

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Minutes of Regular Meeting**  
**June 12, 2007**

**PUBLIC SESSION CALLED TO ORDER:**

Board President Allison Niday called the Public Session to order at 5:00 p.m. in the Conference Room at the Scotts Valley Unified School District, 4444 Scotts Valley Drive, 5B, Scotts Valley. **Board members present:** Allison Niday, Sue Roth, Jondi Gumz, and Joseph Espinola. **Not present:** Chuck Walker. **Administration present:** Superintendent Susan Silver.

**ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION AT 5:00 p.m.**

**CLOSED SESSION ACTION REPORT:**

Board President Allison Niday called the Closed Session to order at 5:00 p.m. in the Conference Room at the Scotts Valley Unified School District, 4444 Scotts Valley Drive, 5B, Scotts Valley. **Board members present:** Allison Niday, Sue Roth, Jondi Gumz, and Joseph Espinola. **Not present:** Chuck Walker. **Administration present:** Superintendent Susan Silver.

- A. **CONSIDERATION OF STUDENT EXPULSION (Education Code Section 48918(c))** The Board to receive and consider the recommendations from the Administrative Hearing Panel regarding the expulsion of Student #06/07-4.
- B. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code 54957)**  
Superintendent
- C. **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 negotiations with Scotts Valley Education Association.

**PUBLIC HEARING OPENED:**

Board President Allison Niday at the Scotts Valley City Council Chambers, One Civic Center Drive, Scotts Valley, opened the Annual Budget Report Hearing at 7:09 p.m. **Board members present:** Allison Niday, Sue Roth, Jondi Gumz, Joseph Espinola and Student Advisory Member Shelayne Hammack. **Not present:** Chuck Walker. **Administration present:** Superintendent Susan Silver; Chief Business Official Pat Kelban, Director of Business Services Liann Reyes, Human Resources Administrator Carolyn Lewis, District Food Services Manager Amy Hedrick, Assistant Superintendent Education Services Susan Walker arrived late. **Principals present:** Brook Knoll Elementary Principal Kathy Frandle, Vine Hill Elementary Principal Kathy Dunton, Scotts Valley High School Principal Gregg Gunkel.

**ADJOURNMENT OF PUBLIC HEARING:**

As there were no public comments regarding the Budget, the public hearing was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

**PUBLIC SESSION RECONVENED:**

The public session was reconvened at 7:10 p.m.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **CLOSED SESSION ACTION REPORT:**

- A. CONSIDERATION OF STUDENT EXPULSION (Education Code Section 48918(c)** The Board approved the recommendations from the Administrative Hearing Panel regarding the expulsion of Student #06/07-4 with amendments.
- B. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Government Code 54957)** The performance evaluation for the Superintendent was discussed.
- C. COLLECTIVE BARGAINING SESSION (Government Code Section 3549.1(d)**  
No action was taken.

### **SET THE AGENDA**

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

### **RETIREE RECOGNITION**

The Board enjoyed a musical performance by Vine Hill fifth grade students from Ms. Avila-White's class. They have recorded songs as part of the "Songwriters in the Classroom" project on a CD. Ms. Avila-White introduced her students and they sang "What Aloha Means" with ukulele accompaniment.

Kathy Dunton recognized retiring teachers MaryAnn Dominguez, Cheryl Hill, and Sue Camarena (not present) retiring from Vine Hill. She had worked with these teachers for over 20 years, and felt they were "the best humanity has to offer." The teachers were presented with certificates of appreciation.

Kathy Frandle recognized Lois Kohen (not present) who has been with the district for over 20 years as a Special Education instructional aide and is now retiring..

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Superintendent Susan Silver and members of the Leadership Team presented a Powerpoint report that celebrated the accomplishments of the year, and noted that she wanted to end the year on a positive note. The team has accomplished many things this year and these were shared in "Celebrating! 2006-07 In Review". Areas covered were Governance (Susan Silver), Student Achievement, Special Ed, (Susan Walker) SVHS (Gregg Gunkel), SVMS (Susan Silver), BK (Kathy Frandle), VH (Kathy Dunton), Independent Study (Peg Edwards & Anita Long), Facilities Maintenance and Operations (Pat Kelban), Business Office (Liann Reyes), Technology (Susan Silver), Food Services (Amy Hedrick), Human Resources (Carolyn Lewis), and Communication and Partnerships (Susan Silver).

### **MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC – ORAL**

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**Nicole Burriss** – Resigned math teacher from SVMS, stated her personal reasons for resignation.

**Sue Seden** – Resigned as math chair and teacher from SVMS. Noted that she has served as parent and staff member in district and stated her reasons for resignation. (Over ran time limit).

**Samantha Sommers** – Resigned as Spanish teacher from SVHS and stated her personal and professional reasons for her resignation.

**MaryAnn Dominguez** – Retiring teacher felt that many teachers work hard to meet student needs and encouraged the district to find a way to build a level of understanding and trust. (Over ran time limit)

**Colleen St. Denis** – Resigning Brook Knoll elementary teacher, stated her personal reasons for resignation.

Due to 15 minute time limit being exhausted, the remaining requests to speak to the Board were deferred to the end of the meeting where another 15 minute “matters from the public – oral” would be allowed.

## ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

### A. CONSENT AGENDA

Silver

1. Approve Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of May 22, 2007
2. Approve Minutes from the Special Budget Study Board Meeting of June 5, 2007
3. Approve the Standard Bethany University Student Teacher Agreement for the 2007-08 School Year
4. Approve the Bid for the Scotts Valley High School Modular Repair to Swenson & Associates
5. Approve the Bid for the Scotts Valley High School Roof Repair to Waterproofing Associates
6. Approve the Certificated Personnel Action Report
7. Approve the Classified Personnel Action Report
8. Approve Warrants

**RECOMMENDATION:** It is recommended that the Board approve the Consent Agenda as presented.  
**MSP Roth/Gumz 4-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye**

**Wendy Brannan** – Stated her opinion that public comment time was not reflected in the May 22, 2007 minutes.

### B. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

Walker

#### 1. Approve “Building Brighter Futures: The Career and Technical Education Capacity Building Plan For Santa Cruz County.”

Guest speakers Rock Pfothenhauer, Dean, Career Education and Economic Development Cabrillo College and Brian Wall, Assistant Director of ROP for the County Office of Education, shared a presentation with the Board regarding Career Tech Education (CTE). They are trying to introduce students to career choices sooner, starting at the middle school level. They stressed the importance of a high school program that articulates with the college program. CTE expands opportunities for students. Our economy is suffering serious shortages in many industries—carpenters, electricians, concrete/masonry, manufacturing, etc. Many require certificates or AA degrees. New bond money is available for local CTE expansion, and requires a 50% match. By approving the initial plan written by the COE in conjunction with Cabrillo, and by demonstrating an interest, the district has the opportunity to access the grant dollars for future CTE programs. Mr. Wall and Mr. Pfothenhauer would like the Board to adopt the county wide plan in order to access grant funding and are asking for endorsement. By doing so, the district can take advantage of the collaborative process that is established throughout the county, which results in greater funding opportunities and smoother transition for students. No single district can offer all opportunities, so it is good to collaborate with different sites. Santa Cruz City Schools, San

Lorenzo Valley, Live Oak, Pajaro Unified are all involved: each district that has a high school. While the specifics still need to be worked out, the approval would be for a broad based plan that envisions students having extended access and creation of magnet programs (for example, the auto shop at Watsonville High and Santa Cruz High) for all regionally.

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

**2. Approve the Proposed 2007-08 Gifted and Talented (GATE) Plan**

Julie Kruth presented the plan and was available to entertain any questions.

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

Note: At 9:20 p.m. Student Advisor Shelayne Hammack was dismissed from the meeting by Board President Niday in order to study for final exams.

**3. Approve for Adoption the State Standards in Science and History/Social Science**

**MSP Espinola/Gumz 4-0 Student Advisory Vote: Absent**

**C. ADMINISTRATION**

**Silver**

**1. Approve the Public Disclosure of the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Scotts Valley Education Association**

Pat Kelban, Chief Business Official discussed the required public disclosure costs of the 2006-07 settlement with SVEA. The County Office of Education's Jean Gardner assisted with completion of the form, and some of the information is in conjunction with 2007-08 budget. While the COE has not had a chance to reply (less than 10 days) to the disclosure, the Board can move ahead to ratify the agreement as our budget and interim certifications have been positive. It is important to note that the out years will need to cut \$100,000 in 2008-09 and an additional \$100,000 in 2009-10, requiring much work ahead. John Magliato, Lead Negotiator, questioned Pg 4c Economic Uncertainties percentage of 5% and questioned what the requirement was per the State. Ms. Kelban explained that you must take the budget as it currently is, and the ending balance does equal a 5% reserve, but as you move forward, that reserve will become smaller as the district is deficit spending.

**MSP Espinola/Gumz 4-0 Student Advisory Vote: Absent**

**2. Ratify the Tentative Agreement Between the Scotts Valley Unified School District and the Scotts Valley Education Association Along with Accompanying Contract Language and Side Letter of Agreement**

Ann Codd, teacher and President elect for the SVEA read a statement on behalf of an anonymous parent stating their opinion of the Board.

**MSP Espinola/Gumz 4-0 Student Advisory Vote: Absent**

**3. Accept for Information Scotts Valley Education Association's Negotiation Openers for 2007-08**

John Magliato, Lead Negotiator stated his opinion that it had been a rough year, and feels that he cannot communicate with the Board when comments are limited to 3 minutes. He feels the need for the Board and the district to change their priorities, and believes that quality teachers are the cornerstone of district. For 2007-08 the union would like to open with various Articles regarding salary, hours of employment, shared employment, and peer assistance and review.

**4. Adopt the CSBA Board Policies and Accompanying Regulations for Article 7, Facilities**

**MSP Espinola/Roth 3-1 (Gumz voting no) Student Advisory Vote: Absent**

**5. Accept for First Reading CSBA Board Policies and Accompanying Regulations for Article 3, Business and Non-Instructional Operations**

Board member Gumz asked for clarification on the optional statements regarding surveillance cameras and building keys.

**MSP Espinola/Roth 4-0 Student Advisory Vote: Absent**

**D. BUSINESS**

**Kelban**

**1. Approve the 2007-08 Adoption Budget**

**MSP Espinola/Roth 4-0 Student Advisory Vote: Absent**

**2. Approve the Budget Actions from April 1, 2007 Through May 31, 2007**

**MSP Espinola/Roth 4-0 Student Advisory Vote: Absent**

**3. Accept Donations to the Scotts Valley Unified School District**

**MSP Gumz/Espinola 4-0 Student Advisory Vote: Absent**

**E. PERSONNEL**

**Lewis**

**1. Approve the Annual Declaration of Need Form**

**MSP Espinola/Gumz 4-0 Student Advisory Vote: Absent**

**BOARD DISCUSSION**

Board President Niday reported on the Vine Hill promotion and noted that tomorrow’s promotion ceremonies would take place for Brook Knoll, Scotts Valley Middle School, and Scotts Valley High School. Board Member Gumz mentioned Senior Awards Night and that over \$1,400,000 in scholarships were awarded. She expressed her opinion that the board policy change around weighting grades really helped in obtaining these competitive scholarships. Board Member Espinola commented that the Boardwalk’s 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration was very nice.

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Final Public Comments were made that had been deferred from the beginning of the meeting.

**Wendy Brannan**, parent and community member, wanted to locate the policy for graduation requirements that had been approved on June 6, 2006 but could not find. She also stated her opinion on the time limit for public comments.

**UPCOMING ACTIVITIES IN THE DISTRICT**

Sept. 29, 2007	SVHS Parent Club Fundraiser – Comedysportz – SV Community Center
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**GRADUATION/PROMOTION DATES**

June 12, 2007	Vine Hill 5 <sup>th</sup> grade Promotion Ceremony	1:00pm in Amphitheatre
June 13, 2007	SVHS Graduation	5:00-6:30pm on Football Field
June 13, 2007	SVMS Graduation	Ceremony at Vine Hill 2:30pm
June 13, 2007	Brook Knoll 5 <sup>th</sup> grade Promotion Ceremony	10:40am on upper playground

## FUTURE MEETING DATES

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

- July 10, 2007
- August 14, 2007
- September 11, 2007
- September 25, 2007
- October 9, 2007
- October 23, 2007
- November 13, 2007
- December 11, 2007

## ADJOURNMENT

Board President Niday adjourned the public session of the meeting at **9:54 p.m.**

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