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BOARD OF TRUSTEES Minutes of Regular Meeting January 22, 2013

CLOSED SESSION: 5:00pm
PUBLIC SESSION: 6:00pm
SCOTTS VALLEY CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
One Civic Center Drive
Scotts Valley, CA 95066

PUBLIC SESSION CALLED TO ORDER

Board President Art Bubb called the Public Session to order at 5:00 p.m. **Board members present:** Art Bubb, John Abel, Michael Shulman, Debbie Johnson and Sue Roth. Also in attendance were Superintendent Penny Weaver and Director of Student Services Gerri Fippin.

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION at 5:00 p.m.

- A. **CONSIDERATION OF STUDENT EXPULSION (Education Code Section 48918(c))** The Board will receive and consider the recommendations from the administration regarding the expulsion of Student #1213-2.
- B. **COLLECTIVE BARGAINING SESSION (Government Code Section 3549.1(d))** Executive session between the public school employer and its designated representative, Penny Weaver, for the purpose of giving direction regarding negotiations with Scotts Valley Education Association.
- C. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(b))** Cases: 2
- D. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE (Government Code Section 54957)**

ADJOURNED CLOSED SESSION at 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC SESSION CALLED TO ORDER

Board President Art Bubb called the Public Session to order at 6:05 p.m. **Board members present:** Art Bubb, John Abel, Michael Shulman, Debbie Johnson and Sue Roth. Also in attendance were Superintendent Penny Weaver, Director of Student Services Gerri Fippin, Scotts Valley High School Principal Valerie Bariteau, Vine Hill Elementary School Principal Michelle Stewart, Brook Knoll Elementary School Principal Sharlene Santos, and Facilities Manager Mike Smith.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CLOSED SESSION ACTION REPORT

- A. CONSIDERATION OF STUDENT EXPULSION (Education Code Section 48918(c))** The Board will receive and consider the recommendations from the administration regarding the expulsion of Student #1213-2. Board President Art Bubb reported the Board approved staff recommendation.
- B. COLLECTIVE BARGAINING SESSION (Government Code Section 3549.1(d))** Executive session between the public school employer and its designated representative, Penny Weaver, for the purpose of giving direction regarding negotiations with Scotts Valley Education Association. Board President Art Bubb reported the Board received information.
- C. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(b)) Cases: 2**
Board President Art Bubb reported the Board received information.
- D. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE (Government Code Section 54957)**
Board President Art Bubb reported the Board received information about an employee.

SET THE AGENDA

MSP Abel/Shulman Vote: 5-0

Student Advisory Vote: Aye

BOARD UPDATE/DISCUSSION

- Board President Art Bubb said he had a cold and didn't get out to the schools as much as usual.
- Board member Debbie Johnson said she attended the SVHS rally and was impressed at the enthusiastic reception Principal Bariteau received. She also met with SVPD Chief Weiss earlier in the month and was glad to hear they can respond to calls within three minutes. Ms. Johnson accompanied Mr. Bubb on a walk-through of the campuses.
- Board Vice President Sue Roth said that UCSC will host the 29th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Convocation on February 6th at 7pm in the Santa Cruz Civic Auditorium with the featured speaker Bob Moses, founder of the nationwide U.S. Algebra Project. He will address Quality Public Education as a Constitutional Right: School Children as Constitutional People. Ms. Roth reminded everyone that SVEF will meet this Thursday at Bruno's upstairs at 7pm.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Superintendent Penny Weaver said the Program Implementation Visit was at Brook Knoll last week where she visited fourth grade classrooms and observed math instruction with lots of student engagement.
- The Joint City/School Committee meeting was held last Wednesday with a lengthy agenda. Safety was discussed and there is a strong collaboration between agencies. The Safe Route to School Project includes a sidewalk and curbing work this summer along Tabor Drive near Vine Hill School and a foot bridge to accommodate walkers between the high school and Tabor Drive.
- Superintendent Penny Weaver, CBO Vickie Clark, Director of Business Services Rudolph Ramirez, and SVEA President Mike Hanson attended the Schools Services' Governor's Budget Workshop in Sacramento on January 15, 2013 where news is beginning to look better.
- Superintendent Weaver met with SVEA representatives last week and enjoyed articulating how things are working in the district. It was a very productive meeting.
- Ms. Weaver attended the SCZCSBA meeting, held at SVHS, in which the Director of Student Services Gerri Fippin and Vine Hill teacher Cathy Weist presented information regarding the GLAD program.
- Superintendent Weaver said she is looking at facilities and how to assess our needs and approach those items.

STUDENT ADVISORY MEMBER'S REPORT

Student Advisory Member Jillian Koopman said that this week is finals and everyone is working hard. The Mr. SVHS was cancelled for lack of participation, but will try later when it is not so close to finals. There are discussions about holding a ping pong tournament and Jillian will bring more information later.

SCZCSBA REPORT

Board Vice President Sue Roth said that during the safety discussion she would like the Board to think about bringing the resolution regarding safety that is being circulated in the county. The County Board has rejoined the SCZCSBA and Jane Barr will be the representative.

SVEA REPORT

SVEA President Mike Hanson said he attended the countywide calendar committee and also the Governor's Budget Workshop with Superintendent Weaver. The budget workshop was three hours of rapid fire information regarding the budget. It looks like the celebration may be in the form of a very small cake to parcel out. From the teachers point of view there are still huge class sizes and no COLA in five to six years.

MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC

Wendy Brannan addressed the Board regarding safety, playgrounds, fencing, parking lots, door locks, communication and web sites.

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

A. ADMINISTRATION

Weaver

1. Take Action on the Measure K Exemption Appeal Case #3

MSP Roth/Shulman Vote: 5-0 (to uphold the recommendation of the Appeals Committee)

Student Advisory Vote: Abstain

Michael Keogh addressed the Board regarding this agenda item.

Superintendent Penny Weaver reminded the Board that six cases had been brought before the Appeals Committee on December 18, 2012 and the recommendation of the Appeals Committee were then brought to the Board at the January 8, 2013 Board meeting. The Board and District conferred with legal counsel to approve the language of the parcel tax resolution before it was placed on the June 5, 2012 election ballot. The Board has now received the recommendation of the Appeals Committee and legal counsel regarding this case. Board members expressed their appreciation to Mr. Keogh for his civility in expressing his opinions. The Board must uphold the recommendation of the Appeals Committee as related to the language of the resolution.

2. Receive and Discuss Information About Safe Schools Planning and Approve Related Expenses as Proposed by Staff

MSP Able/Roth Vote: 5-0 (vote to proceed with Phase I, addition/change/modification of all locking mechanisms, keeping the cost under \$100,000) Student Advisory Vote: (left early to study for finals)

Superintendent Penny Weaver gave a brief review of the Board's safety discussion from the Board meeting on January 8, 2013 and interest in modifying locking mechanisms so doors can quickly be locked from the inside. Ms. Weaver asked Facilities Manager Mike Smith to address the Board with the recommendation from lock smiths and the parameters of the costs. Mr. Smith informed the Board that the modifications to the locking mechanisms can be accomplished under \$100,000. The district has approximately 247 locks that will need to be changed or modified. He also added that the windows adjacent to some doors are a concern and procured information as to what modifications to the glass could be done to avoid entry. Mr. Smith added that lock smiths in the area are overloaded at this time due to all school districts requesting similar work, but felt with district staff the job could be accomplished in 4-6 weeks. Board members asked clarifying questions and suggested reviewing the safety resolution plus drafting a letter to legislators regarding reimbursement for expenses due to safety enhancements implemented by districts.

Wendy Brannan and **Shara Sheard** addressed the Board regarding this agenda item.

3. Set August 28, 2013 as the First Day of Instruction for the 2013-2014 School Year and Review the Full Draft Calendar

MSP Abel/Roth Vote: 5-0 (first student day for 2013-14 is August 28, 2013)

Superintendent Penny Weaver said that she, along with SVEA President Michael Hanson and Brook Knoll teacher Ann Codd, attended the countywide calendar committee meeting hosted by the Santa Cruz County Office of Education on January 14, 2013. Prior to that meeting SVUSD initiated a parent and staff calendar survey using Survey Monkey. The results show the majority of staff and parents prefer August 28, 2013 as the first day of school for the 2013-14 school year. The district does have an interest in being compatible with other districts in the county due to the transportation requirements for some special needs students as addressed in their IEPs. The next countywide calendar meeting is scheduled after the district's February 5th Board meeting, so the calendar will be brought back to the Board for approval later in February.

B. BUSINESS

Clark

1. Accept Information on the Governor's Proposed 2013-2014 California State Budget

MSP Shulman/Roth Vote: 5-0

Chief Business Official Vickie Clark, along with Superintendent Weaver, Director of Business Services Ramirez, and SVEA President Hanson, attended the Governor's Proposed Budget workshop in Sacramento on January 15, 2013. Ms. Clark pointed out the presentation to the Board is based on the Governor's proposal, but will give the district an opportunity to begin planning. Board members asked clarifying questions. *The presentation is posted to the district web site at <http://www.svusd.santacruz.k12.ca.us>.*

C. CONSENT AGENDA

Board President Art Bubb announced the Board received a request to move C2 for public comment.

Wendy Brannan addressed the Board regarding agenda item C2.

MSP Shulman/Roth Vote: 5-0

1. Approve Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of January 8, 2013

2. Approve the 2011-2012 School Accountability Report Cards for Brook Knoll, Vine Hill, Scotts Valley Middle and Scotts Valley High Schools

3. Accept for Information the Quarterly Uniform Complaint Report Under Williams Legislation

4. Accept Donations to Scotts Valley Unified School District

5. Approve the Certificated Action Report

6. Approve the Classified Action Report

7. Approve Warrants

ADJOURNMENT

Board President Art Bubb adjourned the public session at 8:00 p.m.

Minutes Recorded By:

Minutes Approved By:

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Administrative Assistant to Superintendent

Michael Shulman
Clerk to the Board of Trustees