



City of Newark - Newark Unified School District  
Liaison Committee



Monday, April 16, 2018, at 5:30 p.m.

Newark Unified School District  
District Boardroom  
5715 Musick Avenue  
Newark, CA 94560

A. ROLL CALL

Chair Hannon called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm.

Present were Committee Members Collazo, Crocker, Preciado, and Chair Hannon. City Manager Becker, Associate Superintendent Salinas, and Chief Business Official Richards were also present.

B. MINUTES

B.1 Approval of Minutes of April 10, 2017

Committee Member Collazo moved, Committee Member Crocker seconded to approve  
4 Ayes

B.2 Approval of Minutes of January 22, 2018

Committee Member Crocker moved, Committee Member Suzi Collazo seconded  
to approve. 4 Ayes

It was requested to go out of order of the agenda to have one community member  
address the committee.

C. OLD BUSINESS

C.1 Update on City/NUSD contract regarding MacGregor Field - Committee  
Member Preciado – Mr. Richards stated that the NUSD board policy for facility  
use agreement was going to the board for its first reading. After approved,  
NUSD can discuss the agreement at the July Meeting. The City would like to  
see the agreement for review for the July meeting.

C.2 Discuss water sources for non-potable water wells at NUSD sites - Committee  
Member Crocker – The water costs for field needs to be part of the contract as  
well. Committee Member Collazo asked how many fields you would want wells  
for. Committee Member Crocker said as many as possible. City Manager  
Becker said that the district was supposed to give a report. After the research  
of Alameda County Water etc... City Manager Becker stated the city has two  
wells currently. Once the MOT Director position is filled then the item can be  
back on the agenda and discuss the wells again. Committee Member Collazo  
asked what the cost of the water has been over the last year. Mr. Richards  
stated it has been not \$50k but close for just MacGregor field. Ms. Salinas  
suggested taking that to the Ad hoc committee for Facility Master Plan.

C.3 NUSD Budget Update –Committee Member Preciado – Mr. Richards gave a

presentation regarding school budgeting. Mr. Knoop spoke regarding putting this presentation on the NUSD web site. He stated that the STRs and PERS is a private board. Mr. Richards stated that the STRS rate is set by legislature. Committee Member Preciado suggested to send the presentation to City Manager Becker and City Council Members., Chair Hannon asked about the developer fees by square footage? Mr. Richards explained that residential is different from commercial. Chair Hannon would like to review and send questions to Mr. Richards once he reviews. Committee Member Preciado asked about the Ruschin funds and the balance of that fund. Mr. Richards reported that 10.5 million dollars left and it is purely capital. The board has committed monies that have not been encumbered. What is the percentage of the budget that is pure general fund? 75 -80 % is unrestricted general fund.

It was suggested to keep the NUSD Budget Update on the Agenda every other meeting. The next would be October.

Chair Hannon asked about 1% reduction of ADA is \$ 506,000. Ms. Salinas explained a grant that we got with Prop 49 to give incentive for chronic absenteeism It was asked ; Do we take this information to the parents and explain the loss of monies \$\$ for absenteeism.

## D. NEW BUSINESS

- D.1 Calendar Amendment – The January Meeting falls on Martin Luther King Holiday. It was suggested to move the meeting to the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday in January. Keep the others the same 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday.
- D.2 NUSD Academic Program Update – Committee Member Preciado - Ms. Salinas gave an update on academic programs. Spoke about the partnership with California Collaborative for Educational Excellence and the new Dashboard, STEAM District and the resolution that is going to be presented tomorrow to the Board. She explained the site plan and how it aligns with STEAM. Ms. Salinas explains the partnership with Lawrence Hall of Science, Cal State East Bay, ACOE and Ohlone MOU Dual Enrollment, Silicon Valley Math Initiative, the K-12 Math Adoption and Summer Academies.

Public Comment regarding Educator Effectiveness. Mr. Knoop spoke about the presentation and expressed his thoughts on where we need to focus, how do we motivate our teachers, kids? Is Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports a way to motivate? Hope this district comes up with strategies.

Committee Member Preciado - When will this go into effect after the adoption? This next school year. How to create strategic partnerships with the City and can they help with companies etc... Getting people excited about this focus. Committee Member Crocker stated how great to have the parents involved in the process. A glossary for parents to have would be great to help. How things have changed since they were in school.

Chair Hannon has done homework helping at Schilling Elementary School. He talked about how the work has changed since parents were in school. Parents whose English is a second language he would like to know how to help those parents /families with a hotline or a place they can go to get help with the students work. Chair Hannon would like a Blue Collar discussion at future meeting with vocational classes and education. Committee Member Collazo discussed ROP and how many students take advantage of ROP. Committee Member Preciado discussed about a tutoring or homework support at two sites to help. What would the costs be and what would that look like. Can we and the City apply for a grant

together or fundraise together to do that. Chair Hannon said Congratulations with the joint partnership with Ohlone College.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Knoop addressed the committee regarding a welcome package for new construction residents.

Next Meeting Item Ideas: (June 18<sup>th</sup>) Presentation Civic Center Plan Chair Hannon

Suggested topics to City Manager Becker no later than May 15<sup>th</sup>.  
Committee Member Preciado - Old Town Development  
New Park Mall Development (Housing)

F. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Hannon adjourned the meeting 7:09 pm