

**CONEJO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING****October 26, 2004  
MINUTES****CALL TO ORDER**

The Conejo Valley Unified School District Board of Education met in Regular Session on September 26, 2004, at the District Office Board Room, 1400 East Janss Road, Thousand Oaks, California.

**ROLL CALL**

Present were Board members Dorothy L. Beaubien, Dolores Didio, Pat Phelps and Dr. Timothy Stephens. Dr. Robert Fraisse, Superintendent, Dr. Richard Simpson, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services, Dr. Jody Dunlap, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel Services, and Dr. Jeffrey Baarstad, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, were in attendance. Linda Faverty, Director, Elementary Education, Dr. Mike Vollmert, Director, Assessment & Technology, and Janet Cosaro, Director, Special Education, were also present.

**CLOSED SESSION**

The Closed Session meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Dorothy Beaubien, President. The Board discussed appointment/employment of: Certificated: Teachers, Substitute Custodian; Classified: Child Care Assistants, Child Nutrition Assistants, Clerk, Custodian, Intermediate Clerk Typist, Paraprofessional/Special Ed, Substitutes; Exempt: Specialists, Student Helpers, Campus Supervisors, Athletic Coaches. The Closed Session ended at 5:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

President Beaubien called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. President Beaubien 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, seconded by Mrs. Phelps. Motion carried 4-0.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REMARKS**

Dr. Fraisse offered an update on the District Goals' Committees #1 (Improve District Facilities) and #3 (Research and Implement Best Practices in K-12 Education).

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

John Anderson discussed his concerns regarding athletic recruitment within the District.

Suzanne Duckett (1) thanked Dr. Fraisse for his goals presentation, (2) encouraged people to vote, and (3) asked that the District consider block scheduling at Thousand Oaks High School. (*Mrs. Beaubien interrupted Mrs. Duckett's remarks to remind her that Board meetings are not to be used as political forums. Mrs. Duckett was later granted a second opportunity to complete her comments.*)

Cal Johnston announced and promoted a new local coalition called "Civility Matters," a group asking that free speech at public meetings be offered and received with respect and civility, even when there is disagreement. (Dianne McKay surrendered her speaking time to Mr. Johnston.)

### **BOARD - REMARKS**

Mrs. Didio discussed: (1) Educational Television of the Conejo (ETC's) visit to the Los Angeles Unified School District's television station, and how technologically advanced the station is, complete with a full staff. Mrs. Didio stated that there might be a way for ETC to pay a fee and connect through the LAUSD station. (2) the issue of concern of many residents regarding overcrowding of the schools. She wanted to assure everyone that the size of the school does not necessarily translate to a higher class size. Mrs. Didio offered a "fact sheet" regarding class sizes. (3) mentioned that while neither she nor Mrs. Beaubien could attend the last California Suburban School Districts (CALSSD) meeting, there was an issue discussed that is very important to both of them – vocational education curriculum. Mrs. Didio stated that CALSSD is working with California Superintendent of Schools Jack O'Connell to craft and integrate the curriculum.

Mrs. Phelps discussed her visit to Rochester, New York, and a math program that she was excited about that has been successful in those schools K-12.

### **PERSONNEL ASSIGNMENT ORDERS**

Mrs. Didio moved to approve Personnel Assignment Orders Certificated #6997 - #6998, Classified #C-2312 - #C-2338, and Exempt #E-5459 - #E-5506 seconded by Dr. Stephens. Motion carried 4-0.

### **REORGANIZATION PLAN – TECHNOLOGY SERVICES**

Mrs. Phelps moved to approve the reorganization plan as submitted, seconded by Dr. Stephens. Dr. Stephens applauded the District for this move, and stated that the District has taken a huge step in technology in the classrooms and labs at the schools. Motion carried 4-0. A.R. #1 filed.

### **AMEND POLICIES**

Mrs. Didio moved to amend Policies 453.6, 457, and 458: Discipline/Suspension/Expulsion, as proposed (second reading), seconded by Mrs. Phelps. Motion carried 4-0. A.R. #2 filed.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Mrs. Didio moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mrs. Phelps. Dr. Stephens commended the elementary schools (Ladera and Maple) that are taking students overnight to Sacramento. Dr. Stephens encourages all schools to make this trip with students and would like to see classes extended their visit by another day. Motion carried 4-0. Approval of minutes for Regular Meeting of October 12, 2004. A.R.s filed: A.R. #3 Expulsion: Conejo Valley High School #3-04/05E; A.R. #4 Overnight Trip Request Ladera Elementary School; A.R. #5 Overnight Trip Request Maple Elementary School; A.R. #6 Thousand Oaks High School Girls Basketball Team; A.R. #7 Contract for Non-Public School Placement for Handicapped Students: #10-04/05; A.R. #8 Contract for Non-Public School Placement for Handicapped Students: #12-04/05; A.R. #9 Contract for Non-Public School Placement for Handicapped Students: #13-04/05; A.R. #10 Contract for Non-Public School Placement for Handicapped Students: #14-04/05; A.R. #11 Contract for Non-Public School Placement for Handicapped Students: #15-04/05; A.R. #12 Purchase Order Report 652; A.R. #13 Disposal of Surplus and Obsolete Equipment

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

There were no information items.

**LEGISLATION**

There were no items of legislation.

**PERSONNEL COMMISSION**

There were no items from the Personnel Commission.

**ADJOURNMENT**

President Beaubien adjourned the regular session at 7:00 p.m. The Board will reconvene for the next regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, November 9, 2004, at 5:00 p.m. for Closed Session and 6:00 p.m. for Regular Session.

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Date Clerk

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