

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, JANUARY 7, 2014

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

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

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 – 5:00 p.m.

1. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Complaint
2. Public Employee Appointment/Employment: Risk Manager

Open Meeting - 6:00 p.m. – Mrs. Cox announced that the Board met in Closed Session and by a unanimous vote appointed Scott Nelson as Risk Manager

- I. **Pledge of Allegiance** Ray and Jennifer Ishima, parent volunteers at Florin High School since 2006, led the Pledge. Mr. Ishima has designed and built wardrobe and storage racks and signs for the choir; Mr. and Mrs. Ishima have also supported the Choir Program by spending countless hours helping at rehearsals and various events and supported the Florin High School; Theatre by building sets and props, running the snack bar and helping at every production. They are also enthusiastic in their assistance with class activities and many other activities. They have volunteered to continue their support the school even after their son’s graduation this coming June.

II. Presentations/Recognitions

3. **High School Student Representative Reports – Franklin and Laguna Creek –** Natalie Stoecklein and Jade Tso from Franklin High School and Shayasta Jain and Braden Trotter from Laguna Creek High School reported on activities and academics at their schools.
4. **Recognition Spelling Bee Winners -** 2013-14 Spelling Bee winners recognized were John Gulden, an 8th grade student representing Harriet Eddy Middle School – First Place, and Marvin Du, a 7th grade student representing Toby Johnson Middle School – 2nd Place. John was also the District Spelling Bee winner in 2011-12 and will represent the District in the regional competition.
5. **Recognition of the 2013 CLMS/CLHS Region 3 Educators of the Year –** Sherry Marchant and Kent Pickering were recognized as the California League of Middle School and High Schools Region Educators of the Year. Sherry is a social science teacher at Katherine L. Albiani, and Kent is a Technology and Digital Arts Academy Coordinator at Elk Grove High School. Each will represent our District and Region 3 in the State Educator of the Year finals later this year

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6. **Recognition of Laguna Creek High School International Baccalaureate Students - Laguna Creek High School International Baccalaureate students who have been** awarded the International Baccalaureate diploma were recognized. The 25 students were the first in the school to reach this prestigious academic milestone. Also recognized were Rod DeLuca, IB coordinator, the IB instructional team, and Principal Doug Craig for their dedicated work and tireless support of the Laguna Creek High School IB Program.

III. Student Expulsion Recommendations

7. **Requests for Student Expulsions** - Motion No. 87, 2013-14 - Motion by Ms. Amavisca, seconded by Mr. Madison, and carried unanimously, that the Hearing Panel's recommendations regarding three student expulsions be approved.

IV. Budget Update

8. **2013-14 Budget Update** Mr. Fagan reported that the District is looking forward to the Governor's budget presentation for additional information.

V. Board Member and Superintendent Reports

9. **Update of California School Boards Association (CSBA) Annual Conference** Board members who attended the Conference presented reports.

VI. Public Comment - None

- VII. Bargaining Units** - Nancy Clifford, representing AFSCME, addressed the Board regarding the status of their negotiation with the District noting the sixth step grievance and that all step increases should be 7%. The grievance was filed by a member and she noted his concern about possible discipline.

VIII. Reports

10. **Common Core Communication Update** - Anna Trunnel, Director of Curriculum/ Professional Learning, and Elizabeth Graswich, Director of Communications presented an update on the Communication Plan that will provide information for staff, parents, and the community regarding Common Core State Standards (CCSS).

Discussion was held regarding getting information to parents in some of our more challenging schools, perhaps linking resources; perhaps broadcasting some of the presentations, and communicating with the community and advisory groups, and scheduling presentations so they do not always occur on the same night of the week.

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Laura Constantine, Susan Mason, and Barbara Sloan expressed their concerns about the Common Core Program and communication of information.

IX. Public Hearing/Action Items

X. Discussion Items - None

XI. Discussion/Action Items

11. Proposed Anatolia II Elementary School Schematic Site Plans

Mr. Pierce and Mr. Chris Lovin, Architect with Rainforth Grau Architects, presented and reviewed and discussed with the Board schematic site plans for the proposed Anatolia II Elementary School in the Sunrise-Douglas area within the City of Rancho Cordova which will open no sooner than 2016. The presentation included the design goals and site plans. Also discussed was the plan for communicating with the school community and the lack of funding available to build the school at this time. It was suggested that the Board member whose jurisdiction includes the facility be included in the committee reviewing plans.

Motion No. 88, 2013-14 - Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Mr. Madison, and carried unanimously, that the schematic plans for the proposed Anatolia II Elementary School be approved; that the Administration be authorized to proceed with preliminary design development, agency approvals, and construction documents and to receive bids for the school.

XII. Action Items

12. 2014-15 Middle School Course Catalog - Motion No. 89, 2013-14 – Motion by, Mr. Forcina, seconded by Ms. Singh-Allen, and carried unanimously, that the 2014-15 Middle School Course Catalog be approved as submitted.

13. Day of Remembrance Resolution – Motion No. 90, 2013-14 – Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Ms. Amavisca, and carried unanimously, that Resolution No. 33, 2013-14 be adopted reaffirming January 7, 2013, as a “Day of Remembrance” and that January 27 through March 21, 2014, be affirmed as the time for student visits to the California Museum of History, Women, and the Arts.

Prior to the vote, Mrs. Cherry reviewed the history of the Day of Remembrance and Ms. Marielle Tsukamoto thanked the Board and staff for their support of the program and introduced people responsible for presenting the program.

14. Superintendent and Associate Superintendents Contracts - Motion No 91, 2013-14 – Motion by Ms. Amavisca and seconded by Ms. Singh-Allen, that changes to the Superintendent and Associate Superintendents contracts be approved

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in accordance with their current contracts. This action includes COLA increases (2.7244% for 2013-14) with satisfactory evaluations and a one-year contract extension. Motion No. 92, 2013-14 carried with Mr. Perez voting "No."

Discussion was held regarding the terms of a contract relative to the length of service.

Dr. Ladd stated his appreciation to the Board for granting the 2.2744% COLA in accordance with his contract including receiving a positive evaluation and had abided by all of the terms to be eligible for the increase; however, in 2011 he said he would forego taking steps 4 and 5 of his salary schedule and also would not take further salary increases. While he did not contemplate giving up a COLA, he has decided this year to forego the 2.7244% COLA increase; however, in the future should a COLA be provided he will again evaluate whether or not to accept it at that time. He provided a letter to Board members stipulating his decision.

15. **Appointment of Representative to the California School Boards Association Delegate Assembly** - Motion No. 93, 2013-14 – Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Mr. Ly, and carried with Mr. Perez voting "No" that Bobbie Singh-Allen be appointed as a District Representative to the California School Boards Association Delegate Assembly for the term beginning April 1, 2014, and ending March 31, 2016.

XIII. Consent Agenda – Action

Motion No. 94 , 2013-14 – Motion by Mr. Madison, seconded by Ms. Singh-Allen, and carried unanimously, that Items No. 16 through 32 except Items No. 25 and 31 which have been deleted be approved.

16. **Approval of Minutes** – Minutes of the November 19, 2013, meeting.
17. **Personnel Actions** - Personnel appointments, leaves of absence, rehires, probationary releases, promotions, resignations, retirements and returning from reemployment lists as submitted.
18. **Resolution Regarding Board Member Absences** - Adopt Resolution No. 34, 2013-14, authorizing payment of the monthly compensation to Carmine S. Forcina for a meeting missed on December 12, 2013, due to illness and Jeanette J. Amavisca for a meeting missed on December 12, 2013, due to hardship.
19. **Approval of Purchase Order History** - Purchase orders for November 8, through December 6, 2013, with a Financial Summary Grand Total of \$3,257,562.82
20. **Warrant Register Approval** – Warrant Register No. 5, Warrants number 954467-955716 and 290870 -202213 totaling \$43,040,715.78 for November 1-30, 2013.

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21. **Acceptance of Gifts** – Donations to the District’s schools/programs as submitted.
22. **Disposal of Obsolete/Surplus Property** – authorized disposal of Obsolete/Surplus Property as submitted – Vehicle ID# 343SP, 2005 Ford Crown Victoria; VIN: 2FAHP71WX5X150707; Vehicle ID# 187SP, 2002 Ford Crown Victoria, VIN 2FAFP71W12X125827; and Vehicle ID# 233PG, 2002 Dodge Ram 2500, VIN: 3B7KC23ZX2M277048
23. **Contract Ratification** – contracts signed by authorized staff in accordance with Board Policy as submitted.
24. **Receipt of Bids and Award of Contract for Data/Electrical Supplies, Bid #5644-13/14** - authorize the award of contract for Data/Electrical Supplies to Graybar Electric in the amount of \$69,568.63.
25. **Purchase and Installation of Wi-Fi for Ten Elementary and Nine Middle School Sites - Delete**
26. **Cosumnes Oaks High School, Ventilation Improvements at Gymnasium, Change Order No. 1** – approve change order with Peterson Developments increasing contract by \$5,706.00 to \$153,706.00 and authorizing District representative to sign the approved change order.
27. **Cosumnes Oaks High School, Ventilation Improvements at Gymnasium, Acceptance and Notice of Completion** – accepted the construction of Cosumnes Oaks High School, Ventilation Improvements at Gymnasium and authorized the filing of the Notice of Completion
28. **Door Modifications at Florin High School, Change Order No. 1**– approve change order with golden State Construction increasing contract by \$425.00 to \$20,025.00 and authorizing District representative to sign the approved change order.
29. **Door Modifications at Florin High School, Acceptance and Notice of Completion** – accept the construction of the Door Modification at Florin High School and authorized the filing of the Notice of Completion
30. **Samuel Jackman Middle School/Laguna Creek High School, Irrigation Improvements, Change Order No. 1**– approve change order with Aereco Pacific, Inc. increasing contract by \$3,232.00 to \$37,932.00 and authorizing District representative to sign the approved change order.
31. **Samuel Jackman Middle School/Laguna Creek High School, Irrigation Improvements, Acceptance and Notice of Completion** – Delete

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- 32. **Out-of-State Field Trip Approval** – Monterey Trail High School to Ashland, OR for the Shakespeare Festival, April 11-13, 2014 and Franklin High School to Ashland,. OR for the Shakespeare Festival, April 14-17, 2014

XIV. Other Action Items

- 33. **Discussion and Action on Items Removed From Consent Agenda** - None

XV. Information Items

- 34. **Other Items from the Floor** – None
- 35. **Items for Future Agendas** – Discussion and action on issues to be forwarded to the Finance Committee; list of all committees within the District for discussion at the workshop.

XVI. Adjournment – 9:35 p.m.

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

Approve by: _____
Steve Ly, Clerk