

CALAVERAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
P.O. Box 788
San Andreas, CA 95249

**August 5, 2003
MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

The meeting of the Calaveras Unified School District Board of Trustees was called to order at the District Administrative Offices at 5:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gerri Conway
Jim Foltz
Zerrall McDaniel
John Yerman

MEMBERS ABSENT: Hank Nagle

STAFF PRESENT: Jim Frost
Cheri Folendorf
Scott Mills
Michael Merrill
Jep Peckler
Anne Dasch, CUEA

Kathy Bell
Peggy Stout
Karen Dickerson
Mark Campbell

OTHERS: Interested community and staff

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Closed session items were announced as listed on the agenda.

PUBLIC INPUT FOR THE GOOD OF THE DISTRICT

There was no public comment. The Board convened into closed session at this time.

CLOSED SESSION

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Cheri Folendorf in regard to negotiations with CSEA (Gov. Code 54954.5)

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Cheri Folendorf in regard to negotiations with CUEA (Gov. Code 54954.5)

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Cheri Folendorf in regard to negotiations with Management / Confidential / Supervisory (Gov. Code 54954.5)

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Cheri Folendorf in regard to negotiations with CASTA (Gov. Code 54954.5)

Student Discipline Matters (Gov. Code 54954)

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OPEN SESSION

Open session was called to order at the District Office at 7:00 p.m. with the salute to the flag and roll call. All present.

PUBLIC REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Cheri Folendorf in regard to negotiations with CSEA (Gov. Code 54954.5)
No action taken.

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Cheri Folendorf in regard to negotiations with CUEA (Gov. Code 54954.5)
No action taken.

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Cheri Folendorf in regard to negotiations with Management / Confidential / Supervisory (Gov. Code 54954.5)
No action taken.

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Cheri Folendorf in regard to negotiations with CASTA (Gov. Code 54954.5)
No action taken.

Student Discipline Matters (Gov. Code 54954)
No action taken.

STUDENT DISCIPLINE MATTERS

None presented.

CORRESPONDENCE

None presented.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Supt. Frost congratulated everyone on the exceptionally smooth start of school.

PUBLIC INPUT FOR THE GOOD OF THE DISTRICT

Members of the Calaveras High School staff addressed the Board regarding their concerns about large class sizes at CHS and to request the Board's support and help with this problem. Superintendent Frost advised that staffing is done according to a formula and it's difficult at the high school level because the numbers are so volatile at the beginning of the year. Mr. Frost stated that he agreed that class size of 40 is untenable and the easiest solution is creating more sections as well as balancing prep periods. Mr. Frost noted that there have to be some value decisions made and he is working with Mr. Campbell on this.

Dr. Anne Dasch addressed the Board stating that she was unhappy with the beginning of her school year. Dr. Dasch said she was discouraged about what she hears this Board say and the actions she sees this Board taking. She explained that there are serious budget problems and sacrifices that result from that budget, and then the Board approved a five-year contract for the superintendent. She felt that the public perception and employee perception is that teachers and students are doing without in these hard times. Zerrall McDaniel advised that the Board felt that stability was vital to the district at this particular time, thus this decision was made. The Board commented on efforts administration has made to save money by not replacing positions as people resign or retire, and that the superintendent has gone years without receiving a salary increase.

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CONSENT AGENDA

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to approve the Consent Agenda:

A. Approval of Minutes: July 1, 2003

B. Routine Personnel:

All Personnel – No item presented.

Classified Personnel

1. Resignation of two permanent Food Service
2. Employment of five substitute Food Service
3. Employment of one probationary Bus Driver
4. Employment of one substitute Bus Driver
5. Employment of two temporary Yard Duty
6. Employment of one temporary Child Advocate
7. Employment of one temporary Admin Asst/Child Advocate

Certificated Personnel

1. Employment of one temporary Teacher
2. Employment of one probationary Teacher
3. Resignation of one permanent Teacher
4. Extended maternity leave for one permanent Teacher
5. Maternity leave for one probationary Teacher

Management/Confidential/Supervisory – No item presented.

C. Approval, Vendor Warrant Listing through July 23, 2003

D. Approval, Donations:

1. Valley Springs Elementary: Toys for school and after-school child care program, from Mr. & Mrs. Pastorino, valued at \$100.00; Big Book Easel from Lamar Matthews family for Susan Conner's class, valued at \$120.00; \$20.00 cash from Jaymee Loverin for Julie Satterfield's class; \$25.00 cash from Mr. & Mrs. Jason Simons for Julie Satterfield's class.
2. Toyon Middle School: Cash donations in the amount of \$5,598.00 for the Woodshop Program.

E. Approval, Contract with Mandated Cost Services for 2003/04

F. Authorization, Continuance of Section 125 Flexible Benefit Plan with American Fidelity Assurance Company, October 1, 2003 through September 30, 2004

G. Approval, Overnight Trips:

1. CHS Cross Country Team to Tahoe City, September 19-20, 2003
2. CHS Cross Country Team to Mt. San Antonio College, Los Angeles, October 23-25, 2003

ACTION ON ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

No items removed.

PERSONNEL

Certificated Report

Anne Dasch reported that CUEA has its first general meeting next week. A letter will be coming to the Board regarding budget and program issues.

Classified Report

None presented.

All Personnel – No item presented.

Certificated Personnel

Approval, Revised Job Share Arrangement

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to approve a revised job share arrangement for Kevin and Autumn Hesser. A 50/50 job share arrangement was approved 3/4/03. This is revised to 75/25.

Classified Personnel

Approval, Retirement with the PERS Golden Handshake for Classified Employees

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to approve retirement with PERS Golden Handshake for classified employee:
Andi Martino Effective 11/01/03

Management/Confidential/Supervisory

Approval, Retirement with PERS Golden Handshake

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to approve retirement with PERS Golden Handshake for:
Helen Pickens Effective 11/18/03

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Curriculum Report

Betty White, Director of Curriculum, reported on back to school activities. Bill Hamilton thanked Cheri Folendorf for the outstanding job she did in finding teachers with the appropriate credentials.

Approval, 2003/04 Administrative Hearing Panel members and Chair

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to approve the 2003/04 Administrative Hearing Panel members and Chairperson Sharon Knick. Members of the panel consist of all school site administrators and the Director of Curriculum.

BUSINESS

Facilities Report

Superintendent Frost reported that C.T. Brayton has done an outstanding job in getting ready at WPE; VSE modulars are moving right along; SAE/MHE multi-purpose rooms are in use; WPE multi-purpose room is about two weeks away from completion. Things will slow down in December. The district needs to keep in mind new housing developments in Valley Springs and the need to plan for expansion of Valley Springs Elementary.

Approval, Request for Payment, Application #2, C.T. Brayton & Sons, Inc., Modernization Projects

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to approve the request for payment, Application #2, to C.T. Brayton, Inc., for modernization projects at Calaveras High School, San Andreas Elementary, and West Point Elementary, in the amount of \$1,015,450.00.

BUSINESS (continued)

Approval, Request for Payment, Application #1, George Reed, Inc., for Valley Springs Elementary

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to approve the request for payment, Application #1, to George Reed, Inc., for Valley Springs Elementary project, in the amount of \$85,869.00.

POLICY/REGULATIONS

First Reading

The following Board Policies were accepted at the first reading:

1. BP 3551, Food Service Operations/Cafeteria Fund (Revised)
2. BP 5148, Child Care and Development (Revised)
3. BP 7214, General Obligation Bonds (New Policy)

Second Reading/Adoption

MSC 4-0 (Nagle absent) to adopt the following Board Policy:

1. BP 1312.3, Uniform Complaint Procedures (Revised)

Administrative Regulations/Exhibits

1. AR 5148, Child Care and Development (New Regulation)
2. AR 7214, General Obligation Bonds (New Regulation)

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

John Yerman welcomed everyone back from summer break.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There was no public comment.

NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the Board will be held on August 19, 2003, 7:00 p.m., at the District Administrative Offices.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

James L. Frost
by Helen Pickens