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BOARD OF TRUSTEES Minutes of Regular Meeting May 14, 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, Michael Shulman, and Sue Roth. **Absent:** John Abel and Kim Shultz. Also in attendance was Superintendent Penny Weaver.

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

CLOSED SESSION – 5:30 p.m.

- A. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9) Case: 1**
- B. **CONSIDERATION OF THE EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION OF PERFORMANCE, DISCIPLINE, OR DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE (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 6:04 p.m. **Board members present:** Art Bubb, Michael Shulman, Sue Roth, and substitute Student Advisory Member Ben Roumimper. **Absent:** Board Members John Abel, Kim Shultz, 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, Scotts Valley Middle School Principal Mary Lonhart, and Brook Knoll Elementary School Principal Sharlene Santos.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CLOSED SESSION ACTION REPORT

- A. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9) Case: 1**
Board President Art Bubb reported the Board received information and gave direction to staff to offer a settlement.
- B. **CONSIDERATION OF THE EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION OF PERFORMANCE, DISCIPLINE, OR DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC EMPLOYEE (Government Code Section 54957)**
Board President Art Bubb reported the Board received information, no action taken.

SET THE AGENDA

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

Student Advisory Vote: Aye

BOARD UPDATE/DISCUSSION

- Board Vice President Sue Roth attended the Rotary Club Student Recognition Awards and as usual it was one of the best evenings of the year. Ms. Roth also attended the SVEF meeting on April 25th and they will be meeting tonight to discuss the funds from the Mt. Charlie Challenge and how those funds will be disbursed. The Lynn Beebe Scholarship Foundation is reviewing applications of candidates. Recipients of the scholarship will receive counseling services to guide them through secondary education.
- Board Clerk Michael Shulman attended the SVHS Art Night and found it interesting to see how the integration of technology allows everyone an avenue for artistic expression. He proctored the IB exam where students took the testing very seriously. Mr. Shulman participated and finished the Mr. Charlie Challenge as did Board member John Abel. There was a great party and food at the end with Superintendent Weaver helping to serve. Approximately 145 riders participated and everyone made it safely.
- Board President Art Bubb said he has noticed a wonderful plaque at SVMS declaring them a Schools to Watch and there will soon be a plaque for their recognition as a California Distinguished School. The SVHS will be receiving two banners proclaiming them as California Distinguished School.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Superintendent Penny Weaver said Sally Swanson of Sally Swanson Architects, Inc. will be here tonight to present information from the Needs Assessment surveys and interviews.
- STAR testing has been completed at all school sites. Mr. Bubb is free to visit the school sites again.
- Chief Business Official Vickie Clark and Superintendent Weaver have been working with department heads to build budgets for the 2013-14 school year.
- SVEF Mt. Charlie Challenge was amazing. Superintendent Weaver said Board members, staff, students, parents, and many others participated in the ride with a great barbecue afterwards.
- Superintendent Weaver attended the SVHS Art Night and SVMS Open House last Thursday evening. The SVMS Open House was very well attended and the Art Night exhibits were truly amazing creations.
- Tomorrow the district will host the Joint City/School Committee meeting at 4:30 pm with discussion of collaboration between the district and city.

STUDENT ADVISORY MEMBER'S REPORT

Substitute Student Advisory Member Ben Roumimper said students have a couple of busy weeks coming up. The SVMS and SVHS Band and Choir will be performing tomorrow night at 7:00 pm. The SVHS Powderpuff Football followed by the annual Mr. SVHS Pageant and pasta and barbecue is scheduled for Friday. The proceeds from the Mr. SVHS Pageant will go to the American Cancer Society and the proceeds from the Powderpuff Football game will go to help fund lights for the football field. A lot of activities for seniors are coming up soon.

SCZCSBA REPORT

Board Vice President Sue Roth said that SCZCSBA met last Thursday at Harbor High School. There was an excellent presentation on Common Core by the SCCOE and they are hoping to do similar presentations in the fall for Board members to focus on what Board members should be looking at with Common Core. Santa Cruz City Schools are denying approximately 55 interdistrict requests into their district due to over-crowding. The Santa Cruz County School Board will be looking at these denials at their next meeting. Legislators are reviewing legislation supporting lowering the 2/3 requirement to pass a parcel tax to 55%. Districts are discussing whether it would help to do a resolution to show support. There was also discussion of a resolution to support immigration reform, but it was decided that was out of the realm of school districts. All districts in the county including the SCCOE approved a resolution supporting funding for student safety and mental health issues.

SVEA REPORT

SVEA President Mike Hanson wished Director of Student Services Gerri Fippin good luck in her new position for 2013-14 school as Principal of Soquel Elementary School. Mr. Hanson will be accompanying Superintendent Weaver, CBO Clark and Director of Business Services Ramirez to the May Revised Budget workshop on Monday, May 20th. He expressed hopes for good news. Mr. Hanson attended the Special Board meeting on May 7th where Board members provisionally appointed Mr. Kim Shultz to the Board vacancy and felt the Board made a good choice for a candidate who will have the same goals. SVEA is actively putting together a survey, which will be presented to administrators, regarding what is working and what is not working. The IB Celebration Night is scheduled for May 21st and the Senior Awards Night is scheduled for May 22nd. Testing is mostly complete. We are also working with families and the Middle School to transition students from 8th grade to high school 9th grade.

MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC

Wendy Brannan addressed the Board regarding groups, such as PTA, Parent Club, SVEF, and Falcon Club, and their fundraising programs.

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

A. ADMINISTRATION

Weaver

1. Receive for Information a Needs Assessment Update for Each of the District's Four Schools

MSP Shulman/Roth Vote: 3-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye

Superintendent Penny Weaver introduced Sally Swanson of Sally Swanson Architects, Inc. to provide the Board with a progress report on the assessments for the district's four schools which will set the groundwork for the facilities Master Plan. Ms. Swanson presented detailed information gathered from online surveys and meetings with student and staff groups from each school. Board members asked clarifying questions and discussed next steps scenarios. *The presentation is available on the district website at <http://www.scottsvalleyusd.org/>.*

Wendy Brannan addressed the Board regarding this agenda item.

2. Receive for Information a Staff Report of Graduation Requirements

MSP Roth/Shulman Vote: 3-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye

Superintendent Penny Weaver said staff has prepared a report on graduation requirements as requested by the Board. Scotts Valley High School Principal Valerie Bariteau presented detailed information regarding the requirements to graduate and receive a diploma from Scotts Valley High School. The graduation requirements were compared with the state mandated requirements, IB diploma program, other high schools in the county, and with UC and CSU requirements for freshman admission. Board members asked clarifying questions. *The presentation is available on the district website at <http://www.scottsvalleyusd.org/>.*

B. BUSINESS

Clark

1. Receive for Information the County Office of Education's Review and Comments for the Scotts Valley Unified School District's Second Interim Report for the 2012-2013 Fiscal Year

MSP Shulman/Roth Vote: 3-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye

Chief Business Official Vickie Clark said the County Office of Education (COE) has reviewed the Second Interim Report for Scotts Valley Unified School District and concurs with the district's positive certification. On Monday, May 20th Chief Business Official Clark, Superintendent Weaver, Director of Business Services Ramirez, and SVEA President Hanson will attend the May Revised Budget workshop to learn the latest regarding the state budget. Information will be reported to the Board at the May 28th Board meeting. Board members asked clarifying questions.

C. PERSONNEL

Lewis

1. Approve the Annual Declaration of Need Form

MSP Shulman/Roth Vote: 3-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye

Human Resources Administrator Carolyn Lewis explained that this form is required annually for school districts who anticipate hiring any personnel on the basis of an emergency CLAD, BCLAD or Limited Assignment Teaching Permit. This form is also used for any emergency Resource Specialists and Language Speech and Hearing Specialists. The district has not needed to utilize the form in the last few years. Board members asked clarifying questions.

D. CONSENT AGENDA

MSP Roth/Shulman Vote: 3-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye

Wendy Brannan addressed the Board regarding agenda items D2 and D5.

1. Approve Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of April 23, 2013

2. Approve Minutes from the Special Board Meeting of May 7, 2013

3. Approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Santa Cruz County Office of Education for Sharing the Costs of Implementing, Operating and Supporting the Digital Schools Suite/Plus™ Financial System

4. Approve the Sixth-Grade Student Trip to the Yosemite Institute for the 2013-14 School Year

5. Approve the New Job Descriptions for: Director of Educational Services and Technology Support and Data Compliance Technician

6. Approve the Certificated Personnel Action Report

7. Approve the Classified Action Report

8. Approve Warrants

ADJOURNMENT

Board President Art Bubb adjourned the public session at 8:34 p.m.

Minutes Recorded By:

Minutes Approved By:

Brenda Spalding
Administrative Assistant to Superintendent

Michael Shulman
Clerk to the Board of Trustees