

CALAVERAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
P.O. Box 788
San Andreas, CA 95249
MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
April 20, 2010

The meeting of the Calaveras Unified School District Board of Trustees was called to order at the District Administrative Offices at 4:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sherri Reusche
John Yerman
Hank Nagle

Evan Garamendi
Zerrall McDaniel

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Mark Campbell
Mike Merrill
Titia Ashby
Maria Ortner
Jan Kendall
Vikki Lacey
Alissa Belshe
Nicole Davis

Kim Osmanski-Potter
Jep Peckler
Sandy Hoffman
Karen Wallace
Kathy Risso
Mike Koepf
Arlene Ferman

OTHERS: Parents, community members
and other interested parties

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

All present.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

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 Substitute Teachers Association (Gov. Code 54957)

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

Student Discipline Matters (Gov. Code 54962)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

CLOSED SESSION

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Open session was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Salute to the flag and roll call.

OPEN SESSION: REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

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Mrs. Garamendi announced a closed session of the board would follow tonight's meeting to discuss Mr. Campbell's contract.

Mrs. Garamendi announced that Item number 3, under Business, will be removed from the agenda (CalSTRS403b Agreements).

CELEBRATIONS AND RECOGNITION

Kim Osmanski-Potter along with employees of her programs gave a power point presentation on the Preschool and After School Programs throughout the district.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kent Lambert, a parent of Mokelumne Hill Elementary School, spoke to the board on the importance of keeping the elementary students involved in sports, even if they cannot be affiliated with the school, and maintaining school spirit.

Mr. Campbell reiterated that he is willing to meet with schools sites and/or parents to discuss alternative ways for students to be involved in sports at the elementary level.

Nicole Samorano, President of the Jenny Lind Elementary School PTO, spoke to the board about reconsidering a full time hire for Vice Principal rather than hiring a part time Teaching Vice Principal.

Mr. Campbell said he would be agreeable to meeting with the Jenny Lind Elementary School PTO to discuss the reasons for hiring a part time Vice Principal.

CORRESPONDENCE – Emails addressed to the Board (All members)
None

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Mr. Campbell reminded everyone that STAR testing will begin next week and he wishes everyone well. He appreciates the parents and students who are working with the staff to make the next 2 or 3 weeks go smoothly.

Mr. Campbell wanted to thank our community for their involvement in programs, such as the one where we are working with law enforcement on a drug prevention program. There is also a group of people from the Water District, Bret Harte High School District and county government to see if there are ways we can work together to consolidate services, such as employee benefits, which would give us the advantage of economies of scale.

Mr. Campbell said the community generated 2,119 pounds of food from the food drive in March. Calaveras High School will begin working with the food bank's mobile pantry. The students will pick up bags and help serve the community as well as assist with community awareness.

Mr. Campbell said the Jenny Lind Teaching Vice Principal interviews were today and the decision for a part time Vice Principal was his. Some of the reasons he made the decision were because of declining enrollment and budget. He is willing to go to Jenny Lind to discuss it.

Mr. Nagle said we are reviewing these arrangement on a quarterly basis to see if they are working or not.

ACTON ON ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA
None

CONSENT AGENDA

MSC (5-0) to approve the consent agenda.

A. Approval of Minutes
April 6, 2010

B. Routine Personnel

Classified Personnel

1. Approve hire of (1) substitute timesheet food service
2. Approve assignment of (1) substitute timesheet child development aide
3. Approve assignment of (1) substitute timesheet yard duty
4. Approve hire of (1) substitute timesheet office assistant
5. Approve hire of (1) substitute timesheet site supervisor
6. Approve assignment of (1) substitute timesheet associate preschool teacher
7. Approve temporary hire of (1) elementary track coach

Certificated Personnel – No item presented.

Management/Confidential/Supervisory – No item presented.

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

No item presented.

CONSENT AGENDA (Continued)

D. Approval of Donations (Michael Merrill, Assistant Superintendent for Fiscal Services)
No item presented.

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

F. Approval, Student Accident Insurance Renewal, (Liz Valdez, Coordinator of Personnel)

Annually, the District provides student and athletic accident insurance information to parent/guardians of all CUSD students, providing parent/guardians with the opportunity to purchase student insurance for their child(ren) at their own expense. Staff is recommending continued service for the 2010/11 school year through Student Insurance. All benefits meet Ed-Code requirements and there is a slight increase in rates.

The board posed a question as to whether or not Student Insurance would cover non-school sponsored sports and Mr. Campbell said it would not.

Mr. Koepp, Athletic Director of Calaveras High School, addressed the board. He is willing to meet with elementary school parents/staff to discuss options for elementary sports, even though they will not be affiliated with our schools.

PERSONNEL

Certificated Report

Karen Wallace, CUEA Representative, had nothing to report.

Classified Report

Jim Ditzler, CSEA President, was absent.

All Personnel

No item presented

Classified Personnel

1. **Approval, Retirement**

Larry Wetzel, Skilled Maintenance, will be retiring at the end of the 2009/10 school year.

MSC (5-0) to approve retirement of Larry Wetzel, Skilled Maintenance.

Certificated Personnel

No item presented.

Management/Confidential/Supervisory

1. **Approval, Resignation**

Beverly Boone, Principal at Rail Road Flat and West Point Elementary Schools will be resigning at the end of the 2009/10 school year to accept a new position outside of the district.

MSC (5-0) to approve the Resignation of Beverly Boone, Principal at Rail Road Flat and West Point Elementary Schools

2. **Retirement, Vicki Becerra, Administrative Assistant, Superintendent's Office**

Vicki Becerra, Administrative Assistant in the Superintendent's Office will be retiring at the end of the 2009/10 school year.

MSC (5-0) to approve the Retirement of Vicki Becerra, of the Superintendent's Office

The board acknowledged Ms. Becerra and thanked her for dedication to the district.

PERSONNEL (Continued)

3. Approval, Certificated Management Employee Contracts

It is recommended that the following certificated administrators be reaffirmed for employment as administrators in the District for the 2010/11 School year:

Tim Reno Connie Biehle

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

No item presented

BUSINESS

1. Approval, Agreement for Special Contract Services with Cheryl Price

MSC (5-0) to approve the Agreement for Special Contract Services with Cheryl Price

2. Approval, Request for Study, CHS Performing Arts Center, Potential Fiscal Impact of Options

A request to spend \$6,500 of bond monies for a study to explore options for the CHS Performing Arts Center and the potential fiscal impact of each option was presented for approval.

A motion was made and seconded. Mrs. Garamendi then allowed comments from the public.

Dennis Dunningan and Nick Hodgson, both members of the Calaveras Bond Oversight Committee, addressed the board. They provided an explanation for the requested study. A discussion ensued. Mr. VanLieshout offered to present another option for the study whereby the study would provide: a) options for a shell building and, b) options for a completed Performing Arts Center.

MSC (5-0) to amend approval to spend \$6,500 on the condition the study provides the "a" and "b," options for a shell building and options for a completed Performing Arts Center.

POLICY AND REGULATIONS

First Reading – No item presented

Second Reading and Adoption – No item presented

Administrative Regulations – No item presented

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

As noted

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Mrs. McDaniel shared there are many community events upcoming to help raise money for sports, Ag, Athletic Boosters and music. She would like to see community-wide participation in attending these events. For instance, there is a Bump City concert on May 1. They are a Tower of Power tribute band and the CHS band will be opening for them. Tickets are \$10 for students and \$15 for adults. The concert starts at 7:00 p.m. at the Metropolitan. You can purchase tickets from CHS and TMS students. Ag....

Mrs. Reusche reported that Jenny Lind is having their Fine Arts Day on May 27. They are in need of volunteers to teach classes in art. The Stockton Asparagus Festival will be this Friday through Sunday in Stockton. All the proceeds from the festival go to charity.

Mr. Nagle said he is disappointed that we couldn't work things out to save more teachers' jobs.

Mrs. Garamendi wanted to thank the Valley Springs staff for remaining calm and collective during an incident that occurred. She would like to send condolences to the family of Jeffrey Tuttle, who we lost.

Mrs. Garamendi thanked everyone for coming tonight.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the Board will be held on Tuesday May 4, 2010, 6:00 p.m. at the District Administrative Offices.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Mark Campbell, Superintendent