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BOARD OF TRUSTEES Minutes of Regular Meeting

October 28, 2008

CLOSED SESSION: 6:00pm
DISTRICT OFFICE
CONFERENCE ROOM
4444 Scotts Valley Dr., 5B
Scotts Valley, CA 95066

PUBLIC SESSION: 7:00pm
SCOTTS VALLEY CITY
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
One Civic Center Drive
Scotts Valley, CA 95066

PUBLIC SESSION CALLED TO ORDER:

Board President Allison Niday called the Public Session to order at 6:00 p.m. **Board members present:** Jondi Gumz, Chuck Walker and Joseph Espinola. **Absent:** Board Vice President Sue Roth. 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, Susan Silver, for the purpose of giving direction regarding negotiations with Scotts Valley Education Association.

PUBLIC SESSION CALLED TO ORDER:

Board President Allison Niday called the Public Session to order at **7:00 p.m.** **Board Members present:** Allison Niday, Jondi Gumz, Joseph Espinola, Chuck Walker and Student Advisory Member Hannah Levy. **Absent:** Board Vice President Sue Roth. **Administration present:** Superintendent Susan Silver, Chief Business Official Karen Jelcick, Human Resources Administrator Carolyn Lewis, Director of Student Services Evelyn Clancy, Director of Technology Shannon Calden, Food Service Supervisor Amy Hedrick and Scotts Valley High School Assistant Principal Valerie Bariteau.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CLOSED SESSION ACTION REPORT

A. COLLECTIVE BARGAINING SESSION (Government Code Section 3549.1(d))
No action taken.

SET THE AGENDA

MSP Espinola/Walker (as presented) **4-0** **Student Advisory Vote: Aye**

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Superintendent Susan Silver met with other superintendents last week in Sacramento to hear the latest regarding the state budget and how it will affect education. Districts were told to prepare for the worst with probable mid-year cuts and reduction in categorical funding. ACSA has asked districts to begin a list of things that have been cut or they are simply doing without in their district.
- The Board will hold its annual Governance Workshop on November 24, 2008 from 5:00-9:00pm. Since this workshop is scheduled after the November 4th election newly elected Trustees are encouraged and welcome to attend.
- Scotts Valley Middle School experienced an extensive work day last Saturday sponsored by Twin Lakes Church. Volunteers cleaned and spruced up the campus. The middle school has been the recipient of volunteer work days by Gateway Church and Comcast in the past.
- Superintendent Silver also received a very nice email from a Pennsylvania professor who was in Scotts Valley as part of the New Teacher Project teacher induction program. She had interviewed Scotts Valley Middle School Principal Mary Lonhart and had the opportunity to observe the normal daily function of the school. The email commended the positive atmosphere of the school, including the friendly enthusiasm of Ms. Lonhart, the efficient student office helpers and the impression from all teachers and staff.

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 Facilities Forum and Site Council training.

Peter Mc Lean addressed the Board regarding the Special Education program.

Kellie Finn addressed the Board regarding communication.

Ann Codd, SVEA President addressed the Board regarding the Special Education program.

Linda Santos addressed the Board regarding negotiations with bargaining units and district facilities.

Superintendent Silver addressed comments made by Ms. Brannan and Mr. McLean.

A. CONSENT AGENDA

Silver

MSP Espinola/Walker 4-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye

1. Approve Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of October 14, 2008

2. Deny Claim File Number 8016-08-00004-01-02 Against the District

3. Approve a Contract Between the Scotts Valley Unified School District and JFK University to Provide Counseling Services at Brook Knoll and Vine Hill Schools

Linda Santos addressed the Board regarding this agenda item.

Superintendent Silver addressed comments made by Ms. Santos.

4. Approve the Classified Action Report

5. Approve Warrants

B. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

Clancy

1. Accept for Third Reading the Job Descriptions for Scotts Valley Unified School District Instructional Assistant, General Education; Instructional Assistant I, Special Education (RSP, SDC); Instructional Assistant II, Special Education; Behavioral Support Specialist, Special Education

MSP Espinola/Walker 4-0 (as presented for third reading) **Student Advisory Vote: Aye**
James Sibley, Peter McLean and Don Dietrich addressed the Board regarding this agenda item.

The Board addressed comments made by the public and clarified the process and intent of the job descriptions.

C. ADMINISTRATION

Silver

1. Receive Information on the Implementation of Data Director Software

Director of Technology Shannon Calden gave an in-depth presentation on the Data Director software which manages student achievement data. Ms. Calden logged onto the web based system and literally took the Board on a journey as a teacher, tracking and assessing a class. District teachers have been working with the Data Director system for only a few weeks and can see the powerful potential in the system.

The Board asked clarifying questions regarding potential for input and security.

Superintendent Silver pointed out that in most districts the responsibilities of Ms. Calden are done by two full-time employees and commended Ms. Calden for going far beyond what is expected.

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

MSP Gumz/Espinola 4-0 (as modified with contract language coming at a later date)
Student Advisory Vote: Aye

Superintendent Silver explained that the contract language will not be ready until November 17th. Chief Business Official Karen Jelcick explained the requirements by the Santa Cruz County Office of Education before ratifying an agreement with a collective bargaining unit. The Board expressed their appreciation to all teachers for their hard work and dedication.

Ann Codd, Linda Santos and Kellie Finn addressed the Board regarding this agenda item.

3. Ratify the Tentative Agreement Between the Scotts Valley Unified School District and the Following Employees: Support Personnel, Confidential, Administrative, Licensed Professional, Classified Middle Management and Superintendent

MSP Espinola/Gumz 4-0 (as presented) **Student Advisory Vote: Aye**

Linda Santos, Don Dietrich and Wendy Brannan addressed the Board regarding this agenda item.

The Board clarified the negotiations process for non-union staff and expressed their appreciation to all staff for their hard work and dedication.

4. Accept for First Reading the CSBA Updates to the Following Board Policies and Administrative Regulations: 0200 – Goals for the School District, 1020 – Youth Services, 3311 – Bids, 4112.24 – Teacher Qualifications Under the No Child Left Behind Act, 4132 – Publication or Creation of Materials, 4136 – Nonschool Employment, 4151 – Employee Compensation, 4161 – Leaves, 5112.1 – Exemptions from Attendance, 5131.1 – Bus Conduct, 6142.1 – Sexual Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention Instruction, 6142.8 – Comprehensive Health Education, 6146.11 – Alternative Credits Toward Graduation, 6162.6 – Use of Copyrighted Materials, 6163.2 – Animals at School, 6178.2 – Regional Occupational Center/Program, 9124 – Attorney, 9230 – Orientation, and 9324 – Minutes and Recordings

Superintendent Silver requested that policy 6146.11 – Alternative Credits Toward Graduation be pulled from the agenda. The policy will be brought to the Board at a later date.

MSP Espinola/Walker (accept for first reading as modified by pulling policy 6146.11) **4-0**
Student Advisory Vote: Aye

The Board clarified information in some policies with the concurrence that policy updates from CSBA have been aligned with all legal mandates and education codes.

Linda Santos addressed the Board regarding policies 6142.1 – Sexual Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention Instruction and 6142.8 – Comprehensive Health Education.

BOARD DISCUSSION

- Student Advisory Member Hannah Levy said the high school Haunted House fundraiser and the Homecoming activities were a great success.
- Board Member Chuck Walker’s son participated in the high school’s Haunted House and found it to be a very rewarding experience. Mr. Walker did emphasize that the function was not appropriate for younger children.
- Board Member Joseph Espinola passed.
- Board Clerk Jondi Gumz commended high school teachers Lynn Near and Elizabeth Smith for their recycling efforts. Ms. Gumz asked that information in the Governance Handbook be discussed at a later Board meeting and was reminded by Board President Niday that the Board’s Governance Workshop was scheduled for November 24, 2008 and discussion could take place then.
- Board President Allison Niday announced that CSBA and ACSA have filed suit against the state regarding the eighth-grade algebra mandate and have been granted a temporary restraining order halting further action by the state. Ms. Niday reminded everyone that the regularly scheduled Board meeting for November is on the 18th due to a holiday on November 11th. The regularly scheduled Board meeting for December will be on the 9th with the Board’s annual organization meeting.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

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

November 18, 2008	December 9, 2008
↓ Tentative Dates for 2009 (To be Board approved December 9, 2008) ↓	
January 13, 2009	June 9, 2009
January 27, 2009	June 23, 2009 (tentative)
February 10, 2009	August 11, 2009
February 24, 2009	September 8, 2009
March 10, 2009	September 22, 2009
March 24, 2009	October 13, 2009
April 14, 2009	October 27, 2009
April 28, 2009	November 17, 2009 (10 th holiday)
May 12, 2009	December 8, 2009
May 26, 2009	

ADJOURNMENT

Board President Allison Niday adjourned the meeting at **9:08 p.m.**

Minutes Recorded By:

Minutes Approved By:

 Brenda Spalding
 Administrative Assistant to Superintendent

 Jondi Gumz
 Clerk to the Board of Trustees

Minutes: 10/28/08