

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

May 9, 2006
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER – CLOSED SESSION

The Board meeting of May 9, 2006, was called to order by President Pat Phelps at 5:00 p.m. Mrs. Phelps asked if there were any public speakers for the Closed Session agenda items; there were none. The Board adjourned into Closed Session at 5:01 p.m., where the following items were discussed:

1. Public Employee Appointment-Employment-Evaluation-Leaves of Absence-Retirement-Discipline-Dismissal
Pursuant to Government Code §54957
2. Consideration of Student Discipline
Pursuant to Education Code §48918
3. Pending Litigation
Pursuant to Government Code §54957.1(a)(3)
4. Conference with Real Property Negotiators
Pursuant to Government Code §54956.8

The Closed Session ended at 6:03 p.m. Mrs. Phelps announced that the Board took no formal action during Closed Session.

CALL TO ORDER – OPEN SESSION**OPENING PROVISIONS**

President Phelps called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m., led the Pledge of Allegiance, welcomed guests and read the procedural announcements.

Present were Board members Dorothy Beaubien, Dolores Didio, Mike Dunn, Pat Phelps, and Dr. Timothy Stephens; Administration: Dr. Robert Fraisse, Superintendent, Dr. Richard Simpson, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services, Superintendent, Jo-Ann Yoos, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel Services, Dr. Jeffrey Baarstad, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, Chuck Eklund, Director, Secondary Education and Linda Peralta, Director, Elementary Education.

Mrs. Phelps welcomed and introduced the student representative seated with the Board, Morgan Lopker, Thousand Oaks High School.

Approval of Agenda

Mrs. Didio moved to approve the agenda with the following addition and change: III. #3B. Add: Adoption of the Early Retirement Incentive Agreement with the Unified Association of Conejo Teachers (page 8A) and move V. Business Services 1 and 2, moved to II, 1 and 2 (this part of the motion was rescinded later in the meeting), seconded by Mrs. Beaubien. Motion carried 5-0.

Recognitions

1. School-Team/Connect-Ed All-Call System: Many thanks to the following for their sponsorships: Joseph Dotzler, Financial Title Company and Mark Quandt, Fidelity National Title Company. Deborah Huyette, School Team, was thanked for coordinating the program over the past four year and obtaining sponsors.
2. Eagle Scouts: Ryan Gerrard, Newbury Park High School (built six plant growing stands for new horticulture elective at Sequoia Middle School); Michael Lock, Thousand Oaks High School (planted flower beds in front of Wildwood Elementary School); Scott Rehm, Thousand Oaks High School (refinished classroom doors at Los Cerritos Middle School); Adam Tan, Newbury Park High School (planted tree and built four benches around it at Manzanita Elementary School); and Scott Toohey, Thousand Oaks High School (sanded and repainted picnic tables and school name sign; removed and replaced backpack hardware after rails were repainted at Aspen Elementary School).

Reports from Student Board Representatives

Morgan Lopker, Thousand Oaks High School, sat with the Board. Morgan, along with Kelly Feiwelles, Westlake High School, Jill Zino, Newbury Park High School, and Kyle Greenberg, Conejo Valley/Century High Schools provided the Board with reports from their schools regarding events relating to: ASB/ASG, School-to-Career, Latino Club, theater, choral and band, athletics, testing, senior activities, honors nights, etc.

Reports from Support Organizations Leadership

Sue Wells reported for Betsy Connolly, Chairperson, District Advisory Council. At the last meeting, the Council discussed the pros/cons of spelling bees, reallocation of School Improvement Funds among K-12 schools, the proposed "Social Host Ordinance" proposed by the Ventura County Sheriff's Department, and enjoyed a presentation by Madroña's student council representatives regarding their student-run recognition assemblies. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 16.

Sue Wells, Conejo Council PTA President reported on Council activities including a Manna Drive and the State PTA Convention (May 10-13). Two resolutions being brought to the convention floor for approval are Resolution A: Television/Screen Time Awareness which centers on television viewing and screen time, which is believed to contribute to the overweight and obesity rates of children, and Resolution B: Support of the Civic Mission of Schools which centers on the importance of understanding the rights and obligations of responsible citizenship and giving students the tools they need to become effective citizens and parents.

Comments from the Superintendent

Dr. Fraisse stated that he would like to propose a Study Session with the Board to highlight the many successes throughout the District over the past year.

Comments from the Public

Dianne Lenning stated her appreciation to all teachers (for Day of the Teacher, May 10) and discussed her goals for improving education around California. (Mrs. Elaine McKearn yielded her time to Ms. Lenning.)

Cathy Carlson discussed several issues including the recent boycotts regarding illegal aliens, her opposition to universal pre-school, and rights regarding religious holidays.

Suzanne Duckett stated that the Board did not support swim teams, the hiring of people from the military, parents' right to remove their children from STAR testing, and censorship of public comments.

Nick Quidwai expressed his dismay about the Board meeting dates being the same as the City Council's.

Comments from Individual Board Members

Mrs. Didio gave a brief report of the CSBA Delegate Assembly. One item was offered for action, which was Proposition-82 Preschool for All. CSBA is not supporting this proposition mostly due to questions regarding funding. Mrs. Didio stated that under Governance and Policy, there was discussion about Professional Governance Standards for all Board members. Mrs. Didio proposed that the District consider adopting the standards in a future Board meeting.

Dr. Stephens commented on the All-Call system in place at the schools, making the campuses safer and reassuring for parents in times of emergencies.

Mr. Dunn asked about reallocating Measure R funds; Dr. Baarstad stated that was not being recommended at this time.

Mrs. Phelps asked for distribution of notice for a class at Cal State Long Beach for a Language Institute in Mandarin Chinese, and mentioned that the Marmonte League diving finals are being hosted by our District this year.

Mrs. Didio also confirmed the Board and District's pride for the swimming teams at the three high schools, and applauded the beautiful new pool at Westlake High School and renovated pool at Thousand Oaks High School.

ACTION ITEMS – GENERAL

Board of Education and Superintendent's Office

1. Resolution #05/06-24: Ordering a Governing Board Member Election

Mrs. Didio moved to adopt the aforementioned resolution in accordance with State Law, seconded by Mrs. Beaubien. Motion carried 5-0.

2. Amendment of Board Policy 280.6, Vacation – Supervisory Employees

Dr. Stephens moved to amend Policy 280.6 to reflect CSEA contract language regarding vacation days, seconded by Mrs. Beaubien. Motion carried 5-0.

Personnel Services

3. Delete a District Office Classified Position, Intermediate Clerk Typist

Mrs. Beaubien moved that due to lack of work and lack of funds, the Board of Education finds that it is in the best interest of the school district to direct the Superintendent to commence implementing procedures to discontinue the classified position as requested, effective June 30, 2006. The layoff proceedings will be in accordance with the provisions of the CSEA Contract of Agreement between the District and Chapter 620, CSEA and the California Education Code, seconded by Mr. Dunn. Motion carried 5-0.

Instructional Services**4.a. Acacia Elementary Extended Day Kindergarten**

Dr. Stephens moved to approve the extended day kindergarten at Acacia Elementary for the 2006-2007 school year, seconded by Mrs. Beaubien. Motion carried 5-0.

4.b. University Elementary Extended Day Kindergarten

Mrs. Beaubien moved to approve the extended day kindergarten at University Elementary for the 2006-2007 school year, seconded by Mr. Dunn. Motion carried 5-0.

Dr. Stephens commended the principals. Mr. Dunn confirmed that the extended day program is optional.

5. Resolution #05/06-22: Child Care Grant CSCC-4260 Amendment and Application

Mrs. Didio moved to approve the attached child care grant amendment and resolution, seconded by Mrs. Beaubien. Motion carried 5-0.

Business Services**6. Reciprocal Easement Agreement with NP Giant Associates, LLC and Ocean Park Hotels – Top, LLC**

Dr. Stephens moved to approve the attached Reciprocal Easement Agreement, seconded by Mrs. Beaubien. Dr. Stephens thanked Dr. Kirchenstein and Dr. Baarstad for their watchdog efforts on this agreement to protect the District. Motion carried 5-0, student vote aye.

ACTION ITEMS – CONSENT

Mrs. Beaubien moved to approve the consent agenda as amended, seconded by Mrs. Didio. Dr. Stephens thanked Jo-Ann Yoos for her efforts to hire excellent people for the coordinator positions. Motion carried 5-0. Mrs. Phelps announced the following administrative appointments:

- Antonio Castro appointed as Coordinator, Special Education, for the 2006-2007 school year.
- Susan Eggleton appointed as Coordinator, Special Education, for the 2006-2007 school year.

A. Approval of minutes Regular Meeting of April 25, 2006.

B. Personnel Assignment Orders:

1. Certificated: #7407 to #7418
2. Classified: C-3200 to C-3226
3. Exempt: E-6657 to E-6684

C. Expulsion: Thousand Oaks High School #36-05/06E

D. Ratify Overnight Trip Request – Westlake High School Jazz Band Ensemble

E. Contract for Non-Public School Placement for Handicapped Student #27-05/06

F. Waivers of High School Exit Exam Requirement

- a. #3-05/06C
- b. #4-05/06C
- c. #5-05/06C

G. CIF/Marmonte League Representatives

H. Purchase Order Report #681

I. Disposal of Surplus and Obsolete Equipment

- J. Change Order: Wildwood Elementary and Sequoia Middle Schools Phase 1 Modernization – Century Constructors Corp.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Instructional Services

- 1. Amendment of Policy 344.7 Indexed GPA Computation. There were no comments.

Business Services

- 2. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the City of Thousand Oaks, the Conejo Recreation and Park District, and Shapell Industries. Dr. Baarstad displayed a map of the area and explained the proposal. Mrs. Didio asked about the necessity of timing on all the property proposals; Dr. Baarstad confirmed that the MOU ensures a sequence of events. Mr. Dunn asked for the expected net on the deal for the District; Dr. Baarstad stated about \$3 million. Nick Quidwai stated his objection to the process.
- 3. District Surplus Property Advisory Committee Recommendations for the Rancho Conejo Boulevard Site as District Surplus Property

REPORTS AND CONCERNS

- A. Reports from the Strategic Plan Committees: There were none.
- B. Reports from the Superintendent. There were none.
- C. Reports from the Personnel Commission. There were none.

ADJOURNMENT:

President Phelps adjourned the Open Session at 7:55 p.m. The Board will reconvene on Tuesday, May 23, 2006, at 5:00 p.m. for Closed Session and 6:00 p.m. for Open Session.

June 13, 2006

Date

Clerk

June 13, 2006

Date

Superintendent

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