

WCCUSD Community Budget Advisory Committee  
Alvarado Campus, Room 4  
March 27, 2007  
Minutes

Attendance: Ruth Vedovelli, Charles Johnson, Mike Wasilchin, Tammy Campbell, Charles Cowens, Karen Pfeifer, Sue Kahn, Eduardo Martinez, Barbara Snaith, Jill Wolkenfield, Eileen Thibault

Meeting brought to order at 7:06 p.m. by Chair, Charles Cowens.

### **1. Review Agenda**

Add item: Multi-Year Budget Summary Report WCCUSD Athletics – by site, provided by Ms. Vedovelli.

### **2. Review and Approve Minutes**

Remind Mr. Reeves to talk about GASB45. Item 7: Fiscal Impact of Sunshined Initial Collective Bargaining Proposals: should read ...to all employees... and, ...UTR (7.94%),... Moved by Ms. Campbell and seconded by Mr. Martinez. The minutes for Feb. 27 were approved unanimously. Moved by Mr. Martinez and seconded by Ms. Campbell, the minutes for January 23 were approved unanimously.

### **3. Report of Chair**

Mr. Cowens took the final version of the charter to the board meeting on March 21, 2007. We should bring it back to the next board meeting for approval. Mr. Cowens reported that Ms. Pfeifer told him that we are not covered by the Brown Act.

### **4. Discuss/Take Action on Vacancies and Review Applications**

Mr. Cowens reported that there is still one opening for a community member – non parent; there are no applications at this time.

### **5. Current Collective Bargaining Proposals**

Ms. Vedovelli reported that UTR met and is at impasse. Local One has had 3 meetings with 2 more sessions scheduled. SSA has not met yet. WCCAA has met 6 times. Ms. Vedovelli talked about the decline of students, and the decline of teachers. Mr. Wasilchin asked for the percentage of teachers who pay for benefits. And how does the district budget for salaries and compensation? Ms. Vedovelli said that the state loan will be paid off in 2017, and the IBM loan will be paid off in 4 years. Mr. Wasilchin asked how we can flatten out declining enrollment. Ms. Vedovelli said that we can do an incentive program to improve attendance.

**6. QEIA (Quality Education Investment Act)**

Ms. Vedovelli reviewed the powerpoint done at the last board meeting. QEIA will target the decile 1 and 2 schools. Only one-third of California decile 1 and 2 schools will receive funds.

**7. Review of IREPP (Institute for Research on Education Policy & Practice) research project reports on California education finance:**

<http://irepp.stanford.edu/projects/cafinance.htm>

Mr. Cowens reported that committee members can read the summary at the above web site.

**8. New State Arts, Music, and Physical Education Funding**

Ms. Vedovelli explained how the one time funding and ongoing funding for the Arts and P.E. is being planned for next year. She also passed out a summary on the athletic budget by school site.

**9. Community Comments and Questions**

The Ed Source Conference is on April 20, 2007.

**10. Good of the Order**

The meeting was adjourned by Mr. Cowens at 9:07 p.m.