

**CONEJO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING****April 12, 2011
MINUTES****CALL TO ORDER – CLOSED SESSION**

The Board meeting of April 12, 2011, was called to order by President Peggy Buckles at 5:03 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 5:04 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*)
 - 1. See Section IV. Action Items – Consent - Personnel/Assignment Orders
- C. Labor Negotiations (*Pursuant to Government Code §54957*)
Timothy Carpenter, Negotiator, CVUSD
UACT, CSEA, CVPPA
- D. Consideration of Student Discipline – Expulsion or Suspension (*Pursuant to Education Code §48900, et seq.*)
- E. Consideration of Confidential Student Issues Other Than Expulsion and Suspension (*Pursuant to Government Code §35146*)
- F. Pending Litigation (*Pursuant to Government Code §54957.1(a) (3)*)
- G. 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 5:55 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER – REGULAR MEETING

Mrs. Buckles called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Call to Order: Present were Board members Peggy Buckles, Dr. Betsy Connolly, Pat Phelps and Dr. Timothy Stephens. Mike Dunn was not present at the meeting. Administration: Dr. Jeffrey L. Baarstad, Superintendent, Janet Cosaro, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services, Timothy Carpenter, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel Services, and Linda Bekeny, Assistant Superintendent. Also present were Robert Iezza, Director, Elementary 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 a date change on the following item: Action Item-General A. Approval of the 2011-2012 School Year Calendar, seconded by Dr. Stephens. Motion carried 4-0.

Recognitions:

National Merit Finalists were recognized:

- Newbury Park High School: Dennis Gahm, Kimberly Miyamoto, Gregory Phillips, Kavya Singampalli, Benjamin Zhou
- Thousand Oaks High School: Jennifer Jiang, Grant King, Veronica Lin, Rebecca Suzanne Sylvers
- Westlake High School: James Allen Freymuth, Jia Guo, Katelyn Masket, Lisa Peng, Vivian Shen, Joyce Shi, Rebecca Suslik

“We the People” State Competition

- First Place Winners: Colina Middle School
- Third Place Winners: Sycamore Canyon School

Marmonte League Champions

- Newbury Park High School Wrestling
- Thousand Oaks High School Boys Basketball
- Thousand Oaks High School Boys Soccer
- Westlake High School Girls Soccer

Reports from Student Board Members

Jennifer Randolph, Thousand Oaks High School, sat with the Board. Samantha Gilbert, Westlake High School, Melissa Siple, Conejo Valley High School, Ben Wallace, Century Academy, and Marianne L’Engle, Newbury Park High School, joined Jennifer to report on campus events such as blood drives, ASB events, rallies, senior activities, anti-drinking/driving activities, dance showcases, athletics, drama, choir, Prom activities, fashion shows, career activities, ROP programs, Spring Fling Dance, TEDX event, cheer try-outs and more.

Reports from Support Organizations

Mike Soules, President, Conejo Schools Foundation, thanked Pratt-Whitney Rocketdyne for the \$9,500 science grant that was just awarded. Mr. Soules informed the community that all the coins that end up in the water features at the Oaks Mall are scooped up and donated to CSF. He thanked the Oaks for their kind donations. Mr. Soules also announced that the All-District music festivals that are held in the Kavli Theater are beginning soon. Please check the Foundation’s web site for dates and times of these events www.conejoschools.org. Mr. Soules offered survey results to the Board and staff from the *Race to Nowhere* screenings.

Wendy Laufer, President, Conejo Council PTA, stated that the Council has been busy working toward the Honorary Service Awards Presentation and End-of-the-Year dinner. Also, the Council has been reaching out to non-PTA schools and invited them to a round-table discussion with principals.

Lilly Dollenmayer, Chair, District Advisory Council (DAC), reported from the last meeting: 1) Dean Vogel, President Elect for the California Teachers’ Association (CTA) provided information regarding teacher evaluations and other educational issues. 2) Dr. Christina Palmer, Principal, Maple Elementary School, presented information about the school’s science lab. 3) Susan Wilson, School Nurse, provided information regarding immunizations for students in grades 7-12. 4) Jerome Staszewski, Director, Technology Services, outlined the installation progress of the off-lease computers, and 5) Dr. Baarstad reported on possible budget scenarios.

Comments from the Superintendent

Dr. Baarstad 1) congratulated all the scholars and athletes honored for their great successes, 2) announced that the District just heard from the California Department of Education that Sequoia Middle School has received designation as a California Distinguished School. Sequoia Middle School is the only secondary school in Ventura County to have received this designation this year. He congratulated Vivian Viña, Principal, and all the students and staff for their hard work and dedication to excellence, and also thanked Phil Gore at the Ventura County Office of Education for his support and dedication to help schools with the Distinguished School Program.

Comments from the Public

Two public speakers offered information about the elementary counseling programs offered at CVUSD.

Comments from Individual Board Members

Mrs. Phelps apologized to the Conejo Council PTA and Lang Ranch Elementary for not attending the Reflections Gallery Night this year, as she looks forward to the event each year. She also mentioned that she was amazed to hear at the Technology Committee meeting about all of the tremendous opportunities and programs that teachers and other staff reported on from the CUE (Computer Using Educators) Conference. Mrs. Phelps also announced that the Technology Committee is offering a newsletter, which can be found on the district website under the Technology Department. Mrs. Buckles stated that she attended a community informational forum regarding teens using heroin, and the Every 15 Minutes program at Newbury Park High School.

Dr. Connolly asked if staff could give a report on the results of what schools Park Oaks' parents requested for their children for the 2011-2012 school year. Dr. Baarstad stated that Mr. Iezza was at Park Oaks the day after the closure announcement to talk to staff, and has been meeting with Mrs. Anna Alvarez regarding the Wednesday night outreach programs. Mrs. Cosaro stated that Weathersfield, Lang Ranch, Ladera and Glenwood principals offered day time and evening tours for families. So far, the (preliminary) numbers of Park Oaks students' requests at each school are: 77 Weathersfield, 72 Glenwood, 64 Ladera, 44 Lang Ranch, and 10 Acacia. Parent-pay transportation is being offered to students attending Glenwood Elementary only, as only that school qualifies under current District Policy. Dr. Stephens asked if the issue of transportation was clearly defined on the applications. Mrs. Cosaro stated yes, that information was available on all applications in English and Spanish.

ACTION ITEMS – GENERAL**Personnel Services****A. Approval of the 2011-2012 School Year Calendar**

Dr. Stephens moved to approve the 2011-2012 School Year Calendar as corrected, seconded by Mrs. Phelps. It was important to point out that the first day of classes for students will be August 24. Mrs. Buckles asked if the calendar for 2012-2013 could be released much earlier than this next year. Dr. Baarstad stated he will be asking the negotiations teams for a 2012-2013 calendar in September 2011, with a completed calendar by December 2011. He stated that decisions from Sacramento regarding the budget delayed the finalization of the calendar this year. The Board asked that all schools post this information on their websites and in their newsletters, especially the date of the first day of school. Motion carried 4-0.

B. Approve Resolution #10-11-15: Layoff/Reduction of Classified Positions

Mrs. Phelps moved to approve Resolution #10/11-15, Layoff/Reduction of Classified Positions as submitted, seconded by Dr. Stephens. Mrs. Phelps noted that these layoffs were due to the closing of Park Oaks Elementary at the end of this school year. Motion carried 4-0.

ACTION ITEMS – CONSENT

Mrs. Phelps moved to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Dr. Stephens. Motion carried 4-0.

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

1. Regular Meeting of March 28, 2011

B. Personnel Assignment Orders:

1. Certificated: #8752-#8758
Counselors, Teachers
2. Classified: C-6142 to C-6208
Administrative Assistant, Child Care Assistant, Child Care Leader, Child Nutrition Assistant I, Child Nutrition Driver, Child Nutrition Supervisor, Clerk, Custodian, Early Care Assistant Teacher, Early Care Teacher, Intermediate Clerk Typist, Lead Groundskeeper, NfL Program Assistant, Office Manager, Paraprofessional/Bilingual, Paraprofessional/Bilingual-Spanish, Paraprofessional/Severely Disabled, Paraprofessional/Special Ed, Preschool Assistant, Preschool Assistant Teacher, Preschool Teacher, Secretary, Senior Account Clerk, Senior Clerk Typist, Telephone Operator/Receptionist
3. Exempt: E-10394 to E-10572
Advisor, Athletic Coach, Campus Supervisor, Naturalist, Proctor, Specialist, Student Helper

C. Expulsion: Los Cerritos Middle School #24-10/11E

D. Contract for Nonpublic School Placement for Handicapped Student #24-10/11

E. Overnight Trip Request: Newbury Park High School Band

F. Parent Support/Booster Organization Reauthorization: Los Cerritos Band Booster

G. Purchase Order Report #788

H. Disposal of Surplus and Obsolete Equipment

I. Quarterly Report – Williams Lawsuit and Valenzuela Uniform Complaints

J. Approval of the 2011-12 Major Project List

K. Change Orders

1. #2 Sycamore Canyon School – Child Care Modular Addition – Thomas Schwab Corporation
2. #3 Sycamore Canyon School – Child Care Modular Addition – Thomas Schwab Corporation

L. Notice of Completion: Westlake High School – Gym Door Removal and Installation – David Atkin Construction, Inc.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Superintendent

A. Budget Committee Recommendations for 2011-2012

Dr. Baarstad presented a report on the recommendations from the Budget Committee for the 2011-2012 school year. Dr. Baarstad thanked committee members for their time and commitment over the past very difficult three years. This report may be found on the CVUSD web site at www.conejo.k12.ca.us.com.

Instructional Services

- B. Approval of New High School Pilot Course: Eco Art CP (This class will pilot at Newbury Park High School)
- C. Approval of New High School Pilot Course: Chamber Orchestra H (This class will pilot at Westlake High School)
- D. Approval of New High School Pilot Course: Concert Orchestra/Strings CP (This class will pilot at Westlake High School)
- E. Approval of New High School Pilot Course: Statistics CP (This class will pilot at Newbury Park High School)
- F. Approval of Revisions to Administrative Regulations 1312.4 – Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures (No comment)
- G. Approval of Revisions to Board Policy and Administrative Regulations 5113.1 – Chronic Absence and Truancy (SARB)
- H. Approval of Revisions to Board Policy and Administrative Regulations 5141.3 – Health Examinations (No comment)
- I. Approval of Revisions to Administrative Regulations 6159 – Individualized Education Program (Comment: Parents may be able to opt their student out of Special Education)
- J. Approval of Revisions to Board Policy and Administrative Regulations 6164.4 – Identification and Evaluation of Individuals for Special Education (No comment)

Business Services

- K. Waiver Request for 2011 Summer Meal Program

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Buckles adjourned the Open Session at 8:17 p.m. The Board will reconvene on Tuesday, May 3, 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.

May 3, 2011

Date

Clerk

May 3, 2011

Date

Superintendent