

**CONEJO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING****February 1, 2011****MINUTES****CALL TO ORDER – CLOSED SESSION**

The Board meeting of February 1, 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 5:50 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER – REGULAR MEETING

Mrs. Buckles called the meeting to order at 6:02 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, Janet Cosaro, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services, Timothy Carpenter, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel Services, and Linda Bekey, Assistant Superintendent. 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, seconded by Dr. Stephens. Mr. Dunn asked that Purchase Order Report #783 be removed from the Consent Agenda and discussed/voted on separately. Motion carried 5-0.

Recognition of Marmonte League Champions

The Board congratulated the coaches and students of teams that achieved Marmonte League Championships:

- Thousand Oaks High School Boys Cross Country
- Thousand Oaks High School Girls Golf
- Thousand Oaks High School Girls Tennis
- Thousand Oaks High School Girls Volleyball

Reports from Student Board Members

Ben Wallace, Century Academy, was seated with the Board. Ben, along with Samantha Gilbert, Westlake High School, reported on campus events such fund raisers, volunteer opportunities, field trips, ASB events, inspirational speakers, fund raisers, dance, community services projects, and more.

Reports from Support Organizations

Laurie Lam reporting for the Conejo Schools Foundation, stated that in honor of national School Counselors Week, the Foundation will be sending high school counselors to Naviance Summer Institute. These counselors will bring the information back to CVUSD to train other counselors. Ms. Lam informed the Board of the screening of the documentary “Race to Nowhere” at the Thousand Oaks High School Performing Arts Center on February 10 at 6:30 p.m. Please access the Foundation’s website for information and other activities at www.conejoschools.org.

Wendy Laufer, President, Conejo Council PTA, reported that by invitation of the police department, she attended a meeting that addressed the escalation of heroin use by young people in our community. A proposal to hold three forums (Newbury Park, Thousand Oaks and Westlake Village) with panels to discuss and educate the public emerged. More information will be forthcoming. Ms. Laufer also stated that the United Association of Conejo Teachers (UACT) is activity working on issues regarding teacher evaluations and asked PTA for input.

Laurie Lam, representing the District Advisory Council (DAC), discussed reports at the last DAC meeting from: OASIS (Organized Academic Support in School), a peer tutoring program for 9th graders at Westlake High School, the Nutrition and Wellness Committee, Dr. Baarstad regarding the Governor’s budget, and an update on the ACLU lawsuit regarding charging fees and fundraising for co-curricular activities.

Comments from the Superintendent

Dr. Baarstad discussed his attendance at the California Superintendents’ Symposium in Monterey and the excellent workshops and networking opportunities. Dr. Baarstad congratulated Colina Middle School 5th grade students, teachers and coaches who earned First Place in the “We the People” Regional Competition, and Sycamore Canyon School 5th grade students who came in third place. He also commended Carol Boyan-Held, Director, Curriculum, for coordinating the program district-wide. Dr. Baarstad also shared that CVUSD has more student participants in “We the People” than any other school district in the United States!

Comments from the Public

One public speaker stated his concern about President Obama’s reference to replace No Child Left Behind with Race to the Top. He asked that the District fight against this program.

Comments from Individual Board Members

Mrs. Phelps mentioned that she attended the quarterly meeting of the Conejo Coalition of Parents and Families. The Coalition reported that the CVUSD and Conejo Recreation and Park District joint community day in September was a great effort providing a lot of information for families about good health. However, she was dismayed to hear about the heroin problem in our County and the fact that there are no services for children 16 years old and younger. She also reported that she attended a screening of the Race to Nowhere, and found it very thought provoking. Dr. Stephens mentioned that he attended a meeting at the County regarding charter schools. There are currently 14 charter schools in the County.

Dr. Baarstad announced that both Dr. Stephens and Mrs. Phelps were recognized at the County School Boards Association dinner meeting for their 12 years of service as CVUSD board members.

ACTION ITEMS – GENERAL

Board of Education

A. **Adjust Board Meeting Dates**

Dr. Stephens moved to adjust the Board meeting schedule per Board direction from the Board Meeting of January 18, 2011:

- Cancel meetings scheduled for April 5 and April 19, 2011; replace with Monday, March 28 and Tuesday, April 12, 2011
- Cancel July 5, 19 and August 2, 2011; replace with July 12, 2011
- Cancel December 20, 2011; replace with December 13, 2011

Mrs. Phelps seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

(A list of our 2011 board meetings may be found on our website at www.conejo.k12.ca.us.com.)

Instructional Services

B. **Approval of Title 1, Part A, Section 1(A) Waiver Application**

Mrs. Phelps moved to approve the waiver requests for Title 1, Part A, Section 1(a), seconded by Dr. Stephens. Motion carried 5-0.

ACTION ITEMS – CONSENT

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

A. Approval of Minutes (in Section B of the Agenda packet)

1. Regular Meeting of January 18, 2010

B. Personnel Assignment Orders:

1. Certificated: #8711-8714
Teachers
2. Classified: C-5598 to C-6010
Child Care Assistant, Child Nutrition Assistant I, Early Care Teacher, Health Clerk, Instructional Media Technician, Intermediate Clerk Typist, Paraprofessional/Special Ed, School Office Manager
3. Exempt: E-10102 to E-10127
Athletic Coach, Campus Supervisor, Proctor, Naturalist, Specialist, Student Helper

C. Overnight Trip Request: Thousand Oaks High School Choir

D. ~~Purchase Order Report #783~~ *Removed to be discussed and voted on separately (per Agenda approval).*

E. Disposal of Surplus and Obsolete Equipment

F. Approval of Contract with VCEDNET for Internet Access

G. Approval of Contracts for Wireless Telecommunication Services

C. Purchase Order Report #783

Dr. Connolly moved to approve Purchase Order Report #783, seconded by Mrs. Phelps. Mr. Dunn asked several questions about the competitive bid process and TOPASS expenditures. Motion carried 5-0.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Personnel Services

- A. Resolution #10/11-07: Ordering of Seniority of Certificated Employees Who First Rendered Paid Service on the Same Day. Mr. Carpenter stated that evaluation of the Governor’s Budget Proposal may mean significant cuts if the tax extension is not placed on or is not passed on the June ballot. With the past three years of major budget cuts of \$25 million, the District has no choice but to consider raising class size K-12. If the tax increase does not go forward, CVUSD will have to cut another \$7-10 million. It is with great sadness that another certificated layoff action must be considered. Legally notices must go out by March 15 if the district anticipates a lay-off. The district has to send the notices out even though we will not know whether the tax extension passes until June 8. This action will begin the lay-off process. The Resolution is the same as last year.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Buckles adjourned the Open Session at 7:14 p.m. The Board will reconvene on Tuesday, February 15, 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.

February 15, 2011

Date

Clerk

February 15, 2011

Date

Superintendent