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BOARD OF TRUSTEES Minutes of Regular Meeting April 9, 2013

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 6:02 p.m. **Board members present:** Art Bubb, Michael Shulman, Sue Roth, and John Abel, who arrived at 6:15 p.m. **Absent:** Debbie Johnson and Student Advisory Member Jillian Koopman. 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

Board President Bubb report Board member Abel would be late due to traffic congestion.

SET THE AGENDA

MSP Shulman/Roth Vote: 3-0 (Board Members Abel and Johnson absent)

BOARD UPDATE/DISCUSSION

- Board Vice President Sue Roth attended the SVEF meeting on March 28th along with Superintendent Weaver where the district presented a letter requesting funds for the 2013-14 school year to cover the cost of library clerks, literacy coach, and counseling. The SVEF will make a decision at their next meeting. Ms. Roth also attended the Schools to Watch celebration at Scotts Valley Middle School. She congratulated staff and students on receiving this honor.
- Board Clerk Michael Shulman also attended the Schools to Watch celebration and said he sent an email informing former SVUSD Superintendent of the honor since what we have is built on prior work. Mr. Shulman is continuing to help with grading of the IB essays and finds it very interesting to see the quality of work. It has been a good experience.
- Board President Art Bubb also attended the SVMS Schools to Watch celebration. He said it was wonderful to see Assemblyman Mark Stone and Supervisor Bruce McPherson in attendance. Mr. Bubb extended his thanks to the SVMS staff and students for the hard work required to obtain this honor.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Superintendent Penny Weaver said that she received some correspondence from the Superintendent Joanna Rummer of Sierra Sands Unified School District regarding sufficient funding for school districts. Since it's not agendaized we can't discuss it tonight, but would the Board like to have it on a future Board agenda?
- The Scotts Valley Middle School "Schools to Watch" celebration was amazing. Congratulations to the staff and students for a job well done.
- The Curriculum Council meeting was held this afternoon and we worked on wordsmithing our action goals. A draft will be brought to the Board at a future meeting.
- The district has received 529 completed Needs Assessment Surveys. The survey will be open until this Friday. We will be conducting meetings at each site to talk with staff and students regarding their particular sites' needs.

- The district has begun the recruitment phase for teachers for next year and the Interim IT position has been filled with Kat Beebee.
- Superintendent Weaver announced that Student Advisory Member Jillian Koopman was not able to attend tonight but asked that the Comcast Cares Day scheduled for April 27 be announced and that volunteers are still needed.

SVEA REPORT

Mike Hanson, SVEA President, said he will wait to speak during agenda item # C2.

MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC

Katie Bagley addressed the Board regarding the upcoming SVEF events and volunteers needed for the May 4th Mt. Charlie Challenge.

Marilyn Garrett addressed the Board regarding harmful microwaves in schools.

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

A. EDUCATION SERVICES

Fippin

1. Receive for Information on State Assessment Schedule for the District

MSP Shulman/Abel Vote: 4-0

Director of Student Services Gerri Fippin presented an overview of the district wide assessment calendar for the 2012-13 school year. Board members asked clarifying questions. *The presentation is available on the district website at <http://www.svusd.santacruz.k12.ca.us/>.*

2. Receive Information on the District's Special Education Summer School Program for 2012-2013

MSP Roth/Shulman Vote: 4-0

Director of Student Services Gerri Fippin provided information regarding the upcoming summer school program for students in Preschool through 8th grade, as well as students in the Severely Handicapped Class. Board members asked clarifying questions. *The presentation is available on the district website at <http://www.svusd.santacruz.k12.ca.us/>.*

B. ADMINISTRATION

Weaver

1. Discuss and Finalize the Process for Filling a Board Vacancy

MSP Shulman/Abel Vote: 4-0 (appointment to position and with modification of age limit)

Superintendent Penny Weaver reported that Santa Cruz County Office of Education Superintendent Michael Watkins received a letter of resignation from Board member Debbie Johnson on March 28, 2013. Consequently, the Board has 60 days to either call a special election or make a provisional appointment. The Board action for the current vacancy must be taken on or before Monday, May 27, 2013. Ms. Weaver presented draft information, application and process regarding filling a provisional appointment to the Board of Trustees and asked the Board to review. President Bubb asked the Board for discussion regarding a special election, which would cost the district approximately \$70,000 or making a provisional appointment. Board members asked clarifying questions and concurred to make a provisional appointment to the position. Superintendent Weaver said that, in compliance with the Brown Act, one or two Board members could paper screen applications and then have the applicants come before the Board at the May 14th Board meeting. The deadline for filing applications will be April 30, 2013 at 4:00 p.m.

2. **Accept for First Reading the CSBA Updates to the Following Board Policies and/or Administrative Regulations: 3260 – Fees and Charges, 3543 – Transportation Safety and Emergencies, 4030 – Nondiscrimination in Employment, 4161.2 – Personal Leaves, 4217.3 – Layoff/Rehire, 5113.1 – Chronic Absence and Truancy, 5125 – Student Records, 6161.1 – Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials, 6161.11 – Supplementary Instructional Materials, 7214 – General Obligation Bonds, 9322 – Agenda/Meeting Materials, 9323.2 – Actions by the Board**

MSP Shulman/Roth Vote: 4-0 (with modifications)

Superintendent Penny Weaver gave a brief overview of the substantial changes to the policies and administrative regulations and detailed information regarding the changes to policy 3260. Board members asked clarifying questions.

Rhonda McEntee and **Wendy Brannan** addressed the Board regarding policy 3260.

3. **Adopt the CSBA Updates to the Following Board Policies and Administrative Regulations: 5141.31 – Immunizations, 514 – Discipline, 5144.1 Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process, 5145.6 – Parental Notifications, 6170.1 – Transitional Kindergarten, 6173.1 – Education for Foster Youth, and 6174 – Education for English Language Learners**

MSP Shulman/Roth Vote: 4-0

C. BUSINESS

Clark

1. **Accept for Information the 2013-2014 General Fund Revenue Assumptions**

MSP Abel/Shulman Vote: 4-0

Chief Business Official Vickie Clark presented an overview of the revenue assumptions and any predicted changes.

2. **Approve the Scotts Valley Unified School District 2013-2014 Preliminary Budget for Staffing**

MSP Abel/Shulman Vote: 4-0 (approval of proposed items for enrollment support (blue sheet) and part of items for curriculum, program and professional development support (yellow sheet) with the exception of registrar and counseling positions)

Superintendent Penny Weaver reminded the Board that this discussion began at the last Board meeting on March 26th and continues now with the Superintendent's recommendation that the district can afford the proposed staffing levels and associated costs. Board members asked clarifying questions.

Mike Hanson and **Josh Wahl** addressed the Board regarding this agenda item.

D. CONSENT AGENDA

MSP Shulman/Abel Vote: 4-0

1. **Approve Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of March 26, 2013**

2. **Approve the Classified Action Report**

ADJOURNMENT

Board President Art Bubb adjourned the public session at 8:25 p.m.

Minutes Recorded By:

Minutes Approved By:

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Administrative Assistant to Superintendent

Michael Shulman
Clerk to the Board of Trustees