

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

**April 8, 2003
MINUTES
(Adopted)**

The Conejo Valley Unified School District Board of Education met in Regular Session on April 8, 2003, at the District Office Board Room, 1400 East Janss Road, Thousand Oaks, California. **CALL TO ORDER**

Present were Board members Dorothy L. Beaubien, Mary Jo Del Campo, Dolores Didio, Patricia H. Phelps, and Timothy G. Stephens. Also present were Robert Fraise, Superintendent; Richard Simpson, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services; Jody Dunlap, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel Services; Gary Mortimer, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services. Chuck Eklund, Director, Secondary Education, Linda Faverty, Director, Elementary Education, and Martha Mutz, Director, Curriculum, were also in attendance. **ROLL CALL**

The Closed Session meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Dolores Didio, President. The Board discussed appointment/employment of: Certificated: Teachers, Summer School Counselor; Classified: Clerk Typist, Family Resource Specialist/Bilingual, Staff Assistant, Child Nutrition Assistant I (reinstate), Clerk (reinstate), Substitutes; Exempt: Specialists, Campus Supervisors, Student Helpers, Other (Outdoor Education), Proctor, Athletic Coaches. The Closed Session ended at 6:00 p.m. **CLOSED SESSION**

President Didio called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. **PLEDGE**

President Didio read announcements for the Board meeting that reviewed instructions regarding smoking, cell phones, Speaker's Cards, Public Statement Cards, and where the public can find agendas and Board procedure information. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mrs. Beaubien moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Dr. Stephens. Motion carried 5-0. **APPROVE AGENDA**

Jo-Ann Yoos, Principal, Thousand Oaks High School and Mike Waters, Principal, Colina Middle School, came to the podium to present their Blue Ribbon School plaques to the Board. The Board congratulated both schools for their excellent programs. **RECOGNITIONS**

Linda Faverty introduced the new principal for Conejo Elementary School, Esther Salinas. Ms. Salinas thanked the Board and staff and expressed her excitement with the new assignment.

Athol Wong, Assistant Principal, Thousand Oaks High School, introduced coaches and student athletes from the Boys' Soccer and Wrestling teams, who were recognized for their success as Marmonte League Champions.

RECOGNITIONS (CONT.)

Richard Urias, Assistant Principal, Westlake High School, introduced the coaches and student athletes from the Girls' Soccer team, who were recognized for their success as Marmonte League and CIF Division II Champions.

Justin Vonch, Conejo Valley/Century High Schools, Matthew Lee, Newbury Park High School, Makenzie Hobbs, Thousand Oaks High School, and Jordan Gershman, Westlake High School, reported on events at their perspective campuses, such as the job shadowing program, April Fools fun events, Optimist luncheon, car washes and other fund raisers, speech and debate team activities, future Freshman events, Sadie Hawkins dance, Honors evenings, robotics program at Thousand Oaks High School, and various charity drives.

STUDENT REPS.

Jack Tucker, Chairman of the Bond Facility Projects District Advisory Committee, reported from the last Bond DAC meeting of April 3, 2003, and gave an update on Bond projects around the District. Mrs. Didio and Dr. Stephens thanked Mr. Tucker for his report, and commended the committee for their good work. Mrs. Phelps reminded everyone that the Bond DAC report and minutes could be found on our website.

DISTRICT CMTS.

There were no reports from the District Advisory Council or the Conejo Council PTA.

Linda Van Dolsen, Thousand Oaks, John M. Dailey, Newbury Park, Cathy Carlson, Thousand Oaks, Kateri Tobias, Newbury Park, Linnea Wentworth, Thousand Oaks, and John Anderson, Newbury Park, voiced their concerns about having a Boys & Girls Club on school campuses.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Elly Love, Principal, Los Cerritos, announced that the Los Cerritos School Site Council unanimously voted to move forward with the Boys & Girls Club project. Denny Adkins, Thousand Oaks, Debbie Boden, Thousand Oaks, Dianne McKay, Thousand Oaks, Paula Mackelborg, Boys & Girls Club staff, Joe Gibson, Newbury Park, and Jacqueline Levesque, Newbury Park, spoke in support of the Boys & Girls Club.

Nick Quidwai, Newbury Park, read from an email he sent to the Board in which he stated that the previous minutes did not reflect his comments properly regarding the Board's calendar and meeting dates; he questioned whether the Board follows the Brown Act when posting for Special Meetings, stated that citizens were not permitted to speak at the last Special Meeting and stated how important it was for citizens to be allowed to speak; distributed information from Camarillo regarding the Boys & Girls Clubs; and stated his displeasure with the three minute timeline for public speakers.

Suzanne Duckett, Thousand Oaks, questioned Mr. Jack Tucker's minutes of the April 3, 2003, Bond DAC meeting and asked what schools have representatives attending the

Bond DAC meetings. She stated that each school should send a representative. Mrs. Duckett also stated that she is against having a Boys & Girls Club on school property.

Dr. Fraisse thanked all speakers to the subject of the Boys & Girls Club. Gary Mortimer agreed to give closure on the environmental study and contract language/joint-use agreement on the proposed Boys & Girls Club at Los Cerritos Middle School, and 1) stated his pride and amazement at the number of students who participate in co-curricular activities at the schools and thanked volunteers who work with the students; 2) complemented the live student-run video production program at Westlake Hills in which he was interviewed by students earlier in the day; 3) congratulated Erin Anderson, Westlake Hills, Mary Crawford, Colina, and Nancy Bowman, Westlake High School, for being recognized as the Conejo Valley Rotary Teachers of the Year; 4) Thanked the Chamber of Commerce and the business community for the success of the Principal for a 1/2 Day Program; 5) discussed the Book Buddies Program, a collaboration between Westlake High School 10th grade English students and Westlake Hills 3rd grade students and applauded mother/daughter teachers Janice Somple and Erin Anderson for the excellent program; 6) commended the area high school students involved with the Youth Congress who tackle current events and concerns; 7) praised the students and staff at Cypress for their special celebration welcoming custodian Wen Prado as a U.S. Citizen. Students presented him with a flag and celebrated with apple pie!

**SUPT.
REMARKS**

Mrs. Beaubien discussed her recent visits to several of the District schools and stated that every school is doing a fantastic job! She is amazed at the many exciting programs for students, and feels confident that as a whole, our schools are great!

**BOARD
REMARKS**

Mrs. Didio stated that she attended the culmination luncheon for the Chamber's Principal for a 1/2 Day Program, and felt that this program benefits the entire community. She announced a countywide leadership meeting (Cities, Counties and Schools {CCS} Partnerships) on April 29 at the Reagan Library. In regard to the Boys & Girls Club, Mrs. Didio stated that we all need to ask ourselves, what is best for the children in our community? She stated that times have changed, in most homes both parents work, and changes need to be made throughout our community to give children a safe place to be after school.

Mrs. Beaubien moved to approve Personnel Assignment Orders Certificated #6424 to #6433; Classified #C-1426 to #C-1441; and Exempt #E-4227 to #E-4266, seconded by Dr. Stephens. Motion carried 5-0.

PAO'S

The following personnel assignment orders were made:

Brad Benioff was appointed as Assistant Principal, Class XI, Step E on the management salary schedule for the 2003-2004 school year.

Steve Lepire was appointed as Assistant Principal, Class X, Step D on the management salary schedule for the 2003-2004 school year.

Heidi Wolf was appointed as Dean of Students, Class XIV, Step A on the

management salary schedule for the 2003-2004 school year.

**PAO'S
(CONT.)**

Robert Watson was appointed as Assistant Principal, Class X, Step E on the management salary schedule for the 2003-2004 school year.

Robert Wing was appointed Assistant Principal, Class XI, Step D on the management salary schedule for the 2003-2004 school year.

Tom Holtke was appointed Dean of Students, Class XV, Step A on the management salary schedule for the 2003-2004 school year.

Martha Aggazzotti was appointed Summer School Counselor for Summer School 2003, for two (2) days as designated by the Summer School Principal; salary will be 60% of the regular salary rate on Class C, Step F of the 2003-2003 counselor salary schedule.

Mrs. Phelps moved to approve a resolution recognizing Classified School Employee Week, May 18-24, 2003, seconded by Mrs. Beaubien. Motion carried 5-0. A.R. #1 filed.

**RESOLU-
TIONS**

Mrs. Del Campo moved to adopt a resolution declaring May 14, 2003, as the "Day of the Teacher," seconded by Mrs. Beaubien. Motion carried 5-0. A.R. #2 filed.

Dr. Stephens moved to adopt and purchase the textbook and ancillary materials recommended by the English/Language Arts Committee, seconded by Mrs. Phelps. Motion carried 5-0. Mrs. Didio stated how non-controversial this English/Language Arts adoption has been; Dr. Stephens commended Martha Mutz and the committee for their work to make the adoption so acceptable. Mrs. Mutz replied that the Standards are the same across the District, the choice of texts depended on the style of teaching at each of the schools. A.R. #3 filed.

**ENG/LANG.
ARTS
ADOPTION**

Mrs. Beaubien moved to approve the Certification for Compliance with the requirements of the TOPASS Agreement, seconded by Mrs. Del Campo. Motion carried 5-0. Nick Quidwai thanked the Board for having the TOPASS agreement available for the community; has been opposed to the redevelopment agency but since it is in effect, the community has an opportunity to decide where the money goes. He stated that most of the community does not know that the money exists, and that it is up to the Board to inform the public. A.R. #4 filed.

**TOPASS
ANNUAL
REPORT**

Mrs. Beaubien moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mrs. Phelps. A.R.s approved and filed: Approval of minutes of Regular Meeting March 25, 2003; A.R. #5—Preauthorization of Overnight Trip Request; A.R. #6—Boat Trip Request – Newbury Park High School Marine Science Class; A.R. #7—Parent Support/Booster Organization Authorization: Cypress Technology Booster Club; A.R. #8—Contract for Non-Public School Placement for Handicapped Student #22-02/03; A.R. #9—Purchase Order Report #623; A.R. #10—Increases to Petty Cash Funds; A.R. #11—Resolution #02/03-15: CalSTRS Deferred Retirement Contributions Pickup; A.R. #12—Resolution #02/03-17: Authorizing Federal Revenues for Child Nutrition to be Expended Initially

**CONSENT
AGENDA**

on Classified Salaries and Benefits Subject to PERS; A.R. #13—Resolution #02/03-19: Authorizing Issuance of 2003 Tax and Revenue Anticipation Note; A.R. #14—Notice of Completion Various Cabling Projects.

Information Items

INFO.

Business Services:

- 1. 2003-2004 TOPASS Projects List – No comments.
- 2. Resolution #02/03-16: Tax Deferred Services, Inc. Agreement – No comments.

There were no items of legislature.

LEGIS.

There was no report from the Personnel Commission.

**PERS.
COMM.**

President Didio adjourned the regular session at 7:48 p.m. The Board will convene on May 13, 2003, at 5:00 p.m. for Closed Session and 6:00 p.m. for Regular Session.

ADJOURN

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Date	Clerk

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Date	Secretary

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