

CONEJO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
South Building Board Room
1400 E. Janss Road, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, November 14, 2017

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1. CLOSED SESSION

A. Public Comments

At 5:07 p.m., President Dunn announced there were no comment cards submitted. The Board then adjourned into closed session at 5:07 p.m.

B. Consideration of Student Discipline, Education Code §48900, et seq. (Expulsions)

C. Conference with Counsel, Existing Litigation, Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(1), OAH Case 2017090412

Closed Session ended at 6:00 p.m.

2. OPEN SESSION

A. Call the Meeting to Order and Roll Call

Call to Order and Roll Call: President Dunn called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Board Members present: President Mike Dunn, Vice President John Andersen, Sandee Everett and Dr. Betsy Connolly.

Administration present: Dr. Mark McLaughlin, Interim Superintendent; Robert Iezza, Deputy Superintendent; Dr. Victor Hayek, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services; and Hyonchin Im-Turner, Executive Administrative Assistant.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Announcements from Closed Session and Open Session Procedures

President Dunn announced that in a vote of 4-0 (Mrs. Phelps - absent), the Board approved the settlement in Closed Session, OAH Case 2017090412.

D. Approval of the Agenda

Mrs. Everett made the motion to approve the Agenda, seconded by Dr. Connolly.

President Dunn made a request to pull item P18-00754 from the Approval of Purchase Order Report (PO's exceeding \$5,000) in the Consent Agenda. He then announced there was one speaker card submitted:

1. Rocky Capobianco asked the Board to amend the Agenda in regards to item 6A.

Motion carried 4-0.

E. Presentation by Open Classroom Leadership Magnet Highlighting Activities Reflected in the 2017-2018 LCAP

Presentation given by students, OCLM teachers: Wendy Dubois, Natalie Smith, Heather Lane, Joelle Ortiz and Principal: Kari Taketa.

F. Comments - Public

President Dunn announced there were comment cards submitted:

1. Susan Hanscom spoke about disagreeing respectfully, reiterated some of OCLM's Habits and asked not to allow speakers to be heckled.
2. Cindy Goldberg reminded the Board about the importance of process.

3. Bonnie Shubb spoke about AAUW's event at the Thousand Oaks Library.
4. Marissa Buss spoke about allowing parents to trust the District professionals with curriculum.
5. Nelson Buss spoke about athlete safety and his goal to be on the Board.
6. Koosha Baf, WHS student, spoke about the goal of a K-12 system.
7. Razeen Ahmed spoke about the student body against the proposed curriculum policy.
8. Nicole Katz spoke about diversity and meeting the majority of students.
9. Jess Weihe read a statement from Dianne McKay.
10. Maureen O'Hagan spoke about her disappointment in the the process of the policy creation as tasked by the Board.
11. Paul White read an excerpt from Snow Falling on Cedars.
12. Jackie Kozak spoke about her family's experience at a District school.
13. Randy Smith spoke about UACT's sastisfaction with Mrs. Everett's amendments that will come forward tonight.
14. Barry Gabrielson spoke about test scores showing that students aren't learning.
15. Jon Cummings spoke about Mrs. Everett's policy as submitted last week.
16. Jane Germaine read an excerpt from Snow Falling on Cedars and that the book doesn't belong in public schools.
17. Lauren Gill spoke about censorship and addressed members of the Board.
18. Nivi Shaham spoke about the importance of exposing students to literary works.
19. Amy Chen spoke about the policy amendment and importance of including an advisory warning for parents on books.
20. Ziad Chenaden spoke against supporting Mrs. Everett's policy.
21. Andy Levine spoke in favor of Mrs. Everett's policy.
22. Sharon Miret spoke about *Part-Time Indian* and asked that all respect each other.
23. Grace Allen spoke against the process Mrs. Everett's policy took to be placed on the agenda.
24. Lindsay Filgas spoke about students being able to handle controversial book content.
25. Dayna Archer spoke in favor of Mrs. Everett's policy and
26. Lori Jacobs spoke about spoke about Advocates for Youth Organization's statistics on students against the policy.
27. Angie Simpson spoke in favor of Mrs. Everett's policy with a perspective as a parent and former teacher.
28. Kara Buss explained about titles on Advanced Placement courses.
29. Nathan Pratt spoke about Mrs. Everett's policy.
30. James Pratt spoke about the changes Mrs. Everett's policy would implement.
31. Nathaniel Bemel spoke in favor of students obtaining a diverse education.
32. Evelyn Zhai spoke about activism and suggested students of a certain age be able to vote for school Board members.

G. Comments - Board of Education

Dr. Connolly spoke about the District's high school bands and the various championships they will be participating in. She thanked those who contacted her via email then went on to speak about understanding parents' wishes to select alternative assignments and community members' strategies of dividing the community. President Dunn spoke about receiving Dr. Connolly's request and his plan to place her item on the December 5 agenda. Mrs. Everett thanked all speakers for attending and commenting. Vice President Andersen thanked those who sent him emails and for engaging in democracy.

H. Comments - Superintendent

Dr. McLaughlin thanked the Superintendent's Committee, congratulated Erin Gordon at Westlake High School for being the Teacher of the Month. He then went on to thank Kari Taketa and the OCLM staff and students for their presentation. Dr. McLaughlin then spoke about AMGEN's collaboration with Conejo Sschools Foundation to give 15 bikes to District students. In conclusion, he ensured the community that there are exciting things happening at the District school sites and thanked all for messages of congratulations on becoming Superintendent.

3. ACTION ITEMS – GENERAL – HUMAN RESOURCES

A. Approval of Amendments to Board Policy 4112.21 - Interns

Vice President Andersen made the motion to approve the Agenda, seconded by Dr. Connolly. President Dunn asked if there was any discussion, which there was none. Motion carried 4-0.

4. ACTION ITEMS – GENERAL – INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

No Items.

5. ACTION ITEMS – GENERAL – BUSINESS SERVICES

No Items.

6. ACTION ITEMS - GENERAL - BOARD OF EDUCATION

A. Approval of Amendments to Board Policy 6161.1 - Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials

At 7:44 p.m., President Dunn announced there would be a five minute break. The meeting resumed at 7:55 p.m.

Mrs. Everett made the motion to approve the Policy with proposed amendments, seconded by Vice President Andersen. President Dunn announced there were comment cards submitted.

1. George Miller spoke in favor of the amendments.
2. Heather Farrell spoke in opposition of the amendments.
3. Andrea Golin spoke in favor of the amendments.
4. Betsy Speicher spoke in favor of the amendments.
5. Bill Lasarow spoke in opposition of the amendments.
6. Maryann Kenyan spoke in favor of the amendments.
7. Lora Novak spoke about the core literature selection process.
8. Joanna Burns spoke in opposition of the amendments.
9. Steve Ho-wei spoke in favor of the amendments.
10. Gloria Massey China spoke in favor of the amendments.
11. Maria Cristina Bean spoke in favor of the amendments.
12. Emily Mehlhoff spoke in favor of the amendments.
13. Carolyn Guillot spoke in favor of the amendments.
14. Fran Austin spoke in favor of the amendments.
15. Sharon Debidour spoke in opposition of the amendments.
16. Deb Baber spoke in favor of the amendments.
17. Joyce Shen spoke in favor of the amendments.
18. Maureen Rogers spoke in favor of the amendments.
19. Peter Godinez - absent.
20. Jasen Commings spoke in opposition of the amendments.
21. David Buss spoke in opposition of the amendments.
22. Silas Nesheiwat spoke against voting for the amendments this evening.
23. Joan Lopez spoke in favor of the amendments.
24. Mary Anne Van Zuyle spoke in opposition of the amendments.
25. Richard Hodison - absent.
26. Maureen Meyer spoke in favor of the amendments.
27. Mandy Jacob spoke in favor of the amendments.
28. Denise Davidian -absent.
29. Garry Pace spoke in favor of the amendments.
30. Michelle Cooley spoke in favor of the amendments.
31. Diane Hawkins spoke in favor of the amendments.
32. Shannon Diffner Nese spoke in opposition of the amendments.
33. Bill Gorback spoke in opposition of the amendments.
34. John Fedoroff spoke about a family experience.
35. Jeannette Fekkes spoke in favor of the amendments.
36. Janie Ahlberg spoke in favor of tabling the vote.
37. James Mayer spoke in favor of the amendments.
38. Jeffrey Buram spoke in favor of the amendments.
39. Maya Ghanew spoke in opposition of the amendments.
40. Vadim Manzhos spoke in favor of the amendments.

41. Gianna Spiro spoke in favor of the amendments.
42. Lindy Pace spoke in favor of the amendments.

President Dunn asked if there was any discussion. Mrs. Everett began the discussion and went on to explain the most recent amendments. Dr. Connolly then asked questions to which Mrs. EVERETT responded. Vice President Andersen commented on the amendments process. Further discussion amongst the Board took place regarding the changes. Motion carried 3-1, with Dr. Connolly voting no.

7. ACTION ITEMS – CONSENT

A. Personnel Assignment Orders

B. Expulsion - Student 2-17/18 E

C. Contract For Nonpublic School Placement For a Student With a Disability #16-17/18

D. Contract For Nonpublic School Placement For a Student With a Disability #17-17/18

E. Watercraft Field Trip Request - Earths Magnet School

F. Overnight Field Trip Request - Earths Magnet School

G. Approval of Contract - NPH Calamigos Ranch

H. Parent Support/Booster Organization Reauthorization

I. Approval of Additional Career Technical Education Advisory Committee Member

J. Approval of 2016-2017 TOPASS Agreement Annual Compliance Report

K. Approval of 2017-2018 TOPASS Projects/Expenditures

L. Approval of Warrants

M. Approval of Transfer of Funds Between October 1st - October 31st, 2017

N. Approval of Purchase Order Report #929

O. Approval of Purchase Order Report (PO's exceeding \$5,000)

P. Notice of Completion - Playground Renovations - Westlake Hills Elementary School - Landscape Structures, Inc.

Q. Award of Contracts - Under the Guidelines of California Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act (CUPCCAA)

R. Notice of Completion - Roofing Replacement - Conejo Valley Unified School District Office - Best Contracting Services, Inc.

S. Change Order #1 - Roofing Replacement - Conejo Valley Unified School District Offices - Best Contracting Services, Inc.

made the motion to approve the Agenda, seconded by Dr. Connolly. President Dunn asked if there was any discussion, which there was none. Motion carried 4-0.

8. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS – GENERAL – HUMAN RESOURCES

A. Approval of Amendments to Board Policy 4113 - Assignment

President Dunn asked if there was any discussion, which there was none.

9. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS – GENERAL – INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

A. Approval of Proposed Rate Increase for CVUSD Child Care and Wonder Preschool Tuition

Amie Mills, Director of Child Development presented. President Dunn asked if there was any discussion. Board members asked questions to which Ms. Mills, Mr. Iezza and Dr. Hayek responded.

B. Approval of Deletion of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 0520.2 - Title I Program Improvement Schools

President Dunn asked if there was any discussion, which there was none.

C. Approval of New Administrative Regulation 5113.11 - Attendance Supervision

President Dunn asked if there was any discussion, which there was none.

D. Approval of New Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5113.12 - District Student Attendance Review Board

President Dunn asked if there was any discussion, which there was none.

E. Approval of Amendments to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5116.1 – Intradistrict Open Enrollment

President Dunn asked if there was any discussion, which there was none.

F. Approval of Amendments to Administrative Regulation 5117 – Interdistrict Attendance Permits

President Dunn asked if there was any discussion, which there was none.

G. Approval of Replacement of Administrative Regulation 5125.2 - Withholding Grades, Diplomas or Transcripts

President Dunn asked if there was any discussion. Dr. Connolly inquired about the replacement to which Mr. Iezza responded.

H Approval of Replacement of Board Policy 6153 - School-Sponsored Trips

President Dunn asked if there was any discussion. Mr. Iezza explained the replacement Policy.

I. Approval of New Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6173.2 - Education of Children of Military Families

President Dunn asked if there was any discussion. Mr. Iezza explained the new Policy.

10. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS – GENERAL – BUSINESS SERVICES

No Items.

11. ADJOURNMENT

A. Adjournment

President Dunn adjourned the meeting at 12:19 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be Tuesday, December 5, 2017, 4:00 p.m. Discussion Session, 5:00 p.m. Closed Session, and 6:00 p.m. Open Session at the CVUSD Board Room located inside Conejo Valley High School at 1402 E. Janss Road, Thousand Oaks.

Date: November 14, 2017 _____ Clerk

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