnostic Testing Project (MDTP). In spring 2015, Smarter Balanced Assessments Consortium (SBAC) will be available and will be utilized along with the MDTP and other data points for 7th and 8th grade placement in 2015-16. Mr. Deguara stated that students meeting the criteria along with parent permission to participate in the Accelerated Pathway would receive placement. In response to Mr. Mamtora's inquiry about assessments in future years, Mr. Deguara stated that the format of the SBAC is not known at this time but the assessment reporting is expected to be similar to the STAR report received in the past.

7:05 p.m. Vince Songcayawon, President Pro-Tem, requested to be excused from the Board Meeting.

Wanna Kapoor, parent from Matsumoto Elementary School, expressed her concerns regarding Accelerated Pathway, requested more challenging curriculum for elementary students, and requested assessments in 2014-15. Ms. Gomez referred to Mr. Deguara's presentation and stated that SBAC results would be used to identify 7th grade candidates for the 2015-16 accelerated program.

7:07 p.m. Mr. Songcayawon returned to the Board Meeting.

Kevin Larsen, parent from Holly Oak Elementary School, expressed his opinions regarding his unhappiness with Common Core, the textbooks, and the lack of math workbooks; empowering teachers to speak out; and the need to listen to grades K-4 teachers. Mr. Larsen provided a hardcopy of his statement for the record.

President Alvarez thanked all the speakers.

Mr. Deguara acknowledged all the Library Media Assistants who have been working hard to prepare materials being received for the 2014-15 school year.

5. MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC

5.1 Comments from the California School Employees Association (CSEA) Chapter 432 President

Ginny Gomez, California School Employees Association (CSEA) Chapter 432 President, was present but chose not to speak.

5.2 Comments from the Evergreen Teachers Association (ETA) President

Brian Wheatley, Evergreen Teachers Association (ETA) President, was not present.

5.3 Comments from the Public

Kevin Larsen, parent from Holly Oak Elementary School, expressed his opinions regarding LCAP spending, the need for spending equity to all schools, and the need for paraprofessional support for physical education for Special Education students. Mr. Larsen provided a handout of an email he sent to the Board of Trustees regarding his dissatisfaction with the implementation of LCAP. He provided a hardcopy of his comments and his handout for the record.

6. CONSENT ITEMS (Action Items)

Action taken by the Board of Trustees in Agenda Item 6 Consent Items will be taken in one motion. The Board of Trustees may pull any Consent Item for purposes of clarification or comment. When asked for Consent Item comments from the public, members of the public shall identify themselves and address the Board of Trustees. These comments follow the same protocol established for comments during Matters From the Public.

6.1 Approval of Board Meeting Minutes: June 12, 2014
6.2 Approval of Special Board Meeting Minutes: June 4, 2014
6.3 Approval of Personnel Report
6.4 Ratification of Contracts*
6.5 Ratification of June Warrant List*
6.6 Approval of Revised Board Regulation AR 1330 School Facilities **
6.7 Acceptance of Donations to Evergreen School District

Motion by Jeff Fischer, seconded by Vince Songcayawon to approve the Consent Items above.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0 Vote 0 Absent 0 Abstained
Alvarez, Songcayawon, Fischer, Mace, Zito – Ayes; none – Opposed; none– Absent

7. COMMUNICATIONS

7.1 Report on Cost of Refinancing Bonds – AB 1482

Kathy Gomez, Superintendent, stated that Agenda Items 7.1 Report on Cost of Refinancing Bonds – AB 1482 and 10.1 Approval of Resolution: Placement of Facilities Bond Measure on November 2014 Election Ballot would be presented by Dave Olson, Financial Advisor from Public Financial Management. Ms. Gomez informed the Board of Trustees that John Palmer, Bond Consultant with Orrick, Herrington, and Sutclisse, and John Diffenderfer, Aedis Architecture, were also present to respond to their inquiries.

Prior to the presentations, Ms. Gomez indicated that two corrections to the initial Facilities Bond Measure resolution provided to the Board of Trustees were necessary: page A-I-1 spelling correction of the word "aging" and page A-II-2 correction of designee title to Chief Business Officer.

Ms. Gomez introduced Mr. Olson to provide the Agenda Items 7.1 and 10.1 presentations.

Mr. Olson reported on the cost of refinancing bonds as required by AB 1482. He summarized the successful refinancing of bonds that was approved by the Board of Trustees at the May 8, 2014 Board Meeting and the cost of the refinancing. He stated that the present value savings is $5,617,347 and projected a future savings of $7,023,228. Mr. Olson responded to inquiries from the Board members that included savings for the district and community, constraints of the remaining Measure I authorized bonds, and reasons for his recommendation to obtain a new bond measure to replace Measure I.

8. PERSONNEL

9. REPORTS

10. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION

10.1 Approval of Resolution: Placement of Facilities Bond Measure on November 2014 Election Ballot***

Dave Olson, Financial Advisor from Public Financial Management, summarized the District's bond history and the facilities needs that would be addressed by a new bond authorization. Mr. Olson summarized the Resolution for Placement of Facilities Bond Measure on the November 2014 Election Ballot that was presented to the Board of Trustees for approval; and he and John Palmer, Bond Consultant with Orrick, Herrington, and Sutclisse, responded to inquiries from the Board members that included the applicability of the November 2013 facilities bond/parcel tax survey, bonds anticipated on the November ballot, the Facilities Bond Measure specifics, required approval by the Board of Trustees, and the timeline.

Discussion was held by the Board members regarding the resolution language and how projects should be presented.

Motion by Bonnie Mace to approve the Resolution for Placement of Facilities Bond Measure with the addition of more site-specific programs.
Seconded by Jim Zito.
Motion by Bonnie Mace to approve the Resolution for Placement of Facilities Bond Measure with additional language about other schools' projects.
Seconded by Jim Zito with the addition of the District Office specific projects, if a legitimate expectation.
Seconded by Bonnie Mace.

Vince Songcayawon proposed an amendment to approve the Resolution for Placement of Facilities Bond Measure with the addition of language to be specific: "particular sites" and "and additional projects."
Mr. Palmer stated that the language proposed was equivalent to the existing language.

President Alvarez requested a vote on the last motion.

Motion by Bonnie Mace, seconded by Jim Zito to approve the Resolution for Placement of Facilities Bond Measure on the November 2014 Election Ballot with additional language about other schools' projects and the District Office, if appropriate.

MOTION DENIED: 2-3 Vote 0 Absent 0 Abstained
Mace, Zito– Ayes; Alvarez, Songcayawon, Fischer – Opposed; none– Absent

Motion by Vince Songcayawon, seconded by Jeff Fischer to approve the resolution for Placement of Facilities Bond Measure on the November 2014 Election Ballot originally presented with the two corrections specified by Superintendent Gomez.

MOTION CARRIED: 4-1 Vote 0 Absent 0 Abstained
Alvarez, Songcayawon, Fischer, Mace– Ayes; Zito – Opposed; none– Absent

Mr. Zito requested that the record show that his opposition was not to the Bond; it is to the way it was worded and listed.

11. ITEMS FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION

11.1 Acceptance of Certified Statement of Votes and Certificate of Election Results at the June 3, 2014 Election – Measure H

Kathy Gomez, Superintendent, stated that the District has received the Certified Statement of Votes and Certificate of Election Results and the Total of Votes Cast for the June 3, 2014 Election. Ms. Gomez requested action by the Board for Agenda Item 11.1 and Agenda Item 11.2.

Motion by Vince Songcayawon, seconded by Jim Zito to accept the Certified Statement of Votes and Certificate of Election Results at the June 3, 2014 Election – Measure H.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0 Vote 0 Absent 0 Abstained
Alvarez, Songcayawon, Fischer, Mace, Zito – Ayes; none – Opposed; none– Absent

11.2 Declare Total of Votes Cast at the June 3, 2014 Election as the Final Results of the Election – Measure H

President Sylvia Alvarez requested action by the Board of Trustees.

Motion by Vince Songcayawon, seconded by Jeff Fischer to Declare the Total of Votes Cast at the June 3, 2014 Election as the Final Results of the Election – Measure H.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0 Vote 0 Absent 0 Abstained
Alvarez, Songcayawon, Fischer, Mace, Zito – Ayes; none – Opposed; none– Absent

11.3 Approval of Application for Funding – Consolidated Application and Reporting Systems (CARS)

Denise Williams, Director of Instruction, responded to inquiries from the Board members and recommended approval by the Board of Trustees of the annual Application for Funding of the Consolidated Application and Reporting System (CARS).

Motion by Vince Songcayawon, seconded by Jeff Fischer to approve the Application for Funding – Consolidated Application and Reporting Systems (CARS).

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0 Vote 0 Absent 0 Abstained
Alvarez, Songcayawon, Fischer, Mace, Zito – Ayes; none – Opposed; none– Absent

11.4 Approval of Resolutions: Revenue Budget Changes and Expenditure Budget Changes

Nelly Yang, Chief Business Officer, responded to inquiries from the Board members and recommended approval by the Board of Trustees of two annual resolutions: Revenue Budget Changes and Expenditure Budget Changes.

Motion by Jeff Fischer, seconded by Jim Zito to approve the Resolutions: Revenue Budget Changes and Expenditure Budget Changes.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0 Vote 0 Absent 0 Abstained
Alvarez, Songcayawon, Fischer, Mace, Zito – Ayes; none – Opposed; none– Absent

11.5 Approval of Resolution: Application for School Bus Grants Through Bay Area Air Quality Management District's Lower-Emission School Bus Program

Nelly Yang, Chief Business Officer, requested approval by the Board of Trustees for a resolution for Application for School Bus Grants Through Bay Area Air Quality management District's Lower-Emission School Bus Program. Ms. Yang spoke about the costs and savings to the District utilizing the grants and stated that these grants would provide an opportunity to replace older buses and compressed natural gas tanks in need of replacement.

Motion by Jeff Fischer, seconded by Jim Zito to approve Resolution: Application for School Bus Grants Through Bay Area Air Quality Management District's Lower-Emission School Buss Program.

MOTION CARRIED: 5-0 Vote 0 Absent 0 Abstained
Alvarez, Songcayawon, Fischer, Mace, Zito – Ayes; none – Opposed; none– Absent

12. SITES AND BUILDINGS

13. CURRENT LEGISLATION

14. PENDING REPORTS/AGENDA ITEM

Vince Songcayawon, President Pro-Tem, requested that the certificated salary schedule be reviewed at the August 2014 Board of Trustees Meeting and placement on the salary schedule of new hires with experience be compared to other districts in the county.

15. FUTURE MEETINGS

15.1 August 14, 2014, 6:00 p.m.
15.2 August 25, 2014, Special Board Meeting, 3-Year Strategic Plan, 8:00 a.m.
15.3 September 11, 2014, 6:00 p.m.
15.4 October 9, 2014, 6:00 p.m. (Location Change: Silver Oak Elementary School)
15.5 November 13, 2014, 6:00 p.m.
15.6 December 11, 2014, 6:00 p.m.

Regular Board Meeting will normally convene to Closed Session immediately following the Call to Order.

16. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

17. CLOSED SESSION****

The Board of Trustees can meet in closed session to consider and/or discuss the following:

17.1 Public Employment Pursuant to Government Code 54957: Management Personnel

18. REPORT OF ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION

Jeff Fischer reported out the appointment of Tonya Trim as O.B. Whaley Elementary School principal effective July 1, 2014.

19. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Vince Songcayawon, seconded by Jeff Fischer to adjourn the meeting.

At 8:42 p.m. President Sylvia Alvarez adjourned the July 23, 2014 Evergreen School District Board of Trustees Meeting.

Kathy Gomez
Superintendent

Kathy Gomez

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***Available prior to the July 23, 2014 Board Meeting
****Closed Session:
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