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Minutes (Long)

Wednesday, September 15, 2010

6:00 PM

**Board Room, Paul Robeson Building, 1025 2nd Avenue, Oakland, CA
94606-2212**

Safety Committee

**Alice Spearman, Chairperson
Jumoke Hodge, Vice Chairperson
Noel Gallo, Member**

A. Call to Order

Chairperson Alice Spearman called the meeting to order at 6:17 P.M.

B. Roll Call

Roll Call: Present: Noel Gallo and Alice Spearman

Absent: Jumoke Hodge

C. Chairperson's Statement Disclosing Item(s) to be Discussed in Closed Session Today**D. Closed Session Item(s):****Pupil Matter(s)**

09-1196 Readmission Hearing - Student J

10-2214 Admission Hearing - Student N

10-2215 Admission Hearing - Student O

10-2234 Admission Hearing - Student K

E. Recess to Closed Session

Chairperson Spearman recessed the meeting to Closed Session at 6:18 P.M..

F. Reconvene to Public Session

Chairperson Spearman reconvened the meeting to Public Session at 7:15 P.M.

G. Second Roll Call

Roll Call: Present: Noel Gallo and Alice Spearman
Absent: Jumoke Hodge

H. Chairperson's Statement of Reportable Action Taken in Closed Session and the Vote or Abstention of Members Present, if any.

Chairperson Spearman stated there were no reportable action taken in Closed Session.

I. Modification(s) To Agenda

None.

J. Adoption of Committee Minutes



10-2249 Minutes - Safety Committee - August 31, 2010

Approval by Safety Committee of Its Minutes of August 31, 2010.

A motion was made by Noel Gallo, seconded by Alice Spearman, that this matter be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Adv Aye: 0
Adv Nay: 0
Adv Abstain: 0
Aye: 2 - Noel Gallo and Alice Spearman
Nay: 0
Recused: 0
Absent: 1 - Jumoke Hinton Hodge
Preferential Aye: 0
Preferential Abstention: 0
Preferential Nay: 0

K. Adoption of the Committee General Consent Report

10-2305 Appointment of Additional Co-Chairs and Members - Pupil Disciplinary Hearing Panel

Appointment by the Board of Education of John Lynch, Claire Fisher, Michael Bonino, Sean McClung, Claire Mayer, Smy Carozza and Felicia Phillips, certificated persons, as a Pupil Disciplinary Hearing Panel Co-Chair and Member, effective September 23, 2010, pursuant to terms and conditions enumerated in Resolution No.1011-0014, adopted August 25, 2010.

This Matter was Recommended Favorably on the Consent Agenda.

Votes: Adv Aye: 0
Adv Nay: 0
Adv Abstain: 0
Aye: 2 - Noel Gallo and Alice Spearman
Nay: 0
Recused: 0
Absent: 1 - Jumoke Hinton Hodge
Preferential Aye: 0
Preferential Abstention: 0
Preferential Nay: 0

**10-2186****2009 - 2010 School Safety/Climate Plan - West Oakland Middle School**

Approval by the Board of Education of the 2009-2010 School Safety/Climate Plan for West Oakland Middle School.

Funding Source: California Department of Education

Attachments: [Document\(s\)](#)

This Matter was Recommended Favorably on the Consent Agenda.

Votes: Adv Aye: 0
Adv Nay: 0
Adv Abstain: 0
Aye: 2 - Noel Gallo and Alice Spearman
Nay: 0
Recused: 0
Absent: 1 - Jumoke Hinton Hodge
Preferential Aye: 0
Preferential Abstention: 0
Preferential Nay: 0

Passed The Committee General Consent Report

A motion was made by Noel Gallo, seconded by Alice Spearman, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Adv Aye: 0
Adv Nay: 0
Adv Abstain: 0
Aye: 2 - Noel Gallo and Alice Spearman
Nay: 0
Recused: 0
Absent: 1 - Jumoke Hinton Hodge
Preferential Aye: 0
Preferential Abstention: 0
Preferential Nay: 0

L. Unfinished Business



10-1968 Amended - Safety Committee Work Plan - Calendar Year 2010

Discussion of and possible Adoption by the Safety Committee of its Work Plan for remainder of Calendar Year 2010.

Attachments: [10-1968 - Amended - Safety Committee Work Plan - Calendar Year 2010.pdf](#)
[Document\(s\)](#)

A motion was made by Alice Spearman, seconded by Noel Gallo, that this matter be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Adv Aye: 0
Adv Nay: 0
Adv Abstain: 0
Aye: 2 - Noel Gallo and Alice Spearman
Nay: 0
Recused: 0
Absent: 1 - Jumoke Hinton Hodge
Preferential Aye: 0
Preferential Abstention: 0
Preferential Nay: 0

10-1980 Interpretation - Policy Type: Operational Expectations (OE) 13 - Pupil Discipline

Adoption by Board of Education of Superintendent of Schools Interpretation Report - Interpretation - Policy Type: Operational Expectations (OE) 13 - Pupil Discipline.

Chairperson Spearman said we need to make sure there is a report to the committee in the November or December.

Discussed

10-2091 Report - Office of Family & Community Services - Student Services Plan - School Year 2010-2011

Presentation by the Director of Family and Community Services of its Student Services Plan - School Year 2010-2011.

Adrian Kirk, Director of the Family & Community Office said the Student Services Plan is in process but not ready to present to the committee. He said there are a number of pieces they are still working on, truancy as well as Discipline. The plan is in process and he will bring it forward to the committee.

Chairperson Spearman said what she would like to see included in the report is a review of the District's Lock down Policy.

Mr. Kirk said that policy comes under Police Services.

Committee Member Comments

Director Gallo asked if the Truancy Task Force was going to continue?

Mr. Kirk said "Yes". He said there was a Task Force planning meeting held this week with the Assistant District Attorney. One of the preliminary decisions is to focus the beginning of the year in West Oakland. The first meeting of the Task Force is scheduled for October 18th in West Oakland.

Chairperson Spearman said there are some preliminary enrollment numbers for the 10th Day Enrollment Count. She said the District's projected enrollment numbers are down.

Director Gallo said if Polices Services picks up a student who is not in school, what is being done differently this year?

Mr. Kirk said any truant student that is picked should be returned directly to the school if the school can be identified. If the school cannot be identified for any reason, OPD and School Police have been asked to bring the student to the Family & Community Office. They will try to ascertain a telephone number to contact the family and hold the student for pick up by the family.

Director Gallo asked if a student is picked up two or three times, and the student keeps being sent back to school, what is the school to do?

Mr. Kirk said if a student is being picked up two or three times, and the students is not going to school, we would expect the student to fall on the school's Student Attendance Review Team radar for action to be taken at that level.

Director Gallo said some principals are complaining that students are being brought back to school who really do not want to be there and their actions show that.

Mr. Kirk said they are offering a deep look at the school placement. If the school placement is not the right placement, we should be looking at a different placement or a different program of some kind. He said the Family and Community Office are going to be coaching schools around the application of the Student Attendance Review Team (SART) and how that is carried out. If the SART is not working, we are asking the schools to bring those names to the Student Attendance Review Board (SARB) at the Family & Community Office and will take them through a process there of where does the student live? Where does the student go to school? Is it the right school placement? He said one of the changes the department is instituting for this year the SARB Hearings will be held in the afternoons and a couple of evening meetings to bring families in.

Chairperson Spearman asked if Committee Members could be on the SART Committee?

Mr. Kirk said he did not see why not.

Director Gallo said he would like to just sit in on a SART as an observer.

Mr. Kirk said as an observer the only hesitation he has is if the family would be agreeable to Committee Members observing.

Chairperson Spearman said she would like to be on the SART Committee.

Mr. Kirk said he would have his staff contact Chairperson Spearman regarding the SART scheduling.

Director Gallo asked Mr. Kirk what has been his experience regarding truancy?

Mr. Kirk said attendance is still high. He said he doesn't get a good read on secondary attendance. He said there is still a lot of movement so there is not a lot of reported truancy. He said they are finalizing the numbers from last year and getting those students lined up at their school sites so the schools are aware of them and start taking action to intervene now and to interrupt those patterns of behavior so they don't resume this year.

Chairperson Spearman asked if the District had staffing for that?

Mr. Kirk said there is some staffing.

Tabled to a Date Certain

M. New Business

None.

N. Public Comments on All Non-Agenda Items Within the Subject Matter Jurisdiction of the Committee

There were no Public Speaker Cards submitted.

O. Superintendent of Schools or Designee's Committee Liaison Report

None.

P. Introduction of New Legislative Matter

General Counsel Minor said the Legal Office has been working with Chief Sarna to finalize Police Policies. Police Policies will be the equivalent of General Orders or Standing Orders and will cover the full array of Police Services, their responsibilities and their actions. General Counsel Minor said they have worked on this for several months and had an outside counsel take a look at it. These are the Policies that include things such as Deadly Use of Force, etc. She said she has pulled out four that she will Flow Chart for Committee Members so the process is clear. The Chief is planning to bring this to the next Safety Committee Meeting. She said as a matter of the law, the Board has to either approve

the Policies or delegate authority to the Chief. She said her understanding the Superintendent's recommendation is that the Policies be approved by the Board rather than delegate the authority to the Chief.

Chairperson Spearman asked if some of the Policies need to be discussed in Closed Session or are they all Policies that can be discussed in Public Session?

General Counsel Minor said the Policies need to be adopted in Public Session. The Policies per say do not deal with individual personnel matters. To the extent you have questions about individual personnel those need to be discussed in Closed Session.

Director Gallo requested we share with the Board the overall budget for Police Services spelling out the following costs for the department:

- The personnel cost.*
- Operations cost.*
- A budget projection for the FY 2011-2012.*

Mr. Kirk will bring to the next Committee Meeting the Community Services Report and a report on the Family & Community Office staffing.

10-2382 Adoption - Oakland School Police Department - Polices

Adoption by the Board of Education of Oakland School Policy Department Policies including but not limited to Ethics, Mission Statement

10-2384 Report - Police Services Department - Proposed FY 2011-2012

Report by the Chief of Police Services regarding the proposed FY 2011-2012 Police Services budget including the personnel and the operations costs of the department.

Q. Adjournment

Chairperson Spearman adjourned the meeting at 7:30 P.M.

Prepared By: _____

Approved By: _____