

CALAVERAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
P.O. Box 788
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July 11, 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.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gerri Conway
Jim Foltz
Zerrall McDaniel
John Yerman

MEMBERS ABSENT: Hank Nagle

STAFF PRESENT: Jim Frost
Cheri Folendorf
Sharon Knick
Michelle Besmer-Poyner
Karen Dickerson
Lisa McInturf (CUEA Representative)

Kathy Bell
Betty White
Mike Merrill
Ed Collett
Bill Howe

OTHERS: Members of the staff and community

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Closed session items were announced as listed on the agenda.

PUBLIC INPUT FOR THE GOOD OF THE DISTRICT

There was no public input at this time. At 5:35 p.m. the Board convened into closed session.

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)

CLOSED SESSION (continued)

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 salute to the flag & roll call. Mr. Nagle was absent.

PUBLIC REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

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No action taken.

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No action taken.

Student Discipline Matters (Gov. Code 54954.5)

No action taken.

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING PANEL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EXPULSION

None presented.

STUDENT REPORT

No student report presented.

CORRESPONDENCE

None presented.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Superintendent Jim Frost advised that the budget augmentation request presented by Senator Tim Leslie for CHS pool repair was, unfortunately, blue-lined from the state budget by the Governor. Superintendent Frost thanked everyone for their efforts in this attempt.

PUBLIC INPUT FOR THE GOOD OF THE DISTRICT

There was no public comment at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

Superintendent Frost requested that the Board add an item "G" to the consent agenda: Request for Approval, Overnight Trip for the CHS Girls' Basketball Team. MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to add item G to the agenda as requested.

MSC (4-0 Nagle absent) to approve the Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of Minutes: June 6, 2000; June 20, 2000
- B. Routine Personnel
 - All Personnel (no item presented)
 - Certificated Personnel
 - 1. Employment of eight probationary Teachers
 - 2. Employment of one temporary Work Experience Coordinator
 - 3. Declined employment, one Special Ed RS Teacher
 - 4. Resignation of one permanent Teacher
 - 5. Resignation of one probationary Teacher
 - Classified Personnel
 - 1. Promotion Child Care Aide to probationary Child Care Instructor
 - 2. Employment of one clerical substitute
 - 3. Employment of one substitute Yard Duty Supervisor
 - 4. Employment of two substitute Child Care Aides
 - 5. Employment of one probationary Print Shop Technician
 - Management/Confidential/Supervisory
 - 1. Employment of one Psychologist
 - 2. Employment of one Program Specialist
 - 3. Employment of one half-time Assistant Principal/Teacher at JLE
- C. Approval, Change Order No. 1, Valley Springs Elementary Modernization Project, in the amount of \$56,739.47, to Leslie G. Delbon Co., Inc.
- D. Approval, Vendor Warrant Listings through June 28, 2000
- E. Approval, 2000/2001 Designation of Calaveras High School CIF Representatives to League: Vince Bicocca, Mark Campbell, Mike Merrill
- F. Approval, Progress Payment No. 5, Valley Springs Elementary Modernization Project, in the amount of \$80,986.40.
- G. Approval, Overnight Field Trip Request for the CHS Girls' Basketball Team: July 20-24, 2000, to San Diego for a basketball tournament, with housing in a local hotel and transportation by District vans. (This request was added to the agenda.)

ACTION ON ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

No items were removed.

PERSONNEL

Certificated Report

Lisa McInturf, CUEA Representative, reported that she and Anne Dasch will alternate attending Board meetings representing CUEA. Ms. McInturf also noted that CUEA is looking forward to a good school year.

PERSONNEL (continued)

Classified Report

No report presented.

All Personnel - No item presented.

Classified Personnel

Approval to Contract Services of Drug and Alcohol Testing Services

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to approve entering into a contract with Partners With You, beginning July 1, 2000, to provide drug and alcohol testing in compliance with Board Policy 4212.42.

Request for Approval, Medical Leave of Absence for Darci Lucas

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to approve an unpaid medical leave of absence for Darci Lucas, SAE Teacher Aide, effective July 25, 2000 through September 1, 2000.

Request for Approval, Maternity Leave of Absence for Susan Brandt

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to approve a maternity leave of absence for Susan Brandt, VSE Teacher Aide, effective July 25, 2000 through September 1, 2000.

Certificated Personnel

Request for Approval of Medical Leave of Absence for Kathy Smith

No action was taken. Kathy Smith's need for this medical leave of absence has been postponed.

Management/Confidential/Supervisory

Approval, Appointment of Principal at Valley Springs Elementary School

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to approve the appointment of Michelle Besmer-Poyner as Principal of Valley Springs Elementary School, effective with the 2000/2001 school year.

Approval, Appointment of Principal/Teacher for West Point Elementary

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to approve the appointment of Sharon Knick as Principal/Teacher at West Point Elementary School, effective with the 2000/2001 school year.

At this time, Superintendent Frost advised the Board that administration will be bringing forth on the August 1 agenda, a recommendation to appoint Jan Kendall to fill the Assistant Principal vacancy at Calaveras High School, effective with the 2000/2001 school year. Recommendations will also be brought to the Board to appoint Jan Matson to the Assistant Principal position at Toyon Middle School and Lisa McInturf to Jan Matson's current position.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Curriculum Report

No report presented.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION (continued)

English Textbook Adoption

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to adopt the *Language of Literature*, McDougal Littell, 2000. This textbook has been on review since June 6, 2000. The Board inquired as to whether two sets of books for students would be ordered; Mr. Merrill explained that there were no funds available to purchase two sets of books. The Board requested that administration look into Docutech with respect to duplicating rights. Mrs. White explained that most publishers will not allow their textbooks to be duplicated. Superintendent Frost reported that this District has adopted new textbooks for many subjects at a much more rapid rate than every eight years and this exacerbates the funding issues. Mr. Yerman expressed his disappointment that Docutech is unable to meet the District's needs, as he originally believed it would, in this area in a money-saving way because publishers will not allow the textbooks to be reproduced. Mrs. Conway explained that her understanding was that Docutech would copy workbooks and supplemental instructional materials, but not the actual textbooks. Mr. Foltz explained that he was told that we would be able to purchase the books on C.D.s and that we would be able to reproduce the portions of the books that we were going to use, etc. Ms. McDaniel asked if there was anything that could be done to help with this problem. Mr. Frost explained that the only alternative would involve a budget reallocation.

Discussion, Academic Performance Index (API) - CUSD School Rankings

Discussion of the API rankings was tabled; however, Mrs. White did present some new information on testing. Statewide dates for the high school exit exam are March 7, 2001 - Reading and Writing portion, and Tuesday, March 13 - Mathematics portion. Discussion of the High School Exit Exam followed. Mrs. White advised that legislation is narrowing the STAR testing window. Parents' copies of STAR testing reports went out. Augmented scores are referred to as Standards scores. The California Department of Education will post STAR test results on its web site on July 17. Demographic information will not be posted until August

BUSINESS

Superintendent Frost introduced and welcomed the new Supervisor of Maintenance and Operations, Bill Howe.

Facilities Report

Jim Frost reported that the walkthrough of the Calaveras High School Modernization Project will take place tomorrow morning. The Districtwide Oversight Bond Committee met and we now have new budgets and are moving forward with those new budgets; we still have sufficient money to do what we want in the future in the West End. Mr. Santo has requested that we ask for authorization to go to bid on six projects. Ms. McDaniel inquired about the status of the San Andreas Elementary Modernization project. Mr. Frost explained that the SAE modernization project will be put out for bid just like the Valley Springs modernization project probably in September. Trailers will be moved from VSE to SAE for temporary housing of students during this modernization project.

BUSINESS (continued)

Authorization to Invite Bids, Facilities Projects

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to authorize inviting bids for the facilities projects listed below:

1. Toyon Middle School Modernization
2. Mokelumne Hill Elementary/Phase II
3. West Point Alternative High School at West Point Elementary
4. West Point Elementary Multi-Purpose Room and Athletic Fields
5. San Andreas Elementary Multi-Purpose Room
6. Valley Springs Elementary Kindergarten Classrooms and Bathroom

Approval, Calaveras Unified School District Facilities Projects Budget Revision

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to approve the Calaveras Unified School District Facilities Projects Budget Revision as presented.

Adoption, Resolution 2000/01-03, In the Matter of the Adoption of Notices of Exemption from CEQA

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to adopt Resolution 2000/01-03, In the Matter of the Adoption of Notices of Exemption from CEQA. This resolution approves Notices of Exemption for six District construction projects and authorizes the filing of the Notices of Exemption with the county clerk.

Approval, Contract with KPI Architects, Rail Road Flat Elementary Renovation

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to approve entering into a contract with KPI Architects for the Rail Road Flat Elementary Renovation Project. A meeting has been scheduled for the RRF Oversight Committee to meet with the architect on July 19.

Adoption, Resolution 2000/01-01, Community Day School

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to adopt Resolution 2000/01-01, Community Day School. This resolution provides for annual Board certification that no satisfactory alternative facilities are available for community day school and that the District may operate a community day school program on the Calaveras High School campus.

PUBLIC HEARING - For the Determination of Sufficient Textbooks and/or Instructional Materials for each Pupil in the District

At this time the Board convened into a Public Hearing regarding the sufficiency of funds for textbooks and/or instructional materials for each pupil in the District. Kathy Bell explained that this public hearing is in accordance with Education Code 60119 in order to receive funding under the Pupil Textbook and Instructional Materials Incentive Program. The public hearing was closed at this time.

Adoption, Resolution 2000/2001-02, Determination of Sufficiency of Student Access to Textbooks and/or Instructional Materials for the 2000/2001 School Year

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to adopt Resolution 2000/2001-02, Determination of Sufficiency of Student Access to Textbooks and/or Instructional Materials for the 2000/2001 School Year. This resolution declares that the Board determines that because of the lack of sufficient funding under the Pupil Textbook and Instructional materials Incentive Program, pupils lack sufficient textbooks and instructional materials unless funding for these purposes is augmented by other revenue sources.

POLICY/REGULATIONS

None presented.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

John Yerman welcomed the new administrators to their positions.

Gerri Conway informed those present that she had been selected to serve as the CSBA Governmental Relations Chair, which means she will be working closely with Rico Oller and Tim Leslie in an effort to improve communication. Gerri advised that she is very happy to take on this responsibility.

Zerrall McDaniel welcomed Michelle Besmer-Poyner, Sharon Knick, Bill Howe, Lisa McInturf to their new positions. Ms. McDaniel also commented that she hopes that construction moves along well and feels badly that San Andreas Elementary is starting the school year without their project underway.

Jim Foltz also extended congratulations to everyone receiving promotions as well as all new employees.

Gerri Conway reminded CHS administration that she is volunteering to help out in the school snack bar.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mike Merrill advised that the next CHS Athletic Committee meeting is August 7, IMC, 6:00 p.m.

NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting is scheduled for August 1, 2000, 7:00 p.m., District Administrative Offices. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

James L. Frost
by Helen Pickens