

CALAVERAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

P.O. Box 788

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MINUTES – STUDY SESSION

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

September 6, 2011

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: Zerrall McDaniel
Karan Bowsher
John Yerman
Evan Garamendi
Sherri Reusche

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Mark Campbell
Mike Merrill
Maria Ortner
Randall Youngblood
Belinda Illers
Amy Hasselwander
Liz Stanko
Shirley Bell
Lorraine Angel
Sandy Hoffman
Leslie Cambra

OTHERS: Members of the Community

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL - All Board members were present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MSC – 5-0 to add an addendum to the 9-6-11 agenda

MSC – 5-0 to approve the 9-6-11 agenda

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)**

PUBLIC INPUT FOR THE GOOD OF THE DISTRICT - None presented

CLOSED SESSION

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION - Open session was called to order at 5:35 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/ROLL CALL

There was a salute to the flag. Roll call was taken. All Board members were present.

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

Conference with Labor Negotiator: Mark Campbell in regard to negotiations with Calaveras Area Substitute Teachers Association (Gov. Code 54957.6). No action taken

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) – No action taken

CELEBRATIONS, RECOGNITION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS – No items presented

ADDENDUM

a. Approval of Overnight Field Trip for CHS Cross Country – September 16-17, 2011

Board approval is requested for the CHS Cross Country/Athletics to attend an overnight field trip on September 16-17, 2011 in Agate Bay, sponsored by North Tahoe High School.

MSC 5-0 to approve the overnight field trip for the CHS Country Country/Athletics to attend an overnight field trip September 16-17, 2011 in Agate Bay.

STUDY SESSION

Board President Sherri Reusche gave an explanation of a study session as a time for the Board to have open discussion with each other. If the audience had any questions or input they may or may not be called upon, as the Board is conducting a study session to prioritize their goals for the district.

Superintendent Mark Campbell took the floor to provide a PowerPoint Presentation. He said he would like the Board to identify four to five goals a year for the district. These will be goals for one year as well as multi-years (3 to 5 years). They will be reviewed each year, possibly changed, as they would be evolving as our needs and priorities change. The budget is also a big piece of what will drive our priorities as well as a connection to School Site Plans and our Mission Statement.

Mr. Campbell explained that the Board held a Governance Workshop with a Facilitator from CSBA in July and this study session would be to share the outcomes and narrow down the goals to at least five.

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The PowerPoint presentation reviewed the outcomes of the Governance Workshop:

- Elements of Effective Governance
- Unity of Purpose (successes, challenges and goals)
- Characteristics of Effective Trustees/Team
- Governance Leadership (structure, process and protocols)

After the presentation, Mr. Campbell called upon each Board member to give their top 4-6 goals for the district. Each Board member provided their input. The top five priorities were (not in priority order):

1. More diversified general education for non-college bound students (life skills, electrical, plumbing, learning how to budget, cooking, sewing, metal shop, wood shop)
2. Institutionalize community service for seniors and/or K-12
3. Reduce Class Size
4. Expand viable independent study and home school programs
5. Address our technology issues

Mr. Campbell will take these five items and work out the details with tangible steps, accountability and proposed timelines. The Board will further discuss and debate to fine-tune them along the way, as this is a fluid document of the "Big 5."

22. Next Meeting/Adjournment

The next regular meeting of the CUSD Board is scheduled for Tuesday, September 20, 2011. Closed Session begins at 4:30 p.m. Open Session begins at 6:00 p.m.

23. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Mark Campbell, Superintendent
By Shirley Bell, Administrative Assistant