

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Minutes of Regular Meeting
March 14, 2006**

PUBLIC SESSION CALLED TO ORDER:

Board President Sue Roth called the Public Session to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room at the Scotts Valley Unified School District, 4444 Scotts Valley Drive, 5B, Scotts Valley. Board members present: Sue Roth, Allison Niday, Joseph Espinola, Marshall Wolf and Chuck Walker. Administration present was Superintendent Dr. Susan Silver.

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

CLOSED SESSION ACTION REPORT:

Board President Sue Roth called the Closed Session to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room at the Scotts Valley Unified School District, 4444 Scotts Valley Drive, 5B, Scotts Valley. Board members in attendance were Sue Roth, Allison Niday, Joseph Espinola, Marshall Wolf and Chuck Walker. Also in attendance was Superintendent Dr. Susan Silver.

- A. **COLLECTIVE BARGAINING SESSION (Government Code Section 3549.1(d))**
Executive session of the public school employer or between the public school employer and its designated representative, Susan Walker, for the purpose of discussing its position regarding any matter within the scope of representation and instructing its designated representatives.
- B. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE**
(Government Code Section 54957)
- C. **CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL ACTION REPORT OF MARCH 14, 2006**
- D. **CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL ACTION REPORT OF MARCH 14, 2006**

PUBLIC SESSION RECONVENED:

Board President Sue Roth at the Scotts Valley City Council Chambers, One Civic Center Drive, Scotts Valley, reconvened the Public Session of the meeting at 7:04 p.m. Board Members present were Sue Roth, Allison Niday, Marshall Wolf, Joe Espinola, Chuck Walker, and Student Advisory Member Nathan Scalla. Administration present: Superintendent Dr. Susan Silver; Principal Gregg Gunkel; Personnel Services Administrator Carolyn Lewis; Chief Business Official Pat Kelban; Assistant Superintendent Educational Services Susan Walker, and Accountant Liann Reyes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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No action was taken at this time.

- B. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE (Government Code Section 54957)**

Approval of one classified position released during probationary period. MSP Espinola/Niday 5-0

- C. CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL ACTION REPORT OF MARCH 14, 2006**

Acceptance of a 1.0 FTE resignation from Scotts Valley High School.

Approval for two teachers to continue their special assignments with the New Teacher Project and for three elementary teachers to continue their job sharing arrangements as well for the 2006-07 school year.

Denial of one request for continued leave of absence. MSP Niday/Espinola 5-0

- D. CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL ACTION REPORT OF MARCH 14, 2006**

No action taken.

SET THE AGENDA:

MSP Niday/Wolf 5-0, Student Advisory Vote: Aye

ADJOURN TO PUBLIC HEARING

PUBLIC HEARING

- 1. Review and Consider Adoption of a report entitled "School Facilities Needs Analysis", Prepared as of February 2006 ("2006 SFNA"), to Consider and Respond to all Comments Received by the District Related Thereto, and to Adopt Alternative School Fees.**
- 2. Consideration and Adoption of a Statutory School Fee Increase in Accordance with the State Allocation Board ("SAB") Statutory School Fee Increase for New Residential and Commercial/Industrial Construction.**

No comments made by the public.

ADJOURN PUBLIC HEARING

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Dr. Silver commented that we are preparing to move in to the testing season. Ms. Valerie Bariteau, Assistant Principal at Scotts Valley High School, gave an excellent presentation to the parents of Scotts Valley High students regarding the importance of STAR testing.

MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC-ORAL Limit to 15 minutes:

Darshana Croskey reminded everyone about the fundraiser set for March 26 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Scotts Valley High School. A Las Vegas family style magic show, "Magic in the Valley" will start at 1:00 p.m. Tickets are \$10 and children under 3 are free. All proceeds will benefit the Exchange Club, The Children's Center at San Lorenzo Valley, and the school district.

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION:

- A. CONSENT AGENDA**

- 1. Approval of Minutes from the Special Board Meeting of January 31, 2006**
- 2. Approval of Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of February 28, 2006**

3. Approval of Carl Perkins Grant Proposal

MSP Niday/Wolf 5-0, Student Advisory Vote: Aye

B. BUSINESS

1. Review and Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 06-017; Report Entitled “School Facilities Needs Analysis” Prepared as of February 2006 to Consider and Respond to all Comments Received by the District Related to the Adoption of Alternative School Fees.

Jaime King of Jack Schraeder and Associates was available to answer any questions regarding the facilities needs analysis that was completed. She stressed that Districts are required to increase the level to charge in accordance with the study or they can risk losing State money. The new recommended rate was an increase from \$4.30 to \$4.37 for Level 2 fees.

MSP: Wolf/Niday 5-0, Student Advisory Vote: Aye

(Note: All board members were polled individually and the vote was tallied at 5-0.)

2. Consider Resolution No. 06-018; SVUSD Increase in Statutory School Facility Fees to be Imposed on the New Residential and Commercial Industrial Construction Pursuant to Education Code Section 17620 and Government Code Section 65995.

It has been recommended in accordance with the facility needs analysis that the Level 1 fees for commercial rates increase from \$0.36 to \$0.42.

MSP: Wolf/Niday 5-0, Student Advisory Vote: Aye

(Note: All board members were polled individually and the vote was tallied at 5-0.)

3. Accept Donations to Scotts Valley Unified School District

MSP: Niday/Espinola 5-0, Student Advisory Vote: Aye

C. ADMINISTRATION

1. Adopted CSBA Recommended Policy and Administration Regulations 1312.3, Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures and Administrative Regulation and Complaint Form AR/E 1312.4

MSP: Espinola/Wolf 5-0, Student Advisory Vote: Aye

2. Accept for First Reading: Scotts Valley Unified School District Governance Handbook 2006

Ms. Niday presented the Board's Governance Handbook, which was developed by the Board and Superintendent during a series of meetings with a CSBA facilitator. The purpose of the handbook was to create a foundation for board behaviors. In addition, it gave the board members an opportunity to communicate their goals, such as wanting an excellent district, to be aligned and focused, to represent the broad community, their mission and values, to set policy, to spend taxpayer's money wisely, and to set aside personal needs in order to represent the children of the district. Mr. Wolf commented that he felt it was a necessary first step before beginning the Strategic Plan. Mr. Espinola felt it was also a positive experience, and wanted to thank Dr. Silver for bring Ms. Kavanaugh to the group to facilitate their needs. He felt that they all learned to build more trust with each other on the board and were now able to develop a stronger relationship. Mr. Walker stated that everyone had their own ideas of what they wanted, and the handbook helped put a framework to those ideas. The positive residual effect of this exercise was that they all got to know one another on a more personal level. Ms. Roth stated that she enjoyed the process, and felt that it would benefit our district. She noted that document is "live" and they will continue to review, rewrite, and add to the handbook as needed. She wanted to ensure that all board members listened openly and did not come in with preconceived ideas. The handbook will be available at each meeting, at the district office, and on the website for the community's perusal. We will bring back the handbook for a second reading at March 28th to enable the community time to read and comment on it.

D. PERSONNEL

1. Accept for First Reading Job Description for Director of Business Services

We have not had this position before; it is new in April and now have a complete job description for it. Ms. Niday appreciated the job description being provided. The description will be brought back for a second reading at the March 28th board meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None at this time.

BOARD DISCUSSION:

Ms. Niday reported that she attended the Community Outreach task force and that it was a small committee with a lot of good ideas.

Mr. Wolf attended the Finance task force meeting last Thursday, where it was discussed how to best use our existing resources. He also made mention of Vine Hill's "Visions of Venice" fund raiser coming up on April 1st at Chaminade. The next Scotts Valley Education Foundation meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. Thursday night for envelope stuffing to get business sponsors. The "Mountain Charlie Challenge 2006" bike ride is scheduled for May 6 and riders as well as sponsors are needed.

Mr. Espinola attended the Facilities task force, which is a large group that consists of a lot of neat people from the community. He also mentioned how, when he was campaigning, he stressed the need for strategic planning, so it is nice to see it actually happening. Mr. Espinola has just finished coaching recreational basketball, and is now heading in to girls baseball season. There will be a Scotts Valley Middle School clean up day for the community, so people will have the chance to come caulk, clean, paint, and make the school better!

Mr. Scalla spoke that his task force would be meeting next week again, and that they have broken down all their objectives. Also there will be meetings held at the high school for any IB hopefuls.

Ms. Roth mentioned that at the task forces she's attended, the K-12 alignment message is coming out loud and clear.

MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC-ORAL Limit to 15 minutes:

Ms. Ann Codd, teacher at Brook Knoll Elementary, questioned the Director of Business Services position, and wanted to know if the description was posted publicly and how was it being funded. Ms. Roth noted that the description was part of the board packet and Dr. Silver explained that it was being funded from the savings realized by the part time retirement of Ms. Kelban and the empty position of Accountant formerly held by Ms. Reyes. The net effect will be a savings realized by the District.

FUTURE MEETING DATES:

The next regularly scheduled Public Board Meetings will be begin at 7:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted, and will be held on the following dates:

☛ March 28, 2006	☛ August 29, 2006
☛ April 25, 2006	☛ September 12, 2006
☛ May 9, 2006	☛ September 26, 2006
☛ May 23, 2006	☛ October 10, 2006
☛ June 13, 2006	☛ October 24, 2006
☛ July 11, 2006	☛ November 14, 2006
☛ August 15, 2006	☛ December 12, 2006

Strategic Planning Sessions

- The next Strategic Planning Session is scheduled for May 5, 2006 at 8:45 a.m. at the Scotts Valley City Council Chambers

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Minutes Recorded By:

Liann Reyes
Accountant

Minutes Approved By:

Chuck Walker
Clerk to the Board of Trustees