

**CONEJO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING**

February 15, 2011

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER – CLOSED SESSION

The Board meeting of Tuesday, February 15, 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 was one person addressing item C. The Board adjourned into Closed Session at 5:01 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. Complaint Against Public Employee (*Pursuant to Government Code 54957(b)(1)*)
 - 1. Board to consider appeal pursuant to Board Regulation AR 1312.3 Uniform Compliant Procedures
- D. Labor Negotiations (*Pursuant to Government Code §54957*)
Timothy Carpenter, Negotiator, CVUSD
UACT, CSEA, CVPPA
- E. Consideration of Student Discipline – Expulsion or Suspension (*Pursuant to Education Code §48900, et seq.*)
- F. Consideration of Confidential Student Issues Other Than Expulsion and Suspension (*Pursuant to Government Code §35146*)
- G. Pending Litigation (*Pursuant to Government Code §54957.1(a) (3)*)
- H. Conference with Real Property Negotiators (*Pursuant to Government Code §54956.8*)
Kelley Road Property, Conejo Center Drive Property, Mitchell Road Property
Dr. Joel Kirschenstein, Sage Institute, CVUSD Negotiator

The Closed Session ended at 6:10 p.m. There were no announcements from Closed Session.

CALL TO ORDER – REGULAR MEETING

Mrs. Buckles called the meeting to order at 6:14 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 Bekeny, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services. Also present were Robert Iezza, Director, Elementary Education, Dr. Jeff Davis, Director, Secondary Education, Carol Boyan-Held, Director, Curriculum and Assessment, and Margaret Saleh, Director, Special Education.

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 amendment: under Action Items – Consent, B. Personnel Assignment Orders, 3. Exempt, the numbers should read E-10128 to E-10226, seconded by Dr. Stephens. Motion carried 5-0.

Presentations

- Janet Cosaro, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services and Colleen Briner-Schmidt, President, UACT, provided a skit to promote “Read Across America” and Dr. Seuss’s birthday, March 2, 2011.
- Naviance and College Applications: Westlake High School Assistant Principal Nicole Judd and Counselors Martha Aggazzotti and Melissa Kukta presented information about the Naviance system and college applications. Dr. Connolly asked if parents can access the Naviance information on the schools’ web site; the counselors responded yes.

Comments from the Superintendent

Dr. Baarstad commended the Westlake High School Counselors for their work with Naviance and students, and stated that counselors at each of the high schools spend countless hours supporting students with college applications. He also thanked the Conejo Schools Foundation for making arrangements to send two counselors from each high school to Naviance training in the summer. Dr. Baarstad also stated that he will be the pronouncer for the District’s annual Spelling Bee on Thursday, and congratulated Conejo Valley High School for receiving a full six-year accreditation from WASC (Western Association of Schools and Colleges).

Comments from the Public

One speaker thanked Kohl’s department store for donating Dr. Seuss stuffed toys and books to the post-secondary special education program.

Comments from Individual Board Members

Mrs. Phelps thanked the Los Cerritos Middle School jazz ensemble for the special autographed program booklet they sent to the board. The ensemble was recently invited to perform at a prestigious national venue, the 64th Annual Midwest Band Clinic in Chicago. They were the first California middle school band to do so. Dr. Connolly thanked those who served on the panel and attended the “Race to Nowhere” screening, sponsored by the Conejo Schools Foundation. She thought that the discussion was a very interesting exchange of thoughts on the subject of homework. Many parents are concerned about the amount of homework students are required to do each evening. Dr. Stephens echoed Dr. Connolly’s remarks and thanked both Dr. Connolly and Dr. Baarstad for their participation as members of the panel after the screening. Dr. Baarstad suggested that staff schedule a Discussion Session for the Board to discuss the current homework policy and guidelines.

ACTION ITEMS – GENERAL**Personnel Services****A. Resolution #10/11-07: Ordering the Seniority of Certificated Employees Who First Rendered Paid Services on the Same Day**

Mrs. Phelps moved to approve Resolution #10/11-07, as submitted, seconded by Dr. Stephens. Mr. Carpenter stated that this resolution will help define specific criteria in the event of a lay off of certificated personnel. Motion carried 5-0.

B. Resolution #10/11-10: Read Across America Day

Dr. Stephens moved to adopt Resolution #10/11-10, seconded by Mrs. Phelps. Motion carried 5-0.

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 February 1, 2011
- B. Personnel Assignment Orders:
 - 1. Certificated: 8715 - 8719
Administrators, Teachers
 - 2. Classified: C-6011 to C-6065
Administrative Assistant, Bilingual Cross Cultural ELD Para Facilitator/Spanish, Child Care Assistant, Child Care Leader, Child Nutrition Assistant I, Clerk, Clerk Typist, Custodian, Early Care Aide, Early Care Assistant Teacher, Instructional Media Technician, Intermediate Clerk Typist, Paraprofessional/Special Ed, Senior Account Clerk, Site Computer Technician
 - 3. Exempt: E-10128 to E-10226
Advisor, Athletic Coach, Campus Supervisor, Naturalist, Proctor, Specialist, Student Helper
- C. Contracts for Nonpublic School Placement for Handicapped Students
- D. Overnight Trip Request: Westlake High School Chorus
- E. Expulsion: Redwood Middle School #17-10/11E
- F. Approval of Overnight Trip Request: Trip by Air – Lang Ranch Elementary
- G. Purchase Order Report #784
- H. Disposal of Surplus and Obsolete Equipment

INFORMATION ITEMSPersonnel Services

- A. Resolution #10/11-11: Reduce or Discontinue Particular Kinds of Services Not Later Than the Beginning of the Following School Year. Mr. Carpenter explained that on Page 21, under the section “Be it further resolved...” that Century Academy Program teachers may be included when the resolution is brought forward for approval on March 1. Mr. Carpenter expressed the regret of having to forward these resolutions at this time. However, without knowing the outcome of whether the tax extension will be on the ballot in June, or if the voting public will approve the extensions, legally a deadline must be met in getting notices out to employees. Dr. Baarstad stated that there will be three budget scenarios presented to the Board for next school year – one if the tax extensions are approved and two if the extensions are not approved.
- B. Resolution #10/11-14: Determination of Competency Among Employees Possessing the Same Credential. There was no discussion.

Instructional Services

- C. Approval of Amendment to Board Policy 5141.33 – Head Lice. There was no discussion.

- D. Approval of Amendment to Board Policy 6158 – Independent Study. Carol Boyan-Held, Director, Curriculum, was asked and answered several questions about the policy, particularly about Independent Study Physical Education.
- E. Approval of Revised Course of Study – Forensic Science CP. Ms. Boyan-Held explained that this course of study was completely rewritten in order to fulfill UC/CSU entrance requirements.
- F. Approval of New High School Pilot Course – Scientific Research CP. There was no discussion.

Business Services

- G. 2011-2012 Budget Information. Dr. Baarstad and Mrs. Bekeny provided a report which outlined:
 - State income losses to CVUSD in years 2008/09, 2009/10 and 2010/11
 - CVUSD expenditure reductions and funding shifts 2008-09 to 2010-11
 - A summary of 2010-11 estimated budget deficit and ending balance
 - Scenarios for impact of Governor Brown’s 2011-12 proposals on CVUSD
 - CVUSD options for addressing 2011-12 budget scenarios.

Copies of this budget report may be obtained through the Superintendent’s office (805-497-9511, extension 201).

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Buckles adjourned the Open Session at 7:52 p.m. The Board will reconvene on Tuesday, March 1, 2011, at 5:00 p.m. for Closed Session and 6:00 p.m. for Open Session-Regular Meeting at the CVUSD South Building Board Room, 1400 E. Janss Road, Thousand Oaks.

March 1, 2011

Date

Clerk

March 1, 2011

Date

Superintendent