

Calaveras Unified School District
P.O. Box 788, San Andreas, CA 95249

MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
January 20, 2015

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

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Karan Bowsher Kelly Smith
 Zerrall McDaniel Gregory Gustafson
 Sherri Reusche

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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:43 p.m. by Board President Sherri Reusche.

2. Roll Call

Superintendent Campbell took roll. All board members were present.

3. Approval of the Agenda

President Reusche requested an item be added to the Consent Agenda: Item "h," Approval of an Outside Services Contract for Katie Nelson, MSN, RN, CPN, PH.

Motion: Bowsher Second: Smith Vote: 5-0

The agenda for the January 20, 2015 was approved.

Motion: McDaniel Second: Gustafson Vote: 5-0

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

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Closed Session - Continued

d) Student Discipline Matters (Gov. Code 54954.5)

1. AHP 14/15-0003

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

6. **Closed Session**

7. **Reconvene to Open Session**

Open session convened at 5:30 p.m. and was called to order by Board President Sherri Reusche.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board President Sherri Reusche. Superintendent Campbell took roll. All board members were present.

9. **Report of Action taken in Closed Session**

Board President Sherri Reusche reported the board took action to approve the recommendation of the Administrative Hearing Panel regarding AHP 14/15-0003, approving a suspended expulsion by a unanimous vote.

10. **Superintendent's Comments**

Superintendent Campbell congratulated Kevin Hesser and the Ag Program for being the recipients of a \$23,000 grant. This grant is for the gardens and the high school students working with the elementary students.

Today was a CORE day for professional development. Phenomenal work was being done by classified, certificated staff and administrators.

He congratulated Sherri Reusche for her election as CSBA (California School Boards Association) Vice President. It's a huge honor and a tremendous representation for us as well as a larger voice.

A sad note: Kathy Doyle, a long-time bus driver who was retired, passed away last weekend. Our thoughts go out to her and her family. Services are this Saturday and donations can be made to Rail Road Flat Elementary on her behalf.

11. **Board Business**

a) **Revised Board Meeting Calendar**

It is requested the Board approved a revised Board meeting calendar.

Motion: Bowsher Second: McDaniel Vote: 5-0

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

13. **Correspondence** - No item presented

14. 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.

Lorraine Angel, teacher and CUEA President, recapped that the Governor's budget that recently came out. We (CUSD) came in under budget in 2013/14, and we had \$1.3 million more than was projected. That's a good thing to start off the school year with. The 2014/15 budget is in the second year of Local Control Funding. We got our 29.15% toward closing our gap. We also got the .85 COLA, which is actually the cost of doing business. In 2015/16 it is projected we will get a 1.58% COLA and they are looking at closing the gap at 32.19%. More good news is we should have received all our deferrals for 2014/15. It looks like in the 2015/16 budget we will get the 5/5/9 apportionment, where you get 5% in July, 5% in August and 9% each month thereafter. There's even better news because after Governor Brown came out with this budget the accounting office said there's another \$2 billion and most of it will go to schools. She believes we will get that 32.9% to close that gap but is a little concerned (Mr. Crancer said we will get the grade span adjustment funds) knowing what our class sizes are now and with teacher reductions they are going to get larger. She would like to know when we are going to adjust cuts based on this changing financial picture. She would be happy to share the information she received.

Denise Gustafson would like a report/update or any decisions made by the Budget Advisory Committee.

Superintendent Campbell said he could send her the notes from every meeting and her husband, board member Gregory Gustafson, also has them, as Mr. Campbell emailed them to all the Board members. He asked her to provide her email address to his assistant Shirley Bell. She agreed to do so.

15. Action on Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

Board member Gregory Gustafson asked to have item "h" removed from the Consent Agenda.

Motion: Gustafson Second: McDaniel Vote: 5-0

Item "h" was removed from the Consent Agenda.

16. 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: Bowsler Second: McDaniel Vote: 5-0

Consent Agenda - Continued

a) **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes of November 18, 2014

Minutes of December 9, 2014

b) **Routine Personnel Report , January 20, 2015**

c) **Approval, Vendor Warrant Listings**

The Vendor Warrant Listing was presented for approval.

d) **Approval of Donations**

e) **Approval of Bond Disbursements** – No item presented

f) **Report of Grant Awards** – No item presented

g) **Overnight Events** – No item presented

Under separate vote and removed from the Consent Agenda:

h) Approval of an Outside Services Contract for Katie Nelson, MSN, RN, CPN, PH

It was requested the Board approve an outside service contract with Katie Nelson, MSN, RN, CPN, PHN, to provide special education assessments. She will provide said services for up to 8 hours per day at the rate of \$100.00 per hours, not to exceed a total of \$36,000.00. The cost of her services will be reimbursed by the Calaveras County Office of Education.

Motion: Bowsher Second: McDaniel Vote: 5-0

17. PERSONNEL

a) **Certificated Report**

Renetta Hale, Teacher and CUEA Vice President, reported they will hold they next site rep meeting on January 28. A Round Table is scheduled for January 29. Everything went well after returning from winter break and at their site they even had a few more students.

b) **Classified Report** - No report was presented.

c) **All Personnel** - No Item Presented

d) **Classified Personnel** – No Item Presented

e) **Certificated Personnel** - No Item Presented

f) **Management/Confidential/Supervisory** - No Item Presented

18. CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

a. CUSD School Year Calendars (2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18) – (pp 31-33)

It is requested the Board approve the CUSD school year calendars for three additional years: 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18.

Motion: McDaniel Second: Gustafson Vote: 4-1 (Bowsher Nay)

19. BUSINESS

a. Bond Disbursements for the Performing Arts Facility – Performing Arts Center

No item presented

b. Request for Attendance Allowance Due to Severe Weather Conditions

Due to severe weather conditions, (floods and windstorms) on December 11, 2014, significant damage was caused to Toyon Middle School. As a result, it was necessary to close the school on December 12, 2014, as the school grounds were deemed unsafe for students and staff. Students were able to return to school on Monday, December 15, 2014. It is requested the Board approve the J-13A, Request for Allowance of Attendance Because of Emergency Conditions.

Motion: Bowsher Second: McDaniel Vote: 5-0

c. Annual Developer Fee Report

In accordance with Government Code 66006, an annual listing of fees collected by developers and homeowners that are either constructing new buildings or expanding on current buildings must be presented. During the fiscal year, the charge per square foot was \$3.20 for residential development and \$0.51 for commercial development. Funds collected were used for the obligations of the District's Certificates of Participation (COP) notes. A statement of revenues and expenditures for the 2013-14 fiscal year was presented September 2014 in the District's year-end financial statement and is included for reference.

c. 2013-14 Independent Audit Report

Per Education Code 41020, a report of each local educational agency audit for the preceding fiscal year shall be filed with the Calaveras County Office of Education, California Department of Education, and the State Controller by December 15th. Further, per Education Code 41020, by January 31st of each year, the governing body of each local educational agency shall review, at a public meeting, the annual audit of the local education agency for the prior year. *(A copy of this listing is available the District Office and linked to this agenda on our website at www.calaveras.k12.ca.us.)*

Financial Advisor Douglas Crancer presented the 2013-14 Independent Audit report with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation (hard copies of the report were also provided and linked to the agenda online). He answered questions and discussed some of the findings.

Business – Continued

It is requested the Board review and approve the 2013-14 independent audit report.

Motion: Bowsher Second: Gustafson Vote: 5-0

20. POLICIES AND REGULATIONS

First Reading – No Item Presented

Second Reading

AR 5121 Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement

Motion: McDaniel Second: Bowsher Vote: 5-0

21. Calendar of Events

DATE	EVENT
January 19	Holiday – Martin Luther King Day
January 20	CORE Day (Certificated & Classified Staff) – School Not in Session
January 29	Community Tech Night @ Toyon Middle School – 6-8 p.m.
February 9	Holiday – Lincoln’s Birthday
February 16	Holiday – President’s Day
February 17	CORE Day (Certificated Staff Only) – School Not in Session
February 18-19	6 th Grade Visitation to Toyon Middle School
March 11	CUSD Band Festival – Flock Gym, CHS – 6:30 p.m.

The CUSD Education Foundation Gala is scheduled for March 7 at the San Andreas Town Hall. Tickets are \$55 per person and the theme is “An Enchanted Evening.”

22. Future Agenda Items

23. Comments from Board Members

Karan Bowsher

Mrs. Bowsher offered condolences to Dr. Herbert, who was a volunteer at Mokelumne Elementary School for many years. He passed away recently. She congratulated Board member Gregory Gustafson because his daughter is in the Oregon State University (Oregon Ducks). She also congratulated Board President Sherri Reusche on her election as Vice President with CSBA. Next year Mrs. Reusche will be President-Elect and the year after she will be President of CSBA. She also said the Budget Advisory Committee has decided to no longer meet but she is grateful for everyone’s time who served.

Gregory Gustafson

Mr. Gustafson thanked Mrs. Bowsher. He was able to attend the Rose Bowl to see his daughter perform. He hopes everybody had a nice break. He hopes we hear soon a report of what happened at the recent Annual CSBA Conference.

Superintendent Campbell said the report will be given at the March 7 Study Session.

Zerrall McDaniel

Mrs. McDaniel said many people don't realize how powerful the position of serving as Vice President at CSBA is. This is the first time a small rural district has been represented at this level. We also have another representative from our area – Juliana Feriani, Board member of the Tuolumne County Office of Education, who is President of the California County Board of Education. Hopefully we will be heard. Sherri Reusche did a great job and had to answer questions from over 300 people.

Kevin Hesser presented at the CSBA Annual Convention along with Oakland Unified and Modesto Unified. It was well received. She is looking forward to reporting about it in March.

Kelly Smith

Ms. Smith thanked everyone for taking the time to come to our Board meeting. She hoped everyone had a wonderful holiday.

Sherri Reusche

Mrs. Reusche said she looks forward to serving as Vice President of CSBA and will do her best to let them know CUSD is here. She will be traveling to Washington D.C. next month for an advocacy conference. She will make sure the inadequate funding of SPED is discussed.

24. Next Meeting/Adjournment

The next regular meeting of the CUSD Board is scheduled for Tuesday, February 17, 2015. This meeting will be held at CUSD Administrative Offices, IMC Training Room (Green Building, 2nd Floor). Closed Session begins at 4:00 p.m. and Open Session begins at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Mark Campbell, Superintendent
By Shirley Bell