

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

July 12, 2005
MINUTES

(This meeting was not televised due to summer recess)

CALL TO ORDER

The Conejo Valley Unified School District Board of Education met in Regular Session on July 12, 2005, at the District Office Board Room, 1400 East Janss Road, Thousand Oaks, California.

ROLL CALL

Present were Board members: Dorothy L. Beaubien, Dolores Didio, Mike Dunn, Pat Phelps and Dr. Timothy Stephens; Administration: Dr. Robert Fraise, Superintendent, Dr. Richard Simpson, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services, Dr. Jody Dunlap, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel Services, Dr. Jeffrey Baarstad, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, Linda Faverty, Director, Elementary Education, Martha Mutz, Director, Curriculum/Media Services, and Janet Cosaro, Director, Special Education.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:00 p.m. The Board discussed the following items:

1. Appointment/employment of: Certificated: Teachers, Administrators; Classified: Custodian, Instructional Media Technicians, Secretary; Substitutes; Exempt: Specialists, Campus Supervisors, Athletic Coaches. (Government Code §54957)
2. Consideration of Pupil Personnel matters (Education Code §48918).

The Closed Session ended at 5:50 p.m. Dr. Stephens announced that the Board took no formal action during Closed Session.

PLEDGE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Stephens called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. President Stephens read announcements that reviewed instructions regarding smoking, cell phones, Speaker's Cards, Public Statement Cards, and where the public could find agendas and Board procedure information.

APPROVE AGENDA

Mrs. Didio moved to approve the agenda with the following amendment: Class II, A.R. #7A, Page 26A, Designate Three Board Meeting Dates as Board Study Sessions During the 2005-2006 School Year, and accept replacement page with bid for Class III, Page 62, A.R. 13 Award of Contract – Storm Drain Contract – Redwood and Los Cerritos Middle Schools, seconded by Mrs. Beaubien. Motion carried 5-0.

Personnel Assignment Orders were moved to the top of the agenda for the purposes of introducing two new elementary principals.

PERSONNEL ASSIGNMENT ORDERS

Mrs. Beaubien moved to approve Personnel Assignment Orders Certificated #7141 - #7174, Classified #C-2683 - #C-2702, and Exempt #E-5992 - #E-6022, seconded by Mrs. Didio. Motion carried 5-0.

The following administrative personnel assignment orders were announced:

Christina Palmer as Elementary Principal, Class IX, Step A, on the certificated management salary schedule for the 2005-2006 school year.

Jeanne Valentine as Elementary Principal, Class IX, Step A, on the certificated management salary schedule for the 2005-2006 school year.

REMARKS BY THE SUPERINTENDENT

After welcoming the new principals, Dr. Fraisse announced that this was the last Board meeting that Dr. Jody Dunlap, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel Services, would be attending as she accepted the position of Superintendent at Oxnard Elementary School District. Dr. Fraisse, and the Board members, congratulated Dr. Dunlap and expressed their sadness at losing such an exemplary administrator.

Dr. Fraisse presented a report regarding Goals Committee #3, end of year progress.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Suzanne Duckett stated her discontent with the District's math program.

Nick Quidwai stated his discontent with the District and Board, including the day and time of Board meetings and parent communication. Mr. Quidwai suggested that the Board find a way to fund the televising of meetings in the summer when the students are not in class.

REMARKS BY THE BOARD

Mrs. Phelps thanked the 4th grade students at Weathersfield for their wonderful book of poetry. Mr. Dunn spoke about his back backing trip where he ran into Stan McClain. Dr. Stephens mentioned the Conejo Creek baseball field dedication, which is another example of the partnerships where children are served by the City, Park District, California Lutheran University, American Youth Soccer Organization, and the School District.

TANDEM TEACHING

Mrs. Phelps moved to authorize the above-named tandem-teaching teams at Lang Ranch, Westlake, Madroña and Meadows Elementary Schools for the 2005-2006 school year, as outlined, seconded by Mrs. Beaubien. Dr. Stephens stated that this is a program that helps to keep good teachers in our program, and allows them to spend more time with their young children. Motion carried 5-0. A.R. #1 filed.

PUBLIC HEARING

President Stephens opened a Public Hearing at 7:10 p.m. regarding Amendment to Policy #334.9 Independent Study Program K-12; there were no comments. President Stephens closed the Public Hearing at 7:11 p.m.

POLICY AMENDMENT – 1st READING

Mrs. Didio moved to approve the proposed amendment to Board Policy 334.9 and Board Regulation 334.9, 1st Reading, seconded by Mrs. Beaubien. Motion carried 5-0. A.R. #2 filed.

RESOLUTION

Mrs. Phelps moved to approve the attached child care grant resolution, seconded by Mrs. Beaubien. Motion carried 5-0. A.R. #3 filed.

GATE APPLICATION

Mrs. Beaubien moved to approve the Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) Application, seconded by Mrs. Didio. Mrs. Phelps asked if staff could provide more information about the GATE 3-year plan in a future study session or report, Dr. Stephens agreed and had funding questions for Dr. Linda Calvin, Associate Director, Pupil Services. Motion carried 5-0. A.R. #4 filed.

NEW MATH PILOT

Mrs. Phelps moved to Functions, Statistics, and Trigonometry as a new pilot course with the following amendment: that it is changed as submitted from a required math class to required subject area elective class, and add designation “Will fulfill UC/CSU entrance requirement pending approval from the UC system, seconded by Mrs. Beaubien. Mrs. Didio asked if this course fulfills the University of California requirement, Mrs. Mutz stated it is pending approval and explained the process: First, Board approval is needed, then it's sent to University of California electronically for their approval. Once that is received, the course of study forms will reflect approval. Mrs. Beaubien asked why this is designated as a required subject on the course of study form; Mrs. Mutz clarified that students are required to take three years of math, and this is a course that they may choose from in order to meet that requirement to graduate from high school. While students are required to take three years of math in high school, the only math course required is Algebra; the rest are selected from subject area electives. Mrs. Phelps asked the sequence in math requirements where this class may fit; Mrs. Mutz stated since some students are not quite prepared to jump from Algebra II to Math Analysis, this class will help bridge the gap. Algebra II is required to take this class. Mr. Dunn asked if any other district used this pilot program; Mrs. Mutz stated none to her knowledge, but the material was in an existing textbook that has been used around the country. Mr. Dunn asked if the district received grant money to implement this program; Mrs. Mutz stated no. Mr. Dunn then asked about the “three area curriculum councils;” Mrs. Mutz explained that the three curriculum councils are located at each of the high schools, and the chair for each is the assistant principal of instruction. Everyone who sits on the council is a department chair for their content area. When a course is added, it must go through those councils as part of the process. Motion carried 5-0. A.R. #5 filed.

TEXTBOOK FOR MATH PILOT

Mrs. Phelps moved to approve textbook for Functions, Statistics, and Trigonometry, seconded by Mrs. Beaubien. Motion carried 5-0. A.R. #6 filed.

CHANGE IN COURSE STATUS

Mrs. Didio moved to approve the assignment of permanent status to these pilot classes; Multimedia Information Engineering CP; Focus on Algebra 2; and Life Management; seconded by Mrs. Phelps. It was noted that Multimedia Information Engineering CP fulfills UC/CSU requirement and the course of study needs to reflect that status, and that Focus on Algebra 2 and Life Management are standard level classes, not UC/CSU approved. It was further noted that Focus on Algebra 2 is a “required Subject Area Elective Class, not a Required Class, and the course of study needs to reflect that change. Motion carried 5-0. A.R. #7 filed.

BOARD CALENDAR - STUDY SESSIONS

Mrs. Beaubien moved to designate October 25, 2005, January 24, 2006, and March 28, 2006, as dates for Board Study Sessions during the 2005/2006 school year, seconded by Mrs. Phelps. Motion carried 5-0. A.R. #7A filed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mrs. Beaubien moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended, seconded by Mrs. Phelps. Motion carried 5-0. A.R.s filed: A.R. #8 Overnight Trip Request: Thousand Oaks High School Band; A.R. #9 Overnight Trip Request: Westlake High School Cheerleaders; A.R. #10 2005-2006 Application for English Language Acquisition Program (ELAP) Funds; A.R. #11 Purchase Order Report #668; A.R. #12 disposal of Surplus and Obsolete Equipment; A.R. #13 Award of Contract: Union Engineering Company - Storm Drain Contract – Redwood and Los Cerritos Middle Schools

INFORMATION ITEMS

Instructional Services

1. Approval of Career Technical Education Standards
2. Adoption of Textbooks for Career Technical Education

Mrs. Didio commented that Mrs. Mutz stated in the Goals presentation that some of these courses are under the career technical category, and will either have certificates of proficiency or will be stringent enough to meet UC requirements.

REPORTS AND CONCERNS

1. Items of Legislation. Cathy Carlson reminded the District of the requirement to have the Williams Law posted in each classroom. Dr. Baarstad replied that copies for room posting were sent to every classroom prior to January 1, 2005.
2. Items from the Personnel Commission. There were none.

ADJOURNMENT

President Stephens adjourned the regular session at 6:38 p.m. The Board will convene on Tuesday, August 23, 2005, at 5:00 p.m. for Closed Session and 6:00 p.m. for Regular Session.

August 23, 2005	
Date	Clerk

August 23, 2005	
Date	Secretary