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BOARD OF TRUSTEES Minutes of Regular Meeting December 14, 2010

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

PUBLIC SESSION CALLED TO ORDER

Board President Michael Shulman called the Public Session to order at 6:01 p.m. **Board Members present:** Michael Shulman, Larry Beaman, Sue Roth, and Student Advisory Member Blaire Ward. **Administration present:** Superintendent Susan Silver, Chief Business Official Karen Jelcick, Director of Curriculum and Instruction Kathy Dunton, Director of Student Services Gerri Fippin, Human Resources Administrator Carolyn Lewis, Director of Business Services Vickie Clark, Scotts Valley High School Principal Valerie Bariteau, Scotts Valley Middle School Assistant Principal Tracey Bosso, and Brook Knoll Elementary Principal Phil Menchaca.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS

Superintendent Susan Silver administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Board Members Art Bubb and John Abel. Mr. Bubb and Mr. Abel officially took their seats on the Board.

ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING:

Members of the Board will Select:

A. Officers:

1. President – Larry Beaman
MSP Bubb//Abel Vote: 5-0
2. Vice President – Art Bubb
MSP Abel/Shulman Vote: 5-0
3. Clerk – Sue Roth
MSP Bubb/Abel Vote: 5-0

B. Superintendent as Secretary to the Board of Trustees

- ##### **C. Reapproval of all current Board Policies and accompanying Administrative Regulations**
- MSP Bubb/Shulman Vote: 5-0**

D. Appointment of Scotts Valley Schools Financing Corporation Corporate Officers

MSP Abel/Shulman Vote: 5-0

1. President – Larry Beaman
2. Vice President – Art Bubb
3. Clerk – Sue Roth
4. Members – Michael Shulman and John Abel

E. Regular Board Meeting Schedule, Including Place and Time

MSP Abel/Shulman Vote: 5-0

January 11, 2011	April 26, 2011	September 13, 2011
January 25, 2011	May 10, 2011	September 27, 2011
February 8, 2011	May 24, 2011	October 11, 2011
February 22, 2011	June 14, 2011	October 25, 2011
March 8, 2011	June 28, 2011 (tentative)	November 15, 2011
March 22, 2011	August 9, 2011	December 13, 2011
April 12, 2011		

F. Board President’s Appointments to Committees:

Scotts Valley City/Schools meets every other month. Usually Board President and Vice President. Appointed **Larry Beaman** and **Art Bubb**, Alternate **John Abel**

Legislative Action Committee (LAC) Appointed **Sue Roth**

Santa Cruz County School Boards Association (SCCSBA) Appointed **Sue Roth**
Alternate **Art Bubb**

MSP Abel/Shulman Vote: 5-0 (to ratify all appointments)

ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:16 p.m.

SET THE AGENDA

MSP Roth/Bubb Vote: 5-0

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Superintendent Susan Silver gave a brief overview of an ACSA discussion she attended at CSBA Conference regarding Governor Elect Brown and how he may handle the State’s fiscal crisis and particularly education. Governor Brown’s experience with the Oakland School District has given him insight into education’s dilemma of more and more federal and state mandates with no funding to support the work. He is interested in gathering data to determine what will happen in the classroom tomorrow. Superintendent Silver also explained the waiver process for extending the SARC posting deadline and the deadlines imposed by CDE

STUDENT ADVISORY MEMBER’S REPORT

Student Advisory Member Blair Ward said that twelve trees were donated by Scotts Valley Rotary and had been planted on the grassy knoll at the high school to provide shade for students during the lunch break. Friday is the Holiday Assembly and all students are looking forward to the winter break.

SCCSBA/CSBA REPORT

Board Clerk Sue Roth said that information would be discussed during the agenda item B1.

MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC – ORAL

Wendy Brannan addressed the Board regarding a lawsuit by the ACLU.

Ann Codd, SVEA President, addressed the Board to welcome the new Board Members and express her hopes for a new direction and positive communication with the Board.

Charlotte Multer, SVEF President, addressed the Board to thank the outgoing Board Members for their years of service and welcome the new Board Members. The SVEF has collected approximately \$111,000 in donations which does not include the SVEF Tree Lot and approximately \$72,000 for Dollar-A-Day.

Aaron Hinde, Santa Cruz County Board President, addressed the Board to congratulate the new Board Members and new elected officers and said he was looking forward to continued collaboration.

Peter McLean addressed the Board to welcome the new Board Members and stated that the district would be having a Special Education Program review in January where a web site will be created for parents to have input if they can't attend meetings.

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

A. BUSINESS

1. Accept the Audit Report as Prepared by Chavan & Associates LLP, Certified Public Accountants for the 2009-10 Fiscal Year

MSP Abel/Bubb Vote: 5-0

Chief Business Official Karen Jelcick introduced Sheldon Chavan of Chavan & Associates LLP, Certified Public Accountants who gave an overview of the district audit and their findings. He went on to say the district had no exceptions and commended the Business Department staff on their professionalism and accuracy.

2. Receive Information About Parcel Tax Polling and Consultant Firm Options and Provide Direction Regarding Hiring One of the Firms

MSP Abel/Bubb Vote: 4-1 (Shulman opposed) to move forward with polling action and name two Board Members, Sue Roth and Art Bubb with John Abel as an alternate, to work with district staff and community parcel tax committee.

Chief Business Official Karen Jelcick introduced representatives from three companies, Godbe Research, TBWB Strategies and Dale Scott & Company, who presented information and options regarding conducting a parcel tax poll. Board Members asked clarifying questions. Chief Business Official Jelcick explained that district staff would need direction from the Board. Superintendent Silver suggested that the Board may want to select two Board Members to work with Chief Business Official Jelcick and herself.

Wendy Brannan, Derek Timm, Kellie Courneen, Ann Codd, and John Magliate addressed the Board expressing various opinions regarding a parcel tax poll.

The Board engaged in a lengthy discussion regarding the parcel tax poll, the likely outcome of the poll and possibility of a parcel tax being passed by the voters.

MSP Shulman/Bubb Vote: 5-0 to extend the meeting until 9:15 p.m.

Board President Larry Beaman opened the agenda for public comments.

Carlos Arcangeli, Derek Timm, Ann Codd, Kellie Courneen and Jondi Gumz addressed the Board expressing various opinions regarding a parcel tax poll.

B. ADMINISTRATION

1. Discuss the Draft Revision Bylaws of the Santa Cruz County School Boards Association and Provide Information to the Association

Board Clerk Sue Roth gave a brief background of the SCCSBA's process on developing the Bylaws. She introduced SCCSBA President Judy McGooden who answered question from the Board and noted revisions requested by Board Members. The Board agreed to the SCCSBA's Bylaws with revisions.

2. Nominate a Delegate to the CSBA Delegate Assembly

MSP Shulman/Bubb Vote: 5-0

Board Clerk Sue Roth gave a brief overview of the CSBA Delegate Assembly nomination process and background on nominee Rachel Dewey Thorsett.

C. CONSENT AGENDA

MSP Shulman/Roth Vote: 5-0

1. Approve Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of November 16, 2010

2. Approve a Lease Agreement with Pitney Bowes, Inc. for a Postage Meter Located in the District Office

3. Approve the Budget Actions from November 1, 2010 Through November 30, 2010

4. Approve the Surplus of Books and Materials and the Disposal of Inoperable Equipment

5. Accept Donations to Scotts Valley Unified School District

6. Approve the Classified Action Report

7. Approve Warrants

BOARD DISCUSSION

- Board Member Michael Shulman requested the Board set aside a future time to discuss the CSBA workshops.
- Board Member John Abel requested discussion of televising Board meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

Board President Michael Shulman adjourned the meeting at **9:15 p.m.**

Minutes Recorded By:

Minutes Approved By:

Brenda Spalding
Administrative Assistant to Superintendent

Sue Roth
Clerk to the Board of Trustees