

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Minutes of Regular Meeting
February 12, 2008

Closed Session:
District Office Conference Room
4444 Scotts Valley Dr., Ste. 5B
Scotts Valley, CA 95066

Public Session:
Scotts Valley City Council Chambers
One Civic Center Drive
Scotts Valley, CA 95066

AGENDA

PUBLIC SESSION CALLED TO ORDER:

Board President Allison Niday called the Public Session to order at 6:00 p.m. **Board members present:** Allison Niday, Sue Roth, Jondi Gumz, Joseph Espinola and Chuck Walker. Also in attendance were Superintendent Susan Silver and Chief Business Official Pat Kelban.

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION at 6:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION:

A. COLLECTIVE BARGAINING SESSION (Government Code Section 3549.1(d)) Executive session between the public school employer and its designated representative, Pat Kelban, for the purpose of giving direction regarding negotiations with Scotts Valley Education Association.

PUBLIC SESSION RECONVENED:

Board President Allison Niday reconvened the Public Session of the meeting at **7:00 p.m.** **Board Members present:** Allison Niday, Sue Roth, Jondi Gumz, Joseph Espinola, Chuck Walker and Student Advisory Member Chenisha Sangha. **Administration present:** Superintendent Susan Silver, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services Mary Navarro, Chief Business Official Pat Kelban, Director of Technology Shannon Calden and Human Resources Administrator Carolyn Lewis. **Principals present:** Brook Knoll Elementary Principal Kathy Frandle, Scotts Valley Middle School Principal Mary Lonhart, Scotts Valley Middle School Assistant Principal Tracey Bosso and Scotts Valley High School Principal Gregg Gunkel.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CLOSED SESSION ACTION REPORT:

A. COLLECTIVE BARGAINING SESSION (Government Code Section 3549.1(d))
No action taken.

SET THE AGENDA

Board President Allison Niday requested that agenda item D2 be moved prior to B1 to facilitate a possible guest speaker.

MSP Niday/Espinola 5-0 (with the above amendment) Student Advisory Vote: Aye

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Superintendent Susan Silver congratulated Board President Allison Niday on her appointment by CSBA's president to be on the Policy Platform Committee. Board President Niday currently chairs the district's Legislative Action Committee and is a member of CSBA's Delegate Assembly.
- Superintendent Silver received letters from the students in Michelle Stewart's fifth grade class at Vine Hill regarding what they would like to see changed at their school or district. The letters were all official and correctly written. Superintendent Silver visited the class to explain the procedures and areas that must be considered before changes are implemented. Superintendent Silver said the class discussion was very enjoyable and impressive. Overall the class wanted a cafeteria so they could eat lunch without being attacked by bees and more healthy choices for lunch.

MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC – ORAL

Members of the audience are welcome to address the Board at this time during the meeting regarding items not listed on this agenda. The Trustees may ask questions for clarity but cannot take action on those matters until such matters are appropriately placed on a future agenda, according to law.

The Governing Board may prohibit members of the public, who speak during the time permitted on the agenda for public expression, from commenting on matters that are not within the subject matter jurisdiction of the governing body. The Governing Board retains the discretion to adopt regulations at its meetings, which may limit the time for public discussion of items within its subject matter jurisdiction. Open Public Discussion at the beginning of the meeting is limited to 15 minutes. **For the record, please state your name at the beginning of your statement.**

No public comments received.

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

MSP Espinola/Roth 5-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye

A. CONSENT AGENDA

Silver

1. **Approve Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of January 29, 2008**
2. **Approve the Single School Plans for Student Achievement from Brook Knoll Elementary School and Vine Hill Elementary School**
3. **Approve the Certificated Action Report**
4. **Approve the Classified Action Report**
5. **Approve Warrants**

B. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

Navarro

1. **Approve the Middle and High Schools' Tobacco Use Prevention Education (TUPE) Grant Proposals and Applications for the 2008-2009 Grant Submission Cycle**

MSP Gumz/Roth 5-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye

Assistant Superintendent Educational Services Mary Navarro gave an overview of the grant and the application process. Superintendent Susan Silver explained that the district automatically receives some funds for the elementary grades but must apply for funding for the middle and high school grades. The annual Healthy Kids Survey indicates that tobacco use is not decreasing among students as much as we would like.

C. ADMINISTRATION

Silver

1. **Adopt Resolution #08-005 Opposing the Governor's Proposed Budget for 2008-09** **Action**

MSP Gumz/Espinola Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye

Superintendent Silver gave an overview of the Governor's proposed budget for 2008-09 and explained the impact it would have on our district and education statewide. The Education

Coalition, consisting of many educational organizations, has banded together for purposes of statewide legislative advocacy for California's students. School boards throughout the state are supporting passage of this resolution which will be sent to the governor and local legislators.

2. Begin Consideration of Options for Balancing the 2008-09 Budget

Superintendent Silver presented a possible scenario of the district's budget should the Governor's proposed budget be approved. The negative effect of these cuts on the district's budget would be in excess of \$900,000 for the 2008-09 school year. Scotts Valley is one of the lowest funded school districts in the state with few areas to trim.

Ann Codd, Rhonda McEntee, Victor Marani and Janice Manion addressed the Board regarding the agenda item

3. Receive for Information an Update on Technology in the District

Superintendent Silver congratulated the district's Director of Technology Shannon Calden on being the first district in a four county area to complete and have the District Technology Plan for 2008-2012 state certified. Director of Technology Shannon Calden explained that since the District Technology Plan has been certified by the state it allows the district to be eligible for funding such as Erate and other grants. PowerSchool is the program the Student Information System Selection Committee is recommending the district purchase to replace our current SIS. Finalized contracts will be returned to the Board for approval at a later time.

D. BUSINESS

Kelban

1. Review and Discuss for First Reading Resolution #08-006 Ordering an Election to Authorize Issuance of School Bonds, Establishing Specifications of the Election Order and Requesting Consolidation with Other Elections

MSP Roth/Espinola 5-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye

Chief Business Official Pat Kelban gave an overview of the decisions and process in drafting the resolution. Ruth Alahydoian of KNN Public Finance presented information regarding the Bond Measure including wording, content of the resolution and historical assumptions of tax rate.

****MSP Gumz/Roth 5-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye** (Motion was made by Board member Jondi Gumz to extend the meeting 15 minutes to 10:22 p.m.)

Jack Dilles, Peter Hartman, Jeanne Vrolyk, Nick Vrolyk, Reid Schantz, Tom Walsh, Russ Miller and Orion Latin address the Board regarding this agenda item.

****MSP Gumz/Roth 5-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye** (Motion was made by Board member Jondi Gumz to extend the meeting 15 minutes to 10:35 p.m.)

Victor Marani, Ann Codd, Par Friedenbach and Michael Shulman addressed the Board regarding this agenda item.

2. Authorize a Power Purchase Agreement with Andromeda Solar, Inc. (DBA Solar Technologies) of Santa Cruz, California (Moved from D2 to B1)

MSP Roth/Espinola 4-0 Gumz abstain Student Advisory Vote: Aye

John Waite of Waite Works, Inc. gave the Board information regarding a solar electric power purchase agreement for three district schools at the January 29th Board meeting. Due to time pressure caused by expiring State tax incentives, the administration requested approval of the contract subject to review by counsel. Cost to the district initially would be less than \$5,000 with an estimated savings of 2 million dollars over 25 year assuming P.G.E rates continue to increase at the historical rate.

E. PERSONNEL

Lewis

1. Approve the Resolution #08-004 Which Allows Teachers to Teach in a Subject Area According to Ed Code Section 44263

MSP Gumz/Walker Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye

BOARD DISCUSSION

Board President Allison Niday eliminated Board discussion due to the late hour.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES IN THE DISTRICT

Feb. 21, 2008	SVMS March Madness	6:00pm
Feb. 22, 2008	SVHS Dance	7-10:00pm Student Union
Feb. 27, 2008	SVHS – IB parent night for incoming 9 th graders	6:00pm Student Union
Feb. 28, 2008	District Music “Collage” Concert	7:00pm SVHS Student Union
March 1, 2008	Kindergarten Registration Begins	Brook Knoll & Vine Hill

OPEN HOUSE DATES

Feb. 20, 2008	SV High School Expo – BBQ & Open House	6:00-8:00pm
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FUTURE MEETING DATES

The next regularly scheduled Public Board Meetings will be held on:

- February 26, 2008
- March 11, 2008
- April 8, 2008
- April 22, 2008
- May 13, 2008
- May 27, 2008
- June 10, 2008
- June 24, 2008 (tentative)
- August 12, 2008
- September 9, 2008
- September 23, 2008
- October 14, 2008
- October 28, 2008
- November 18, 2008
- December 9, 2008

ADJOURNMENT

Board President Allison Niday adjourned the meeting at 10:25 p.m.

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