

CALAVERAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
P.O. Box 788
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October 10, 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
Hank Nagle
John Yerman

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Jim Frost
Helen Pickens
Kathy Bell
Michelle Besmer-Poyner
Bette Vallerga
Mark Fairbanks
Anne Dasch (CUEA Representative)
Jeanie Kancianich (CSEA Representative)
Betty White
Lucinda Brower
Jack Pickens
Jep Peckler
Susan Bratset

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)

CLOSED SESSION (continued)

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)
Student Expulsion Hearing AHP 00/01-01**

OPEN SESSION

Open session was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the salute to the flag and roll call. All present.

Introduction of Alternative Ed Staff

Alternative Ed Principal Susan Bratset introduced members of the staffs from Gold Strike High School, West Point Alternative High School and Jenny Lind High School.

Recognition & Presentation to Kathy Northington

Superintendent Jim Frost recognized Kathy Northington, the newly appointed Director of Curriculum for the Calaveras County Office of Education, for her contributions to Calaveras Unified School District during her twenty-three years of employment with the district. Ms. Northington was presented with a plaque in appreciation.

Technology Presentation - "School Cruiser"

Technology Supervisor Lucinda Brower introduced Clayton Smith, of School Cruiser. Mr. Smith explained the free web-based services offered to the K-12 educational community by School Cruiser. Mr. Smith explained that SchoolCruiser.com provides online tools and resources to promote academic and community interaction. Mr. Smith shared that SchoolCruiser offers school-specific content and is designed to meet diverse sets of needs in a secure, personalized, interactive web setting. Ms. Brower noted that she would like to discuss this program further with the Administrative Council group and requested, in the meantime, that the Board approve testing this program in the district. MSC 5-0 to approve testing SchoolCruiser web-based services.

Addition of Item to Agenda

It was noted by the Board Chairperson, John Yerman, that a request had been presented to add an item E to Section XVI, Business: Adoption, Resolution 2000/2001-08, Office of Energy Assessment Resolution. MSC 5-0 to add item E to the Agenda under Business.

Request for Approval to Establish Snow Board & Ski Race Teams at Calaveras High School for 2000/2001 Season

Kieron Chambers provided information for the Board concerning establishing Snowboard & Ski Race Teams at Calaveras High School. Ms. Chambers reviewed numbers of interested students, estimates for district costs, and costs to parents. Superintendent Frost recommended the Board give direction to Ms. Chambers to meet with the Superintendent, Mark Campbell and Vince Bicocca, the appropriate channel for this type of request; Board direction was so given.

PUBLIC REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

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

No action taken.

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

No action taken.

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

No action taken.

Student Discipline Matters (Gov. Code 54954.5)

Student Expulsion Hearing AHP 00/01-01

The Board considered the recommendation of the Administrative Hearing Panel with respect to Student Expulsion Hearing AHP 00/01-01. No action was taken during closed session.

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING PANEL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EXPULSION

Student Expulsion Hearing AHP 00/01-01

MSC 5-0 to approve the recommendation of the Administrative Hearing Panel with respect to AHP 00/01-01, to expel the student from Jenny Lind Elementary through June 2001, with alternative placement at Mt. Ranch Community School on a Rehabilitation Plan.

STUDENT REPORT

No report presented.

CORRESPONDENCE

None presented.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Superintendent Jim Frost recognized and thanked Jenny Lind Elementary parents present at the Board meeting this evening for their hard work and leadership efforts. Mr. Frost congratulated all sites on the greatly improved test scores.

Board Chairperson John Yerman requested that the Superintendent ask Bill Howe to come to at least one Board meeting each month and provide an informational report to the Board.

PUBLIC INPUT FOR THE GOOD OF THE DISTRICT

Jenny Lind Elementary Principal Jack Pickens advised the Board that Jenny Lind currently has a visiting teacher from Japan and he would be bringing Mikiko Morishima to a future Board meeting for introduction.

CONSENT AGENDA

MSC 5-0 to approve the Consent Agenda:

- A. Approval of Minutes: September 5, 2000; September 9, 2000; September 19, 2000
- B. Routine Personnel
 - All Personnel
 - 1. Approval and Certification of 23 Fall/Winter Athletic Coaches - All coaches have met coaching certification requirements
 - Certificated Personnel
 - 1. Transfer of one probationary Special Ed Teacher
 - Classified Personnel
 - 1. Transfer and increase in hours for one permanent Food Service III
 - 2. Employment of two probationary Special Ed Teacher Aide 1:1
 - 3. Transfer of one Special Ed Teacher Aide
 - 4. Increase in hours for one probationary Child Care Aide
 - 5. Employment of one probationary Teacher Aide
 - 6. Resignation of one permanent Teacher Aide
 - 7. Resignation of one permanent Bus Driver
 - Management/Confidential/Supervisory
 - 1. Resignation of one Special Ed Teacher - Autistic Program
 - 2. Employment of one Accounting Assistant (Categorical)
- C. Vendor Warrant Listing Approval through September 7, 2000
- D. Approval, Notice of Completion for Valley Springs Elementary Renovation
- E. Authorization to Establish a Routine Restricted Maintenance Account

ACTION ON ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

No items were removed.

PERSONNEL

Certificated Report

Dr. Anne Dasch, CUEA Representative, reported that a committee was being put together to work with Betty White on the teacher evaluation process; Dr. Dasch is working with Jim Pesout on a classroom management workshop for teachers; teachers are developing rules for working with Docutech; CUEA is looking forward to the next meeting with the Superintendent and Board representatives on the 19th.

Classified Report

Jeanie Kancianich, CSEA Representative, advised that CSEA is looking forward to the Board vote tonight on CSEA negotiations settlement.

All Personnel - No item presented.

Classified Personnel

AB 1200 Public Disclosure of CSEA 2000/2001 and 2001/2002 Negotiations Settlement

In accordance with AB 1200 Public Disclosure requirements, Kathy Bell, Director of Fiscal Services, advised the Board that negotiations for CSEA have been concluded, and the following budget adjustments result from the settlement: 1) For the 2000/01 school year, a 4% COLA to all CSEA

PERSONNEL (continued)

Classified Personnel

salary schedules; an increase to the Health and Welfare Cap from \$379 per month to \$400 per month; a modification to the Transportation Employees' Health and Welfare Benefits which will make their District contribution the same as all other employees. 2) Adjustments based on the proposed 2001/02 settlement will occur at 2001/02 budget time.

PUBLIC HEARING - CSEA 2000/01 and 2001/02 Negotiations Settlement

At this time the Board convened into a public hearing to allow for comment regarding the proposed CSEA 2000/01 and 2001/02 negotiations settlement. There was no public comment.

Request for Approval, CSEA 2000/01 and 2001/02 Negotiations Settlement and CSEA Salary Schedules

MSC 5-0 to approve the CSEA 2000/01 and 2001/02 Negotiations Settlement as presented and approve the following CSEA Salary Schedules: 1) CSEA Non-Transportation; 2) CSEA Transportation Schedule.

Request for Approval, 2000/01 Salary Schedule for Classified Hourly Employees

MSC 5-0 to approve the 2000/01 Salary Schedule for Classified Hour Employees as presented.

Certificated Personnel - No item presented.

Management/Confidential/Supervisory - No item presented.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Curriculum Report

No report presented.

District Academic Performance Index (API) Report

Director of Curriculum Betty White presented an informational report for the Board on CUSD's API results this year. Mrs. White explained that all CUSD schools showed significant improvement in API scores and the district should be very proud of these greatly improved test scores. Site administrators and staff were commended for the work required to accomplish this improvement.

Request for Approval, Jenny Lind Elementary School Calendar Change

MSC 5-0 to approve Jenny Lind Elementary School mirroring the District calendar beginning with the 2001/02 school year. This will take Jenny Lind Elementary School off the multi-track year-round schedule and place this school on the same calendar as all other CUSD schools.

BUSINESS

Facilities Report

Superintendent Frost reported that bids are coming in well over project budgets as in the recent bids for Mokelumne Hill and Toyon Middle School. Members of the Board requested that Dan Santo come to a Board meeting and address the Board regarding project costs and budgets. Mr. Frost reported that work is beginning on the Valley Springs Elementary administration building; replastering work is

BUSINESS (continued)

Facilities Report

underway on the high school pool; the Governor did not sign pool augmentation legislation; working on addressing Jenny Lind traffic flow issues.

Rejection of Entire Bid and Authorization to Rebid for Mokelumne Hill Elementary School Project and Toyon Middle School Project

MSC 5-0 to reject the following bids and authorize to rebid:

1. Reject bid for Mokelumne Hill Elementary School Project and authorize rebidding in the following manner: Bid landscaping and parking lot site work as one bid and bid out the buildings (7 classrooms, one multi-purpose room, and Administration/Library Building) as modular buildings.
2. Reject all bids for the Toyon Middle School Project and rebid in the following manner: Bid parking lot and site work as one bid and bid out the buildings (3 classrooms, 1 Library/Computer Lab with workroom and restrooms) as modular buildings.

Acceptance of Bid for Valley Springs Elementary School Relocatables

MSC 5-0 to award the bid for the Valley Springs Elementary relocatables to Austin Construction for \$132,485.00 and one deductible alternate at \$9,000.00.

Adoption, Resolution 2000/2001-08, Office of Energy Assessment Resolution

MSC 5-0 to adopt Resolution 2000/2001-08, Office of Energy Assessment Resolution, as presented. This resolution resolves that the District is willing to seek financing to implement cost-effective, energy-saving measures and requests the bond funds to implement measures as may be economically feasible.

POLICY/REGULATIONS

First Reading - None presented.

Second Reading/Adoption

MSC 5-0 to adopt the following Board Policies at the second reading:

1. BP 3250, Transportation Fees (Revision)
2. BP 6142.91, Reading/Language Arts Instruction (Revision)

MSC 4-1 (Nagle - No) to adopt the following Board Policy at the second reading:

1. BP 6142.2, AIDS Prevention Instruction (Revision)

Board Member Hank Nagle noted that he feels the entire sex education program and AIDS instruction curriculum should be changed. Mr. Nagle would like to see positive permission required for this instruction. It was requested that this subject be agendaized for future discussion.

Administrative Regulations & Exhibits - None presented.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

John Yerman requested quarterly meetings be scheduled for the Board and Superintendent to meet. Mr. Yerman also asked that administration look into bussing day care children to the pool in the summer.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There was no public comment at this time.

NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting is scheduled for November 7, 2000, 7:00 p.m., District Administrative Offices. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

A special session will be held on November 14, 2000; the November 21, 2000 regular Board meeting is canceled.

James L. Frost
by Helen Pickens