

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

DECEMBER 9, 2014

MINUTES

REGULAR SESSION

OPENING PROVISIONS

Call to Order and Roll Call: President Buckles called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Board members John Andersen, Peggy Buckles, Dr. Betsy Connolly, Mike Dunn, and Pat Phelps. Administration: Dr. Jeffrey Baarstad, Superintendent, Robert Iezza, Deputy Superintendent, Instructional Services, Dr. Jon Sand, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, and Mark McLaughlin, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel Services. Jeanne Valentine, Director, Elementary Education, was also present.

President Buckles read the procedural announcements and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Approval of the Agenda

Mr. Phelps moved to approve the agenda, with the following adjustment: because the Board did not have Closed Session, prior to Open Session, pull Item C. Expulsion – Conejo Valley High School #2-14/15E, from the Consent Agenda., seconded by Mr. Dunn. The item will be voted on during Closed Session after the Open Session meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

Oath of Office

Dr. Baarstad gave the Oath of Office to new Board member, John Andersen, and re-elected Board members Pat Phelps and Mike Dunn.

Mr. Andersen thanked several people for helping him become more aware of important issues around the District: Dr. Baarstad, Mr. Iezza, Dr. Sand, Colleen Briner-Schmidt, President, UACT, Doug Freed, UACT, Mike Dunn, and Rocky Capobianco, Chair, DAC.

Recognitions

- Thousand Oaks High School Girls (Singles) Tennis
- Westlake High School Football
- Westlake High School Girls Tennis
- Westlake High School Girls Volleyball

Reorganization of the Board of Education and Committee Representatives

Mrs. Buckles handed the gavel to Dr. Baarstad to proceed with nominations for President of the Board. Nominations do not require a second.

1. Dr. Baarstad asked for nominations for Board President. Mrs. Phelps nominated Dr. Betsy Connolly for President of the Board. There were no other nominations. The Board voted 5-0. Dr. Connolly is the President of the Board of Education.

Dr. Connolly took her place as President of the Board, and thanked Mrs. Buckles for her year of service as President. Mrs. Phelps also thanked Mrs. Buckles for her leadership during a very difficult year.

2. Dr. Connolly asked for nominations for Vice President. Mr. Andersen nominated Mike Dunn for Vice President. Mrs. Buckles nominated Pat Phelps for Vice President. Dr. Connolly asked for a vote on the first nomination for Mike Dunn. The Board voted 2-3, with Mr. Andersen and Mr. Dunn voting yes, Mrs. Buckles, Dr. Connolly, and Mrs. Phelps voting no. Dr. Connolly asked for a vote on the second nomination for Pat Phelps. The Board voted 3-2, with Mrs. Buckles, Dr. Connolly and Mrs. Phelps voting yes, Mr. Andersen and Mr. Dunn voting no. Pat Phelps is the Vice President of the Board.

Mr. Dunn expressed his disappointment that the majority of the Board would not support his election to a high Board office. He stated this had been the case for his entire ten years of service on the Board. He further stated he believed he was being discriminated against. Each Board member in turn shared their opinions on Mr. Dunn's comments.

3. Dr. Connolly asked for nominations for Clerk. Mrs. Phelps nominated Mr. Dunn for Clerk. There were no other nominations. The Board voted 5-0. Mr. Dunn is the Clerk of the Board.
4. Set Date, Time, and Place of Regular Board Meetings: Mrs. Buckles moved to hold to the current schedule for Board meetings: the first and third Tuesday of each month, Closed Session at 5:00 p.m., Open Session at 6:00 p.m., to be held in the Board Meeting Room of the District Offices, seconded by Mrs. Phelps. Motion carried 5-0.
5. Appointment of Board Representative to the Ventura County Committee on School District Organization. Mrs. Buckles moved to nominate Pat Phelps to serve as the Board Representative to the Ventura County Committee on School District Organization. There were no other nominations. Motion carried 5-0.
6. Assignment to Committees. Dr. Connolly stated that at the January 6, 2015, Board meeting, Board members who request a change from committees they currently serve will be discussed. Otherwise, committee assignments will remain. Dr. Baarstad suggested that Mr. Andersen consider committees left vacant by Dr. Stephens' resignation.

Comments from the Superintendent

Dr. Baarstad welcomed Mr. Andersen to the Board, and congratulated Mrs. Phelps and Mr. Dunn for their re-election. He encouraged participation in the LCAP survey that went out to students, parents and staff across the district. Dr. Baarstad mentioned the many holiday programs that are presented around the district, and thanked the staff, conductors, parent volunteers and everyone involved to make these programs so outstanding. He wished everyone happy holidays.

Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the public.

Comments from Individual Board Members

Mrs. Phelps explained her role on the Ventura County Committee on School District Organization. Mrs. Phelps commented from the DAC meeting earlier in the day, stating that all the presentations were excellent. She was especially impressed with the Abilities Awareness Week at Cypress Elementary.

Mrs. Buckles commented on the activities at the schools for the holidays, and also the many charitable events that the schools (or classrooms with the schools) are sponsoring.

Mr. Andersen also mentioned the excellent presentations at the DAC meeting and highlighted Century Academy's presentation.

Mr. Dunn congratulated John Andersen for being elected to the Board, and thanked the public for re-electing him. Mr. Dunn stated that he was asked by people about the validity of the LCAP survey and he wanted to reassure parents that the survey is valid. Mr. Dunn recommended “The Greatest Generation” for everyone’s reading list.

Dr. Connolly discussed the Board’s attendance at the upcoming California School Boards Association, where CVUSD is offering a workshop on the Teacher-to-Teacher Professional Development program at the conference. Also, CVUSD’s Breakthrough Program is receiving a CSBA Golden Bell Award.

ACTION ITEMS – GENERAL

Personnel Services

A. Approval of the 2015-2016 School Year Calendar

Mrs. Buckles moved to approve the 2015-2016 school year calendar, seconded by Mrs. Phelps. Motion carried 5-0.

Instructional Services

B. PUBLIC HEARING: Approval of Open Enrollment (SBX5, 4, Chapter 3) Waiver Applications

Dr. Connolly opened the Public Hearing at 7:14 p.m. There were no speakers to the item. Dr. Connolly closed the Public Hearing at 7:15 p.m.

C. Open Enrollment (SBX5, 4, Chapter 3) Waiver Applications

Mike Dunn moved to approve the waiver requests for Conejo and Glenwood on the Open Enrollment list 2013-2014 and 2014-2015, seconded by Dr. Connolly. Motion carried 5-0.

Business Services

D. 2014-2015 First Interim Financial Statements

Mrs. Buckles moved to accept the 2014-15 First Interim Financial Statements as submitted, seconded by Mr. Dunn. Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, Dr. Jon Sand, presented summary information on the report and thanked Susan Tucker and the Fiscal Services Staff, for their work on the report. Dr. Sand and Dr. Baarstad answered many questions from Board members. Motion carried 4-0 (Mr. Andersen was not present during the vote.)

ACTION ITEMS – CONSENT

Mrs. Phelps moved to approve the consent agenda as amended, seconded by Mrs. Buckles. Motion carried 4-0. (Mr. Andersen was not present during the vote.)

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

1. Regular Meeting of December 2, 2014

B. Personnel Assignment Orders:

1. Certificated Employees: #9780
Teacher
2. Classified Employees: C-8861 to C-8866
Child Care Assistant, Child Nutrition Assistant II, Child Nutrition Assistant - Satellite, Early Literacy Teacher, Maintenance Electrician, School Outreach Assistant

3. Exempt Employees: E-14219 to E-14245
Campus Supervisor, Coaches, Proctors, Specialist

~~C. Expulsion: Conejo Valley High School #2 14/15E (Pulled from the Agenda)~~

D. Notice of Completion: Conejo Valley Adult Education – HVAC – Evergreen HVAC Services

INFORMATION ITEMS

There were no information items.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Buckles adjourned the Open Session at 8:10 p.m. to Closed Session. The Board will reconvene on **Tuesday, January 6, 2015, Discussion Session at 4:00 p.m., Regular Closed Session at 5:00 p.m., Open Session at 6:00 p.m.** at the CVUSD South Building Board Room, 1400 E. Janss Road, Thousand Oaks.

CLOSED SESSION

- A. Public Comments (Closed Session items only)
- B. Public Employee Appointment/Employment, *Pursuant to Government Code §54957*
1. See Section IV. Action Items-Consent Personnel Assignment Orders
- C. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release, *Pursuant to Government Code §54957*
1. See Section IV. Action Items-Consent Personnel Assignment Orders
- D. Labor Negotiations, *Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6*
Agency Negotiator: Mark McLaughlin, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel Services
Employee Organizations:
- Unified Association of Conejo Teachers (UACT)
 - California School Employees Association (CSEA)
 - Conejo Valley Pupil Personnel Association (CVPPA)
- E. Consideration of Student Discipline – Expulsion or Suspension, *Pursuant to Education Code §48900, et seq.*
- F. Consideration of Confidential Student Issues Other Than Expulsion, *Pursuant to Education Code §35146*
- G. Pending Litigation, *Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(b)*
- H. Conference with Real Property Negotiators, *Pursuant to Government Code §54956.8*
Property negotiators for CVUSD are Dr. Joel Kirschenstein, Sage Institute, and Dr. Jeffrey Baarstad, Superintendent

The following properties were discussed regarding price and terms of payment:
310 Kelley Road and 2498 Conejo Center Drive, Thousand Oaks

Closed Session ended at 9:10 p.m. and the Board reconvened into Open Session.

Action Item Pulled from the Consent Agenda for Separate Vote

(C.) Expulsion: Conejo Valley High School #23-14/15E

Mrs. Phelps moved to:

1. Expel student #2-14/15E from the Conejo Valley Unified School District effective November 21, 2014, pursuant to the conditions described in the "Voluntary Consent to Discipline" signed November 21, 2014, and
2. Permit student #2-14/15E to enroll in the following: CVUSD Independent Study Program, and
3. Enforce expulsion of student #2-14/15E through June 12, 2015.

Motion was seconded by Mrs. Buckles. Motion carried 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

January 6, 2015

Date

Clerk

January 6, 2015

Date

Superintendent