

CENTER JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES BOARD WORKSHOP

Center High School - Theater
3111 Center Court Lane, Antelope, CA 95843

Monday, December 8, 2008

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER - President Friedman called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL - Trustees Present: Mr. Blenner, Mr. Friedman, Mrs. Williams

Trustees Absent: Mrs. Anderson, Mr. Wilson

Administrators Present: Dr. Jolly, Superintendent
Scott Loehr, Assist. Supt., Curriculum & Instruction
Craig Deason, Assist. Supt., Operations & Facilities
George Tigner, Director of Personnel
Jeanne Bess, Director of Fiscal Services

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

1. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (G.C. §54957)
2. Conference with Labor Negotiator, George Tigner, Re: CSEA, CUTA, Confidential, Classified Management & Certificated Management (G.C. §54957.6)

Dr. Jolly explained what could be discussed at this time, at this meeting. No one from the public came forward to address any items that were to be discussed in Closed Session.

Trustee Anderson joined the meeting at 5:36 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION – 5:40 p.m.

OPEN SESSION - CALL TO ORDER – 6:31 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE - led by Gary Blenner

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION - President Friedman announced that the Board had met in Closed Session in the matter of:

Board voted during Closed Session in the matter of:

1. **Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (G.C. §54957)**
Resolution #09/2008-09

Motion: Blenner
Second: Williams

Ayes: Blenner, Friedman, Williams
Noes: Anderson
Absent: Wilson

Resolution #10/2008-09

Motion: Blenner
Second: Williams

Ayes: Blenner, Friedman, Williams
Noes: Anderson
Absent: Wilson

Resolution #11/2008-09

Motion: Williams
Second: Blenner

Ayes: Blenner, Friedman, Williams
Noes: Anderson
Absent: Wilson

Resolution #12/2008-09

Motion: Blenner
Second: Williams

Ayes: Blenner, Friedman, Williams
Noes: Anderson
Absent: Wilson

Board took no action during Closed Session in the matter of:

2. **Conference with Labor Negotiator, George Tigner, Re: CSEA, CUTA, Confidential, Classified Management & Certificated Management (G.C. §54957.6)**

ADOPTION OF AGENDA - approved adoption of agenda as amended: add Board Comments after Public Comments.

Motion: Blenner
Second: Williams

Ayes: Anderson, Blenner, Friedman, Williams
Noes: none
Absent: Wilson

It was decided that the Open Session Item regarding Oak Hill administration will be placed on the December 17 agenda.

Trustee Williams addressed the audience, informing everyone of the information she received while at the CSBA conference. While at the meeting she did not hear good reports about budgets; there still may be mid-year cuts in January, February, or March. She noted that this is affecting all school districts.

PUBLIC COMMENTS -

Lynda Olander, Oak Hill PTA Vice President and parent, voiced her concern with the change of administration at the elementary sites. It was asked that campus sizes be considered for a reconsideration in the VP eliminations at Oak Hill and Dudley.

Tatum Olander, Oak Hill Student Council President, with support from Sterling McNeal, Oak Hill Student Council Treasurer, reported to the Board the reasons that Oak Hill is a well-run school.

Cindy Hahn, teacher at Oak Hill, asked the Board about the Head Maintenance position which she understood was a temporary position, and inquired as to when it became a permanent position. She noted the cuts from many different areas in the district, but asked why there are no cuts at all for Cabinet in any way.

Trustee Wilson joined the meeting at 7:06 p.m. Mr. Wilson reported on information from the Capital. He indicated that the state would be out of money by March.

Tim Ridge, teacher at CHS, spoke to the Board about their proposal to reshuffle administrators and reducing an administrator position on their campus to part time. He also mentioned that he was concerned with administrative changes at CHS. Next year CHS will be working on the WASC Accreditation and will need an administrator that knows the campus; they will need consistency.

Anne Cowan, teacher at CHS, shared her concern about administration changes at CHS. There is also a concern with next year's WASC Accreditation and Special Education Full Inclusion.

Sherry Edgar, teacher at CHS, asked if it is possible for the CHS staff to come up with some solutions to the administration changes. She also asked how they can advocate to the Board and District Administration. It was noted that correspondence can be delivered to Dr. Jolly's office and will be distributed to the Board.

Mrs. Anderson made it known that every student, parent, employee, and cabinet member has the right to be heard and be treated respectfully and not feel threatened by doing so. Mr. Friedman added that everyone is entitled to the right to address the Board. It would need to be done at the appropriate time: during public comments for items not on the agenda, or at the time on the agenda for items on the agenda.

Gary Habedanck, teacher at CHS, shared his concerns about administrative changes at CHS and Riles Middle School.

Bob Spore asked the Board if they have already voted on an item, can it be brought back to be voted on again at another time.

BOARD COMMENTS

Mrs. Anderson

- formally requested that any item given with less than 24 hours to review should be taken off the agenda.

Mr. Blenner

- thanked his students for coming tonight.
- noted that the main purpose of the meeting was to review the budget and reminded everyone that this is a Board Workshop. He also noted that there are reductions in the district office and all need to make an equal sacrifice.

Mrs. Williams

- had no other reports to give.

Mr. Wilson

- went to the fish hatchery with his child's Oak Hill class.
- encouraged people to give input to the Board.

Dr. Jolly

- noted that he has received hundreds of emails.
- reiterated that we cut 1.9 million last year; we need to cut 1.5 million now and 2.8 million next year. On the 17th every item on the list will come up for vote. He noted that the district would appreciate input.

Mr. Friedman

- requested that everyone be a part of the team in making the decisions.
- thanked those who came forward to speak this evening.

The Board took a break from 8:09 pm – 8:24 pm

