

CALAVERAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
P.O. Box 788  
San Andreas, CA 95249  
**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**January 15, 2008**

The meeting of the Calaveras Unified School District Board of Trustees was called to order at the 5:00 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Sherri Reusche  
John Yerman  
Zerrall McDaniel  
Evan Garamendi  
Hank Nagle

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** Jim Frost  
Mark Campbell  
William Hamilton  
Tim Garrison  
Sharon Knick  
Kimberly Osmanski-Potter  
Amy Hasselwander  
Ann Robinson  
Karen Wallace  
Peggy Stout

**OTHERS:** Parents, community members  
and other interested parties

**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**

At this time the public is invited to offer comments or direct questions to the Board concerning any topic within the Board's jurisdiction whether on the agenda or not. Time will be limited to five minutes per item with a twenty minute maximum for input.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**AHP 2007/08-02**

**OPEN SESSION**

A. Salute to the Flag and Roll Call

Chairperson, Zerrall McDaniel requested to add an item to the consent agenda. MSC 5-0 to add Item G. Approval, Special Education Local Plan Area.

**OPEN SESSION: PUBLIC REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

**AHP 2007/08-02**

**MSC 5-0 to approve the Administrative Hearing Panel's recommendation that the student be expelled from Calaveras High School. The panel has recommended that the student be allowed to attend Jenny Lind High School.**

**SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS**

Mr. Frost said Valley Springs Elementary's new classrooms look really nice. The cement work is not quite done yet. Several of our elementary schools are off on science camp, including Rail Road Flat, Mokelumne Hill, Valley Springs and San Andreas. Mr. Frost reminded everyone about the "Passport to College," sponsored by Delta Junior College. The district will participate in field trips to Delta to tour the campus for students participating in the "Passport to College." The district is just starting to look at the Governor's recommendation to solve the deficit state budget. There will be reductions in Special Education, home-to-school transportation, buses, class size reduction, etc. This is a difficult time for us. We are fortunate to have Sherri Reusche on the CSBA legislative committee. CUSD is looking at about a 1.2 million dollar cut by next year.

On another note, Mr. Frost said we are praying for the recovery of Gary Besmer, who underwent quadruple bypass heart surgery. Mrs. Garamendi also mentioned Mike Thein being in the hospital. It was noted that Trudy Briski is not doing well. Mr. Frost also mentioned that Sharon Knick, Director of Special Education will be undergoing knee surgery.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None at this time.

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Stephanie Moreno, Director of Community Development noted that they are working on the General Plan Update, Phase 3 of 9. Ms. Moreno said it has always been her goal to invite students to participate. Their board would be agreeable to work with students interactively for all four years of high school and possibly with elementary schools, as they are our future leaders.

Mr. Frost commended Ms. Moreno for trying to involve students, but said there is a lack of economic opportunities here in Calaveras County

Ms. Moreno explained that they are trying to work on that.

Mr. Frost told Ms. Moreno that the district has made a concerted effort to hire our own graduates.

Amy Hasselwander, Principal at Jenny Lind Elementary, informed the board that West Calaveras Rotary sponsors a Leadership Camp for Boys and Girls and that JLE would be loaning fifteen portable computers to them. This is in compliance with district policy.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

MSC 5-0, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented

A. Approval of Minutes  
December 10, 2007

B. Routine Personnel

All Personnel – No item presented

**CONSENT AGENDA**

B. Routine Personnel (continued)

Classified Personnel

1. Approve lateral transfer for one probationary and one permanent Preschool Associate Teacher
2. Approve the employment of one probationary Preschool Associate Teacher
3. Approve the employment of one probationary Child Care Instructor
4. Approve employment of one substitute child care aide
5. Approve additional time for one permanent paraeducator
6. Approve lateral transfer of one probationary paraeducator
7. Approve employment of one probationary paraeducator
8. Approve transfer to Office Manager for one office assistant
9. Approve employment of one Probationary Office Manager
10. Approve transfer and increase of hours for one probationary custodian
11. Approve employment of one probationary yard duty
12. Approve employment of two yard duty employees
13. Approve employment of one child care instructor on green sheet (garden grant)

Certificated Personnel

1. Approve resignation of one intern teacher
2. Approve employment of one temporary teacher
3. Approve temporary additional time for one permanent teacher
4. Approve temporary transfer of one permanent teacher

Management/Confidential/Supervisory – No item presented

C. **Approval, Vendor Warrant Listing**

No item presented

D. **Approval of Donations (Bill Hamilton, Assistant Superintendent for Fiscal Services)**

No item presented

E. **Approval, Lease Agreement – My Own School**

Approval is requested to continue the lease agreement with My Own School located at 501 Gold Strike Road. The term of the lease is for a period of five years, December, 2007 through November 30, 2012.

F. **Approval, License Agreement – Jackson Butte Tower Site**

Approval is requested to continue the lease agreement with American Tower, L. P., a Delaware limited partnership, to provide transmitting and receiving frequencies from the Jackson Butte Tower Site.

G. **Approval, Special Education Local Plan Area**

Approval is requested that CUSD in accordance with Federal and State laws and regulations certifies that this plan has been adopted by the local board and is the basis for the operation and administration of special education programs; and that the agency herein represented will meet all applicable requirements of state and federal laws.

**ACTON ON ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

No items removed from the consent agenda.

**PERSONNEL**

**Certificated Report**

Karen Wallace, CUEA representative wished everyone a Happy New Year. She reported that teacher are looking forward to a productive second half of the year. She also noted a couple of issues that have since been resolved.

**Classified Report**

Peggy Stout, CSEA representative, welcomed everyone back from winter break. Maintenance and operations were working hard over the break. CSEA is having a meeting this Thursday and Mr. Nagle will be attending. Ms. Stout shared that they are concerned about Trudy Briski, as well. She also said we are ready for another busy year.

Ms. McDaniel thanked Mrs. Stout for inviting board members to the unions meetings.

Mr. Frost took this opportunity to note that CSEA, CUEA and ACSA will be negotiating with the Governor over the budget and that schools need all the help they can provide.

**All Personnel**

No item presented

**Classified Personnel**

No item presented

**Certificated Personnel**

No item presented

**Management/Confidential/Supervisory**

No item presented.

**CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**

**MSC 5-0 to approve the 2007/08 Consolidated Application for Categorical Aid Programs, Part II**

**MSC 5-0 to approve the textbook adoption for the 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Text. Publisher: Prentice Hall, Title: *Focus on Life Science-California* ISBN#0-13-201272-3.**

**MSC 5-0 to approve the certification of the annual service plan/SELPA.**

**BUSINESS**

**MSC 5-0 to adopt Resolution No. 2007/08-12, Authorization for Calaveras Unified School District's Participation in the 2008/09 California School Cash Reserve**

**MSC 5-0 to adopt Resolution No. 2007/08-13, To Enter into Transaction with California Department of Education for the purpose of providing child care and development services and to authorize the designated personnel to sign contract documents for Fiscal Year 2007/08**

**POLICY AND REGULATIONS**

**First Reading**

1. BP 0440, District Technology Plan
2. BP 0520, Intervention for Underperforming Schools
3. BP 1113, District and School Web Sites
4. BP 2220, Administrative Staff Organization
5. BP 4117.12/4317.12, Retirement Consultancy Contracts
6. BP 4313.2, Demotion/Reassignment
7. BP 6162.7, Use of Technology in Instruction

### **POLICY AND REGULATIONS**

#### **Second Reading and Adoption**

MSC 5-0, to adopt the following policies:

1. BP 0520.1, High Priority Schools Grant Program
2. BP 3515, Campus Security
3. BP 4140/4240, Bargaining Units
4. BP 4141/4241, Collective Bargaining Agreement
5. BP 4141.6/4241.6, Concerted Action Work Stoppage
6. BP 4143/4243, Negotiations/Consultations
7. BP 4143.1/4243.1, Public Notice Personnel Negotiations
8. BP 4300, Administrative and Supervisory Personnel

#### **Administrative Regulations/Exhibits**

1. AR 0440, District Technology Plan
2. AR 0520, Intervention for Underperforming Schools
3. AR 4117.12/4317.12, Retirement Consultancy
4. AR 4313.2, Demotion/Reassignment
5. AR 4314, Transfers
6. AR 4317.3, Personnel Reduction (Delete)
7. AR 6142.91, Reading/Language Arts Instruction
8. AR 6145.2, Athletic Competition
9. AR 6162.51, Standardized Testing and Reporting
10. AR 6162.7, Use of Technology in Instruction
11. AR 6164.4, Identification and Evaluation of Individuals for Special Education
12. AR 6179, Supplemental Instruction
13. AR 7111, Evaluating Existing Buildings

### **COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

Ms. Reusche thanked Stephanie Moreno for coming tonight. She went on to wish everyone a Happy New Year and said parents are happy school has started again. She said the board had asked some artistic students to submit designs for a new logo. The students that participated showed their talent in submitting their designs. Ms. Reusche finished by saying she hoped we all had a happy holiday.

Mrs. Garamendi wished all a Happy New Year. She visited the new San Andreas Tot Spot and was impressed and is still impressed with the new Valley Springs Campus.

Mr. Nagle wished all a Happy New Year and hoped everyone had a good holiday. He had one piece of good news to share with the grim news about the State's budget and that is that Senator Cox will sponsor a bill for small and necessary schools. We will wait to see how the budget affects this bill. This bill would help our small upcountry schools. We will need to encourage a letter writing campaign.

Mr. Yerman aid it was good to see construction come to a close but more construction will begin. The annual crab feed was held and the Calaveras High School Basketball team help with the cleanup. The crab feed netted \$500 to the team. Thanks to Mike Merrill, Mark Campbell, and Mike Taylor for doing the dishes.

Ms. McDaniel advised the board is going to have a special session on Monday, January 28, 2008, closed session. We will be discussing the upcoming school year, and special projects and will set up an action plan. Ms. McDaniel also visited the new San Andrea Tot Spot. She reminded us that the ROP meeting held today.

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**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None at this time

**NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT**

The next regular meeting of the Board will be held on February 5, 2008, 7:00 p.m. District Administrative Offices.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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James L. Frost, Superintendent