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MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
August 6, 2013

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Karan Bowsher Gregory Gustafson
Zerrall McDaniel Sherri Reusche
Evan Garamendi

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Mark Campbell Liz Stanko
Titia Ashby Shirley Bell
Robert Wise Lisa McInturf
Carol Beck Crosby Ric Stitt
Kathy Risso Lorraine Angel
Angela Allured Vikki Lacey
Randall Youngblood

OTHERS: Students and Community Members

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call** – All Board Members were present and a quorum was established.
3. **Approval of the Agenda** – The August 6, 2013 agenda was approved.
4. **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)

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Announcement of Closed Session Items - Continued

- d) Conference with Labor Negotiator: Mark Campbell in regard to negotiations with CASTA (Gov. Code 54957.6)
- e) To Consider the Appointment, Employment, Evaluation of Performance, Discipline, or dismissal of a Public Employee (Gov. Code 54957)

5. **Public Comments** – There were no public comments.

6. **Closed Session**

7. **Reconvene to Open Session**

8. **Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call**

All Board members were present.

5. **Public Comments**

At this time, visitors may comment on closed session items appearing on the agenda. This is not the time for discussion or deliberation nor can action be taken by the Trustees or Superintendent unless the matter is placed on a subsequent agenda. Individual speakers shall be allowed three minutes to address the Board on each closed agenda item (BB 9323). The Board shall limit the total time for public input on each item to 20 minutes. If visitors wish to address issues listed on the agenda, they may do so at the time the item is addressed by the Board. Conduct of Hearing Session/Public Forum will be as follows, per Calaveras Unified School District Board Bylaw #9322.

9. **Report of Action taken in Closed Session** – There was no action taken in closed session.

10. **Celebrations, Recognition and Announcements** - No item presented

11. **Superintendent's Comments**

Superintendent Campbell said we are up a little in enrollment. We had an extra smooth start of the school year, which speaks highly of our staff. Ric Stitt, Lisa McInturf, Jan Kendall and Belinda Brager did an excellent job with the CORE Day trainings. We had a great turn out at the districtwide kick off. He thanked Evan Garamendi for being there. It's the only time of year we can all get together. There were over 300 people in attendance and it's an opportunity to remind us that we are all part of one team.

Superintendent Campbell reported to the board that the West Point Preschool/Head Start joint program would not deny enrollment based upon excessive income. This program allows for supplemental fees.

12. **Public Comments** – There were no public comments.

13. **Action or Items Removed from the Consent Agenda** – No items were removed.

14. CONSENT AGENDA:

Generally routine items are approved by one motion without discussion. The Superintendent or a Board member may request that an item be pulled from the consent agenda and voted on separately.

Motion: McDaniel Second: Garamendi Vote: 5-0

a. Approval of Minutes

1. July 23, 2013

b. Routine Personnel Report , August 6, 2013

c. Approval of Bond Disbursements

(A copy of this listing is available at the District Office or linked to this agenda on our website at www.calaveras.k12.ca.us)

d. Approval of Williams Settlement Legislation Quarterly Report

The quarterly report for the Williams Settlement Legislation Act for April through June 2013 is presented for Board approval. This report provides information on complaints received for instructional materials, facilities, and/or teacher vacancy and misassignments. This report is sent to the Calaveras County Office of Education.

15. PERSONNEL (Mark Campbell, Superintendent)

a. Certificated Report

Lorraine Angel said the CORE day was wonderful. They are grateful we changed the schedule so they could have their afternoon meeting. Board member Evan Garamendi attended their meeting/social gathering as a retired teacher. There was good feedback on CORE day and the math program. She is glad CHS has access to all technology, including You-tube, which she uses in her classroom. She thanked Ric Stitt and the Technology Department for all their hard work. It was a smooth start of the new school year.

b. Classified Report – No report

c. All Personnel

d. Classified Personnel

e. Certificated Personnel

f. Management/Confidential/Supervisory

16. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

a. Report from Director Lisa McInturf

Director Lisa McInturf gave a presentation on Common Core Standards. She had posters that were created by teachers who are learning about the Common Core mathematics. Lisa reiterated the mission of CUSD: to provide individuals with the tools to become lifelong learners – including our teaching staff. She presented each Board member with the vertical domains in mathematics as it pertains to the specific grade levels of their children and/or grandchildren. She said these are standards that are the same for each state participating in the Common Core (46 states). This insures all students, no matter where they are from will be prepared for the 21st century.

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Board President Bowsher applauded Director McInturf and said she is an asset to this position and it is apparent she pays attention to detail.

b. Approval, Resolution 2013/14-01, Contract Agreement with the State of California for a Literacy Program for Preschool Students and Families (pp 19-20)

It is recommended the Board approve a contract with the State of California for a literacy program for Preschool students and families for \$2,500 to promote the interactive literacy activities for children and families enrolled in the Pre-K and Family Literacy Program for the 2013-14 school year.

Motion: Garamendi Second: McDaniel Vote: 5-0

17. BUSINESS

a. 2013-14 Budget Revision

Education Code Section (E.C.) 52127 (i) (4) states that "Not later than 45 days after the Governor signs the annual Budget Act, the school district shall make available for public review any revision in revenues and expenditures that it has made to its budget to reflect the funding made available by that Budget Act." It is recommended the Board approve the proposed revisions to the Calaveras Unified School District's 2013-14 budget as presented.

Titia Ashby, Director of Fiscal Services, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the budget revisions and provided a handout of revised revenues and expenses, as well as revised multi-year projections, and answered questions. Ms. Ashby discussed the Local Control Funding Formula, stating there were will many unknowns. She will keep us apprised of the details as they are learned.

Motion: Reusche Second: McDaniel Vote: 4-1 (Gustufson, Nay)

b. School Closure Due to Emergency

It is recommended the Board approve the Form J-13A for the closure of the Jenny Lind Elementary After School Program on May 7, 2013. The program was closed so the After School Program staff could attend the funeral of 8-year-old Leila Fowler.

Motion: Garamendi Second: McDaniel Vote: 5-0

c. Approval of Special Services with Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Rudd & Romo (pp 23-26)

It is recommended the Board approve special services with Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Rudd & Romo to provide legal services covering the period from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2106. This item was tabled at the July 23, 2013 Board meeting.

Motion: Garamendi Second: McDaniel Vote: 5-0

BUSINESS – CONTINUED

d. Performing Arts Facility

a. Approve Design of the Performing Arts Facility

The design concepts of the Performing Arts Facility were presented at the July 23, 2013 Board meeting. Input was gathered from community members, staff and Board members prior to and during the July 23 Board meeting. It is recommended the Board approve the design and authorize the District to proceed with the project.

Music teacher Robert Wise said he was 100% enthusiastic about the plan. He likes the design and hopes the Board does as well. He likes that there is room in the back of the proposed buildings to add classrooms in the future. The stage has been widened.

There was discussion about the bid process. Mr. Campbell said it will be up to the Board on how we will want to proceed; formal bid or lease-leaseback. There is no need for a project manager with a lease-leaseback and if we don't go that route our new M&O Supervisor, Joe Cruz, would be the project manager, along with a California Financial representative. However, if the Board decides to use a contracted project manager, it would be their decision. Mr. Campbell explained that the costs are better controlled with a lease-leaseback.

Mrs. Garamendi asked if project managers were paid a percentage of the project cost and the answer provided from Mr. Campbell was yes, usually 3% or 4%. Mrs. Garamendi replied that there would, therefore, be no incentive for the project manager to maintain the costs.

Mr. Gustafson asked about current DSA projects that were being closed. Mr. Campbell said there are some old projects from the mid-90's that the DSA is asking for closing documents. We had project managers for those projects and yet they did not get closed properly. Shirley Bell is working with Anne Pearson, who is helping to close the projects and filing the proper documents with the DSA.

Mr. Campbell explained the Board would only be approving the design tonight. The District will be coming back to the Board regarding the funding model and oversight at a later date.

A question was raised about the site and prior work completed as far as location of electrical, sewer and gas lines. Mr. Stitt recalls there being some work done at the building site at the time we brought the initial design to the Board.

Motion: McDaniel

Second: Reusche

Vote: 4-1 (Gustafson, Nay)

18. POLICIES AND REGULATIONS

- a. First Reading – Board Policies & Bylaws**
BP 5030 Student Wellness Policy

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Mrs. McDaniel explained that this policy has been updated to include the promotion of drinking water instead of sugary drinks. The Public Health Department received a grant and will be phasing in water stations at various school sites where students can fill their water bottles.

- b. **Second Readings/Adoptions** – No item presented

19. Calendar of Events

Tiger Fest for the Friends of Rail Road Flat will be this Saturday, August 10, from 5-9 p.m.

DATE	EVENT
Back-to-School Nights <u>August 7</u> <u>August 13</u> <u>August 15</u>	Toyon Middle School – 6:00-7:00 p.m. Mokelumne Hill Elementary – 6:30-7:30 p.m. Rail Road Flat Elementary – 6:00 p.m. Calaveras High School – 5:30 p.m.
August 21	Districtwide Employee TB Testing Day 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. – District Office Board Room
August 23	Districtwide Employee TB Reading Results Day 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. – District Office Board Room

20. Future Agenda Items

(Items will be placed on the agenda based upon Board consensus or a majority vote of the Board.)

21. Comments from Board Members

Sherri Reusche

Mrs. Reusche apologized for missing CORE day but it was her wedding anniversary and she was out-of-town with her husband. She thanked Evan for representing the Board at the kick-off. She is pleased her children attend CUSD. They are enjoying new experiences at Toyon and CHS. She thanked staff and teachers for the hard work they do day in and day out and pour their hearts out. We are truly blessed.

Zerrall McDaniel

Mrs. McDaniel is delighted to move forward with the Performing Arts Facility. She thanked everyone who has provided input and supported it. She agrees with Sherri. Both of her children went through the CUSD system and they both are wonderful citizens. She now has a 7th grade granddaughter at Toyon. She appreciates the teachers and the administrators who work hard

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to do the best for kids. She also thanked Titia for all the work she did on the budget and revisions. It was very helpful.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENT – CONTINUED

Gregory Gustafson

Mr. Gustafson said he does not want to sound negative always about the Performing Arts Facility. Angela knows he loves music as much as he loves everything in the schools – sports and everything. He’s concerned with the budget. He saw there were a lot of projects that weren’t closed yet and he just wants to make sure that this one is focused and really gets done properly. He heard a lot of possibilities of problems from excavating on, and he may sound like a “over watchdog” but he cares and the dollars care. He’s concerned about the school book his daughter received that is worn (shows book to everyone), and money is tight. He cares and he’s just trying to figure it all out. He thanked everyone for being here and wished them a good school year.

Evan Garamendi

Mrs. Garamendi wishes us all well with the Performing Arts Facility. She is not an expert on what a Performing Arts Facility should look like but now that we’re moving forward we have her full support and she will do everything she can to make sure this runs smoothly. She welcomed everybody back to school. She knows what it’s like when those 103 degree days come along. The calendar is supposed to be revisited. She welcomed us back. CORE day was very interesting and there are many faces she no longer knows. She thanked the teachers for including her in their social function.

Karan Bowsher

Mrs. Bowsher thanked everyone for coming out on this smoky night. She thanked everyone for coming. She reminded people to attend the Tiger Fest on Saturday.

Mark Campbell wished Karan Bowsher a Happy Birthday.

22. Next Meeting/Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the CUSD Board is scheduled for Tuesday, August 20, 2013. Closed Session begins at 4:30 p.m. Open Session begins at 5:30 p.m. This meeting will be held at West Point Elementary School.

Mark Campbell, Superintendent
By Shirley Bell, Administrative Assistant