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BOARD OF TRUSTEES Minutes of Regular Meeting May 11, 2010

CLOSED SESSION: 5:00pm
DISTRICT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM
4444-5B Scotts Valley Drive
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PUBLIC SESSION: 6:00pm
SCOTTS VALLEY CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
One Civic Center Drive
Scotts Valley, CA 95066

PUBLIC SESSION CALLED TO ORDER

Board President Michael Shulman called the Public Session to order at 5:00 p.m. **Board members present:** Michael Shulman, Larry Beaman, Sue Roth and Jondi Gumz. **Absent:** Allison Niday. Also in attendance was Superintendent Susan Silver.

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION at 5:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

A. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT (Government Code Section 54957)

Principal Brook Knoll Elementary School
Director of Student Services

ADJOURNED CLOSED SESSION at 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC SESSION CALLED TO ORDER

Board President Michael Shulman called the Public Session to order at 6:06 p.m. **Board Members present:** Michael Shulman, Larry Beaman, Sue Roth, Jondi Gumz and Student Advisory Member Lizzie Zweng. **Absent:** Board Vice President Allison Niday. **Administration present:** Superintendent Susan Silver, Chief Business Official Karen Jelcick, Director of Curriculum and Instruction Kathy Dunton, Director of Technology Shannon Calden, Human Resources Administrator Carolyn Lewis and Scotts Valley High School Principal Gregg Gunkel.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CLOSED SESSION ACTION REPORT

A. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT (Government Code Section 54957)

Principal Brook Knoll Elementary School Director of Student Services

Board President Michael Shulman announced that the Board voted unanimously to support the recommendation to hire two new administrators. **Board Vote: 4-0** (Absent: Board Vice President Allison Niday)

Superintendent Susan Silver briefly explained the interview and hiring process and gave a brief background of each individual before introducing the new employees – Director of Student Services Gerri Fippin and Brook Knoll Elementary School Principal Phillip Menchaca. Ms. Fippin and Mr. Menchaca each thanked the Board for the opportunity to work in the district and expanded their background information.

SET THE AGENDA

MSP Beaman/Roth 4-0 (Absent: Allison Niday) Student Advisory Vote: Aye

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING – 6:18 p.m.

A. Public Hearing to Review and Consider Adoption of a Report Entitled “School Facilities Needs Analysis” Prepared as of April 2010 to Consider and Respond to all Comments Received by the District Related to the Adoption of Alternative School Fees

Chief Business Official Karen Jelcick explained that the public may ask questions, make comments or obtain clarification at this time.

No comments made.

ADJOURNMENT OF PUBLIC HEARING – 6:19 p.m.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING RECONVENES – 6:19 p.m.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

No report.

STUDENT ADVISORY MEMBER’S REPORT

Student Advisory Member Lizzie Zweng said that the musical 13 just closed but was a great success. Oscar Night is this Friday and Prom Night is Saturday. Election Week is this week with speeches and ballots on Thursday. There will be a blood drive at the end of the month. IB testing is happening now. The Powderpuff Football Game is scheduled for May 21st with a dinner and a Mr. SVHS Man Pageant afterward.

SCCSBA/CSBA REPORT

Board Member Sue Roth said the next scheduled meeting of SCCSBA is next Thursday, May 20th at Bonny Doon School and dinner will be served.

MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC – ORAL

Wendy Brannan addressed the Board regarding the Strategic Planning Day, the Superintendent's evaluation, recent crimes in the community, students participating in athletics, the budget and other various topics. Board Member Jondi Gumz responded to Ms. Brannan's comments.

Peter McLean addressed the Board regarding the proposed Extended Year Program at Ludlow School and criteria for special education.

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

A. BUSINESS

Jelcick

1. Adopt Resolution #10-021 "School Facilities Needs Analysis" (SFNA) Prepared as of April 2010 to Increase the Alternative School Fees Justified by the 2010 SFNA

MSP Roth/Beaman Roll Call: 4-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye

Justin Rich of the Dolinka Group presented an overview of the School Facilities Needs Analysis (SFNA) prepared for the district on April 12, 2010. The district meets the specified statutory requirements set forth in Government Code Sections 65995.5, 65995.6 and 65995.7, as well as Ed Code section 17620 to impose Level 2 Fees. Board Members asked clarifying questions regarding data used in the preparation of the SFNA.

Wendy Brannan addressed the Board regarding this agenda item.

B. ADMINISTRATION

Silver

1. Accept a Proposal From the Scotts Valley Unified School District Administrative Team to Reduce the Length of Their 2010-11 Work Year by 2 Days

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

As the representative of the district's Leadership Team, Director of Technology Shannon Calden presented to the Board a proposal of a two-day reduction to each administrative work calendar for 2010-11 as they have also done in 2009-10. She explained that the Leadership Team consists of 11.5 administrators which constitutes less than 5% of the district's workforce. The Leadership Team is also proposing for the 2010-11 school year that when a Leadership Team member must be present at a site or district event on a weekend or holiday, the administrator may count that as a work day, up to five days per school year. Ms. Calden also mentioned that the Leadership Team would be willing to consider a larger reduction to the work calendar if any other bargaining units also agreed to a reduction in their work calendars. Board Members expressed their appreciation and gratitude to all the members of the Leadership Team for their willingness to step forward and help during the district's fiscal crisis. Board President Michael Shulman said that it is difficult to ask parents and the community to help financially during this crisis if the district has not done everything it can to reduce expenditures.

Ann Codd, SVEA President addressed the Board to applaud the Leadership Team for their contribution, but requested acknowledgement and consideration from the Board for what teachers have taken on with increased class sizes. SVEA members will not be offering furlough days.

2. Clarify Questions Concerning Attendance at Committee Meetings and Make Appropriate Amendments to Their Governance Handbook

Board President Michael Shulman said that the Board wished to discuss the attendance of multiple Board members at meetings as related to the Brown Act. Legal counsel has advised that as long as the third Board member at a meeting is strictly an observer there is not a violation of the Brown Act. Mr. Shulman advised the Board that clarification could be written into the Governance Handbook if the Board chooses. Board Members discussed various situations that had transpired in the past and opinions of various experts and decided that additional clarifying statements did not need to be inserted in the Governance Handbook at this time.

Wendy Brannan addressed the Board regarding this agenda item.

3. Adopt the CSBA Updates to the Following Board Policies and/or Administrative Regulations: 3100 – Budget, 3270 – Sale and Disposal of Books, Equipment and Supplies, 3280 – Sale or Lease of District-Owned Real Property, 3460 – Financial Reports and Accountability, 3580 – District Records, 4112.23 – Special Education Staff, 4112.4 – Health Examinations, 4117.11 – Preretirement Part-Time Employment, 4117.14 – Postretirement Employment, 5113.2 – Work Permits, 5117 – Interdistrict Attendance, 6111 – School Calendar, 6145 – Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities, 6145.2 – Athletic Competition, 6146.1 – High School Graduation Requirements, 6146.4 – Differential Graduation and Competency Standards for Students with Disabilities, 6161.1 – Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials, 6162.52 – High School Exit Examination, 6173.1 – Education for Foster Youth, 6173.2 – Education of Children of Military Families

MSP Beaman/Gumz 4-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye

Superintendent Susan Silver reminded the Board that these policies were brought for first reading on April 13, 2010 and are now ready for adoption and implementation. She also explained that policy 4112.23 aligns the district's policy with Ed Code and is not an intention to change practices.

Peter McLean addressed the Board regarding this agenda item.

C. PERSONNEL

Lewis

1. Adopt Resolution #10-022 Implementing Layoff and Reductions in Hours of Certificated Employees, Acting Upon the Proposed Decision of the Administrative Law Judge

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

Superintendent Susan Silver explained that, subsequent to notices of layoff issued in March, an affected employee requested a hearing and employee layoff proceedings with an Administrative Law Judge. The Judge's proposed decision was rendered on May 3, 2010, sustaining the layoff of the noticed certificated employee. This resolution accepts the ruling of the judge.

D. CONSENT AGENDA

Silver

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

- 1. Approve Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of April 13, 2010**
- 2. Approve Brook Knoll's Third Grade Class Overnight Field Trip to New Brighton State Beach**
- 3. Approve the Proposal Dated May 3, 2010 with California Property Record Systems for the Bi-Annual Asset Inventory**
- 4. Approve the Proposal with Axiom Management Advisors and Consultants for the Preparation and Filing of Mandated Cost Claims**
- 5. Accept Donations to Scotts Valley Unified School District**
- 6. Approve the Certificated Personnel Action Report**
- 7. Approve the Classified Action Report**
- 8. Approve Warrants**

BOARD DISCUSSION

- Board Member Jondi Gumz attend the musical 13 at the high school and hopes to be able to attend Oscar Night. Ms. Gumz attended a retirement lunch for Mr. Gunkel and was impressed to hear teachers speak of his leadership abilities. She was glad to see information regarding the Golden Seal Award in the News From the Nest. Ms. Gumz also viewed a DUI video on community television. She attended Bollywood, a fundraiser for the Scotts Valley Library. Ms. Gumz was video taped for a program to air at an undetermined date on community television regarding being a Board member.
- Board Member Sue Roth attended, along with Board President Michael Shulman, Board Vice President Allison Niday and Superintendent Susan Silver, the annual Rotary Awards Dinner to honor academic achievement of students in the Scotts Valley Middle and High Schools. Ms. Roth also attended the musical 13 at the high school and commented that she thought it was the best they have ever done. She participated in the National Day of Prayer. She, along with Board Clerk Larry Beaman, worked the at BBQ for the SVEF Mt. Charlie Bike Challenge which brought in approximately \$27,000. Ms. Roth participated in the Strategic Planning Day on April 16th and was impressed by the enthusiasm and productive ideas brought forth.
- Board Clerk Larry Beaman commented on the fun time had by all at this year's SVEF Mt. Charlie Bike Challenge. He was in Sacramento on business a couple of weeks ago but had an opportunity to speak with Senators regarding the crisis in education. Mr. Beaman plans on attending the Scotts Valley Bike Race and is looking forward to Music in Skypark again this summer.
- Board President Michael Shulman participated in the SVEF Mt. Charlie Bike Challenge and was proud of his efforts. He also attended the Scotts Valley Rotary Awards Dinner and was greatly impressed by the student speeches. Mr. Shulman, Superintendent Silver and CBO Jelcick presented Challenges to Education at the Scotts Valley Rotary meeting on Monday, May 10th. Mr. Shulman mentioned that the parcel tax exploration committee hopes to have a community survey ready before the summer break. He also met with Mr. Allan McLean, who participated in the Strategic Planning Day, regarding a proposed volunteer bureau. Mr. Shulman announced that the May 18th Special Board Meeting will be cancelled and rescheduled to June 1st.

ADJOURNMENT

Board President Michael Shulman adjourned the meeting at **7:48 p.m.**

Minutes Recorded By:

Brenda Spalding
Administrative Assistant to Superintendent

Minutes Approved By:

Larry Beaman
Clerk to the Board of Trustees