



# SCOTTS VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## BOARD OF TRUSTEES Minutes of Regular Meeting February 24, 2009

**CLOSED SESSION: 6:00pm**  
**DISTRICT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM**  
4444 Scotts Valley Dr., Ste. 5B  
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**PUBLIC SESSION: 7:00pm**  
**SCOTTS VALLEY CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
One Civic Center Drive  
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### **PUBLIC SESSION CALLED TO ORDER:**

Board President Sue Roth called the Public Session to order at 6:00 p.m. **Board members present:** Sue Roth, Jondi Gumz, Allison Niday, Larry Beaman and Michael Shulman. Also in attendance were Superintendent Susan Silver and Chief Business Official Karen Jelcick.

### **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, Karen Jelcick, for the purpose of giving direction regarding negotiations with Scotts Valley Education Association.
- B. COLLECTIVE BARGAINING SESSION (Government Code Section 3549.1(d))** Executive session between the public school employer and its designated representative, Susan Silver, for the purpose of giving direction regarding “meet and confer” process with Support Personnel Committee.

### **ADJOURNED CLOSED SESSION at 6:50 p.m.**

### **PUBLIC SESSION CALLED TO ORDER:**

Board President Sue Roth called the Public Session to order at 7:03 p.m. **Board Members present:** Sue Roth, Jondi Gumz, Allison Niday, Michael Shulman, Larry Beaman and Student Advisory Member Hannah Levy. **Administration present:** Superintendent Susan Silver, Chief Business Official Karen Jelcick, Director of Curriculum and Instruction Kathy Dunton, Human Resources Administrator Carolyn Lewis, Scotts Valley High School Principal Gregg Gunkel, Scotts Valley High School Assistant Principal Valerie Bariteau, Scotts Valley Middle School Principal Mary Lonhart, Brook Knoll Principal Kathy Frandle, Vine Hill Interim Principal Michelle Stewart and Food Service Supervisor Amy Hedrick.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

## **CLOSED SESSION ACTION REPORT**

### **A. COLLECTIVE BARGAINING SESSION (Government Code Section 3549.1(d))**

Direction was given.

### **B. COLLECTIVE BARGAINING SESSION (Government Code Section 3549.1(d))**

Direction was given.

## **SET THE AGENDA**

Board Clerk Michael Shulman requested Consent Agenda item D5 be moved to C3 for discussion.

**MSP Shulman/Niday 5-0** (with above modification) **Student Advisory Vote: Aye**

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

- The annual Strategic Planning Committee meeting will be held next Friday, March 6, 2009 in the Scotts Valley City Council Chambers. The task forces have been meeting with their groups and will report the status of the 2008-09 objectives. We will be reviewing our plan from last year and presenting a plan for the 2009-10 school year. It will then come to the Board for approval. This year is especially important because of the fiscal crisis in the state.
- The County Office of Education has been very supportive during this fiscal crisis. We will be looking at all programs with our focus on students.
- A community survey regarding budget priorities is being developed. The survey will be emailed to parents and noticed in the newspapers for the community.
- The SVMS has been participating in an assessment by NAEP which will compare our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to other 8<sup>th</sup> graders in other states and countries.

## **STUDENT ADVISORY MEMBER'S REPORT**

Student Advisory member Hannah Levy said students at the high school have been planning their general outline of classes for next year. The "Battle of the Bands" will be held in the student union on Friday and tomorrow night is the high school "Open House and Expo" where everyone is invited to come see what the school is all about. In the spring there will be a sports rally and dance.

## **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.**

**Wendy Brannan** addressed the Board regarding the email communication from the Superintendent to parents regarding the budget, the Strategic Plan, IB program, declining enrollment and layoffs.

**Peter McLean** addressed the Board regarding summer school and class size reduction.

**Ann Codd, President of SVEA** addressed the Board regarding the community survey.

**Carol Weisenstein, President of SVHS Parent Club** addressed the Board regarding the high school fundraiser "Dressed to the 09's" scheduled for 1-4 p.m. on March 22<sup>nd</sup> at the SV Community Center and the IB program.

**Charlotte Multer, SVEF** addressed the Board regarding the IB program and the SVEF fundraiser "Mt. Charlie Bike Ride" scheduled for April 25<sup>th</sup>.

## ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

### A. ADMINISTRATION

Silver

1. Receive Information about Santa Cruz New Teacher Project

Marney Cox and Cynthia Balthaser, representatives from the New Teacher Project, explained the project and the support it provides for the district's first and second year teachers.

2. Receive for First Reading the Single Plan for Student Achievement for Scotts Valley High School

**MSP Gumz/Niday 5-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye**

Scotts Valley High School Principal Gregg Gunkel and Assistant Principal Valerie Bariteau gave an in-depth presentation of the SVHS's Single Plan for Student Achievement. Math teachers Kathy Rausch and Toni Dunn presented examples of analyzing student achievement and progress using Data Director. The purpose of the SPSA is to provide a structured means to improve student academic performance that has been approved by both the School Site Council and the Board. Board members commended Mr. Gunkel, Ms Bariteau and the high school staff for their hard work on the SPSA and asked clarifying questions.

**Wendy Brannan** addressed the Board regarding this agenda item.

3. Vote for a Delegate to the 2009 CSBA Delegate Assembly

**MSP Gumz/Shulman 5-0**

Board members voted for incumbent and Board member Allison Niday who has been representing the Region 9-A for the district's vote for CSBA Delegate.

**\*9:18pm Student Advisory Member left due to the late hour.**

### B. BUSINESS

Jelcick

1. Accept Information on the 2008-09 and 2009-10 California Education Budget

Chief Business Official Karen Jelcick presented to the Board the high level details of the state budget with the focus on the current status of the Education budget for 2008-09 and 2009-10. The budget was passed this week by the Senate and the Assembly and signed by the Governor.

**John Magliato** addressed the Board regarding this agenda item.

2. Accept Donation to the Scotts Valley Unified School District

**MSP Niday/Shulman 5-0**

### C. PERSONNEL

Lewis

1. Approve the Board Resolution #09-017, Which Directs the Superintendent to Reduce or Eliminate Certain Certificated Services

**MSP Niday/Shulman Roll Call 5-0**

Superintendent Silver explained that the notification deadline for certificated personnel layoffs as a result of service reduction or elimination is March 15<sup>th</sup>. As more details are known about the state budget and its specifics, notices can be rescinded. Board members asked clarifying questions in regards to noticing other employee units. Classified employees must be noticed 45 days. A graph from the California Department of Education depicting teacher/student ratios and administrator/student ratios for the districts in Santa Cruz County show higher than average administrator/student ratios in the Scotts Valley Unified School District.

**Ann Codd** and **John Magliato** addressed the Board regarding this agenda item.

**\*10:00pm MSP Gumz/Shulman 5-0** (to extend meeting 15 minutes until 10:15pm)

**\*10:15pm MSP Shulman/Gumz 5-0** (to extend meeting 15 minutes until 10:30pm)

2. Approve the Board Resolution #09-018 Determination of Seniority Among Certificated Employees with the Same Seniority Date ("Tie-Breaker Resolution") Action  
MSP Niday/Beaman Roll Call 5-0
3. Approve the Retention of Architectural Roof Design Group Inc. for Design, Specifications and Drawings for the Replacement of Vine Hill Elementary School Permanent Building Roofs (moved from D5)MSP Niday/Gumz 5-0  
Board Clerk Michael Shulman asked if the Vine Hill roof really needed to be repaired at this time and what funding would be used. Chief Business Official Karen Jelcick and consultant John Waite of Waite Works, Inc. explained that this is the typical life span of this type of roof and repairs have been ongoing for quite some time. Funding would be from deferred maintenance.  
Wendy Brannan addressed the Board regarding repairs listed on the SARC.

\*10:30pm MSP Gumz/Niday 5-0 (to extend meeting 15 minutes until 10:45pm)

**D. CONSENT AGENDA**

Silver

MSP Niday/Shulman 5-0

1. Approve Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of February 10, 2009
2. Approve Minutes from the Fiscal Forum February 17, 2009
3. Adopt the Single Plan for Student Achievement from Scotts Valley Middle School
4. Approve the Revised 2007-2008 Administrative Salary Schedule
5. Approve the Retention of Architectural Roof Design Group Inc. for Design, Specifications and Drawings for the Replacement of Vine Hill Elementary School Permanent Building Roofs (moved to C3)
6. Approve the Retention of ADA Compliance Consultants for Civil Engineering Documents, Interior Restroom and Shower Drawings, and Design Services for ADA Compliance at Scotts Valley High School
7. Approve the Conversion of the Middle School Irrigation from Potable to Reclaimed Water
8. Approve the Certificated Personnel Action Report
9. Approve the Classified Action Report
10. Approve Warrants

**BOARD DISCUSSION**

Due to the late hour the Board passed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Board President Sue Roth adjourned the meeting at **10:35 p.m.**

Minutes Recorded By:

Minutes Approved By:

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Brenda Spalding  
Administrative Assistant to Superintendent

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Michael Shulman  
Clerk to the Board of Trustees