



# SCOTTS VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes of Special Meeting – Funding Initiatives Study Session

September 20, 2011

**PUBLIC SESSION: 6:00pm**

**SCOTTS VALLEY CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**One Civic Center Drive**

**Scotts Valley, CA 95066**

### **PUBLIC SESSION CALLED TO ORDER**

Board President Larry Beaman called the Public Session to order at 6:05 p.m. **Board Members present:** Larry Beaman, Art Bubb, Sue Roth and Michael Shulman. **Absent:** Board Member John Abel. **Administration present:** Superintendent Susan Silver, Human Resources Administrator Carolyn Lewis and Director of Business Services Vickie Clark.

### **Special Board study session regarding funding initiatives.**

Superintendent Penny Weaver welcomed everyone. She presented figures to the Board showing projected deficits of \$507,000 in 2012-13 and \$606,000 in 2013-14 which were discussed at the September 13<sup>th</sup> Board meeting by Chief Business Official Karen Jelcick. Ms. Weaver asked the Board to discuss possible ways of planning for those deficits. She quoted information from the feasibility study done in January 2011 and sited examples from other school districts.

6:30 p.m. John Abel arrived

### **Public Comments:**

**Wendy Brannan** addressed the Board regarding developing a plan for playground equipment and facilities.

**Derek Timm** addressed the Board to update them on the Parcel Tax Committee he chairs, citing the election calendar and the preferred date of May 3 by the committee since it's a mail-in ballot. Board members responded to comments by Mr. Timm.

**Dennis Culp** addressed the Board to state he supported a parcel tax and volunteering in the district.

There was no question the district needed additional funding and Board members discussed the merits and limitations of a parcel tax versus a bond measure. Board members agreed a parcel tax was more likely to succeed and could be implemented within the time constraints. They also agreed the May 3<sup>rd</sup> election would probably be best. Board members requested additional research regarding statistics of the passage of parcel tax initiatives by other districts and language for a draft resolution at the September 27<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Board President Larry Beaman adjourned the meeting at **7:45 p.m.**

Minutes Recorded By:

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