

CALAVERAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
P.O. Box 788
San Andreas, CA 95249

MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
November 17, 2009

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sherri Reusche
John Yerman
Evan Garamendi
Zerrall McDaniel

MEMBERS ABSENT: Hank Nagle

STAFF PRESENT: Mark Campbell
Mike Merrill
Liz Valdez
Amy Hasselwander
Dan Klement
Maria Ortner
Titia Ashby
Audrey Smith
Karen Wallace
Beverly Boone
Fred Mier
Leslie Cambra
Michelle Besmer
Patricia Sweet
Randall Youngblood

OTHERS: Parents, community members
and other interested parties

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. with the Salute to the Flag & 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

None

THE BOARD ADJOURNED INTO CLOSED SESSION

CLOSED SESSION

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Mark Campbell in regard to negotiations with CSEA (Gov. Code 54957.6)

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Mark Campbell in regard to negotiations with CUEA (Gov. Code 54957.6)

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Mark Campbell in regard to negotiations with Management/Confidential/Supervisory (Gov. Code 54957.6)

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Mark Campbell in regard to negotiations with Calaveras Area S Substitute Teachers Association (Gov. Code 54957.6)

CLOSED SESSION (continued)
Student Discipline Matters (Gov. Code 54962)

To Consider the Appointment, Employment, Evaluation of Performance, Discipline, or Dismissal of a Public Employee (Gov. Code 54957)

OPEN SESSION

Open session was called to order at 6:00 p.m. with the salute to the flag and roll call.

Mokelumne Hill Elementary Presentation – Michelle Besmer

Michelle Besmer, teaching Principal of Mokelumne Hill Elementary school and home of the Mokelumne Hill gophers, provided an overview of the school and programs – kicking her presentation off with “show and tell.” Mokelumne Hill students embrace the following values: friendly, positive, respectful, helpful, and hard working. Students are recognized for these traits at their monthly assemblies. Perfect attendance awards are also granted to students every trimester and classrooms with perfect attendance get to display the traveling gopher in their classrooms. Mokelumne Hill students also take pride in their reading efforts and participate in the accelerated reading program.

OPEN SESSION: PUBLIC REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Mark Campbell in regard to negotiations with CSEA (Gov. Code 54957.6) No action taken

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Mark Campbell in regard to negotiations with CUEA (Gov. Code 54957.6) No action taken

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Mark Campbell in regard to negotiations with Management/Confidential/Supervisory (Gov. Code 54957.6) No action taken

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Mark Campbell in regard to negotiations with Calaveras Area Substitute Teachers Association (Gov. Code 54957.6). No action taken

Student Discipline Matters (Gov. Code 54962) No action taken

To Consider the Appointment, Employment, Evaluation of Performance, Discipline, or Dismissal of a Public Employee (Gov. Code 54957) No action taken

CORRESPONDENCE

None

SUPERINTENDENT’S COMMENTS

Mr. Campbell thanked the Mokelumne Hill staff for their presentation. He said there are difficult times ahead of us with the budget situation and we will be holding discussions with staff, site and bargaining units. Mr. Campbell said we had a great turn out on Saturday at the Special Study Session, stating it was difficult but discussions maintained positive relations. He said it is very important to keep communications open and to respect the culture and climate of the district.

PUBLIC INPUT FOR THE GOOD OF THE DISTRICT

Mrs. Francisco, parent and Glencoe resident addressed the board regarding her concerns about the length of time children will ride the bus to and from school, should Rail Road Flat Elementary School close.

ACTON ON ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

None

CONSENT AGENDA

MSC 4-0 (Nagle Absent) to approve the consent agenda.

A. Approval of Minutes

November 3, 2009

B. Routine Personnel

All Personnel

1. Certificated Coach List
2. Classified Coach list/elementary

Classified Personnel

1. Rescind Assignment for (1) permanent paraeducator
2. Approve Assignment for (1) permanent paraeducator
3. Approve Resignation for (1) permanent Associate Preschool Teacher

Certificated Personnel -No item presented.

Management/Confidential/Supervisory – No item presented.

C. Approval, Vendor Warrant Listing (Michael Merrill, Assistant Superintendent for Fiscal Services)

The vendor warrant listing from October 30, 2009, through November 12, 2009, is presented for approval. ***Members of the Board have been provided a copy of this document; it is available for review in the District Office.***

D. Approval of Donations (Michael Merrill, Assistant Superintendent for Fiscal Services)
(See attached list)

E. Approval, Payment Disbursements/Bond Project, (Michael Merrill, Assistant Superintendent for Fiscal Services)

F. Approval, Overnight Field Trip for CHS Wrestling Team

Board approval is requested for an overnight field trip for the CHS Wrestling Team to attend a tournament in Reno from 12/28/09-12/31/09. Transportation by school vans, accommodations; hotel, funded by wrestling club. Chaperones are Mark Bowe and Vince BicoCCA, coaches.

G. Rejection of Claim: Robitaille vs. CUSD

The District has received a claim from Ms. Patty Robitaille for damages to her car. It is standard procedure to reject all claims in excess of \$1,500.00. Recommendation is rejection of the claim so it can be handled by the district property and liability carrier.

PERSONNEL

Certificated Report

Karen Wallace, CUEA Representative, said CUEA will be meeting tomorrow and are scheduled to meet December 10, 2009, 3:30 p.m. for Round Table with the District. Karen said CTA representatives from Sacramento will be coming on December 1, to visit schools, the representatives will also visit Highway 4 and Tuolumne schools.

PERSONNEL (continued)

Classified Report

No item presented

All Personnel

1. **Adoption, Resolution No. 2009/10, General Liability Coverage for Volunteers**

This resolution provides general liability coverage for district volunteers who directly volunteer to provide services to the district and whose volunteer services are accepted in accordance with district regulations and policy.

MSC 4-0 (Nagle Absent) to adopt Resolution No. 2009/10, General Liability Coverage for Volunteers

PERSONNEL

Classified Personnel

1. **Agreement for CPR/First Aid Training Services for 2009/10 School Year**

Because many of our employees and all coaches are required to possess CPR and first aid training, the District contracts with Alyson Batchelor and Lynee McThorn to provide these trainings. Trainings are beginning and the appropriate documents need to be approved.

MSC 4-0 (Nagle Absent) to approve the Agreement for CPR/First Aid Training Services for the 2009/10 School Year with Alyson Batchelor and Lynee McThorn

Certificated Personnel

1. **Approval, Modification of Job Share**

The Board of Trustees approved a 50-50 job share for Mikki Koepp and Tammy Lisk for the 2009/10 school year. Due to extenuating circumstances, Ms. Koepp and Ms. Lisk are requesting a modification to their job share and are requesting the Board grant them a 40-60 job share for the remainder of the 2009/10 school year. This request would not impact program or students.

MSC 4-0 (Nagle Absent) to Approve Modification of Job Share for Mikki Koepp and Tammy Lisk

Management/Confidential/Supervisory – No item presented.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

1. **Adoption, Resolution No. 2009/10-10, To Deny the Charter Petition of Global Tides @ San Benito County**

Administration is recommending the Board adopt Resolution No. 2009/10-10, Denying the Charter School Petition of Global Tides on-line, e-Charter School.

MSC 4-0 (Nagle Absent) to adopt Resolution No. 2009/10-10. To Deny the Charter Petition of Global Tides @San Benito County

BUSINESS

1. **Approval, Agreement for Special Contract Services with Marchand Heimann**

Contract services to include “Art Lessons” at Valley Springs Elementary School for Mrs. Walsh, Mrs. Stickles, Mrs. Gonsalves and Mrs. Carter’s classrooms.

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to approve the Agreement for Special Contract Services with Marchand Heimann for “Art Lessons” at Valley Springs Elementary School

2. **Approval, Agreement for Special Contract Services with Valerie Davidson**

Contract services to include “Storytelling” at Valley Springs Elementary School for the Literacy Fiesta to be held on November 21, 2009.

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to approve the Agreement for Special Contract Services with Valerie Davidson for “Storytelling” at Valley Springs Elementary School on November 21, 2009.

BUSINESS (continued)

3. Approval, Proposal with DeGeronimo-Mikula Associates, LLC

Approval is requested to accept the proposal from De-Geronimo-Mikula Associates, LLC, for consulting services and travel for the synthetic turf field and track resolution at Toyon Middle School. Total amount of Proposal is \$12,800.00.

After much discussion it was agreed this should have been in place, was not, and now is a clean-up issue and we need to proceed with DeGeronimo-Mikula Associates, LLC, as they are experts with turf.

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to approve the Proposal with De-Geronimo-Mikula Associates, LLC in the amount of \$12,800.00.

4. Adoption, Resolution No. 2009/10-11, Cal STRS 403(b) Compliance and Administration Program

The governing Board of Calaveras Unified School District, by formal action, elects to provide toothier employees a 403(b) Plan Compliance and Administration program to provide guidance and direction while remaining compliant with the new regulations imposed by the Internal Revenue Service. Anticipated start time for this new Third Party Administrator is January 1, 2010. It was noted the date should reflect January 15, 2010, as the start date, not January 1, 2010.

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to Adopt Resolution No. 2009/10-11, Cal STRS 403(b) Compliance and Administration with the start date change of January 15, 2010.

POLICY AND REGULATIONS

First Reading

1. BP 6142.94, History-Social Science
2. BP 6175, Migrant Education Program
3. BP 6181, Alternative Schools/Programs of Choice

Second Reading and Adoption

MSC 4-0(Nagel absent) to adopt Policies 1 through 4

1. BP 5142.2, Safe Routes to School program
2. BP 5145.9, Hate-Motivated Behavior
3. BP 6011, Academic Standards
4. BP 6120, Response to Instruction and Intervention

Administrative Regulations/Exhibits

1. AR 6175, Migrant Education Program
2. AR 6181, Alternative Schools/Programs of Choice

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Evan Garamendi asked Mrs. Besmer to share Jep Peckler's story at the end of board member comments.

Sherri Reusche reported that Jenny Lind Casino Night was a great success with 90 attendees and raising \$3,000 for science camp students. She wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Zerrall McDaniel recognized the Boy Scouts in the audience who were in attendance as part of their requirements for earning a merit badge. She also recognized Fred Mier's presence and announced that Gold Strike is having a mentor dinner next Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m. She also commented on the productivity of the Round Tables with both CUEA and CSEA unions.

John Yerman thanked everyone for attending and wished them a nice Thanksgiving.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

MINUTES CUSD Board of Trustees
November 17, 2009

NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the Board will be held on Tuesday, December 15, 2009, 6:00 p.m. at the District Administrative Offices.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Mark Campbell, Superintendent