Burlington Board of School Commissioners Special Board Meeting Minutes

Burlington City Hall
September 24, 2018

Attendance: Keith Pillsbury, Liz Curry, Jean Waltz, Isaac Jenemann, Sabin Hart, Mike Fisher, Clare Wool, Stephen Carey, Monika Ivancic, Kathy Olwell, Mark Barlow, Yaw Obeng, Marty Spaulding, Nathan Lavery, Karsen Woods

1. Call to Order
   A. Meeting Called to Order at 6:36 PM

2. Approval of Agenda
   A. Motion to Approve Agenda
      Fisher/Carey
      Motion passed unanimously

3. Public Comment/Questions
   A. Comments/Questions from the Public
   B. Board Reflections

4. Review of Memorandum of Understanding re: Burlington High School ReEnvisioning Project
   A. Attachment

   Commissioner Fisher asked if there were any concerns raised by Directors Spaulding or Lavery. Director Spaulding answered that he does not have any concerns about the current iteration of this MOU. Director Lavery explained there was a reasonable compromise. Superintendent Obeng received feedback and expressed to Mayor Miro that the main concern was keeping the School Board as the main decision-making body. Superintendent explained that the District is supporting this document.

   Chair Wool thanked Commissioner Barlow and Curry for bringing this MOU to fruition.

   Motion to approve the MOU regarding BHS ReEnvisioning Project
   Pillsbury/Ivancic
   Motion passed unanimously

5. Adjournment
   A. Motion to Adjourn

   Motion to reconsider adjournment

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Curry/Fisher
Motion passed unanimously

Motion to amend the agenda to add item 4B: Board Discussion of Action Plan for BHS Bond
Fisher/Carey
Motion passed unanimously

The Board and representatives from the public reviewed potential options for community engagement over the next two months to support the BHS Bond ballot item. The Board will work with the District Communications Specialist to create a media strategy that all Board members and volunteers from the public will contribute to completing. Ideas included:

- create talking points
- formalizing a media strategy
- flyers
  - Hand out during Farmer's Market
  - Hand out at drop off / pickup
- Leverage BHS student voices
  - Isaac & Sabin to lead
  - Potentially leverage Student Council
  - Leverage BTC media program to create short video
  - Leverage BHS Register
  - Church St tabling
- Burlington Friends of Education
- North Ave News
- Leverage the BEA
- School Newsletters
- Video Tours
- Text-A-Thon
- Leverage Unified PTO
- NPA meetings
- Commissioner local sessions "come talk to me" sessions

Adjournment
Fisher/Wick
Motion passed unanimously