

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE ELK GROVE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, NOVEMBER 18, 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 (Partial Meeting).

Others Present: Christopher R. Hoffman, 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 – 5:00 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: Christopher R. Hoffman, Brandon Krueger, Richard Fagan, Karen Rezendes

Employee Organization: All Elk Grove Unified School District Bargaining Units and Unrepresented Employees

2. Government Code Section 54957

Public Employee Appointment/Employment: Elementary School Principal; Director of Communications

Open Meeting - 6:00 p.m. – Mrs. Cox announced that the Board met in Closed Session and by an affirmative vote of all Board members present, employed Xanthi Pinkerton as Director of Communications.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance** – Goretti Duarte, parent volunteer at Franklin Elementary School, led the Pledge. Mrs. Duarte has been an organizing force in the Franklin PTA where she has chaired the annual Harvest Festival. She also coordinates and oversees many fundraising and other school events. In addition to fundraising, the PTA has provided the school with many opportunities for families to connect and support each other in building long-lasting friendships.

Introduction of Superintendent

Mrs. Cox introduced and welcomed Mr. Christopher Hoffman, who was recently appointed Superintendent and began his service in the District yesterday.

Retirement of Board Members and Presentation of Gavel

Mr. Ly acknowledged the retirement of Mr. Cox and Ms. Amavisca who have served on the Board for many years. On behalf of the Board, he presented a ceremonial gavel to Mrs. Cox for her service as President of the Board during the past year.

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II. Presentations/Recognitions

3. **High School Student Representative Reports** – Bailey Coben and Brooke Macneill from Cosumnes Oaks High School, Kelsie Cole and Chrintina Le from Monterey Trail High School, and Jack Danho and Mariah Jauregui from Valley High school reported on activities and academics at their schools.
4. **California School Boards Association Recognition of Priscilla Cox and Jeanette Amavisca** – Mr. Vernon Billie, CEO and Executive of the California School Boards Association, recognized and presented a resolution to Mrs. Cox for her work on the Board of Education and her work with the California School Boards Association where she served in several capacities over the years He also presented a resolution to Ms. Amavisca for her service to the District and to the California School Boards Association.
5. **Vision Care Community Partners** – Recognized and honored for their extraordinary efforts to provide vision exams and eye glasses to students of the District were the following community partners who work with the District's Healthy Start Family Centers: Vision to Learn – Total amount of services provided - \$110,000; VSP Global - \$56,000 contribution of services; and the Elk Grove Lions – vision and hearing services in the amount of \$12,000.
6. **Academic Recognition of Fall Student Athletes and Coaches** – Recognized were the coaches and teams from the nine comprehensive high schools who achieved the highest combined Grade Point Average of any varsity athletic team during the fall sports season.
7. **2013 National FFA Convention** – Students from Elk Grove, Florin, Pleasant Grove and Sheldon high schools were recognized for their accomplishments at the 87th annual National FFA Convention.

(Ms. Singh-Allen left the meeting.)

III. Student Expulsion Recommendations

8. **Request for Student Expulsions** - Motion No. 73, 2014-15 - Motion by Mr. Madison, seconded by Mr. Forcina, and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that the Hearing Panel's recommendations regarding student expulsions be approved.

IV. LCAP

9. **Local Control Accountability Plan (LACP) Update** – Mr. Cerutti presented an update on the LCAP plan which included the following information: E-4 graphic and the four strategic goals in LCAP; a review of the stakeholder/community input that has occurred and plans for upcoming input; and the establishment of an LCAP Consultation Committee. Discussion was held regarding the duties of the committee, the current

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process of gathering names for representatives from stakeholder groups and the Board representatives to serve on the committee. After discussion, it was decided to appoint Board representative to the Committee after the Board's organizational meeting.

V. Budget Update - None

VI. Public Comment

Susan Mason commented on the community meeting held at Laguna Creek High School on October 28; stated her concerns about adopting the Common Core National Standards; and asked when the answers to questions presented at the meeting would be placed on the web site.

Katherine Duran expressed her concerns about the Common Core; stated it is time to take another look at the Common Core program; and suggested another public forum be held.

VII. Bargaining Units

Mary Deutsch and Nancy Eastman, representing CSEA; Jennifer Ballerini and Nancy Clifford, representing AFSCME; and Maggie Ellis, representing EGEA, spoke about the changes occurring in the District, welcomed Mr. Hoffman as Superintendent, and thanked Mr. Cerutti for serving as Interim Superintendent. They also thanked Mrs. Cox and Ms. Amavisca for their service.

VIII. Reports

10. Presentation: On Grade Level Reading (Sacramento READS) – Mrs. Cherry presented and reviewed with the Board a report on the On Grade Level Reading Program. Information in the report included the following: the District's strategic goals; the urgent need for third graders to reading proficiently by the end of the third grade and the severe consequences resulting if they are not proficient; the District's goals to ensure that every student reads at or above grade level by the end of third grade; the support of the Board of Education by designate \$1,000,000 to support the On grad Level Reading Initiative; and the On Grade Level Reading timeline, plan and budget; and other actions planned to achieve the goals.

Discussion was held regarding the importance of identifying and implementing the plan to achieve the goals and to focus on parent involvement.

11. Summer School 2014 – Mrs. Cherry and Mrs. Penna presented a report regarding the 2014 Summer School Program at both the elementary and secondary levels. The report included the background of the program implementation approved by the Board on April 22, 2014; the goals of the program and the benefits of extended day/summer school; an overview of the programs offered at the elementary, middle, and high

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schools and the middle school “Jump Start” which were positive; the summer school feedback surveys which were also positive; and suggestions for the future program were submitted by administrators, teachers, students and parents. The next steps include offering extended day programs at all elementary and high schools through May 2015 and the planning for next year’s program.

Discussion was held regarding how the funds were allocated, the assignment of teachers, evaluation of the program to determine what will be offered in the future, and the positive aspects of the efforts involved and the results which occurred.

Mr. Perez requested a breakdown of the attendance by school and a discussion of rolling over funds for next year’s summer school.

IX. Public Hearing/Action Items - None

X. Discussion Items –

- 12. Revisions to Board Policy 0520.2 – Title I Program Improvement Districts, and
13. Revisions to Board Policy 0520.3 – Title I Program Improvement Districts**

Revisions to Board Policies 0520.2 and 0520.3 including new and replacement language which align with the California School Boards Association (CSBA) model policies were submitted and reviewed.

In response to Mr. Perez’s suggestion that organizations be contacted regarding the new laws reflected in the revised policies, Mr. Hoffman stated that CSBA, CTA, and other organizations provide input before the legislation is approved.

XI. Discussion/Action Items

- 14. Board Policy 3100, Budget Development and Control Revision – Motion No.74, 2014-15 – Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Mr. Perez, and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all members present, that the Finance Committee be requested to review the proposed changes to Board Policy 3100, Budget Development and Control.**
- 15. Approval of Contract with California State University, Sacramento – Motion No. 75, 2014-15 – Motion by Ms. Amavisca, seconded by Mr. Madison, and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all members present, that a contract for services between the California State University Sacramento (CSUS) and the Elk Grove Unified School District (EGUSD) be approved whereby EGUSD will allocate \$16,000 to CSUS to compensate two part-time Faculty Champions and three professors who will coordinate the California Career Pathway Trust (CCPT) project.**
- 16. Approval of NextEd Contract for Career Pathway Trust (CPT) Grant – Postponed.**

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- 16A. Career Technical Education Advisory Committee** – Motion No. 76, 2014-15 - Motion by Ms. Amavisca, seconded by Mr. Forcina, and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all members present, that the District’s Career Technical Education Advisory Committee/Community Stakeholder Committee members be approved as submitted.

XIII. Action Items

17. **Establishment of Annual Organization Meeting of the Board of Education** – Motion No. 77, 2014-15 – Motion by Mr. Forcina, seconded by Mr. Madison, and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all members present, that the Annual Organizational Meeting of the Board of Education be established for 5:30 p.m. and the regular session beginning at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 9, 2014, in the Board room of the District Office.
18. **2015-2016 EGUSD Comprehensive High School Course Catalog and College/Career Planning Guide, Middle School Course Catalog, and Alternative Education Course Catalog and College/Career Planning Guide**– Motion No. 78, 2014-15 – Motion by Ms. Amavisca, seconded by Mr. Madison, and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all members present, that the 2015-2016 EGUSD Comprehensive High School Course Catalog and College/Career Planning Guide, Middle School Course Catalog, and Alternative Education Course Catalog and College/Career Planning Guide be approved.
19. **Revisions to Board Policy 6174 – Education for English Language Learners** – Motion No. 79, 2014-15

In response to a question by Mr. Perez, it was stated that ACSA provides input in the development of the law and CSBA provides the District with an interpretation of the law in the model policy.

Motion by Ms. Amavisca, seconded by Mr. Madison, and carried, that the revisions to Board Policy 6174, Education for English Language Learners be approved. Mr. Perez voted to oppose the motion and Ms. Amavisca, Mrs. Cox, Mr. Forcina, Mr. Ly, and Mr. Madison voted to approve the motion.

- XIV. Consent Agenda – Action** – Motion No. 80, 2014-15 – Motion by Ms. Amavisca, seconded by Mr. Ly, and carried unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present, that Items 20 through 32 except Items 25A and 25B and Item 29 be approved.
20. **Approval of Minutes** – Approved minutes of the regular board meeting held November 4, 2014, and the special board meeting held August 12, 2014.
21. **Personnel Actions** - Approved personnel appointments, leaves of absence, rehires, probationary Personnel Actions releases, promotions, resignations, retirements, and returning from reemployment lists as submitted.

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- 22. Approval of Purchase Order History** - Purchase orders for October 11 through October 24, 2014, with a Financial Summary Grand Total of \$3,610,934.52.
- 23. Warrant Register No. 3 Approval** – Warrants number 969250-970861 and 3066878- 3079998 totaling \$48,759,560.87 for October 1-31, 2014.
- 24. Investment Policy** received the Sacramento County Treasurer's Report as of September 30, 2014, stating that the Elk Grove Unified School District had \$120,141,733 from all District funds, in addition to Mello-Roos Investment proceeds of \$22,072,616 in the County Treasurer's pool which is 5.92% of the total pool assets of \$2,401,839,686.
- 25. Acceptance of Gifts** – Accepted donations to the District's schools/programs as submitted.
- 27. Ratification of Contracts** - Approved contracts signed by authorized staff in accordance with Board Policy as submitted.
- 28. 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.
- 30. Instructional Materials Approval** – Adopted the following supplemental instructional materials – Learning Dynamics Readers, Copyright 1998 by Frontline Educational Products (ELA, Grades K-2)
- 31. Out-of-State Field Trip Approval** – Approved the out-of-state field trip for Elk Grove High School to attend the The New York International Music Festival in New York, NY, April 4-8, 2015.
- 32. 2014 Fencing at Laguna Creek High School, Acceptance and Notice of Completion** – Accepted the construction of the 2014 Fencing at Laguna Creek High School by Golden Bay Fence Plus Iron Works, Inc. and authorized the filing of the Notice of Completion.

XV. Other Action Items

33. Discussion and Action on Items Removed From Consent Agenda

26 A and B. Disposal of Obsolete/Surplus Property – Motion No. 81, 2014-15

Discussed was the question of disposal of vehicles and the need to replace them. Staff explained that two of the vehicles were taken out of services and scheduled for replacement last year which was approved by the Board; the additional two buses are not in service and are not scheduled for replacement.

Motion by Ms. Amavisca, seconded by Mr. Madison, and approved by a unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board Members Present that the disposal of obsolete/surplus property which included Vehicles

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ID# 2FAFP71W8XX180360, Value of \$1,179.00; ID#1FAFP5524YG90197 Value \$1,406.00; ID# 2FAFP71W04X107449, Value \$12,891.00; and ID# 2FAFP71W96X105170, Value \$3,514.00 be approved with any amount received going into the General Fund.

29. Renewal of Student Teaching Agreement Between Elk Grove Unified School District and the University of the Pacific – Motion No. 82, 2014-15

In response to a question by Mr. Perez, Dr. Krueger stated he would forward information on the contracts the District has for providing student teachers to the District.

Motion by Mr. Perez, seconded by Mr. Madison, and approved unanimously by an affirmative vote of all Board members present that renewal of the agreement with the University of the Pacific for providing student teachers to the District be approved for the period of November 20, 2014, through November 19, 2019.

XIII. 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.

Ms. Amavisca and Mrs. Cox commented briefly on their service as Board members and noted their work with people in the District.

XVI. Information Items

34. Other Items from the Floor – None

35. Items for Future Agendas – Mr. Forcina reported that Mr. Fagan and his staff have been working on the budget policy and will be bringing a request to the Board to send the document to the Finance Committee for review.

XVII. Adjournment – 10:25 p.m.

Submitted by:
Christopher R. Hoffman, Superintendent

Approve by: _____
Steve Ly, Clerk