Rochester Board of Education Board Governance Committee April 18, 2013 Minutes

Attendance:

Chairwoman Campos and Commissioners Cruz and Powell, Chief of Staff Patricia Malgieri, and Board Staff Shanai Lee.

Commissioner Campos convened the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Agenda Item I: Acceptance of Minutes

Motion to accept the minutes of the February 2013 Governance Committee meeting was made by Commissioner Powell, seconded by Commissioner Cruz. Adopted 3-0.

Agenda Item II: Upcoming Retreat Agendas and Scheduling

Commissioner Campos noted that the last scheduled retreat had to be rescheduled due to a conflict with the District's 1st annual Latino Parent Conference. The Committee proposed the following dates for the next retreat: Wednesday, June 19th and Monday, June 24th.

ACTION: Commissioner Campos requested that the proposed be sent to the full Board for confirmation.

Agenda Item III: Superintendent Evaluation: Quarterly Superintendent Evaluations

Commissioner Campos noted that the Committee has not received any opposition to the suggested dates for the Superintendent's 2012-13 quarterly evaluations: May 30th; August 29th; November 12th; and February 25th. The Committee agreed that these dates should be added to the Board's calendar as Special Meetings to convene into Executive Session to discuss the employment of a particular person.

ACTION: Commissioner Campos requested that the proposed 2012-13 quarterly evaluation dates be forwarded to the full Board for acceptance at the February Business Meeting.

Agenda Item IV: Board Self-Evaluation

Commissioner Campos stated that the District's General Counsel Edwin Lopez-Soto has confirmed that the self-assessment tool is an internal document used to assess the Board's progress and effectiveness in meeting the needs the District and stakeholders, and is therefore not subject to Freedom of Information Law requests. The Committee discussed the importance for self-evaluation tools and suggested that the Board begin to engage in assessment following Business Meetings on overall performance and accomplishments over the past month of meetings focusing on how members of the Board have collectively served the District's families.

ACTION: Commissioner Campos requested that a self-assessment survey reintroduced and administered at the April Business Meeting, highlighting the fact that the tool will be used as an internal document and be publicly available.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.