

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

April 15, 2008

The meeting of the Calaveras Unified School District Board of Trustees was called to order at the 5:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sherri Reusche
Zerrall McDaniel
Evan Garamendi
Hank Nagle

MEMBERS ABSENT: John Yerman

STAFF PRESENT: Jim Frost
Mark Campbell
William Hamilton
Michael Merrill
Karen Dickerson
Sharon Knick
Jim Casey
Nicole Orlandi
Joyce Joly
Carmen Olavarrieta
John Peckler
Shannon Kenney
Peggy Stout
Amy Hasselwander
Kimberly Osmanski-Potter
Maria Ortner
Suzanne Smith
Teresa Fasola
Marilyn Alarcon
Brandon Stonecypher
Tim Garrison
Karen Wallace

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.

OPEN SESSION

- A. Salute to the Flag and Roll Call
- B. Recognition of CHS Students for new CUSD Logo
- C. Recognition of Carmen Olavarrieta, Child Care Instructor and Brandon Stonecypher, Child Care Instructor
- D. Presentation of Mini Grants

After Roll Call, Mr. Frost acknowledged that Mr. Yerman was present for Executive session, but had to leave as he was ill.

The Board recognized three CHS Art Students for their participation in the CUSD Logo Contest. Suzanne Smith, Art Teacher introduced Holly Zeller, first place, Luis Cruz; Gareth Robinson; Sarah Lanza runners up. All four students received checks presented by Jim Frost, Superintendent, and the Board of Trustees congratulated each and every one.

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OPEN SESSION (continued)

The Board recognized Carmen Olavarrieta and Brandon Stonecypher, Child Care Instructors, for being nominated by the County Board of Supervisors as "Parent Leaders for 2008". They are being recognized tonight by our district board of education for all they do in our district and the community.

Jan DuRaine, member of the Education Foundation, presented mini grants to those in attendance, which included two students from Toyon Middle School, (Victoria Hypolite and Ceara Purcell), who won by writing a play. One more student from TMS that won a mini grant was Megan Colburn. Her grant was for creative writing books. Other grants included chess sets and a field trip to CHS Farm Day for JLE kindergarteners.

Teresa Fasola, Teacher from Toyon Middle School, introduced Victoria Hypolite, student from Toyon Middle School who will be going to the State Spelling Bee for the second year in a row.

Chairperson, Zerrall McDaniel requested the board to vote on adding (2) items to tonight's meeting: 1. Under the Consent Agenda; Approval, Overnight Field trip for TMS Students' "Relay for Life" to Bret Harte High School; 2. Under Curriculum and Instruction; Boundary Line Change, Jenny Lind Elementary and Valley Springs Elementary Schools, discussion only.

OPEN SESSION – PUBLIC REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

No action taken.

CORRESPONDENCE

None at this time.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Mr. Frost noted that West Point Elementary Open House will be this Wednesday, with Rail Road Flat and San Andreas Elementary School holding their Open House on Thursday night. Also on the same night Valley Springs Elementary will hold their Music Program. Everything is going wonderfully.

PUBLIC INPUT FOR THE GOOD OF THE DISTRICT

None at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

MSC(4-0) to approve the Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Minutes
April 1, 2008
- B. Routine Personnel

All Personnel

Approval, Spring coach certification (see attached) All coaches have met certification requirements

Classified Personnel

1. Approve employment of one probationary child care instructor
2. Approve employment of one probationary para/LVN
3. Approve employment of one green sheet food service employee

Certificated Personnel

1. Resignation of two probationary certificated employees

Management/Confidential/Supervisory - No item presented.

C. Approval, Vendor Warrant Listing

The vendor warrant listing through April 10, 2008 is presented for approval. ***Board members have been provided with a copy of this document; it is available for review in the district office.***

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

No item presented

E. Approval, Safety & Health Hazardous Materials Compliance Services Contract, July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2011

It is recommended that the Board authorize the continuance of the Safety & Health Hazardous Materials Compliance Services contract with the Tuolumne JPA, in the amount of \$12,255.00. The new contract year begins July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2008.

F. Approval, Overnight field trip for the TMS "Relay for Life" to Bret Harte High School

Toyon Middle School requests board approval for an overnight field trip for "The Relay for Life" to Bret Harte High School in Angels Camp on April 26 & 27, 2008. It will be held from 10:00 a.m. Saturday to Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

ACTON ON ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

No items removed from the consent agenda.

PERSONNEL

Certificated Report

Karen Wallace, CUEA representative reported Negotiations will continue on May 20, 2008. She thanked the Board for adopting the "Day of the Teacher" proclamation. She added that CUEA appreciates and acknowledges that Teachers in this district have jobs.

Classified Report

Peggy Stout, CSEA representative, reiterated Karen Wallace's comments and said we so appreciate our Teachers. She went on to recognize Carmen Olavarrieta and Brandon Stonecypher as CSEA members doing a great job. The CSEA Sunshine letter is on tonight's board agenda. Ms. Stout said this year is a difficult budget year and CSEA is willing to work with the district in that spectrum. She reported the Pizza Party sponsored by Wells Fargo Bank was a success. The next CSEA meeting is scheduled for May 8, 2008.

All Personnel

No item presented

Classified Personnel

Approval, Retirement with the PERS Golden Handshake

MSC (4-0) to approve retirement with the Golden Handshake for the following classified employees:

Ron Hollingshead, effective July 1, 2008
Valerie Preeo, effective July 1, 2008

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE: CSEA Sunshine Proposal for 2008/09 school year

MSC (4-0) to receive the CSEA Sunshine Proposal for the 2008/09 school year and Open the Sunshine period.

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Certificated Personnel

Approval, Declaration of Need for Fully Credentialed Educators

MSC(4-0) to approve the Declaration of Need for Fully Credentialed Educators

Approval, Proclamation: Day of the Teacher

MSC (4-0) to approve the Proclamation for Day of the Teacher as May 14, 2008.

Addendum to the Calaveras Area Substitute Teachers' Association (CASTA) and the Calaveras Unified School District (CUSD) Bargaining Unit Agreement

MSC (4-0) to approve the Addendum to the CASTA and CUSD Bargaining Unit Agreement

Management/Confidential/Supervisory

Approval, Job Description

MSC (4-0) to approve the following job descriptions:

High School Principal

Middle School Principal

Superintendent's Recommendation for 2008/09 Administrative Assignments at West Point and Rail Road Flat Elementary Schools

MSC (4-0) to approve the Superintendent's recommendation for the 2008/09 Administrative Assignments for the West Point and Rail Road Flat Elementary Schools.

Approval, Superintendent's Recommendation for the 2008/09 Administrative Team

MSC (4-0) to approve the Superintendent's recommendation for the 2008/09 Administrative Team

Kim Osmanski-Potter, Principal on Special Assignment for Preschool/Childcare Services

Dan Klement, Assistant Principal, Jenny Lind Elementary

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Adoption, Math Textbooks

MSC (4-0) to adopt the following textbooks: *Algebra Readiness, Pre-Algebra, Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II.* These textbooks have been on preview for the last 30 days in the District Office (IMC).

Adoption, Science Textbooks

MSC (4-0) to adopt the following textbooks: *Integrated/Coordinated Science for the 21st Century, Conceptual Integrated Science, Chemistry in the community 4th Edition, Prentice Hall Chemistry.* These textbooks have been on preview for the last 30 days in the District Office (IMC).

Boundary Line Change, Jenny Lind and Valley Springs Elementary Schools

Mr. Frost explained the situation with the proposed boundary line change at Jenny Lind and Valley Springs Elementary Schools. Discussion ensued and will continue at the May 6, 2008 Board Meeting with possible action.

BUSINESS –No item presented.

POLICY AND REGULATIONS

First Reading – No item presented

1. BP 1400, Relations Between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools
2. BP 3550, Food Service/Child Nutrition Program
3. BP 3551, Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund
4. BP 3553, Free and Reduced Price Meals
5. BP 3554, Other Food Sales
6. BP 5030, Student Wellness
7. BP 5117, Interdistrict Attendance

POLICY AND REGULATIONS (continued)

Second Reading and Adoption – No item presented

Administrative Regulations/Exhibits

1. AR 1312.4, Williams Uniform Complaint Procedure
2. AR 1312.4 E(1), Notice to Parents
3. AR 1312.4 E(2), Complaint Form
4. AR 3541.1 E, Transportation for School-Related Trips
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COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Ms. Reusche asked questions regarding our nutrition program policies and regulations, stating we need to be sure our food service department becomes aware of any changes. This opened discussion on food service policies and administrative regulations. Ms. Reusche asked if we could have the food service department sell water.

Mr. Nagle let everyone know he will miss the next two board meetings, as he will be traveling to Israel. He said he appreciated the comments from Karen Wallace, CUEA representative and Peggy Stout, CSEA President. He also said he is hoping that the legislation for “Small but Necessary Schools” passes.

Mrs. Garamendi congratulated Kim Osmanski-Potter on her new assignment. She thanked Tamara Threat, parent, for coming tonight. Mrs. Garamendi attended a Playground Safety workshop recently and said there are lots to do in order to make our playgrounds safer.

Ms. Reusche expressed that the logo contest was very exciting having the students involved. She mentioned the Asparagus Festival and that all the money raised goes to charity. She congratulated all Grant recipients.

Ms. McDaniel said the “Gala” is coming early this year. It will be held on October 25, 2008. She said there was a nice turnout for the fund raiser “Putin on the Ritz”.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None at this time.

NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the Board will be held on May 6, 2008, 7:00 p.m. District Administrative Offices.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

James L. Frost, Superintendent