MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, SEPTEMBER 2, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Cox at 4:30 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, Anthony “Tony” Perez, and Bobbie Singh-Allen

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

**Closed Session** – 4:30 p.m. Mrs. Cox announced that the Board would meet in closed session regarding the items listed on the agenda and called for public comment on these items.

1. **Government Code Section 54957.6**
   - **Conference with Labor Negotiators**
     - Agency designated representatives: Brandon Krueger, Richard Fagan, Steven M. Ladd, Karen Rezendes
     - **Employee Organization:** All Elk Grove Unified School District Bargaining Units
     - And Unrepresented Employees

2. **Government Code Section 54958**
   - **Public Employee Appointment/Employment:** Elementary School Vice Principal, Consultant for Police Services, Superintendent, and Interim Superintendent

2A. **Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)**
   - **Conference With Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation**
   - **Case Name Unspecified:** Disclosure would jeopardize service of process

**Open Meeting** - 6:00 p.m. – Mrs. Cox announced that the Board met in Closed Session and employed Mark Cerutti as Interim Superintendent to serve when Dr. Ladd retires. The vote was unanimous with the following voting aye: Amavisca, Cox, Forcina, Ly, Madison, Perez, and Singh-Allen.

I. **Pledge of Allegiance** – Ms. Catherine Brink, parent volunteer at Toby Johnson Middle School, led the Pledge. Ms. Brink began her service to Toby Johnson three years ago helping with various activities and being the kind of parent who supports both the students and the school. She is presently serving on the School Site Council for her second year. She is a teacher at Irene B. West Elementary School and has planned their Harvest Festival and serves on their PTA.

II. **Presentations/Recognitions**

   3. **High School Student Representative Reports** – Bailey Coben and Booke Macneill from Cosumnes Oaks High School and Melanie Ayala and Robert Gonzalez from Pleasant Grove High School reported on activities and academics at their schools.

**Recognition of Dr. Steve M. Ladd**

Dr. Ladd was recognized by the following organizations for his outstanding service to the District and to education:
Board members expressed their appreciation to Dr. Ladd for his service to the District.

4. **2014 Sacramento County Fair and California State Fair Winners** – Recognized were agricultural students from Elk Grove, Pleasant Grove, and Sheldon high schools who received awards in their respective categories at the 2013 Sacramento County Fair and the California State Fair.

**XI. Discussion/Action Items**

9A. **Recommendation of Name for Culinary Arts Institute** – Motion No. 23, 2013-14

The Board was asked to consider a request from the community and the principal of Cosumnes Oaks High School to name the Culinary Arts Institute at Cosumnes Oaks High School the Steven M. Ladd Culinary Arts Institute in honor of Dr. Ladd. The letters from the community and the Cosumnes Oaks High School Principal outlined his nearly ten years of dedicated service which include his efforts to make Elk Grove Unified School District the premiere district in California for Career Technical Education.

Motion by Mr. Perez and seconded by Ms. Amavisca that the Culinary Arts Institute at Cosumnes Oaks High School be named the Steven M. Ladd Culinary Institute in honor of Dr. Ladd.

III. **Student Expulsion Recommendations** - None

IV. **LCAP** - None

V. **Budget Update** - None

VII. **Public Comment** – Ms. Susan Mason asked the Board if candidates would be asked about Common Core - will they admit to mistakes, will they go back to the former standards. She also wondered how much information was presented to the Board, was there transparency and authority to institute the program.

X. **Public Hearing/Action Items**


There were no responses to the call for a public hearing on the conveyance of various easements to the Tokay Park Water Company.
Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Ms. Singh-Allen, and carried unanimously by all members present, that Resolution No. 9, 2014-15 be adopted Conveying Various Easements to the Tokay Park Water company for the purpose of conveying a well and pipeline easement, a fifty-foot radius control zone easement, and a temporary construction easement at Samuel Kennedy Elementary School with the Tokay Water company paying the District $4,700.00 based on a mutually agreed upon appraisal and reimbursing up to $5,000.00 of the district’s legal expenses related to the easement.

Mr. Stamm, representing the Tokay Park Water Company, thanked the Board.


There were no responses to the call for a public hearing on the District’s initial proposal to ATU regarding collective bargaining for the 2014-15 school year.

Motion by Ms. Amavisca, seconded by Ms. Singh-Allen, and carried unanimously by a vote of all members present that the Elk Grove Unified School District’s (EGUSD) Initial Proposal to ATU regarding Collective Bargaining for the 2014-15 School Year be approved.


There were no responses to the call for a public hearing on the District’s initial proposal to PSWA regarding collective bargaining for the 2014-15 school year.

Motion by Ms. Singh-Allen, seconded by Mr. Forcina, and carried unanimously by a vote of all members present that the Elk Grove Unified School District’s (EGUSD) Initial Proposal to PSWA regarding Collective Bargaining for the 2014-15 School Year be approved.

VIII. **Bargaining Units**

Ms. Nancy Clifford, representing AFSCME, talked about what Dr. Ladd has meant to the union and to her personally and thanked him for gracing them with his knowledge and presence.

Ms. Maggie Ellis, EGEA, stated her concurrence with Ms. Clifford noted there have been hard times and good time and thanked Dr. Ladd for his commitment to labor management.

Ms. Mary Deutsch and Ms. Nancy Eastman, CSEA, expressed their gratitude to Mr. Cerutti and Ms. Sue Larson for meeting with them to resolve some issues and noted that recently some of their members are not working in the ASES program, suggested that all staff members who direct students should meet paraeducators, and they want to continue to help solve this issue. Ms. Deutsch thanked Dr. Ladd for his service.
IX. Reports

5. The Community of Elk Grove’s Designation as a Ford Next Generation Learning Affiliate-Track Community

Ms. Kathy Hamilton, Director of Career Technical, Charter, and Adult Education, presented and reviewed with the Board, a report on the community of Elk Grove’s designation as a Ford Next Generation Learning Affiliate-Track Community. Included in the report was the following information: The history of participation with Ford NGL since it was introduced to the District in 2007 by Superintendent Steven Ladd; the naming of the District as the Northern California hub for Ford NGL-related professional development in 2008 and its provision of training of teachers in curriculum and strategies for project-base learning and design thinking; the designation of the District as a Ford Next Generation Learning community is due to its commitment to align community resources to support the growth and sustaining of career pathways, including academies, with the vision that every interested high school student will have access to participation; and designation of the District as a Ford Next Generation learning community which will occur upon completion and implementation of a master plan to transform high school learning which is planned for January 2015.

XI. Discussion Items - None

XII. Discussion/Action Items

9. Board Bylaw 9270, Conflict of Interest Including Review of Conflict of Interest Code and List of Designated Positions – Motion No. 27, 2014-15 – Motion by Ms. Amavisca and seconded by Ms. Singh-Allen that Board Bylaw 9270, Conflict of Interest which includes the Conflict of Interest Code and the list of designated positions be reviewed and that no amendment to the conflict of Interest Code is required and the list of Designated Employees be updated as designated. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Amavisca, Cox, Forcina, Ly, Madison, Perez, and Singh-Allen.

9B. Memorandum of Understanding Between Sacramento/Elk Grove Pathways to Success and Elk Grove Unified School District – Motion No. 28, 2014-15 – Motion by Ms. Singh-Allen, seconded by Mr. Ly, and carried unanimously be an affirmative vote of all members present that the Memorandum of Understanding between Sacramento Pathways to Success, a collaboration among Elk Grove Unified School District, Cosumnes River College, and California State University, Sacramento be approved for the purpose of building a system of transitions support for students into regional post-secondary education.

Ms. Ruth Scribner, Los Rios Community College District trustee, thanked the District for its cooperation and support in establishing Sacramento Pathways to Success.

9C. Allocation Request for Student Fees – Motion No. 29, 2014-15

Discussion was held regarding the request to allocate $300,000.00 for the 2014-2015 school year funding for middle, high and alternative education schools to purchase
necessary supplies, materials, and equipment in key curricular and extra-curricular areas in accordance with California’s free school guarantee and the source of the funds.

Motion by Ms. Amavisca, seconded by Ms. Singh-Allen, and carried unanimously, by an affirmative vote of all members present, that $300,000.00 for allocated for the purchase of necessary supplies, materials, and equipment in key curricular and extra-curricular areas in accordance with the law and that a recommendation for the source of funding be submitted to the Board.

9D. **Interim Superintendent Addendum Agreement** – Motion No. 30, 2014-15

Motion by Ms. Singh-Allen, seconded by Mr. Madison, and carried unanimously, by an affirmative vote of all members present that an Addendum to the Employment Agreement with Mark Cerutti as Associate Superintendent, Education Services dated July 1, 2014 be approved employing Mr. Cerutti as the District’s Interim Superintendent for a term commencing on September 13, 2014 and terminating the day before the contractual start date of the District’s new Superintendent with his employment by the District as the Associate Superintendent, Education Services pursuant to the term of his existing Employment Agreement dated July 1, 2014 being continued at the expiration of the Addendum Agreement; his compensation beginning September 13, 2014 will be based upon an annualized salary of $224,104, a per diem rate of $911 per work day, and if the District’s new Superintendent is not selected by December 1, 2014, his annualized salary will be $240,000, a per diem rate of $975.61 per work day.

XIII. **Action Items**


Motion by Mr. Ly, seconded by Ms. Singh-Allen, and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all members present that the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) Proposition 39 Support Services memorandum of understanding (MOU) and the Elk Grove Unified School District be approved and that Robert Pierce, Associate Superintendent, Facilities and Planning be authorized to finalize and execute the Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the District.

Incentives/revenue provided to the District will not exceed $650,000 over the course of the District’s Proposition 39 program as well as various other SMUD-provided services on behalf of the district as required by the California Energy Commission. The retrofit will be accomplished in approximately five years.

11. **Pupil Textbooks and Instructional Materials** – Motion No. 32, 2014-15

Resolution No. 10, 2014-15 - Motion by Ms. Singh-Allen, seconded by Mr. Perez, and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all members present, that Resolution No. 10, 2014-15 be adopted certifying that K-12 State Instructional materials Fund
monies are expended in compliance with the Pupil Textbook and Instructional materials Incentive Program Act, ensuring that each pupil will have sufficient instructional materials.

12. **Elk Grove Unified School District’s Annual Service Plan for Special Education** – Motion No. 33, 2014-15 - Motion by Mr. Ly, seconded by Mr. Perez, and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all members present that the 2014-2015 Elk Grove Unified School District’s annual Service Plan for Special Education be approved.


14. **Hispanic Heritage Month Resolution** - Motion No. 35, 2014-15 – Resolution No. 12, 2014-15 – Motion by Ms. Amavisca, seconded by Mr. Perez, and carried unanimously, by an affirmative vote of all members present, that Resolution No. 12, 2014-15 be adopted designating September 15 through October 15, 2014 as Hispanic Heritage Month.

VI. **Board Member and Superintendent Reports** – Board members and the Superintendent reported on their activities within the District and other organization and committee meetings relative to the District and its operation.

XIV. **Consent Agenda – Action** – Motion No. 36, 2014-15 – Motion by Ms. Ms. Amavisca, seconded by Ms. Singh-Allen, and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that Items 15 through 29D except Items 24 and 29C be approved.

15. **Approval of Minutes** – Approved minutes of the May 20, 2014, regular board meeting.

16. **Personnel Actions** – personnel appointments, leaves of absence, rehires, probationary releases, promotions, resignations, retirements, and returning from reemployment lists as submitted.

17. **Variable Term Waiver Credential** – That a variable term waiver be approved for Katherine E. Taylor as an ROP Instructor (Legal) at Florin High School for the 2014-15 school year.

18. **Approval of Purchase Order History** - purchase orders for May 10 through May 23, 2014, with a Financial Summary Grand Total of $1,694,689.91.

19. **Investment Report – 2014 Second Quarter Investment Policy** - received the Sacramento County Treasurer's Report as of June 30, 2014, stating that the Elk Grove Unified School District had $112,837,485 from all District funds, in addition to Mello-Roos Investment proceeds of $22,072,616 in the County Treasurer's pool which is 5.43% of the total pool assets of $2,482,277,534.
20. **Ratification of Contracts** - Approved contracts signed by authorized staff in accordance with Board Policy as submitted.

21. **Ratification of Non Public School/Non Public Agency (NPS/NPA) Contracts** – Ratified NPA/NPS contracts signed by authorized district staff in accordance with Board Policy 3312. Contracts

22. **Acceptance of Gifts** – Donations to the District’s schools/programs as submitted.

23. **Disposal of Obsolete/Surplus Property** – Authorized the disposal of obsolete/surplus property which included miscellaneous items with no anticipated income.


26. **Classroom Modification at Sierra Enterprise Elementary School, Amendment #1 to Lease-Leaseback (LLB) Contract with Bobo Construction, Inc.** – approved Amendment #1 to the Lease-Leaseback (LLB) contract with Bobo Construction, Inc. for the Classroom Modifications at Sierra-Enterprise Elementary School for a negotiated price of $11,744.00 for additional work bringing the revised guaranteed maximum Price to $155,360.00.

27. **Classroom Modifications at Sierra Enterprise Elementary School, Acceptance and Notice of Completion** – Accepted the construction of Classroom Modifications at Sierra Enterprise Elementary School by Bobo Construction, Inc. and authorized the filing of the Notice of Completion.

28. **Franklin Elementary School Portables 2014 Relocatable Building Installation, Change Order No. 1** - Approve Change Order No. 1 with Lamon Construction for the Franklin Elementary School Portables 2014 Relocatable Building Installation project increasing contract by $24,681.00 to $282,458.00 and authorizing District representative to sign the approved change order.

29. **New Dillard Elementary School, Increments 2A and 2B, Change Order No. 1** - Approve Change Order No. 1 with Brower builders, Inc. for the New Dillard Elementary School, Increments 2A and 2B project increasing contract by $34,726.00 to $24,580,726.00 and authorizing District representative to sign the approved change order.

29A. **Approval to Purchase Copier Toner as Required Cooperatively Through National Joint Powers Alliance** – Approved a contract authorizing elk Grove Unified School District Purchasing Department to purchase copier toner through National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) Contract #031210-SCC awarded to Staples Advantage with an expiration date of August 1, 2015.
29B. Approval to Purchase Chromebooks as Required Cooperatively Through National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) and to Contract for Chromebook Logistic Services Cooperatively Through California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS) – Authorized the Elk Grove Unified School District Purchasing Department to purchase Chromebooks cooperatively through National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPS) RFP #1112009 issued to CDW Government Inc, term December 15, 2009 through December 15, 2014, and the Technology Service Department to contract for Chromebook Logistic Services through California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS) Contract #3-10-70-0612AD. Funding will be budgeted through the State Common Core Funds spending plan in the following amounts: Chrome books - $1,851,533.60; Carts - $332,316.69; and Chromebook Logistic Services - $147,080.00.

29C. Award of Request for Proposal (RFP) and Approval of Memorandum of Understanding for After School Providers (RFP #554-14/15) – awarded RFP #554-14/15 to Target Excellence as the afterschool provider for Franklin, Roy Herburger, James McKee, Mary Tsukamoto and Irene B. West elementary schools in the total amount of $480,983.25.

29D. Installation of Wi-Fi for 11 Elementary Schools, Authorization of Two Lease-Leaseback (LLB) Contracts – Authorized administration to sign Lease-Leaseback (LLB) contract documents with two vendors, Quest Media and Supplies Inc. in the amount of $58,998.24 and Deocotech systems in the amount of $122,614.76 to install the required cabling and wireless access points for the installation of Wi-Fi for the following: Charles Mack, Barbara Comstock Morse, Prairie, John Reith, Union House, Florin, Isabelle Jackson, Samuel Kennedy, Anna Kirchgater, David Reese, and Sierra Enterprise elementary schools.

XV. Other Action Items

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


In response to a question regarding funding for this program, Ms. Hamilton stated that it is one of the last categorical grant funds and the allocation is based on a formula.

Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Mr. Madison, and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all members present that the District’s 2014-15 applications for Agricultural Career Technical Education incentive grant funding for $41,476 for Elk Grove High School, $27,436 for Florin High School, and $12,472 for Pleasant Grove High School, and $14,252 for Sheldon High School be approved.

29C. Award of Request for Proposal (RFP) and Approval of Memorandum of Understanding for After School Providers (RFP #554-14/15) – Motion No. __, 2014-15
Mr. Cerutti explained the funding sources and staffing for afternoon programs, the formal process in awarding contracts to providers and the prohibitive costs for the District to operate the programs it must employ certificated employees whereas the private providers do not have to do so.

Motion by Ms. Amavisca and seconded by Ms. Singh-Allen, that a contract be awarded for RFP #554-14/15 to Target Excellence as the afterschool provider for Franklin, Roy Herburger, James McKee, Mary Tsukamoto and Irene B. West elementary schools in the total amount of $480,983.25.

XVI. Information Items

31. Other Items from the Floor - None

32. Items for Future Agendas - None

XVII. Adjournment – 9:25 p.m.

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

Approve by: ___________________________
Steve Ly, Clerk