

CALAVERAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
P.O. Box 788
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**March 4, 2003
MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

The 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: Zerrall McDaniel
Hank Nagle
John Yerman

MEMBERS ABSENT: Gerri Conway
Jim Foltz

STAFF PRESENT: Jim Frost
Cheri Folendorf
Mike Merrill
Jan Matson
Jim Pesout
Anne Dasch, CUEA
Helen Pickens
Mark Campbell
Lucinda Brower
Sharon Knick
Ed Collett

OTHERS: Interested community and staff

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. with the salute to the flag and roll call.

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 comment at this time.

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)

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Cheri Folendorf in regard to negotiations with Calaveras Area Substitute Teachers (Gov. Code 54954.5)

Student Discipline Matters (Gov. Code 54954)

OPEN SESSION

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

Rail Road Flat Elementary Report

Principal Ed Collett provided a report on happenings at Rail Road Flat Elementary. Mr. Collett also provided a brief overview of the school's test results.

The following item was moved forward on the agenda:

Approval, Dedication of Rail Road Flat Administration Building

MSC 3-0 (Conway, Foltz absent) to approve the dedication of the Rail Road Flat Administration Building to the memory of former school secretary, Grace Skidmore. Mrs. Skidmore was school secretary from 1974 through 1997. Grace's daughter, Nioma Patrick, was present this evening.

Report on Realigning Child Care and Development

Catherine Bourland, HRC Child Care Resources, presented a report for the Board's information on the impact of realignment of child care resources to the county level. Mr. Frost will write letters to legislators on behalf of the Board in support of state funding of this program.

Peer Assistance and Review (PAR) Program

Jim Pesout, PAR Consulting Teacher, addressed the Board regarding funding for the PAR Program. Mr. Pesout stressed the importance and value of this program that supports teachers who receive unsatisfactory evaluations. Mr. Pesout explained that this is a win-win program for the district, its students, and administration. The Board was encouraged to support this program with the district budget.

2003 CSBA Delegate Assembly Election

MSC 3-0 (Conway, Foltz absent) to write in candidate Gerri Conway on the ballot for the 2003 CSBA Delegate Assembly Member and to cast its vote for Gerri Conway.

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.

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Cheri Folendorf in regard to negotiations with Calaveras Area Substitute Teachers (Gov. Code 54954.5)

No action taken.

Student Discipline Matters (Gov. Code 54954)

The Board considered Administrative Hearing Panel recommendations AHP 2002/03-19, 20 & 17; no action was taken in closed session.

STUDENT DISCIPLINE MATTERS

AHP 2002/03-19

MSC 3-0 (Conway, Foltz absent) to approve the Administrative Hearing Panel's recommendation that the student be expelled from the Transition Program through July 2003, but that the expulsion be suspended and the student be allowed to continue at the Transition Program through the term of the expulsion. Upon successful completion of the rehabilitation plan, the student will be placed at Toyon Middle School. If there is any contract violation, the expulsion order will be enforced and the student will be placed in Mt. Ranch Community School. The student is in violation of Ed Code 48900 (c) and (k).

AHP 2002/03-20

MSC 3-0 (Conway, Foltz absent) to approve the Administrative Hearing Panel's recommendation that the student be expelled from Calaveras High School through July 2003, with alternative placement in the Transition Program under the terms and conditions of a rehabilitation plan. The student is in violation of Ed Code 48900 (c) and (k).

AHP 2002/03-17

MSC 3-0 (Conway, Foltz absent) to approve the Administrative Hearing Panel's recommendation that the student be expelled from Calaveras High School through July 2003, but that the expulsion be suspended. Alternative placement will be at Gold Strike High School under the terms and conditions of a rehabilitation plan. If the contract is violated, the expulsion order will be enforced, the student will be transferred to adult ed. The student is in violation of Ed Code 48900 (a) and (k).

CORRESPONDENCE

None Presented.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Superintendent Frost commented about the feedback from the town hall meeting; Mr. Frost extended congratulations to the high school basketball teams on the excellent seasons and noted that Sam Fragoza and Troy Baker will represent CHS at the state wrestling meet.

PUBLIC INPUT FOR THE GOOD OF THE DISTRICT

Ed Collett announced that \$23,952.00 was made at the recent fund-raiser for Mokelumne Hill Elementary and the school will now have a playground!

Jim Frost extended congratulations to the Jenny Lind parent crew for the Mardi Gras celebration fundraiser held last Saturday evening to raise money for Science Camp.

CONSENT AGENDA

MSC (3-0 Conway, Foltz absent) to approve the Consent Agenda:

A. Approval of Minutes: February 18, 2003

B. Routine Personnel:

All Personnel – No item presented.

Certificated Personnel

1. Resignation of three teachers

Classified Personnel

1. Resignation of one probationary Custodian/Gardener

2. Employment of one substitute Custodian/Gardener

3. Change of placement on salary schedule for one probationary Skilled Maintenance / Painter

4. Employment of one substitute Bus Driver

5. Increase in hours per day for one permanent Bus Driver

6. Increase in hours per day for one permanent Special Ed Paraeducator

CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

Management/Confidential/Supervisory

1. Resignation of one Tech Specialist II

C. Approval, Vendor Warrant Listing through February 20, 2003

D. Approval, Donations:

1. Mokelumne Hill Elementary: \$2000.00 from Shirley Teale

E. Approval, Overnight Field Trip

1. TMS Advanced Choir to Anaheim, April 9-13, 2003

F. Denial of Claim against the District: GEICO v. CUSD

ACTION ON ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

No items removed.

PERSONNEL

Certificated Report

Dr. Anne Dasch commented on the CUEA seniority list noting that the union was asking everyone to review the list and report any discrepancies so that all dates are correct.

Classified Report

Not present.

All Personnel – No item presented.

Classified Personnel – No item presented.

Certificated Personnel

Approval to Extend Leave of Absence for Deidre Girardi for the 2003/04 School year

MSC 3-0 (Conway, Foltz absent) to approve extending the current leave of absence for Deidre Girardi for the 2003/04 school year. Ms. Girardi will continue to participate in the CSU Stanislaus program and will remain a CUSD employee, with CSU Stanislaus reimbursing the district for her entire salary benefit package.

Request for Approval of 2003/04 Job Share Arrangements

MSC 3-0 (Conway, Foltz absent) to approve the 2003/04 job share arrangements as requested:

1. 50/50 job share for Sherry Phinney and Michelle Olivarria, JLE
2. 50/50 job share for Kevin Hesser and Autumn Hesser, VSE
3. 50/50 job share for Kathy Campbell and Joyce Joly, SAE

Sunshine Calaveras Area Substitute Teachers Association (CASTA) Proposed Items for Discussion 2003

The Calaveras Area Substitute Teachers Association proposed agreement with the District was presented for sunshine purposes. This allows the district to meet and begin the negotiations process.

Approval, Retirement with STRS Golden Handshake for John Hildebrant, effective July 1, 2003

MSC 3-0 (Conway, Foltz absent) to approve the STRS Golden Handshake for John Hildebrant, effective July 1, 2003.

PERSONNEL (continued)

Management/Confidential/Supervisory

Approval, Retirement with STRS Golden Handshake for John B. Pickens, effective July 1, 2003

MSC 3-0 (Conway, Foltz absent) to approve STRS Golden Handshake for John B. Pickens, effective July 1, 2003.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Curriculum Report

No report presented.

BUSINESS

Facilities Report

Superintendent Frost reported that the District is going to bid on the final modernization projects – moving forward.

Approval, Revised District Technology Plan

Lucinda Brower reviewed the revised District Technology Plan for the Board's information and approval. MSC 3-0 (Conway, Foltz absent) to approve the Revised District Technology Plan as presented.

POLICY/REGULATIONS

First Reading

The following Board Policies were presented and accepted at the first reading:

1. BP 6190, Evaluation of the Instructional Program (Revised)
2. BB 9400, Board Self-Evaluation (Revised)

Second Reading/Adoption

None presented.

Administrative Regulations/Exhibits

The following Administrative Regulation was presented for information:

1. AR 6159, Individualized Education Program (Revised)

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

John Yerman reported that the Valley Springs annual shrimp feed was a success.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comment at this time.

NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the Board will be held on April 8, 2003, 7:00 p.m., at the District Administrative Offices. A special session will be held on Tuesday, March 11, 2003, 7:00 p.m., at the District Administrative Offices.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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by Helen Pickens