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Minutes (Long)

Wednesday, June 03, 2009

3:30 PM

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

Intergovernmental Relations Committee

*Jody London, Chairperson
Noel Gallo, Member
Jumoke Hodge, Member*

A. Call to Order

Chairperson Jody London called the meeting to order at 3:31 P.M.

B. Roll Call

Roll Call: Present: Noel Gallo and Jody London
Absent: Jumoke Hodge

C. Modification(s) To Agenda

Chairperson London Jody London tabled Legislative Item 09-1833 to a future date.

C1. Committee Minutes



[09-1796](#) Minutes - Intergovernmental Relations Committee - May 6, 2009

Adoption by Intergovernmental Relations Committee of its Meeting Minutes of May 6, 2009.

Attachments: [09-1796 - Minutes - Intergovernmental Relations Committee - May 6, 2009](#)

A motion was made by Noel Gallo, seconded by Jody London, 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 Jody London
Nay: 0
Recused: 0
Absent: 1 - Jumoke Hinton Hodge
Preferential Aye: 0
Preferential Abstention: 0
Preferential Nay: 0

D. Adoption of the Committee General Consent Report

There was no Committee General Consent Report.

E. Unfinished Business

Federal Matters



09-1405 Federal Legislative Priorities - Child Nutrition Act of 2009

Approval by the Board of Education, upon recommendation of Intergovernmental Relations Committee, of its support for enactment of Child Nutrition Act of 2009 - HR 1324 and S. 581 and, in particular, specific Act revision recommendations, attached hereto, to be forwarded to the District's Congressional delegation.

Attachments: [HR 1324 - Child Nutrition Promotion and School Lunch Protection Act of 2009](#)
[S. 581 - Military Family Nutrition Protection Act of 2009](#)
[09-1405 - The District's School Meal Program.ppt](#)
[09-1405 - District Suggested Revisions of Child Nutrition Act of 2009.pdf](#)

Staff Report Jennifer Lebarre, Director of Nutritional Services.

Ms. Lebarre gave a brief history of the School Lunch Program and reported on the Child Nutrition Act. The federally assisted meal program is operation at over 110,00 schools throughout the country providing nutritionally balanced, low cost or free meals daily to students 18 years old and younger. Reimbursement to districts is given based on the number free, reduced and paid meals served. To increase our funding of the program we must have a high participation rate. Families must complete a meal application annually to determine their eligibility for the year. The latest Child Nutrition Re authorization of 2004 added additional requirements for districts such as the wellness policy and a food safety program. Oakland has a budget of \$14.5 million budget for school meals spending \$6.6 million on food, salaries, indirect costs, supplies, etc. Lunch is served in all of our schools and two charter schools has contracted our services to provide lunches for them. Breakfast is served at 94 schools and afterschool snacks at 75 schools. 25,000 meals are served daily (breakfast, lunch, and afterschool snack). 52 schools have our salad bar program.

Changes in the cafeteria

- 1. In 2001 we removed sodas and candy sales in school cafeterias.*
- 2. We are looking at the elimination of all high fructose corn syrup from our products and currently not allowing any new products in the schools containing high fructose corn syrup.*
- 3. We are at zero trans fats according to USDA standards.*
- 4. All fryers have been removed and we no longer fry any foods.*
- 5. We serve 1% or non fat milk at schools.*

Federal Stimulus Money

A grant proposal for \$1.3 million was submitted for school meal equipment for 64 cafeterias with notification expected by June 30th.

Child Nutrition Re-authorization Act

The program is reviewed every five years for changes and improvements. The District is asking for more money to purchase better food by increasing the meal reimbursement rate; elimination of the reduced price category; a change in eligibility and reimbursement

guidelines based on the cost of living of the state; more funding for equipment and facility upgrades; funds to train staff; extension of the cash in lieu of lunch program to the breakfast program; increased funding for the snack program; changes in Procurement's role; support of nutrition education in the classroom.

A motion was made by Noel Gallo, seconded by Jody London, that this matter be Recommended Favorably. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

F. New Business

Federal Matters

09-1834 Federal Stimulus Funds

Presentation of a Report from the Superintendent of Schools on the latest kind of and the estimated amounts of Federal Stimulus Funds District eligible to receive and the status of District applications for same, if any.

Superintendent Mayor said grant applications that have been submitted for Federal Stimulus Funds include teacher recruitment and equipment for school kitchens.

Discussed



09-1835 Federal Legislative Priorities - 21st Century Green High-Performing Public Schools Facilities Act

Approval by the Board of Education, upon recommendation of Intergovernmental Relations Committee, of its support for enactment of 21st Century Green High-Performing Public Schools Facilities Act - HR 2187.

Attachments: [HR 2187 - 21st Century Green High-Performing Public School Facilities Act](#)

The Bill allocates funding for public school improvements with a provision that charter schools will receive funding proportionate with the percentage of students they have enrolled. This Bill requires a green building standard, Local Vendor Policy, and a Facilities Master Plan. Chairperson London requested approval forwarding to the Full Board for approval.

A motion was made by Noel Gallo, seconded by Jody London, that this matter be Recommended Favorably. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

State Matters



[09-1833](#)

District Debt Relief

Discussion and possible Adoption by Board of Education of Resolution No. 0809-NTBA - District Debt Relief drafted by Junious Williams and Liz Vance of the Urban Strategies Council.

Attachments: [09-1833 - District Debt Relief.pdf](#)

Tabled



[09-1836](#)

SCA 6 - Voter Approval of Education Parcel Tax By 55%

Approval by the Board of Education, upon recommendation of Intergovernmental Relations Committee, of its support for enactment of State Constitutional Amendment (SCA) 6 (Simitian, D - Palo Alto), which if enacted by the voters, will permit imposition, extension, or increase of a parcel tax, as defined, by a school district, community college district, or county office of education upon the approval of 55% (a reduction from the present 2/3s requirement) of its voters voting on the tax.

Attachments: [09-1836 - SCA 6 - Education Parcel Tax 55% Voter Approval](#)

The Education Parcel Tax lowers the threshold to pass a parcel tax for K-12 schools, community colleges, and the county office of education from two-thirds percent to fifty five percent. The initiative received the support of the Committee and is being moved to the Full Board for approval.

A motion was made by Noel Gallo, seconded by Jody London, that this matter be Recommended Favorably. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Adv Aye: 0
Adv Nay: 0
Adv Abstain: 0
Aye: 2 - Noel Gallo and Jody London
Nay: 0

Recused: 0
Absent: 1 - Jumoke Hinton Hodge
Preferential Aye: 0
Preferential Abstention: 0
Preferential Nay: 0



09-1837 **Early Childhood Education - AB 1326 Pilot In San Mateo County (2003)**

Discussion of possible legislative options for increasing participation in District's Early Childhood Education Program. Background documents for this conversation: (1) the AB 1326 Pilot Program Established In 2003 In San Mateo County and (2) the most recent report to the State Legislature on that program.

Attachments: [09-1837 - AB 1326 - Chaptered Bill - Pilot Program In San Mateo County](#)
[09-1837 - AB 1326 - Assembly Concurrence In Senate Amendments, September 8, 2003 \(Information Provided for Discussion Only\)](#)
[09-1837 - Report - AB 1326 Pilot Program In San Mateo County](#)

Scott Lucas, Aide to State Assemblyman Saundre' Swanson said there may be a legislative fix to address the amount of the money Districts sends back to the State every year. Currently the amount sent back is about 15% with this pilot program Mr. Lucas said he believes the District's amount can be reduced to about 2%. Assembly Bill 1326 turns over the responsibility for developing eligibility requirements and other rules to the local child care council in exchange for a mandated increase in the amount of students served in these programs. Documentation from San Mateo County and San Francisco County showing how these two counties raised their eligibility threshold from 75% to 85% of the state medium income was provided to the Committee. Mr. Lucas said he would like to see a draft proposal from the District by the end of the summer.

Lynne Rodezno said if the state medium income increases from 75% to 85% we will maintain more families in the Early Childhood Program.

President Gallo recommended our state legislator (with Mr. Lucas present) make a presentation at the June 10th Board of Education Meeting covering the Early Childhood Initiative, charter schools paying back the state loan, and any other pertinent state information that the District and the City should be aware of. At that time we would discuss the parcel tax. President Gallo said he would like a legislative presentation to become a part of the Regular Board Meeting.

Discussed

City/County Matters

09-1838 **Report - City/Schools, Other Entites Collaboration Issues**

Report from the Committee Members and/or the Superintendent of Schools or designees on collaboration issues with, by and between the City of Oakland and District and/or other local entities, including but not limited to upgrades to adult education and recreation centers, violence prevention and next City/School Education Partnership Committee Meeting.

Staff Report - Laura Moran, Chief Services Officer.

Ms. Moran said she and Brad Stam, Chief Academic Officer, updated the report focusing on the drop-out rate and truancy reduction. We made three requests to the City; (1) Help us get paid jobs, unpaid jobs, and internships for all our youth so they get a meaningful learning linked to education; (2) Continue to work with the District around drop-out recovery by training all youth outreach workers that are funded by City programs; (3) Continue to work with the Oakland Promise Campaign. Mr. Moran said she has been meeting with Council Member Jean Quan and said Council Member Quan thinks if we get the problem solving officers to know the schools and the principals on their beat, they will work with the principal on truancy in their area.

Discussed

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

There were no Public Comments.

H. Introduction of New Legislative Matter

09-1839 Intergovernment Committee Calendar/Work Plan - Update

Scheduling of future federal, state, local issues not currently calendared by the Committee.

There was no update.

I. Adjournment

Chairperson London adjourned the meeting at 4:50 P.M.

Prepared By: _____

Approved By: _____