

Calaveras Unified School District
P.O. Box 788
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MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
January 21, 2014

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

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Karan Bowsher Evan Garamendi Sherri Reusche	Gregory Gustafson Zerrall McDaniel
MEMBERS ABSENT:	All present	
STAFF PRESENT:	Mark Campbell Titia Ashby Shirley Bell Kevin Begnaud Randall Youngblood Mike Merrill Lorraine Angel Renetta Hale Karen Wallace Laurie Forester	Liz Stanko Fred Mier Joe Cruz Kathy Campbell Rhonda Merrill Scott Grutzmacher Kari Goldsmith Sharon Schlegelmilch Angela Acuna
OTHERS:	Students and Community Members	

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call** – All were present. A quorum was established.
3. **Approval of the Agenda**
Approve the January 21, 2014 agenda.

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CUSD BOARD AGENDA

January 21, 2014

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)
- 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

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.

6. Closed Session

7. Reconvene to Open Session

8. Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call

The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted, led by Principal Fred Mier. Roll call was taken and all board members were present for Open Session.

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

10. Board Organization

a. Revision to the Adopted 2014-15 Board Meeting Calendar

Motion: Bowsher

Second: Reusche

Vote: 5-0

11. Celebrations, Recognition and Announcements

Gold Strike High School

Principal Fred Mier introduced his staff and gave an overview of the Alternative Education programs available at CUSD. Each of his teaching staff members gave a brief description of the programs and/or classes they teach.

Presentation of the Final 2012-13 Audit Report

John Goodell from Goodell, Porter, Sanchez & Bright, LLP gave a presentation on the Calaveras Unified School District final 2012-13 Audit Report. He answered questions from the Board and audience. When asked what grade he would give the district, he replied "an A-/B+."

12. Superintendent's Comments

Superintendent Campbell wished everyone a Happy New Year and welcomed them back. We will have six more Board meetings in the next two months. He said Mr. Goodell's presentation was timely. Over the next five months the big picture will be focus, resilience, collaboration – teamwork. We will be working on the Local Control Funding Formula and building our Local Control Accountability Plan. We have a structural deficit we have to address. We need to see an increase in revenues, which we are hoping for, and we need to decrease expenditures, which we are working on. We are looking at the Common Core Standards and Smarter Assessments. We will be talking to administrators on Friday about staffing for next year. We plan to add teachers so we can staff at a 24:1 ratio in K-3. We have 3,100 students to work with before we send 270-280 students away as graduating seniors in June. We have two large projects beginning this Spring – the Toyon kitchen and the Performing Arts Center. There are a lot of things we need to focus on and a lot of peripheral things we should not be engaging our time on. Hopefully we will be in a better place with our budget, which makes everybody happier. There are a lot of challenges and things we will accomplish by June 11. We are looking forward to the work. Again, welcome back everybody.

13. Public Comments

At this time, visitors may address issues that do not appear 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 agenda or non-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.

Tim Cox addressed the Board asking when the district will publish their 2014/15 calendar. Superintendent Campbell said the calendar is done but needs to go to CSEA and CUEA to be negotiated/approved. Then it will come to the Board for approval, hopefully in March. He shared that the calendar is the same model as this year.

Marti Crane thanked the district for allowing the Volunteer Center the use of the building on the San Andreas Elementary campus and shared some of their future plans for the center.

14. Action on Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

Trustee Gustafson wanted the minutes removed from the consent agenda. He also wanted to note that he voted yes to Mrs. Garamendi going to the Board of Supervisors meeting but not to support what she said. Mrs. Garamendi said Mr. Gustafson did not see her statement prior to her presentation.

15. 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: Bowsher Second: McDaniel Vote: 5-0

a) Approval of Minutes

1. December 17, 2013 –the word “inappropriate” under Dave Tanner’s remarks will be omitted.

b) Routine Personnel Report , January 21, 2014

c) Approval, Vendor Warrant Listings

The Vendor Warrant listing from December 10, 2013 to January 14, 2014 was presented for approval.

d) Approval of Donations

Donations to Calaveras Unified School District were presented for Board approval.

e) Service Contracts Under \$500 Approved by the Business Department

The report of Service Contracts Less Than \$500 approved by the Business Department was presented for Board review.

f) Recognition of Grants – No item presented

g) Approval of Bond Disbursements

Bond disbursements were presented for Board approval.

h) Approval of Williams Settlement Legislation Quarterly Report

The quarterly report for the Williams Settlement Legislation Act for October through December 2013 was presented for Board approval. This report provides information on complaints received for instructional materials, facilities and/or teacher vacancy and misassignments. There were no complaints reported. A copy of this report is sent to the Calaveras County Office of Education.

16. PERSONNEL

a) Certificated Report

Lorraine Angel said they will hold their site rep meeting tomorrow. She has been to several meetings in Sacramento and they are working on some political things – new bills that have been passed and sharing them with site reps and teachers. They are looking forward to negotiations and working with the district.

b) Classified Report

Scott Grutzmacher, Chief Job Steward for CSEA, said they are getting ready to interview for a maintenance position and they finished up the job description for the maintenance/gardener and it was recently posted. They are looking forward receiving applications and having interviews. They just recently got a new labor rep and are looking forward to meeting him. Things are going well.

c) All Personnel – No item presented

d) Classified Personnel - No item presented

e) Certificated Personnel

1. Memorandum of Understanding with San Diego County Superintendent of Schools

Board approval is requested to enter into an MOU with the San Diego County Superintendent of Schools to provide credential services for the review of applications for the Adult and Career Technical Education Designated Subjects Credentials effective January 22, 2014 through June 30, 2018.

Motion: McDaniel Second: Reusche Vote: 5-0

f) Management/Confidential/Supervisory - No item presented

17. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

a. Career Tech Education Requirements at Calaveras High School

Board approval is requested to change the Calaveras High School (CHS) Technology graduation requirement to a Career Technical Education graduation requirement. This will not change to total number of credit to graduate from CHS. This requirement can be met by taking any course that is considered a Career Technical Education course.

Motion: Bowsher Second: Reusche Vote: 5-0

18. BUSINESS

a. Approval of Application to the Department of General Services Surplus Program

Board approval is requested to approve an application by the Calaveras High School Career Technical Education Program to apply for the Department of General Services Surplus Program.

Motion: McDaniel Second: Reusche Vote: 5-0

b. Approval of the Regional Occupational Program Maintenance of Effort, 2013-14 and 2014-15

It is recommended the Board approve the Regional Occupational Program (ROP) Maintenance of Effort Agreement for the 2013-14 and 2014-15 fiscal years.

Motion: McDaniel Second: Reusche Vote: 5-0

c. Bond Disbursements for the Performing Arts Facility – Performing Arts Center – No item Presented

19. POLICIES AND REGULATIONS

a. First Reading – Board Policies, Bylaws, Administrative Regulations and Exhibits

No item presented

b. Second Readings/Adoptions

No item presented

20. Calendar of Events

DATE	EVENT
January 20	Holiday – Martin Luther King Day

21. Future Agenda Items

No items were presented.

22. Comments from Board Members

Karan Bowsher

Mrs. Bowsher welcomed everyone back. Not much happened during break. She is looking forward to a great Spring and, hopefully, rain.

Gregory Gustafson

Mr. Gustafson thanked everyone for coming. He appreciated having Mr. Goodell here. He hopes everyone has a good New Year.

Zerrall McDaniel

Mrs. McDaniel appreciated having the Alt Ed. staff at the meeting tonight. Many years ago under the leadership of Jim Frost we changed the Alt Ed. Program from a half day to a full day. At the time there were some people who thought we would lose students, but it turned out to be a positive move.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS – CONTINUED

Zerrall McDaniel - Continued

Several of our schools (CHS, TMS, SAE and VSE) received chilled water hydration stations through a program with County Public Health. Joe Cruz's department is going to be installing them. We hope to receive them for all our schools eventually.

Mr. Cruz said it is an educational program with Public Health to encourage students to drink water. The students will also be receiving a free water bottle.

Mrs. McDaniel said some of the water stations are for indoor use and the stations for outdoor use need a structure around them that Joe Cruz's department is working on.

San Andreas Elementary is going to start their garden and eventually expand to the area where the Volunteer Center is located on their campus. Valley Springs Elementary's garden is the prime example of a community garden program.

We will be holding our annual Parent/Volunteer Appreciation night on March 4. This is the meeting where we invite our parent clubs to come and share what they are doing for their schools and honor them. She would also like to get teachers to attend this recognition meeting to support their parents.

Sherri Reusche

Mrs. Reusche welcomed everybody back. Last week she spoke at the State Board of Education. She asked them to keep the LCFF template. The Governor made a surprise visit and addressed the group of over 500 speakers. They did decide keep the template. The Governor said if there is no rigor then students get rigamortis.

Evan Garamendi

Mrs. Garamendi went with Zerrall McDaniel and Pam Taylor to the Capitol and met with various legislative figures. They are hoping to receive "small and necessary schools" funding to keep Rail Road Flat Elementary open. They were told it would be placed as a spot bill by the end of the month.

23. Next Meeting/Adjournment

The next regular meeting of the CUSD Board is scheduled for Tuesday, February 4, 2014. This meeting will be held at Calaveras High School. Closed Session begins at 4:30 p.m. and Open Session begins at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Mark Campbell, Superintendent
By Shirley Bell, Executive Assistant