

CENTER JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING Antelope View Charter School - Multipurpose Room 3243 Center Court Lane, Antelope, CA 95843

Wednesday, January 20, 2010

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER - Trustee Williams called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

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

Administrators Present: Scott Loehr, Superintendent
George Tigner, Chief Administrative Officer
Craig Deason, Assist. Supt., Operations & Facilities
Jeanne Bess, Director of Fiscal Services

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

1. Student Expulsions/Readmissions (G.C. §54962)
2. Conference with Labor Negotiator, George Tigner, Re: CSEA and CUTA

PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION - none

CLOSED SESSION - 5:30 p.m.

OPEN SESSION - CALL TO ORDER – 6:10 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE - led by Nancy Anderson

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

President Williams announced that there was no action taken in Closed Session. The following items had action taken during Open Session:

1. Student Expulsions/Readmissions (G.C. §54962)
Student Readmission #08-09.08 - Recommendation approved.

Motion: Wilson **Ayes:** Anderson, Blenner, Friedman, Williams,
Second: Blenner Wilson

Student Expulsion #09-10.19 - Recommendation approved.

Motion: Wilson **Ayes:** Anderson, Blenner, Friedman, Williams,
Second: Friedman Wilson

Student Expulsion #09-10.20 - Recommendation approved.

Motion: Wilson **Ayes:** Anderson, Blenner, Friedman, Williams,
Second: Blenner Wilson

Student Expulsion #09-10.21 - Recommendation approved.

Motion: Wilson **Ayes:** Anderson, Blenner, Friedman, Williams,
Second: Blenner Wilson

Student Expulsion #09-10.22 - Recommendation approved.

Motion: Wilson **Ayes:** Anderson, Blenner, Friedman, Williams,
Second: Blenner Wilson

Student Expulsion #09-10.23 - Recommendation approved.

Motion: Blenner **Ayes:** Anderson, Blenner, Friedman, Williams,
Second: Wilson Wilson

Student Expulsion #09-10.24 - Recommendation approved.

Motion: Blenner **Ayes:** Anderson, Blenner, Friedman, Williams,
Second: Wilson Wilson

Student Expulsion #09-10.25 - Recommendation approved.

Motion: Blenner **Ayes:** Anderson, Blenner, Friedman, Williams,
Second: Friedman Wilson

Student Expulsion #09-10.26 - Recommendation approved.

Motion: Blenner **Ayes:** Anderson, Blenner, Friedman, Williams,
Second: Wilson Wilson

Student Expulsion #09-10.27 - Recommendation to reject this item.

Motion: Wilson **Ayes:** Anderson, Blenner, Friedman, Williams,
Second: Blenner Wilson

Student Expulsion #09-10.28 - Recommendation approved.

Motion: Blenner **Ayes:** Anderson, Blenner, Friedman, Williams,
Second: Wilson Wilson

ADOPTION OF AGENDA - approved adoption of agenda as presented.

Motion: Friedman **Vote:** General Consent
Second: Blenner

ORGANIZATION REPORTS

1. **CUTA** - Douglas Higgins, President, thanked George Tigner for attending the Rep. Council meeting tonight and discussing the item that appears on tonight's agenda.
2. **CSEA** - Marie Huggins, President, congratulated Libby on her presidency for this year. She noted that CSEA is in ongoing communication and negotiations with the district. The union would like an update on when the next Budget Committee meeting will be held.

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

1. Antelope View Charter School Update on WASC and CAHSEE Results - Robyn VanBuren, Social Science teacher at Antelope View Charter School, handed the Board a packet with information on the November CAHSEE as well as giving a WASC Update. Jennifer Isaacs, teacher at Antelope View Charter School, then updated the Board on the outreach portion of the WASC report.

Mr. Dearcos informed the Board that as of today their enrollment is at 180.

2. Roebbelen Construction, Inc. Presentation - Craig Deason, Assistant Superintendent Operations & Facilities, wanted to thank publicly those who helped with the stadium: Mark Rosson (CPM) and Paul Chambers, who was not in attendance, (CPM) for making sure everything was done to a "T"; Bill Weinberg and Laura Knauss (Lionakis Beaumont Architects), who did a great design of the project, as well as getting us through DSA; and Bob Eason (retired teacher from CHS) and John Gallagher (Athletic Director), who was not able to attend, for being an important part of the stadium project, looking at the features of the stadium from an athletic point of view. He then thanked the Grounds and Maintenance Departments for making things move smoothly. Ivan Calhoun (Grounds Dept.) took a special interest in the project; took a look at the plans, and was the other set of eyes on the project. Maria Balbierz (Roebbelen), along with Bob Smith and Andy Brophy who were not able to attend, helped with the project all the way through. It was noted that Maria watched the money for the district throughout the project.

Scott Loehr thanked Craig Deason for all of his hard work on the entire project.

Maria Balbierz, from Roebbelen, presented the district with a symbolic check for \$95,852 representing the amount that was saved on the project.

The Board thanked everyone who great job on the stadium project.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Joyce Duplissea, Principal at Riles Middle School, invited the Board to the AVID Demonstration Day on February 2, 2010 from 7:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. They are one, of only fifty-three schools in the country, who is an AVID Demonstration School.

Susan Wilson, parent at Oak Hill, shared information on the Box Top Program for Oak Hill. She stated that the money received from this fundraiser helps supplement funds for the site. She encouraged everyone to clip box tops and donate to the schools. She noted that there are other sites that collect them as well.

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Mr. Friedman

- thanked everyone who turned out for tonight's meeting.
- reminded everyone about the 2nd annual fundraiser for the Endowment on March 24; he introduced Delrae Pope as the Fundraiser Chairperson putting this together. Delrae introduced Susan Wilson and Cindy Campbell, who are helping her with this event. Dr. Tree will be putting together entertainment for the evening.
- thanked Ron Baioni for putting together the website for the Endowment.
- noted that the Oak Hill PTA has a very effective method of communication through email for getting out information.

Mr. Wilson

- noted that he will be chaperoning two field trips in the upcoming weeks.

Mr. Blenner

- thanked the construction team for the work they have done on putting the stadium together.
- noted that the CAHSEE test is happening on Feb 2 & 3; wished everyone well on that.

Mrs. Anderson

- thanked everyone who worked on the stadium project, and for coming in under budget.

Mr. Loehr

- thanked everyone that he has already met with to get the word out about the budget.
- noted that more Budget Committee meetings will be set up.
- toured North Country; Mr. Deason and Scott were able to hand out attendance and roll model awards.
- noted that it is a pleasure to work with Douglas Higgins and Marie Huggins.

Mrs. Williams

- echoed what everyone else said about the stadium construction project.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approved Adoption of Minutes from January 6, 2010 Regular Meeting
2. Approved Certificated Personnel Transactions
3. Approved 2009/2010 Consolidated Application (Part II)
4. Approved SchoolConnects Autodialer System by SynreVoice Technologies, Inc. Subscription Renewal
5. Approved 5th Grade Field Trip to Alliance Redwoods - No Co
6. Approved Notice of Completion for Center High School Stadium Project
7. Approved Resolution #12/2009-10: Local Agreement for Child Care Development Services - General Child Care & Development Programs - Contract #CCTR-9220 - for One-time Funding for Instructional Materials & Supplies
8. Approved Amendment #3 to Facilities Lease By and Between Roebbelen Contracting, Inc. and Center Joint Unified School District
9. Approved Notice of Completion of the Low Voltage Component of the Center High School Stadium Project
10. Approved Amendment to Memorandum of Communications Site Lease Agreement (Ground) by and between TowerCo and Center Joint Unified School District & Amendment No. 2 to Communications Site Lease Agreement (Ground) by and between TowerCo and Center Joint Unified School District
11. Approved Payroll Orders: July 2009 - December 2009

CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

12. Approved Supplemental Agenda (Vendor Warrants)

Motion: Friedman **Vote:** General Consent
Second: Blenner

Mr. Friedman thanked Mr. Deason for efforts on working with the cell phone companies for securing better terms for the district.

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Conference: "California School Nutrition Association Conference" - L. Kasey (Food Serv.)

BUSINESS ITEMS

A. APPROVED - Resolution #13/2009-10: Reduction/Elimination of Particular Kinds of Certificated Services

There was a motion to bring this item to the floor.

Motion: Anderson
Second: Blenner

Jeanne Bess, Director of Fiscal Services, shared information with the Board on the Governor's Budget – January Release Projections. She explained the amounts on the chart, as well as the loss of Federal Stimulus dollars, loss of income due to declining enrollment, and the change in the COLA and ADA administrative cost reductions.

George Tigner, Chief Administrative Officer, discussed the proposed resolution, which requests a reduction of certificated services totaling 39.0 FTE in the areas of Educational Services, High School Departmentalized Services, Middle School Departmentalized Services and Elementary Classroom Services. The increased number has come about because of the Governor's proposed budget information that came out last week. Some of these positions may be restored at a later date, once we know the actual amounts. Class sizes in K-3 would be at 26:1.

Mrs. Anderson asked how many teachers could be restored if we gained back 180 students. Mr. Tigner noted that it depended on whether it was elementary or secondary.

Mr. Tigner noted that there will be a morning Open House in March. They have invited Real Estate Agents for the area to attend this, in hopes that they will encourage families to purchase homes in our area.

Mr. Friedman asked if there is an order of restoration list in place. Scott Loehr noted that a list is not in place, but it also depends on where the numbers come in (elementary or secondary).

Mr. Tigner pointed out that on the third page of the resolution, item number 5 discusses "Competency" and item number 6 discusses the point system for tie breakers for the lay offs. There were questions on the point system.

Douglas Higgins, CUTA President, noted that when he was given the number of 39.0 FTE he was at a loss for words. He noted that there is still a difference of opinion and interpretation of the data that has come out. Mr. Higgins informed the teachers that this is the worst case scenario and that it is early in the process and is a long process. He noted the different site's awards and accomplishments with less staff, but said that he is concerned with more hits. We need to work through the whole process and keep in contact with each other (district and union).

Mr. Friedman stated that we should get the word out to our professional organizations and legislators that the priority should be on education.

Angelina Hughes, parent, asked Mr. Higgins what lengths the teachers are willing to go to or willing to sacrifice, like freezing step and column, to preserve the quality of education, and keep their jobs. Mr. Higgins noted that there will be some staff who will retire and that some staff may not need to be laid off because of this. He also discussed the possibility of furlough days. She asked if discussions are still being held regarding options and Mr. Higgins said yes. It was mentioned by Trustee Blenner that furlough days or a freeze in step and column would not be enough to save all of the jobs. A cut in pay would affect "years of service" when a staff member retires, and you are limited on how many days can be cut out of the school year.

Susan Wilson, parent at Oak Hill, noted that they want to make sure that everything is being considered; that the teachers are aware that everyone is taking hits, and that we work as a team here.

Trustee Blenner called for a vote.

Ayes: Anderson, Blenner, Friedman, Williams, Wilson

B. APPROVED - Resolution #14/2009-10: Center High School Athletic Facilities Upgrades County Exemption

Motion: Wilson **Vote:** General Consent
Second: Friedman

ADVANCE PLANNING

- a. *Future Meeting Dates:*
 - i. *Wednesday, February 3, 2010 @ 6:00 p.m. - North Country Elementary School Multipurpose Room*
- b. *Suggested Agenda Items:*

ADJOURNMENT – 7:46 p.m.

Motion: Wilson **Vote:** General Consent
Second: Friedman

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Scott A. Loehr, Superintendent
Secretary to the Board of Trustees

/s/

Gary N. Blenner, Clerk
Board of Trustees

2/3/10

Adoption Date