

Calexico Unified School District

Special Board Meeting

February 28, 2018 6:00 PM
District Administrative Board Room
901 Andrade Ave.
Calexico, CA 92231

Attendance Taken at 6:02 PM:

Present:

Mr. Enrique Alvarado
Mr. Ciro Calderon
Mr. Michael Castillo
Mr. Richard Romero

Absent:

Mr. Lorenzo Calderon

A. Opening Items

A.1. Call to Order

Minutes:

Meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm

A.2. Pledge of Allegiance

B. COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC-The Board will take any and all comments from the public related to the sole items on the agenda. (Note: public comment is also available within Item H.1, relating to the Public Hearing, below.)

Minutes:

Legal counsel requested a 15-20-minute recess.

Meeting reconvened 6:56 PM

Legal counsel thanked all those present and participants of the hearing for their patience. He requested that items H1 and H2 from the agenda be removed as they are no longer necessary; therefore, public comments from hearing and appeal hearing are no longer necessary.

C. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CONVENING INTO CLOSED SESSION

Minutes:

The Board of Education convened into closed session 7:00 PM

D. CLOSED SESSION

D.1. Conference with Legal Counsel- Anticipated litigation.

Significant Exposure to subdivision (d) (2) of Government Code Section 54956.9 - Number of potential cases: two

D.2. Public Employee(s)/Discipline(s)/Dismissal(s)/Release(s)Non-reelection(s)/Non-renewal(s)/Resignation(s)/Reassignment(s)/Transfer(s)/Employments/Leaves of Absence (Government Code Section 54957)

D.3. Complaints against public employees

E. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Minutes:

The Board of Education reconvened into open session at 7:27 PM

F. ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION(S) TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Minutes:

No reportable action was taken.

G. ACTION ITEMS - Consideration & action/approval of the following items:

G.1. Agreement between McPherson & Jacobson, LLC and Calexico Unified School District to Conduct a Search for Superintendent of Schools

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Mr. Richard Romero and a second by Mr. Ciro Calderon.

Yes Mr. Enrique Alvarado

Yes Mr. Ciro Calderon

AbsentMr. Lorenzo Calderon

Yes Mr. Michael Castillo

Yes Mr. Richard Romero

Minutes:

Trustee Castillo reminded everyone that the Board had previously given direction to revisit the agreement to clean up the contract language and thanked legal counsel for doing so.

Legal counsel stated that the contract is now signed, and the owner is aware that it is not etched in stone and relayed to him that the board has the right to make some changes. Legal counsel relayed Trustee Calderon Jr.'s request from previous meeting for McPherson & Jacobson to match the price of other entities. Legal counsel informed the Board the McPherson & Jacobson requested a copy of David Long and Associates proposal for comparison. Legal counsel has not heard back from him. Legal counsel played an audio recording stating where McPherson & Jacobson representative stated to the board they will match price from competitors. There were some discrepancies with contract and promotional materials submitted. They went with the promotional materials, if desired there is a copy with the changes. There is a signed contract if approved for viewing. Legal counsel verified with Mr. Rasmussen of Educational Support Services Group that when a search is conducted the candidates pay for travel expenses; however, there are organizations who pay for travel expenses. Legal counsel clarified that there is a provision on the contract to pay for consultants travel however it states that the travel expenses but must be approved by the board president or clerk to the board. Trustee Romero reminded the board that McPherson and Jacobson would match the lowest contract if need be. Trustee Calderon cautioned the board to be mindful of travel expenses.

H. PUBLIC HEARING

H.1. Public comments relating to Hearing of Appeal by Belen Donato of her Complaint against Public Employee (Christopher De La Rosa)

Minutes:

Legal counsel announced that this item is no longer needed and asked to remove it from agenda.

H.2. Hearing of Appeal by Belen Donato of her Complaint against Public Employee (Christopher De La Rosa)

Minutes:

Legal counsel announced that this item is no longer needed and asked to remove it from the agenda.

I. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CONVENING INTO CLOSED SESSION-Not needed

I.1. Appeal by Belen Donato of her Complaint against Public Employee (Christopher De La Rosa): consideration and deliberation

J. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION-Not needed

K. ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION(S) TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION-Not needed

L. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes:

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm.

Clerk Of The Board