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Minutes (Long)

Friday, August 17, 2007

6:00 PM

Special Meeting

Board Room, 1025 2nd Avenue, Oakland, CA 94606-2212

Board of Education

President David Kakishiba and Vice President Alice Spearman
Directors: Kerry Hamill, Gregory Hodge, Gary Yee, Noel Gallo, Christopher Dobbins
Student Directors: ShaCora Cowart and Markeshia James
Staff: Edgar Rakestraw, Jr., Secretary, Board of Education

A. Call to Order

President David Kakishiba called the meeting to order at approximately 6:04 P.M.

B. Roll Call

Roll Call: Present: Kerry Hamill, Gregory Hodge, Noel Gallo, Christopher Dobbins, Alice Spearman and David Kakishiba

Absent: ShaCora Cowart, Markeshia James and Gary Yee

C. President's Statement Disclosing Item(s) to be Discussed in Closed Session Today

President Kakishiba announced that the Board is recessing to Closed Session to discuss matters as printed on the agenda.

D. Closed Session Item(s):**Legal Matter(s)****07-0898 Conference With Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation**

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(b): 2 potential cases.

E. Recess to Closed Session

President Kakishiba recessed the meeting to Closed Session at approximately 6:05 P.M.

F. Reconvene to Public Session

President Kakishiba reconvened the meeting to Public Session at approximately 6:50 P.M.

G. Second Roll Call

Roll Call: Present: Kerry Hamill, Gregory Hodge, Noel Gallo, Christopher Dobbins, Alice Spearman and David Kakishiba

Absent: ShaCora Cowart, Markeshia James and Gary Yee

H. President's Statement of Reportable Action(s) Taken in Closed Session and the Vote or Abstention of Members Present, If Any.

President Kakishiba stated that there are no reportable actions from the Closed Session.

I. New Business

07-0921 Presidential Appointment - Special Committee on Possible Censureship of a Governing Board Member

Appointment and Charge by President of Board of members of a Special Committee on Possible Censureship of a Governing Board Member pursuant to Board Bylaw 9012.

President Kakishiba, pursuant to Board Bylaw 9012, named Vice President Alice Spearman, Gregory Hodge and Noel Gallo, as members of the Special Committee on the Possible Censureship of a Governing Board Member - Christopher Dobbins - and charged the Committee with conducting an objective investigation and to make a report of findings for disposition by the Board of Education. Director Christopher Dobbins objected to the appointment of Vice President Spearman as a member of the Committee, citing alleged past unfavorable statements against him. President Kakishiba noted Director Dobbins objection for the record. President Kakishiba designated Gregory Hodge, as Chair of the Special Committee.

Jim Mordecai spoke in opposition and that the Board vote "no" on this item. He referred to the Board Bylaw saying this action is unnecessary and that the Board is covered by Robert's Rules. If the Board's objective was to censure a member, the Board is entitled under Robert's Rules to censure the member. Robert's Rules provides safeguards to the accused. It is a ticking time bomb and does not provide protection of a minority. It is very bad policy to pick out an individual and target that individual.

Implemented

J. Adjournment

President Kakishiba adjourned the meeting at approximately 6:55 P.M.

Prepared By: _____

Approved By: _____