

CALAVERAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
P.O. Box 788
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June 6, 2000
MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The regular meeting of the Calaveras Unified School District Board of Trustees was called to order at the District Administrative Offices at 5:30 p.m. The Board convened into closed session at 5:35 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gerri Conway
Jim Foltz
Zerrall McDaniel
Hank Nagle

MEMBERS ABSENT: John Yerman

STAFF PRESENT: Jim Frost
Jep Peckler
Betty White
Jack Pickens
Sharon Knick
Jackie Hamilton
Dr. Anne Dasch - CUEA Representative

Kathy Bell
Helen Pickens
Mark Fairbanks
Kathy Northington
Bill Hamilton
Bette Vallerga

OTHERS: Members of the staff and community

PUBLIC INPUT FOR THE GOOD OF THE DISTRICT

There was no public input at this time.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

CLOSED SESSION

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Cheri Folendorf in regard to negotiations with CSEA (Gov. Code 54954.5)

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Cheri Folendorf in regard to negotiations with CUEA (Gov. Code 54954.5)

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Cheri Folendorf in regard to negotiations with Management / Confidential / Supervisory (Gov. Code 54954.5)

Student Discipline Matters (Gov. Code 54954.5)

OPEN SESSION

Open session was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the flag salute and roll call. It was noted that Chairperson John Yerman was absent this evening. Gerri Conway served as Acting Chairperson and Jim Foltz served as Acting Clerk.

OPEN SESSION (continued)

Introduction of Jackie Hamilton, Director of Special Education

Superintendent Frost introduced the new Director of Special Education, Jackie Hamilton.

Introductions & Presentations, San Andreas Elementary Staff

San Andreas Elementary Principal Jep Peckler introduced members of the school's staff who were present. Mr. Peckler presented certificates of appreciation to Elaine Airola, Fred Lavaroni, Karen Johnson, Leah Cope and Ann Pesout.

Presentation to Art Students

Superintendent Frost presented checks to CHS art students for the use of their work in the District Budget Binder.

Recognition of Retirees, Adoption of Resolution 1999/2000-25, Honoring Retirees of 2000

Superintendent Frost read Resolution 1999/2000-25, Honoring Retirees. MSC 4-0 (Yerman absent) to adopt this resolution as presented. Each retiree was presented with a plaque in appreciation of their years of service. There was a short break in the meeting at this time.

Item XV-C, Approval, Revisions to 2000/2001 District Calendar, was moved forward on the agenda.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Approval, Revisions to 2000/2001 District Calendar

MSC 4-0 (Yerman absent) to approve part 1 of revisions to the 2000/2001 District Calendar. This revision is the addition of December 27, 2000, as a classified holiday.

Discussion followed concerning part 2 of the proposed revisions to the 2000/2001 District Calendar: the addition of weekly co-planning minimum days on Fridays for all elementary schools.

Superintendent Frost explained that this is really a site-based issue and that schools are coming to the Board with this proposal. Members of the audience addressed the Board with their concerns about child care during these co-planning days, potential transportation problems, appropriate use of time by staff at co-planning and loss of instructional minutes. Members of the staff from sites where weekly co-planning has been in place for years spoke about how weekly co-planning works at West Point and Rail Road Flat Elementary Schools and the benefits derived from these sessions. Board direction was given to administration to work towards developing an after-school program for students on co-planning days to help with the child care problem many parents may experience. Members of the San Andreas Parent-Teacher Group requested that the Board delay a vote on this request until later in the meeting tonight to allow them a few minutes for discussion amongst themselves. The Board granted this request and moved on to the next agenda item.

OPEN SESSION

Teacher Reports

The following Mentor Teachers provided reports for the Board's information:

1. MaryAnne Garamendi - P.E.
2. Linda Gonzales - Assessment
3. Susan Wolters, K-3 RESULTS
4. John Kenney, K-12 Science Curriculum

OPEN SESSION

Teacher Reports (continued)

It was noted that West Point Elementary Teacher, Jim Casey, who was scheduled to provide an informational report on the Humbug Creek Farm Project, has requested that this report be postponed.

Approval, Revisions to 2000/2001 District Calendar

The San Andreas Parent-Teacher Group returned and advised the Board that they were in agreement with the weekly co-planning days along with the other elementary schools in the District as long as they were provided an opportunity to work with Mr. Peckler in adjusting the instructional minutes and that there would be some type of after-school program for the children on co-planning days. Jim Foltz stated that he wants a serious look into after-school programs we can provide during co-planning days; Hank Nagle said that he supports Mr. Foltz' comments and would like to see any adjustment of instructional minutes discussed with parents; Zerrall McDaniel stated that she agreed with Mr. Foltz and Mr. Nagle and would like to help develop an after-school program.

MSC 3-1 (Foltz, Nagle, McDaniel - Aye; Conway - No; Yerman - absent). Ms. Conway explained that she supported weekly co-planning days, but felt that she must vote "no" because Board direction concerning an undefined after-school program on co-planning days was just too unclear.

PUBLIC REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

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No action was taken.

Student Discipline Matters (Gov. Code 54954.5)

No item presented.

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING PANEL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EXPULSION

None presented.

STUDENT REPORT, CHS STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE

No student report was presented.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Frost read correspondence received from the Photographic Society of America announcing that Kayla Alderman, a Calaveras High School student, was the winner in the architecture category and was chosen as the best of show. Mr. Frost congratulated Kayla on this prestigious national award.

Correspondence was read from Senator Tim Leslie regarding the state budget augmentation for the CHS Swimming Pool Renovation. Senator Leslie was successful in convincing the Senate Budget Subcommittee on Education to include legislation in the Senate's Budget for \$500,000.00 to help our District in its efforts to renovate the pool.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Superintendent Frost congratulated the graduates of 2000 on the outstanding CHS graduation and thanked all who worked so hard on the Sober Grad Night party. Mr. Frost noted that he is looking forward to the upcoming graduating ceremonies. Mr. Frost also congratulated the CHS Baseball team on the outstanding season, as well as congratulating Daniel Villegas on his performance at the State Track Meet.

PUBLIC INPUT FOR THE GOOD OF THE DISTRICT

There was no public input at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

MSC 4-0 (Yerman absent) to approve the Consent Agenda as presented:

- A. Approval of Minutes: April 25, 2000; May 2, 2000; May 9, 2000; May 13, 2000
- B. Routine Personnel
- C. Approval of Vendor Warrant Listing through May 25, 2000
- D. Approval of Agreements:
 - 1. Renewal of Canine Detection Services Agreement for 2000-2001 School Year
 - 2. Renewal of Sierra Foothill Laboratory Agreement from May 1, 2000 through April 30, 2000
 - 3. Agreement with San Joaquin Delta Community College for Use of Premises for the 2000-2001 School Year
 - 4. Renewal of Sacramento Hearing Services Center, Inc., Agreement for 2000-2001 School Year
 - 5. Renewal of Mandated Cost Systems, Inc., Agreement for 2000-2001 School year
- E. Approval of Student Insurance
- F. Approval, Calaveras-Mariposa Community Action Agency Grant

ACTION ON ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

No items were removed.

PERSONNEL

Certificated Report

Dr. Anne Dasch, CUEA Representative, reported that PAR language is being finalized.

Classified Report

No report was presented.

All Personnel

No item presented.

Classified Personnel

Approval of Job Description: Transportation Clerk

MSC 4-0 (Yerman absent) to approve the job description as presented for Transportation Clerk.

Public Disclosure of District Proposal for CSEA negotiations for the 2000-2001 School Year

The District proposal for 2000-2001 negotiations with CSEA was presented for initial disclosure to the public. The Board received the proposal and opened the sunshine period.

PERSONNEL (continued)

Certificated Personnel

Approval, *Standards for the Teaching Profession*

MSC 4-0 (Yerman absent) to approve the *Standards for the Teaching Profession, A Description of Professional Practice for California Teachers*. This document will represent the District's standards for teacher evaluation.

Approval, Job Share Arrangements

MSC 4-0 (Yerman absent) to approve the following job share arrangements for the 2000/2001 school year:

1. Katherine Campbell and Joyce Joly, 50/50 job share at SAE, 4th grade.
2. Sue Jackson and Nancy Peckler, 60/40 job share at MHE, 3rd/4th grade.

Request for Approval, Retirement with STRS Golden Handshake

MSC 4-0 (Yerman absent) to approve retirement with the STRS Golden Handshake for Gary Stepansky and Robert Silva, both effective 6/9/00.

Approval, Declaration of Need for Fully Credentialed Educators

MSC 4-0 (Yerman absent) to approve the Declaration of Need for Fully Credential Educators as presented.

Management/Confidential/Supervisory

No item presented.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Curriculum Report

No report presented.

Student Services

Dr. Mary Scott, Director of Student Support Services, reported that Summer School Plans are in place.

Textbook Adoptions

MSC 4-0 (Yerman absent) to adopt the following textbook adoptions:

1. *Marine Biology*, McGraw Hill, 2000
2. Addison-Wesley *Chemistry*, fifth edition, 2000

Proposed English Textbook Adoption

The following textbook was presented for proposed adoption: *The Language of Literature*, McDougal Littell, 2000. The textbook will be on display in the Instructional Materials Center for a 30 day review period.

Approval, K-6 Standards-Based Report Cards

MSC 4-0 (Yerman absent) to approve the K-6 Standards-Based Report Cards as presented.

Request for Approval, School Site Plans

MSC 4-0 (Yerman absent) to approve 2000/2001 School Site Plans for Calaveras Unified School District schools.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION (continued)

Approval, Consolidated Application Part I

MSC 4-0 (Yerman absent) to approve the 2000-2001 Consolidated Application Part I as presented.

Approval, 2000/2001 GATE Application & Program Review

MSC 4-0 (Yerman absent) to approve the 2000/2001 GATE Application. Dr. Mary Scott reviewed the District GATE Program.

BUSINESS

Facilities Report

Superintendent Frost updated the Board on facilities projects: 1) MHE is moving forward. We will be going to bid soon on Phase II. 2) We will be asking for approval to drill a well at Toyon Middle School. 3) CHS and VSE are in the final stages of the projects.

Request from Ground Zero Analysis, Inc., for Authorization to Access Rail Road Flat Elementary School Property to Install Groundwater Monitoring Well

MSC 4-0 (Yerman absent) to authorize Ground Zero Analysis, Inc., to access Rail Road Flat Elementary School Property to install a groundwater monitoring well.

Adoption, Resolution 1999/2000-26, Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Calaveras Unified School District Prescribing the Terms of Sale of Bonds of Calaveras Unified School District, Requesting the Board of Supervisors of the County of Calaveras, to Issue and Sell Said Bonds by a Negotiated Sale Pursuant to a Bond Purchase Contract, Approving the Form of and Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of Said Bond Purchase Contract, Approving the Form of and Authorizing the Execution of Necessary Documents and Certificates and Related Actions

MSC 4-0 (Yerman absent) to adopt Resolution 1999/2000-26 as presented.

Request for Approval to Enter into a Contract for Project Manager

MSC 4-0 (Yerman absent) to approve entering into a contract for Project Manager with Patrick Van Lieshout, FMG Group, for bond projects at Toyon Middle School and Mokelumne Hill Elementary School.

POLICY/REGULATIONS - None presented.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Jim Foltz commented on his pleasure at presenting diplomas at the CHS graduation and the outstanding student speakers at the ceremony.

Hank Nagle commented that he attended the graduation ceremony for alternative education students.

Zerrall McDaniel said she was delighted to be at the CHS graduation. Ms. McDaniel added that she continues to be amazed at the talent in this district.

Gerri Conway commented that the District needs to include the Student Representative to the Board in more Board discussion. Ms. Conway noted that she also attended the CHS graduation ceremony and congratulated the graduates.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Brian Fischer commented that it is his feeling that the District should hire an independent person to manage the remaining construction projects.

NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be held on June 20, 2000, 7:00 p.m., at the District Administrative Offices. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 p.m.

James L. Frost, Superintendent
by Helen Pickens