



SCOTTS VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

4444 Scotts Valley Drive, Suite 5B

Scotts Valley, CA 95066-4529

(831) 438-1820 • FAX: (831)438-2314 • svusd@santacruz.k12.ca.us

SUPERINTENDENT
(831) 438-1820

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES
(831) 438-2055

BUSINESS SERVICES
(831) 438-2312

PERSONNEL
(831) 438-1822

BOARD OF TRUSTEES Minutes of Regular Meeting September 8, 2009

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

PUBLIC SESSION CALLED TO ORDER:

Board President Sue Roth called the Public Session to order at **7:02 p.m.** **Board Members present:** Sue Roth, Jondi Gumz, Allison Niday, Michael Shulman, Larry Beaman and Student Advisory Member Lizzie Zweng. **Administration present:** Superintendent Susan Silver, Chief Business Official Karen Jelcick, Director of Curriculum and Instruction Kathy Dunton, Vine Hill Principal Michelle Stewart and Scotts Valley High School Principal Gregg Gunkel.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board member Allison Niday thanked outgoing Student Advisory Member Hannah Levy for serving on the Board for the 2008-09 school year. Each Board member expressed gratitude to Hannah for her commitment of time, and sharing her perspective while serving as Student Advisory. The Board then welcomed Lizzie Zweng as the new Student Advisory Member for the 2009-10 school year.

SET THE AGENDA

Board President Sue Roth requested agenda item C2 be moved to A2
MSP Niday/Gumz 5-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye (with above modification)

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Superintendent Silver commented that once again school started smoothly. Vine Hill and Scotts Valley Middle School held their Back to School Nights last week. This was Vine Hill Principal Michelle Stewart's first opening of school as the principal. Randy Klein and Pat Perkins of the Tutoring Club along with Scotts Valley Educational Foundation President Charlotte Multer hosted the SVEF table at Vine Hill to help raise funds for the schools. Brook Knoll will hold their Back to School Nights this week and Scotts Valley High School will be the following week.
- Scotts Valley High School Principal Gregg Gunkel gave a brief description of the football team's trip to Alice, Texas. Although they did not come away with a victory they enjoyed the comradery and hospitality of the town of Alice. Board member Allison Niday accompanied the Cheer Squad and also expressed her sentiments that she had "never met a nicer town."
- Superintendent Silver said typically the district experiences a slight decline in enrollment right after school starts so the district will wait for more accurate numbers on CBEDS day, October 7th. Enrollment figures will be brought to the Board at a later time.

- Teams of administrators and teachers from each site will be attending the Marzano training tomorrow and Thursday. The training is focused on instructional strategies for intervention and is hosted by the Santa Cruz County Office of Education.
- The district has a tentative schedule of Board presentations. Over the next four Board meetings each site will present its Single Plan for Student Achievement. Superintendent Silver will also present the district's response to the Grand Jury at the next Board meeting. Director of Curriculum and Instruction Kathy Dunton will present STAR scores, CBEDS and Physical Education Fitness reports in October. Food Services Supervisor Amy Hedrick will present the new middle school food services schedule and plans before the end of this calendar year..

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 Site Council training, Brown Act training and Brown Act links on other district web sites, and a Facilities Committee report to the public.

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

A. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

Dunton

1. Accept Information on the International Baccalaureate Program at Scotts Valley High School

International Baccalaureate Program Coordinator Dave Crawford presented an in-depth review of the IB program, including data on the current program and goals for the future. Board members commented on the success of the program and discussed educating parents regarding the program at an earlier grade level.

Wendy Brannan addressed the Board regarding this agenda item.

2. Accept Information on the Scotts Valley High School Rehabilitation Project (Moved from C2)

John Waite of Waite Works, Inc. gave a slide presentation showing the progress over the summer correcting the construction defects on the high school campus for completion of the certification process through the Division of the State Architect. Board members asked clarifying questions.

Wendy Brannan addressed the Board regarding this agenda item.

B. ADMINISTRATION

Silver

1. Adopt Bylaws of the Santa Cruz County Boards Association, Approve Membership, and Select a Representative

MSP Roth/ Shulman 4-1 (Gumz voting against) Student Advisory Vote: Aye

Board member Allison Niday gave a brief overview of the initial ideas and inception of the Santa Cruz County School Boards Association. Board members discussed the bylaws, representation of each school district and ability of anyone to attend as part of the audience. Board Vice President Jondi Gumz asked if PCS would have a voting representative on the Board. Ms. Niday said they would have a voice through their publicly elected Board as all schools will. Board member Larry Beaman asked if non-representative Board members attended would it be in violation of the Brown Act. Ms. Niday said that the SCCSBA would not be conducting any districts' business so would not be in violation of the Brown Act.

Board President Sue Roth nominated Board member Allison Niday as the Scotts Valley Unified School District representative to the Santa Cruz County School Boards Association.

MSP Roth/Shulman 5-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye

C. BUSINESS

Jelcick

1. Accept Information Regarding the Review and Approval of the 2009-10 Budget by the County Office of Education

Chief Business Official Karen Jelcick gave a presentation to the Board highlighting the elements of the budget review as addressed by the County Office of Education.

2. Accept Information on the Scotts Valley High School Rehabilitation Project

Moved to A2

D. CONSENT AGENDA

Silver

MSP Niday/Shulman 5-0 Student Advisory Vote: Aye

1. Approve Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of August 11, 2009

2. Approve an Agreement with Santa Cruz Community Counseling Center for Youth Services at Scotts Valley High School

3. Approve a Contract with the Santa Cruz County Office of Education Allowing Fifth Grade Students From Brook Knoll and Vine Hill Elementary Schools to Participate in the Outdoor Science School Program

4. Approve Restoration of the Following Certificated Positions Which Were Eliminated at the February 24, 2009 Board Meeting

5. Approve Restoration of the Following Classified Positions Which Were Eliminated at the May 12, 2009 and June 23, 2009 Board Meetings

6. Approve the Classified Action Report

7. Approve Warrants

BOARD DISCUSSION

- Student Advisory Member Lizzie Zweng announced the high school would hold Maroon and Gold day where students will sign up for the clubs of their choice. There will be a Back to School dance in a couple of weeks. Homecoming will be October 16th. There is also a fall music concert coming up to highlight the musically talented students.
- Board member Larry Beaman participated in the second Kiwanis/SVEF Music in Skypark on August 30th. The second concert was almost totally profit since most expenses had been covered by the first concert. Mr. Beaman is looking forward to attending Back to School Nights.
- Board member Allison Niday has been very busy over the summer with Cheer camp, accompanying the Cheer Squad to Alice, Texas, on September 3rd and spearheading the newly formed Santa Cruz County School Boards Association.
- Board Clerk Michael Shulman commented on the controversy and his own daughter's perspective of President Obama's speech to school children. Her memorable quote was "if you drop out of school, you can't drop into a career."
- Board Vice President Jondi Gumz attended the Vine Hill Back to School Night and enjoyed fifth grade teacher Jane Hoffman's speech regarding math. Ms. Gumz volunteered at registration day at the high school. She also attended the funeral of the mother of a Scotts Valley High School teacher and was pleased to see high school students in attendance.
- Board President Sue Roth thanked the Scotts Valley Rotary for hosting the Welcome Back breakfast for district staff.

ADJOURNMENT

Board President Sue Roth adjourned the meeting at **9:20 p.m.**

Minutes Recorded By:

Minutes Approved By:

Brenda Spalding
Administrative Assistant to Superintendent

Michael Shulman
Clerk to the Board of Trustees