MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, NOVEMBER 22, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Madison at 5:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the Education Center.

**Members Present:** Chet Madison, Sr., President; Jeanette J. Amavisca, Clerk; Priscilla Cox; Carmine Forcina, Steve Ly, Anthony “Tony” Perez, and Bobbie Singh-Allen

**Others Present:** Steven M. Ladd, Superintendent; Mark Cerutti, Donna Cherry, Glen De Graw, Rich Fagan, Robert Pierce, and Tina Penna, Associate Superintendents. The list of visitors who signed in is on file.

**Closed Session** – 12:00 p.m.

**Conference with Labor Negotiators**
Agency designated representatives: Glen De Graw, Richard Fagan, Steven M. Ladd, Karen Rezendes
Employee Organization: All Elk Grove Unified School District Bargaining Units

**Open Meeting** - 12:45 p.m. – Mr. Madison announced that the Board met in Closed Session and no action was taken.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** The Pledge was recited.

**Board Governance and Communication:**

Discussion was held regarding the role of the board including communication at meetings; micromanaging; requests for reports and information and the establishment of a procedure; the length of regular board meetings and the suggestion to schedule additional meetings and/or workshop meetings to accomplish the necessary work; the possibility of scheduling certain recognitions at separate meetings or school assemblies; timing of meetings to accommodate board member schedules; and the necessity for team building.

**Discussion of Data from Trustee Area Meeting:**

Board members listed the following budget interests expressed by community members and stakeholders at the Trustee Area meetings held in September. In no particular order: library technician, language translators, GATE program, freshman sports, safety (multi-faceted), after school programs, high school and middle school class sizes, freshman sports, high school and elementary school counselors, 2008-09 lost positions, English Language Learners, para-educators, cleanliness of gym, para-educators’ salaries, Franklin Elementary School facilities, off-loading transfers, school supplies, bilingual teaching associates, science programs, summer school and intersession programs, Common Core training for parents, compensation for employees, supplies, technology for schools and students, class size reduction and foster youth.

A plan for disseminating the information will be forthcoming.
Budget Overview:

Mr. Fagan presented and discussed with the Board the 3-year District Budget, the Budget Assumptions used, and Budgeting Priorities included in the Reviews and Expenditures Binder.

Dr. Ladd explained the Budget process including the community input; the District budget including assumptions; the new District revenue; the Budget Guidelines; District funding (State, Federal and grants); the LCFF funding model which is now the base state funding for the District; the requirements for parent/community input on special education, English Language Learners, and Foster Youth. Further, Dr. Ladd discussed how current supplemental and concentration funding is supporting class size reduction not and in the forthcoming years. In the future, it may not be applicable to this District as the requirements are already met).

Adjournment – There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

Submitted by:
Steven M. Ladd, Ed.D., Superintendent

Approve by: __________________________
Jeanette J. Amavisca, Clerk