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BOARD OF TRUSTEES Minutes of Regular Meeting January 10, 2012

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

PUBLIC SESSION CALLED TO ORDER

Board President Larry Beaman called the Public Session to order at 6:00 p.m. **Board Members present:** Larry Beaman, Art Bubb, Sue Roth, John Abel, Michael Shulman (by phone, starting at 6:10 pm) and Student Advisory Member Alex Kalinowski. **Administration present:** Superintendent Penny Weaver, Director of Curriculum and Instruction Kathy Dunton, Director of Student Services Gerri Fippin, Human Resources Administrator Carolyn Lewis, Chief Business Official Vickie Clark, Scotts Valley High School Principal Valerie Bariteau, Scotts Valley Middle School Principal Mary Lonhart and Vine Hill Elementary Principal Michelle Stewart.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SET THE AGENDA

MSP Roth/Bubb Vote: 4-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Superintendent Penny Weaver bid everyone a Happy New Year. She gave a brief update on the state's budget work and expressed her hopes for signs of recovery in the near future. Ms. Weaver shared a story regarding the difference one degree can make. Water boils at 212 degrees, not 211 degrees, which can then produce steam which can move machines, trains, boats, etc. She encouraged everyone to be that one degree of difference.
- Superintendent Weaver, Chief Business Official Clark and Human Resources Administrator Lewis have been meeting with site administrators to begin the budget process which includes analysis of projected enrollment and staffing. On January 17th Ms. Weaver, Ms. Clark and SVMS teacher John Magliato will attend the Governor's Budget Workshop in Sacramento. Information from the workshop will be shared at site staff meetings.
- Last Saturday SVMS held a clean-up day in which forty-five volunteers participated. Grounds were cleaned and beautified, debris hauled away and areas received touch-up painting.
- Brook Knoll and Vine Hill have been working on their upcoming PTA auctions. Both events will be held in a new location this year at the Top of the Ritt on March 24th and March 17th respectively.
- The district has begun work on the 2012-13 student calendar. The County Office of Education is coordinating a countywide calendar for districts. Brook Knoll teacher Ann Codd is representing the district at these meetings with the next meeting scheduled for the end of January. The district hopes to bring a draft calendar to the Board in February.

STUDENT ADVISORY MEMBER'S REPORT

Student Advisory Member Alex Kalinowski said currently everyone is studying for finals next week but there a lot of exciting events coming up soon.

SCCSBA/CSBA REPORT

Board Member Sue Roth reported the next SCCSB meeting is scheduled for January 19th at the new San Lorenzo Valley Library. She is looking forward to seeing the new facility.

SVEA REPORT

SVEA President Mike Hanson said SVHS Principal Valerie Bariteau has been working directly with staff to inform students regarding the registration process for next year and thus assess enrollment. SVEA members are aware of the budget deficit for 2012-13 and working diligently on assessing enrollment to minimize the number of layoff notices that may have to be issued. Should the Board pass the education parcel tax resolution then SVEA will ask for a vote to show support of the resolution. Mr. Hanson mentioned that SVEA handles any challenges directly with the Superintendent.

MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC

Wendy Brannan addressed the Board regarding communication with the Superintendent, playgrounds and maintenance.

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

A. BUSINESS

Clark

1. **Approve Resolution Number 12-013 Authorizing District Employees to Sign Payroll and Vendor Warrant Orders and Other District Documents**

MSP Bubb/Roth Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye

Chief Business Official Vickie Clark explained that this is an annual resolution which is filed with the County Superintendent of Schools to verify signatures of authorized personnel to sign vendor and payroll orders. This resolution is being brought to the Board at this time due to staff changes.

2. **Approve the Following Resolutions to Appoint District Representatives for the Three Joint Powers Authorities: Resolution #12-014 for Santa Cruz County School Health Insurance Group for Medical, Dental and Vision; Resolution #12-015 for Southern Peninsula Region Insurance Group (SPRIG) for Property and Liability Insurance and Resolution #12-016 for Santa Cruz/San Benito County School Insurance Group for Workers Compensation**

MSP Abel/Bubb Roll Call Vote: 5-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye

Chief Business Official Vickie Clark explained that this resolution designates the voting representative of the district. It is being brought to the Board at this time due to staff changes.

B. ADMINISTRATION

Weaver

1. **Review a Draft Resolution Proposing an Education Parcel Tax Measure Establishing Specifications of the Election Order**

MSP Abel/Bubb Vote: 5-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye

Superintendent Weaver explained the adjustments made to the education parcel tax resolution since the last review by the Board on December 13, 2011. Input was received by Board member Michael Shulman and community member Allen Reames. The resolution language is still in process with another language work group to be scheduled. Ms. Weaver said she had discussed the opinion survey poll with two firms and selected the firm of Gene Bregman & Associates. Pending approval of the agreement by the Board Bregman & Associates they will conduct an opinion survey of voters in the district. Superintendent Weaver suggested having an attorney review the resolution language prior to passage. Board members' discussion included approval of the adjustments made to the resolution language and additional input, cost of mailings versus advertisements in newspapers, confidentiality of persons requesting exemption from the tax, and next steps after receiving opinion survey results.

2. **Receive a Report Regarding the International Baccalaureate (IB) Program at Scotts Valley High School by Staff**

MSP Roth/Abel 4-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye

Scotts Valley High School International Baccalaureate Coordinator Dave Crawford and Chief Business Official Vickie Clark presented detailed information regarding the IB Program at Scotts Valley High School including data on the current program, financial resources and expenditures, and goals for the future. On behalf of the Board President Beaman commended Mr. Crawford and the IB staff for their hard work and dedication to the students of the district. Board Members asked clarifying questions.

Wendy Brannan addressed the Board regarding this agenda item.

C. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Board Member Sue Roth requested a correction to D1. Sue Roth was appointed as Board representative to the Santa Cruz County School Boards Association (SCCSBA) and the alternate is Michael Shulman.

MSP Abel/Bubb Vote: 5-0 (with above correction) Student Advisory Vote: Aye

1. **Approve Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of December 13, 2011**
2. **Approve Gene Bregman & Associates Agreement for Public Opinion Survey**
3. **Approve Brook Knoll's Fourth Grade Overnight Field Trips to Coloma and Sacramento**
4. **Accept for Information the Quarterly Uniform Complaint Report Under Williams Legislation**
5. **Approve Warrants**

MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC

Mr. Keane addressed the Board to announce a fundraiser for the baseball team to be held at Bruno's on January 13th at 6:30 p.m.

BOARD DISCUSSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Board President Larry Beaman adjourned the meeting at **7:20 p.m.**

Minutes Recorded By:

Minutes Approved By:

Brenda Spalding
Administrative Assistant to Superintendent

Sue Roth
Clerk to the Board of Trustees