

CALAVERAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
P.O. Box 788
San Andreas, CA 95249
MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
July 3, 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: Evan Garamendi
Sherri Reusche
Zerrall McDaniel
John Yerman

MEMBERS ABSENT: Hank Nagle

STAFF PRESENT: Mark Campbell
Mike Merrill
Liz Valdez
Ric Stitt
Connie Biehle
Randall Youngblood
Titia Ashby
Sandy Hoffman
Terri Rae Henderson
Lisa McInturf
Lorraine Angel
Maria Ortner
Amy Hasselwander
Kathy Risso
Audrey Smith
Michelle Besmer
Sue Jackson
Shirley Bell

OTHERS: Members of the Community

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

All present.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

- a) **Conference with Labor Negotiator: Mark Campbell in regard to negotiations with CSEA (Gov. Code 54957.6)**
- b) **Conference with Labor Negotiator: Mark Campbell in regard to negotiations with CUEA (Gov. Code 54957.6)**
- c) **Conference with Labor Negotiator: Mark Campbell in regard to negotiations with Management/Confidential/Supervisory (Gov. Code 54957.6)**
- d) **Conference with Labor Negotiator: Mark Campbell in regard to negotiations with Calaveras Area Substitute Teachers Association (Gov. Code 54957)**
- e) **To Consider the Appointment, Employment, Evaluation of Performance, Discipline, or Dismissal of a Public Employee (Gov. Code 54957)**
- f) **Student Discipline Matters (Gov. Code 54962)**

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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

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

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

Student Discipline Matters (Gov. Code 54962)

The Board will add an item to Business: Approval to Award bid for WPE Playfield Improvements.

MSC 4 -0 (Nagle absent) to add item c, under Business: Approval to award bid for WPE Playfield Improvements

CELEBRATIONS AND RECOGNITION

A. Presentation of Diploma

Houston Trezza passed the May CAHSEE and Connie Biehle presented him with his high school diploma..

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Parents and grandparents of students of Mokelumne Hill Elementary School voiced their concern over the K/1 class size being too large with 31 students. There was also a concern regarding the money being spent on the WPE playfield rather than on staff.

CORRESPONDENCE – Emails addressed to the Board (All members)

None presented

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Mr. Campbell stated that he wanted to address the concerns of the parents and grandparents at Mokelumne Hill Elementary, even though public comments are not a forum for debate. As in any school year, we analyze and address areas of concern after the first two weeks of school. We do not have funding for additional staff. The funding we received for the WPE playfield is money from Prop. 40, which can only be spent on facilities improvements. We had to increase class sizes due to the lack of funds

SUPERINTENDENT’S COMMENTS – CONTINUED

coming from Sacramento. These are hard times and we have to get more creative because we simply do not have the resources that we had before. Discussions are ongoing and the analysis is ongoing. It is a sad but true reality.

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

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B. Routine Personnel

Classified Personnel Report

1. Approve Reduction of Days for (1) Preschool Site Supervisor
2. Approve a reduction of hours for (4) Paraeducators
3. Approve an increase of hours for (5) Paraeducators
4. Approve layoff of (3) Paraeducators
5. Approve layoff of (2) Health Aides
6. Approve change of positions of (2) Paraeducators to Health Aides
7. Approve transfers of positions for (4) Paraeducators
8. Approve (1) new Media Specialist position
9. Approve hire of (1) Dispatcher
10. Approve promotion of (1) Custodian/Warehouse Person to Gardener
11. Approve 39-Month Rehire of (1) Paraeducator to Assistant Preschool Teacher
12. Approve hire of (1) Associate Preschool Teacher
13. Approve hire of (1) Yard Duty on timesheet
14. Approve hire of (1) Sub Yard Duty
15. Approve additional Yard Duty assignment for (1) Paraeducator

Classified Coaching Positions (Temporary)

1. Approve hire of (2) Middle School Boys Basketball Coaches

Certificated Personnel Report

No regular certificated to report

Certificated Coaching Positions (Temporary)

1. Approve the assignment of (1) Middle School Cross Country Coach
2. Approve the assignment of (1) Middle School Girls Basketball Coach
3. Approve the assignment of (1) Middle School Wrestling Coach
4. Approve the assignment of (1) Middle School Volleyball Coach
5. Approve the assignment of (1) Middle School Track Coach

Management/Confidential/Supervisory Report - None to report

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CONSENT AGENDA - CONTINUED

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

The vendor warrant listing from July 1, 2010 through July 28, 2010, was 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)

A list of donations was presented to the Board.

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

The bond disbursements were presented for approval.

F. Approval, Annual Agreement for Legal Services/Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo for the 2010/11 School Year

Approval is requested to enter into an annual agreement with Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo for the 2010/11 school year. This firm acquired deGoede, Dunne & Martin, with whom we previously had agreements and used for legal counsel regarding negotiating, interpreting or enforcing the provisions of the District's collective bargaining agreements and various other legal issues.

G. Approval, Agreement for Special Contract Services with Lynee McThorn and Alyson Batchelor to provide CPR and First Aid Training for CUSD Employees

Approval is requested for a Special Contract Agreement for Lynee McThorn and Alyson Batchelor to provide CPR and First Aid training for CUSD employees for the 2010/11 school year.

F. Approval, Overnight Field Trip for CHS Auto Skills Students

Board approval is requested for an overnight field trip for some of the CHS Automotive Skills students to compete in an automotive skills competition (not racing) at Laguna Raceway. They will depart on August 13 and return on August 15, 2010. Chris Sedler is the chaperone and they will be taking the Ag Truck. This is funded by ASB and VEA. Lodging will be at the Econo Lodge in Salinas.

PERSONNEL

- A. **Certificated Report** – Lorraine Angel said we had a good start to the school year. They have not had any meetings yet. There are larger class sizes but all in all things went smoothly.
- B. **Classified Report** – Terri Henderson was filling in for Jim Ditzler, who was attending a conference. They have not had their Chapter meeting yet. There is one scheduled for the 19th and a CVT representative will be here on the 12th to provide information on some other plans which they will vote on. The beginning of the school year went smoothly.
- C. **All Personnel** – No item presented
- D. **Classified Personnel**
- E. **Certificated Personnel**

PERSONNEL - CONTINUED

1. Correction and Approval for Job Shares for the 2010/11 School Year

The June 1, 2010 agenda listed Wendy Thomas (60%) as a job share with Celia Nard-Richardson (40%) at Jenny Lind Elementary. Due to staffing changes, Wendy Thomas will not job share with Celia Nard-Richardson. Wendy Thomas (60%) will job share with Mary Quindimil (40%) at Jenny Lind Elementary. Ms. Nard-Richardson will have a 100% teaching position at Jenny Lind Elementary for the 2010/11 school year.

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to approve the correction and job shares for the 2010/11 school year.

F. Management/Confidential/Supervisory

1. Approval, Request for Retirement for Karen Jackson

Karen Jackson, Technology Specialist, is requesting retirement effective January 6, 2011.

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to approve Karen Jackson's request for retirement effective January 6, 2011.

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION - No item presented

BUSINESS

a. Adoption, Resolution No. 2010/11-2, To Certify the approval of the Governing Board to enter into this transaction with the California Department of Education to Renew Funding for the Prekindergarten and Family Literacy Programs

The resolution names the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent for Fiscal Services to sign documents with the California Department of Education for the Prekindergarten and Family Literacy Programs.

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to adopt Resolution No 2010/11-2 to certify the approval of the Governing Board to renew funding for the prekindergarten and family literacy programs with the California Department of Education.

b. Approval to Establish a New Checking Account at Umpqua Bank, Valley Springs Branch, for Jenny Lind Elementary School

Approval is requested to open a new checking account (Bank B non-ASB) to be used for the local donations to Jenny Lind Elementary. This will allow the Office Manager and authorized employees to account for local revenue and classroom expenses as needed. The CUSD Business Office will monitor and reconcile the account. Approved signers will be Amy Hasselwander, Janine Schumann, Trudy Dunnigan and Titia Ashby.

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to approve the establishment of a new checking account (Bank B non-ASB) with Umpqua Bank, Valley Springs Branch, for Jenny Lind Elementary School

c. Approval to Award Bid for WPE Playfield Improvements

The bid opening for the WPE playfield improvements was held at 10:00 a.m. on August 3, 2010. Administration is recommending the bid be awarded to John Allen Construction in the amount of \$54,648. The work includes a dirt walking path, bleacher relocation, concrete retaining wall and

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BUSINESS – CONTINUED

curbs, landscape and irrigation and other work as shown on the Contract Documents prepared by California Design West Architects.

The Board reiterated that this project is possible through the Prop 40 funds, which are for making facilities improvements.

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to award the bid for the WPE playfield improvements to John Allen Construction in the amount of \$54,648.

Policies and Regulations

- A. **First Reading** - No item presented
- A. **Second Reading & Adoption** - No item presented
- C. **Administrative Regulations/Exhibits** - No item presented

OLD BUSINESS – None presented

NEW BUSINESS - None presented

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Mrs. Reusche wanted to add the Golf Tournament scheduled for August 22 at La Contenta. Proceeds will go to the new foundation established for CUSD elementary sports programs.

Mrs. Garamendi added there is also a fundraiser for the Calaveras County Library on August 13 from 6-10 p.m. It's called the "Secret Garden." There will be a tri-tip dinner, silent auction and a concert by "Over the Edge" and "Biscuits 'n Honey." Cost is \$25.00 and it will be at Tessa Bella Gardens. Tickets are available at all Calaveras County Libraries or by calling 754-1774, 754-5816 or 754-1471.

DATE	EVENT
August 7, 2010	2010 Concert Series for CUSD Band Programs, The Reunion Band, La Contenta, 7:00 p.m.
August 16, 2010	CUSD Policy Committee, 3:30 p.m., District Office, Board Room
August 25, 2010	CUSD Annual Health Fair, 2:30 – 5:30 p.m., District Office, IMC

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT SCHEDULE		
School	Date	Time
Jenny Lind Elementary	Thursday, July 29	5:00 to 7:00 p.m.
Valley Springs Elementary	Thursday, July 29	6:00 to 7:00 p.m.
Toyon Middle School	Wednesday, August 4	6:00 to 7:30 p.m.
San Andreas Elementary	Thursday, August 5	5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Calaveras High School	Wednesday, August 11	5:30 to 8:00 p.m.
Mokelumne Hill Elementary	Thursday, August 12	6:00 to 7:00 p.m.
West Point Elementary	Tuesday, August 17	6:00 to 7:00 p.m.
Rail Road Flat Elementary	Thursday, August 19	6:00 to 7:00 p.m.
Alternative Education	Thursday, August 26	6:00 to 7:30 p.m.

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FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – None presented

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Yerman had no comments.

Mrs. McDaniel informed us that there will be another concert series at La Contenta this Saturday, August 7. The Reunion Band will perform. Cost is \$15 for adults and \$10 for students. There will be more concerts through December.

Mrs. Reusche said Jenny Lind Elementary will have their Casino Night on September 11. Proceeds benefit JLE Science Camp. It will be held at the Burson Fire House. She toured the up-country schools with Mrs. Garamendi and wanted to thank all the board members for the time and effort they put into their roles. There are some heart-wrenching decisions that they have to make, but they try to do what is best for kids.

Mrs. Garamendi said we have the most dynamic teachers in the world. Michelle Besmer is a “dynamo!” These times are very trying. She wishes we had the funding. She thanked everyone for coming tonight.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Stitt wanted to thank Mr. Campbell for giving recognition to the Classified staff for their many years of service by presenting the anniversary plaques at the kick off last Friday. He also thanked Mr. Campbell for extending the invitation to the kick-off to every employee in the district. Mr. Stitt said he observed with his own eyes that day how much it meant to them.

Mrs. McDaniel wanted to let everyone know about the “Empty Bowls” fundraiser. On August 12 , from 4-6 p.m., you can bring your own bowl to paint in Room 20A and 20P at CHS. Art teachers Ms. Guadagni and Ms. Smith will be there to provide assistance. You can make your own ceramic bowl from clay or bring a bowl to paint. The Valley Springs Dollar store is donating 150 bowls. Proceeds will benefit our local food banks. The cost is \$15. They will be serving soup and bread.

NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

The next regular session of the Board will be held on Tuesday, August 17, 2010, 6:00 p.m. at the District Administrative Offices. .

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Mark Campbell, Superintendent