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BOARD OF TRUSTEES Minutes of Regular Meeting February 5, 2013

CLOSED SESSION: 5:30pm
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 5:30 p.m. **Board members present:** Art Bubb, John Abel, Michael Shulman, Debbie Johnson and Sue Roth. Also in attendance were Superintendent Penny Weaver and Chief Business Official Vickie Clark.

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION at 5:30 p.m.

- A. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code 54957)** Superintendent mid-year evaluation
- 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. **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 6:00 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, Chief Business Official Vickie Clark, Human Resources Administrator Carolyn Lewis, Scotts Valley High School Principal Valerie Bariteau, Vine Hill Elementary School Principal Michelle Stewart, Brook Knoll Elementary School Principal Sharlene Santos, and Scotts Valley Middle School Principal Mary Lonhart.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CLOSED SESSION ACTION REPORT

- A. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code 54957)** Superintendent mid-year evaluation.
Board President Art Bubb reported the Board will reconvene Closed Session at the end of the regular meeting to continue discussion.

- 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 no action to report.
- C. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE (Government Code Section 54957)** Board President Art Bubb reported the Board voted 5-0 to place a classified employee on a mandatory leave of absence.

SET THE AGENDA

MSP Shulman/Roth Vote: 5-0

Student Advisory Vote: Aye

BOARD UPDATE/DISCUSSION

- Board Vice President Sue Roth said she attended the SVEF meeting last Thursday evening. SVEF has requested a letter of needs from the district as they are beginning budget planning. They also need help with the May 4th scheduled Mt. Charlie Challenge. Volunteers can sign-up online at <http://www.svef.net/events/mt-charlie-challenge/>. Ms. Roth also attended a Santa Cruz Leadership Group meeting where the featured speaker, Barry Posner of Santa Clara Business School, discussed the attributes of leadership. Ms. Roth thanked Superintendent Weaver for exhibiting many of those attributes.
- Board Clerk Michael Shulman said he was awakened early Sunday morning by a fire alarm. Superintendent Weaver and SVHS Principal Bariteau explained there was a wiring problem and it is being corrected.
- Board member Debbie Johnson said she and Board President Bubb attended the SCCOE Safe Schools Consortia on January 29, 2013. She said she feels the district is definitely on the right path, working with the county Fire Marshalls and procuring the appropriate locking mechanisms. Board President Bubb concurred with Ms. Johnson regarding the meeting and said it was very nice to have so many fire and police representatives in attendance.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Good news from Beth Hollenbeck, Director of Choir and Band. Superintendent Weaver shared pictures from the Music Festival where SVMS eighth grader Alicia Snyder won the honor of Outstanding Vocalist. Scotts Valley Middle School Principal Mary Lonhart added that Alicia received a full scholarship to a summer music camp because of this honor. The students had to try out for this competition and Director Beth Hollenbeck encouraged them to try for this.
- The district received a Certificate of Recognition for meeting the Tobacco Free School District criteria.
- Superintendent Weaver thanked Board members for participating in the county wide Emergency Preparedness and Crisis Management Training last month.
- Administrators have finished the first round of staffing meetings. The district is looking at stability with current enrollment, kindergarten numbers and an increase in transitional kindergarten students with the expanded entry dates for age.
- Superintendent Weaver attended the Special Education Coordinating Agency meeting SECA at the county level where funding models were considered. There will be further discussion regarding the funding models.
- Superintendent Weaver attended Program Implementation Visit at SVMS where she observed sixth grade classes. Ms. Weaver said that there is no doubt in her mind why SVMS was selected for recognition for the Schools to Watch program.
- The Leadership Team in their professional development meetings have been exploring 21st Century Learning framework with concentration into Common Core.
- Superintendent Weaver attended the Superintendent's Symposium in Monterey last week where there was good participation. Speaker Ken Kay, co-author of The Leader's Guide to 21st Century Education: 7 Steps for Schools and Districts was excellent and educators from Santa Cruz County were hosted by SCCOE to extra time with Mr. Kay. Ms. Weaver expressed her appreciation for the support from the SCCOE and partnership with them for educational services.
- Curriculum Council was held last Thursday where Director of Student Services presented the first part of the year data for piloting a new online benchmark assessments system. The group also discussed the four C's, Critical

Thinking and Problem Solving, Communication and Collaboration, and Creativity and Innovation. All four are critical in implementing the Common Core Standards.

STUDENT ADVISORY MEMBER'S REPORT

Student Advisory Member Jillian Koopman said that she had been sick. CAHSEE testing is going on now for Sophomores and we are working on the Ping Pong Tournament and the SVHS Expo and Open House will be held the night of February 27, 2013.

SCZCSBA REPORT

Board Vice President Sue Roth said that she is happy to report that most districts in the county are reviewing the resolution on gun violence. She asked for permission from the Board to take a draft copy of the letter to legislators regarding student safety to share with other districts. Other districts are also requesting information regarding our Governance Handbook and how we handle the process.

SVEA REPORT

No report.

MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC

Wendy Brannan addressed the Board regarding school facilities.

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

A. EDUCATION SERVICES

Fippin

1. Receive for Information the Summary Report of the 2012 Physical Fitness Test

Director of Student Services explained that education code requires that districts annually assess the physical fitness of students in grades 5, 7 and 9. She presented an overview of the requirements for Physical Fitness Testing as well as our district's most recent results. Superintendent Weaver added that she and Board President Bubb will be attending a meeting of the Falcon Club tomorrow night where they will discuss the merits of athletics in students' health. Board members asked clarifying questions. *This presentation is available for viewing/printing on the district website at <http://www.svusd.santacruz.k12.ca.us/>*

Wendy Brannan addressed the Board regarding this agenda item.

B. ADMINISTRATION

Weaver

1. Approve a Proposed Plan to Conduct a Needs Assessment and Master Facility Plan for Each of the District's Four Schools

MSP Abel/Shulman Vote: 5-0 (approval to conduct a Needs Assessment only) **Student Advisory Vote: Aye**

Superintendent Penny Weaver reminded the Board that Goal 3 of the SVUSD Strategic Plan addresses facilities needs. She introduced Sally Swanson and Carlos Velilla of Sally Swanson Architects, Inc. who gave a detailed presentation of their work with other school districts and the components, process, and utilization of a Needs Assessment, Facility Assessment and Master Plan. Board members asked clarifying questions and consulted with Chief Business Official Vickie Clark regarding funding.

Wendy Brannan addressed the Board regarding this agenda item.

2. Discuss the Draft Resolution "Measures to Support a Reduction in Gun Violence" as presented to the Santa Cruz County School Boards Association

MSP Shulman/Abel Vote: 5-0 (to be brought back with modifications) **Student Advisory Vote: Aye**

Superintendent Weaver asked Board Vice President Sue Roth to begin the Board discussion. Board Vice President Sue Roth said that the resolution was presented at the January 10, 2013 SCZCSBA meeting and it was recommended that each member district bring the draft resolution forward during a regular Board of Trustees meeting for discussion and possible action. Board discussion included modification of wording and asking that the resolution be modified and brought back to the next Board meeting for final approval.

- 3. **Discuss the Draft Letter to Legislators Regarding Funding Priority for School Safety**
MSP Shulman/Roth Vote: 5-0 (to be brought back with modifications) **Student Advisory Vote: Aye**
 Superintendent Penny Weaver said that this was an exciting letter to draft, concerning school security and the request that the state fund it accordingly. Board members asked clarifying questions and requested modifications.
- 4. **Adopt Resolution Number 13-013 in Support of the Week of the School Administrator**
MSP Shulman/Roth Roll Call Vote: 5-0 (to be brought back with modifications) **Student Advisory Vote: Aye**
 Superintendent Penny Weaver said it was her pleasure to bring forth this resolution to acknowledge our principals and administrators for their outstanding leadership. . Board Members expressed their appreciation for the hard work and dedication of the administrators in our district.

C. CONSENT AGENDA

Board member Abel requested C4 be pulled for clarification. Board Vice President Roth requested clarification on C3.

MSP Abel/Shulman Vote: 5-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye

- 1. **Approve Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of January 22, 2013**
- 2. **Approve the Agreement for BK Consulting Services to Facilitate Strategic Planning and Board Workshop Sessions**
- 3. **Approve Part Two of the Consolidated Application for Fiscal Year 2012-2013**
- 4. **Approve the Surplus of Books and Materials and the Disposal of Inoperable Equipment**
- 5. **Approve the Contract with Medical Billing Technologies, Inc. to Process District Claims for Local Educational Agency (LEA) Medi-Cal Direct Services Billing**
- 6. **Approve the Certificated Action Report**
- 7. **Approve the Classified Action Report**
- 8. **Approve Warrants**

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION at 8:00 p.m.

Board President Art Bubb adjourned to closed session at 8:00 p.m. to resume discussion on closed session agenda item A.

ADJOURNMENT OF CLOSED SESSION at 8:25p.m.

Minutes Recorded By:

Minutes Approved By:

Brenda Spalding
Administrative Assistant to Superintendent

Michael Shulman
Clerk to the Board of Trustees