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SACRAMENTO CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Agenda Item 9.1h

Meeting Date: February 4, 2016

Subject: Approve Minutes of the January 7, 2016, Board of Education Meeting

Informational Item Only

Approval on Consent Agenda

Conference (for discussion only)

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Public Hearing

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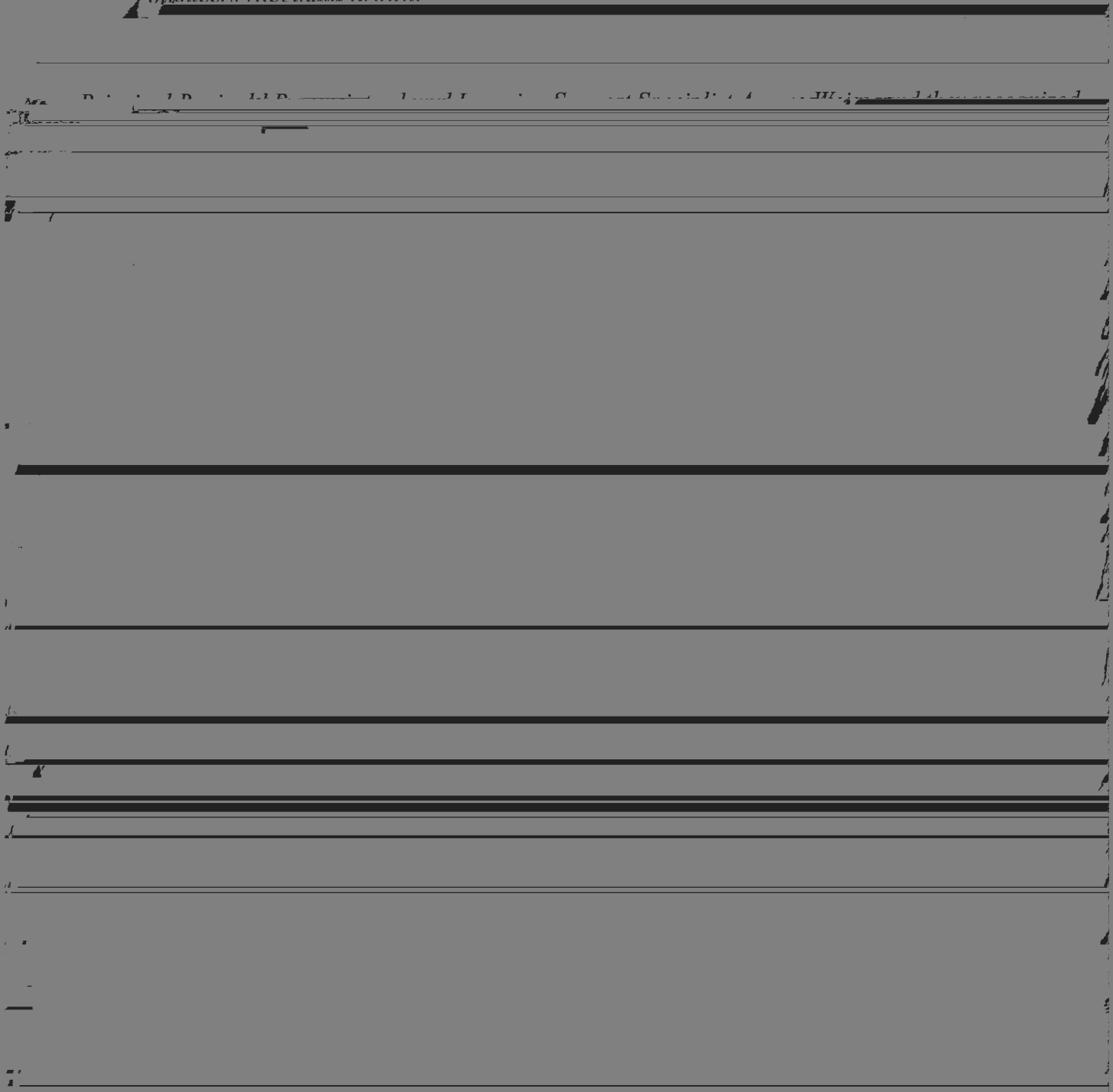
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6.0 AGENDA ADOPTION

President Pritchett asked for a motion to adopt the agenda. A motion was made to approve by Member Woo and seconded by Vice President Hansen. The Board voted unanimously to adopt the agenda.

7.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATION

*7.1 Recognition of John Still K-8 School Meadowview Collaborative
Volunteers (Reginald Brown)*



MEMORANDUM

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for *Vida en el Valle* newspaper. There were several Latino officials and leaders that were noted for their work in our area, and Member Rodriguez was one of those recognized for her work. There is a long article about all of the remarkable accomplishments that she has made during her time on our Board. President

11.0 BOARD WORKSHOP/STRATEGIC PLAN AND OTHER INITIATIVES

11.1 *Board Reconsideration of the Adoption of School Attendance Area for
Washington Elementary School and Its Impact on Theodore Judah*

Conference/Action

*Elementary School – Item Previously Introduced and Approved at the
November 19, 2015, Board Meeting (Mary Hardin Young, Tu Moua, and Jim
Dobson)*

*Mary Hardin Young, Assistant Superintendent, began the presentation. Tu Moua,
Assistant Superintendent, gave a brief background on the re-opening of Washington
Elementary School and of the Item. Ms. Hardin Young reported that, as part of the
vote at the November 19th Board Meeting, the Board requested that a community
meeting be held to gather input on the change to the attendance area at Theodore
Judah Elementary School. That meeting was held on December 8th. The following
Friday, December 11th, the Board received a communication that included meeting
notes and the meeting PowerPoint. A folder with additional copies were provided*

have input. Now they have clearly voiced that they do not want the change. They were shocked that there

was not a sunshine on this process and that they were left out. It is a boundary that has been in place for 25 years, and bussing over railroad tracks is not an issue. For all these reasons, Member Cochrane asked the Board to reconsider the vote in consideration of the amendment as was put forth by Second Vice President Ryan, and listen to the will of the parents and community to keep the boundary intact for Theodore Judah

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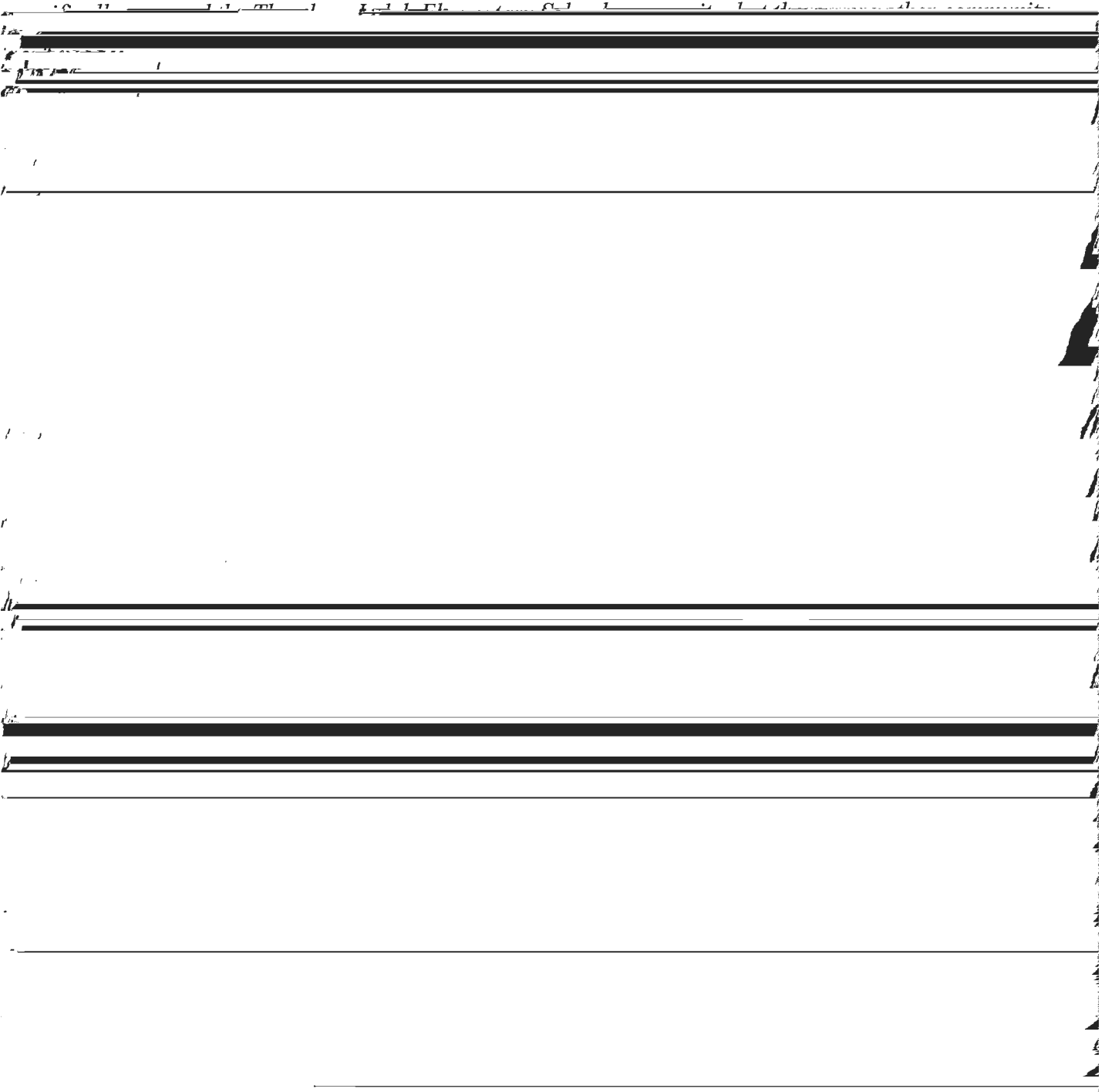
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Vice President Hansen said that, for reference, there are two students affected by the change living in the William Land Elementary School area.

Member Cochrane said she appreciates Student Member Barry's comments. She agrees that if we are to have a fair and thoughtful process it has to include input from the parents. She also again made clear that she did not immediately realize that parents and the community were not fully engaged. She asked staff if they remember, during the meeting with herself, staff, and Vice President Hansen, who put the change forward. Vice President Hansen responded that he did. Member Cochrane asked if Member Hansen discussed engaging the community.

Superintendent Banda said that he thinks this was put forward by Vice President Hansen, but his recollection is that Vice President Hansen also had held some community meetings prior. He does not know that he



information around who the families were and their attendance areas, it is very difficult for her to sit comfortably with moving forward with the boundaries as they have been redrawn.

Student Member Barry brought up how the notes from the community meeting do not show that the people are showing support and said that they also show, in her opinion, that the concern most people had with the change was that they were not notified ahead of time and that they were not taken into consideration. Much of the notes contain questions about where this came from, data questions, etc. There were not many people that had a problem with the actual redrawing of the boundaries; they just had a problem with the fact that they were not included in the decision earlier.

Vice President Hansen said that a community meeting that is sponsored by folks who are in opposition is not

be bussed anymore if they decided to stay at Theodore Judah Elementary School. Ms. Hardin Young answered no, we have agreed that we would continue to provide bussing for the length of the time the family has students in school currently. President Pritchett said she feels a more comprehensive review needs to be done as it appears we do not know how the affected families and those in the affected neighborhoods feel about this. President Pritchett asked for public comment at this time.

Public Comment:

Rob Ferrera, a parent and President of Theodore Judah Elementary School PTA, spoke on the meeting held in December. He said there were families from the affected area present. He welcomed Washington Elementary School back to the mid-town neighborhood. He had the opportunity to hear new Principal Gema

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boundary meeting in December and they were able to ask many questions. What they were not able to obtain an answer to, however, was why they, as members of the community, were not engaged or notified that this

comprehensive review is needed. She is also a parent in the District and was a PTA leader for seven years. If something similar happened in her neighborhood, where she felt she was not being fully engaged, she too would be speaking before the Board to speak her views.

Member Cochran agreed with President Pritchett that this might be the solution. She asked that as President Pritchett put forth a motion, she really define clearly what community engagement will be, what type of meeting, where it will be held, and the output to the community for invitations.

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why he thought this was the right thing to do, so he is not opposed at all to having a broader meeting. He proposed that, if there is a broader meeting, there be a broader discussion about the boundaries that exist there and Washington Elementary School. He regrets that they did not have a lot of time to make the decision, and perhaps it was hasty. He wants to be transparent and feels this is an important decision, but he

Second Vice President Ryan asked how this addresses the question of Open Enrollment now. She thinks what

we need to do at this point is go back to the attendance area that we previously had for that grouping of families going to Theodore Judah Elementary School, and recognizing that in the longer term we will re-evaluate the attendance boundary. Ms. Hardin Young said she was unclear if that was part of the motion. President Pritchett said yes, that was her intention. Ms. Hardin Young clarified that it is back to the original boundary for Washington Elementary School for Kindergarten registration and Open Enrollment for this year; there is a longer view of more engagement next year for Open Enrollment. President Pritchett verified that yes, that was her intention.

11.2 Independent Audit Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015, Submitted by Crowe Horwath LLP (Gerardo Castillo, CPA) Information

Chief Business Officer Gerardo Castillo began the presentation by introducing the Crowe Horwath representative who presented the audit report. He had discussed the audit report with the Board Budget Committee several weeks ago. They discussed the audit as well as

the processes and procedures gone through to be able to issue their audit opinion in great detail at that time. The District has received an unmodified opinion on the financial statements, which indicates that they are fairly presented. The District has also received

The business and financial reports were received by the Board.

13.0 FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES / LOCATIONS

✓ *January 21, 2016 4:30 p.m. Closed Session 6:30 p.m. Open Session Serna Center, 5735 47th*

Avenue, Community Room, Regular Workshop Meeting
✓ *February 4, 2016, 4:30 p.m. Closed Session; 6:30 p.m. Open Session; Serna Center, 5735 47th*
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13.0 ADJOURNMENT

President Pritchett asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting; a motion was made by student member

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