

**CONEJO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING****January 4, 2011
MINUTES****CALL TO ORDER – CLOSED SESSION**

The Board meeting of January 4, 2011, was called to order by President Peggy Buckles at 5:00 p.m. at 1400 E. Janss Road, Thousand Oaks, CA. Mrs. Buckles asked if there were any public speakers for the Closed Session agenda items; there were none. The Board adjourned into Closed Session at 5:00 p.m., where the following items were discussed:

- A. Public Employee Appointment-Employment (*Pursuant to Government Code §54957*)
 - 1. See Section IV. Action Items – Consent - Personnel/Assignment Orders
- B. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (*Pursuant to Government Code §54957*)
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- C. Labor Negotiations (*Pursuant to Government Code §54957*)
Timothy Carpenter, Negotiator, CVUSD
UACT, CSEA, CVPPA
- D. Consideration of Student Discipline (*Pursuant to Education Code §48900, et seq.*)
- E. Pending Litigation (*Pursuant to Government Code §54957.1(a)(3)*)
- F. Consideration of Pupil Services Matter (*Pursuant to Government Code §35146*)
- G. Conference with Real Property Negotiators (*Pursuant to Government Code §54956.8*)
Kelley Road – Dr. Joel Kirschenstein, Sage Institute, CVUSD Negotiator

The Closed Session ended at 6:05 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER – REGULAR MEETING

Mrs. Buckles called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

Call to Order: Present were Board members Peggy Buckles, Dr. Betsy Connolly, Mike Dunn, Pat Phelps and Dr. Timothy Stephens. Administration: Dr. Jeffrey Baarstad, Superintendent, Linda Bekeny, Assistant Superintendent, Janet Cosaro, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services. Also present were Robert Iezza, Director, Elementary Education, Dr. Jeff Davis, Director, Secondary Education, and Carol Boyan-Held, Director, Curriculum.

Mrs. Buckles led the Pledge of Allegiance and read the procedural announcements.

OPENING PROVISIONS**Approval of the Agenda**

Mrs. Phelps moved to approve the Agenda with the following changes: add two numbers to the Certificated Personnel Assignment Orders seconded by Dr. Stephens. Motion carried 5-0.

Reports from Student Board Members

Melissa Siple, Conejo Valley High School, was seated with the Board. Marianna L'Engle, Newbury Park High School, Jennifer Randolph, Thousand Oaks High School, Samantha Gilbert, Westlake High School, and Ben Wallace, Century Academy reported on campus events such as charity events, field trips, ASB events, rallies, fund raisers, dance, choral and band events, Blood Drives, college financial aid night, AP test registration, Senior Ball, community services projects, and more.

Board Recognition

Principals recognized Eagle Scouts who made valuable contributions to their schools:

Student	School	Project
Alexander Wright	Aspen Elementary	Updated Kindergarten garden
Carson Smith	Banyan Elementary	Rebuilt and painted Kindergarten cubbies
Jacob Faltemier	Colina Middle	Remodeled and painted the music instrument storage room
Aaron Morefield	Cypress Elementary	Restored and painted school exterior tables; built mascot billboard
Jake Babich	EARTH'S	Built a bridge in indigenous garden and three benches
Jonathon Chapple	EARTH'S	Built and installed benches, also archway in biome area
Kenneth Petrowsky	Ladera Elementary	Constructed shed and relocated garden beds to new location
Spencer Whitworth	Redwood Middle	Repaired and painted baseball backstops
Daniel Pond	Walnut Elementary	Refurbished playground picnic table, repaired/painted handball walls and mural
Ian Peterson	Weathersfield Elementary	Painted a map of the U.S. on the playground
James McAfee	Westlake Elementary	Constructed shelving and storage cabinets for instruments and painted music room
Patrik Hornstrand	Westlake High School	Landscaped and irrigated area around the weight room and tennis courts

Reports from Support Organizations

Mike Soules, President, Conejo Schools Foundation, stated that the Foundation is currently in the midst of their annual campaign. CSF is co-sponsoring "Kindergarten Night" along with CVUSD on Wednesday, January 26, at 6:30 p.m. at Horizon Hills. Mr. Soules also wished all 8th graders good luck with the "We the People" program this week. Please access the Foundation's website for information and activities at www.conejoschools.org.

Wendy Laufer, President, Conejo Council PTA, reported that the 12th District PTA annual Reflections Gallery Event will be January 12th at 5:00 p.m. at the Ventura County Office of Education. Ms. Laufer also reported on a Grant award for Thousand Oaks High School from SAVE (Students Against Violence Everywhere) in partnership with Allstate Insurance. Ms. Laufer welcomed Acacia Elementary School as a newly chartered PTA school.

Laurie Lam, representing the District Advisory Council (DAC), reported from the December meeting. Principals from Acacia, Wildwood and Banyan provided information about their enrichment/intervention period, which is important time to effectively address students with special needs, i.e. English Language Learners, GATE students, etc. Carol Boyan-Held offered information regarding Datawise, a software program that allows teachers to do individual student data analysis. Noreen Sand, Internal Auditor, discussed Booster Club re-authorizations and non-profit procedures for the IRS. The next DAC meeting will be Tuesday, February 8, 9:00 a.m. in the District Office Board Room.

Comments from the Superintendent

Dr. Baarstad stated that he is very concerned about the upcoming State of the State speech by new Governor Jerry Brown on Monday regarding cuts in public education. The "word" that's coming out of Sacramento is that the Governor may tie the decision to make more cuts in education to a ballot initiative in June regarding extending taxes that were voted on two years ago.

Comments from the Public

One public speaker stated his concern about rumors regarding the sale and purchase of properties. He asked that if the District does sell property during the current budget crisis, that they consider staffing issues.

Comments from Individual Board Members

Mr. Dunn stated that he is hoping that any District property sale proceeds will be added to the general fund. He also complimented Newbury Park High School Choral Director John Sargent for an excellent holiday program.

ACTION ITEMS – GENERAL

There were no General Action items.

ACTION ITEMS – CONSENT

Mrs. Phelps moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Dr. Stephens. Motion carried 5-0.

- A. Approval of Minutes (in Section B of the Agenda packet)
 - 1. Regular Meeting of December 14, 2010
- B. Personnel Assignment Orders:
 - 1. Certificated: #8696-8704
Teachers
 - 2. Classified: C-5569 to C-5580
Child Care Assistant, Child Care Leader, Paraprofessional/Special Ed, School Occupational Therapist, Senior Clerk Typist, Sign Language Interpreter
 - 3. Exempt: E-10062 to E-10086
Athletic Advisor, Athletic Coach, Campus Supervisor, Specialist, Student Helper
- C. Expulsions
 - 1. Westlake High School #11-10/11E
 - 2. Redwood Middle School #12-10/11E
 - 3. Thousand Oaks High School #13-10/11
- D. Contract for Nonpublic School Placement for Handicapped Students
 - 1. #17-10/11
 - 2. #18-10/11
- E. Overnight Trip Request: Newbury Park High School Culinary Arts
- F. Purchase Order Report #781
- G. Disposal of Surplus and Obsolete Equipment

INFORMATION ITEMS**Instructional Services**

- A. Approval of 2010-2011 School Accountability Report Cards. There were no comments.

Business Services

- B. 2009-10 Annual Audit Report of District Financial Statements. Ms. Bekeny explained that it is required by law that districts hire an outside auditor to review annual reports. Ms. Bekeny thanked Susan Tucker, Director, Fiscal Services, and the entire staff for making sure that the District stays in compliance.
- C. 2011-12 Preliminary Facilities Proposal for Bridges Charter School. Dr. Baarstad offered a report to the Board. (This report may be obtained through the Superintendent’s Office.) One public speaker spoke in support of Glenwood Elementary School, and one spoke in support of Bridges’ facility request.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Buckles adjourned the Open Session at 7:25 p.m. The Board will reconvene on Tuesday, January 18, 2011, at 5:00 p.m. for Closed Session, 6:00 p.m. for Open Session-Regular Meeting at the CVUSD South Building Board Room, 1400 E. Janss Road, Thousand Oaks.

January 18, 2011

Date

Clerk

January 18, 2011

Date

Superintendent