

CENTER JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING District Board Room Center Joint Unified School District Annex 3243 Center Court Lane, Antelope, CA 95843

Wednesday, December 14, 2022

MINUTES

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

ROLL CALL - Trustees Present: Mrs. Anderson, Mr. Ballin, Mr. Bruno, Mrs. Pope

Trustees Absent: Dr. Lee

Administrators Present: Scott Loehr, Superintendent
Lisa Coronado, Director of Fiscal Services
Mike Jordan, Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Special Education
Richard Putnam, Director of Facilities

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

1. Student Expulsions/Readmissions (G.C. §54962)

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

CLOSED SESSION - 5:37 p.m.

OPEN SESSION - CALL TO ORDER - 6:00 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE –

Trustee Bruno read the following: *In recognition of free speech and the following board agenda item, we welcome all and would like to note that saying the pledge of allegiance is not a requirement to participate in the business of this public board. If you do not say the pledge for religious, political, social, or personal reasons, you are most welcome here as an equal participant in the business of this board.*

The Flag Salute was led by Steve Bruno.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

1. Student Expulsions/Readmissions (G.C. §54962)

Student Expulsion 22/23-02 – Recommendation approved.

Motion: Anderson

Second: Pope

Ayes: Anderson, Ballin, Bruno, Pope

Noes: None

Absent: Lee

It was announced that Trustee Lee was not in attendance tonight due to illness.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA – There was a motion to approve the adoption of the agenda as amended: pull Consent Agenda Items 1 & 2 for separate consideration.

Motion: Bruno
Second: Pope

Ayes: Anderson, Ballin, Bruno, Pope
Noes: None
Absent: Lee
Advisory Vote: Aye – Mason

DECLARATION OF ELECTION RESULTS - Scott Loehr, Superintendent, read the election results with Nancy Anderson, Howard Ballin and Steven Bruno being the top 3 candidates by vote.

ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS OF OFFICE - Scott Loehr, Superintendent, administered the Oath of Office to Nancy Anderson, Howard Ballin and Steven Bruno individually.

ORGANIZATION REPORTS

1. CUTA – Venessa Mason, President, congratulated Trustee Bruno and Trustee Anderson on their re-election, and Trustee Ballin for his new placement on the Board. CUTA looks forward to continuing their relationship with this school Board, as they have done in the past. She noted that CUTA appreciates Ms. Coronado’s department for their hard work and hours to get the extra pay from the negotiated salary increase out to the employees. She noted that she looks forward to 2023 with the new board.
2. CSEA – Niesha Harris, President, welcomed Mr. Ballin, and congratulated Mrs. Anderson and Mr. Bruno. She also wished everyone a happy Christmas and a happy New Year.

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

1. **Board Member Annual Residency Verification** – Scott Loehr, Superintendent, noted that per BB 9220, the Superintendent is required to report out whether or not each Board member has provided address verification within the district boundaries and what documentation was provided by each. He reported that Trustee Anderson provided both a current utility bill and an employment document with an address within the district’s boundary, Trustee Ballin provided two current utility bills with an address within the district’s boundary, Trustee Bruno provided both a current utility bill and a property tax bill with an address within the district’s boundary, Trustee Lee requested that he direct individuals to her November Board Meeting statement on this policy matter, and Trustee Pope provided two current utility bills with an address within the district’s boundary. Trustee Anderson asked that they place on the agenda next month the censure of Dr. Lee for not providing her information.
2. **Center High School Government Presentation** – Center High Government Students presented information on changes they are making on the campus and goals that they have as they are heading into the next semester. They shared their purpose, introduced the officers, commissioners, and representatives, covered their goals and accomplishments, and their next steps.
3. **Attendance & Engagement Update** – Chris Borasi, Principal on Special Assignment, covered the following:
 - attendance financial impact
 - attendance academic impact
 - attendance equity impact
 - plan to address chronic absenteeism and low average daily attendance
 - tiered system of supports for improving attendance

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS (continued)

- Everyday Labs data for Tier 1, and District and Site Goals
- Everyday Labs data for Tier 2 and interventions
- Everyday Pro Family Outreach
- Tier 3 Family Outreach – Student Success Plans
- Tier 3 Other Actions

COMMITTEE UPDATES

1. Curriculum, Instruction & Special Education Update – Mike Jordan, Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Special Education reported on the following:

- o highlighted mental health services available for students, staff members, and families:
 - social workers at Center High, Dudley, North Country, and Spinelli; there is a job posting for a social worker at Oak Hill
 - counselors at Center High, Wilson Riles, and at Dudley
 - contract with Care Solace (offers a free service to all of our staff, students and families for mental health services)
 - Student and Family Support Services Office – can provide food assistance, basic need support, mentoring, community resources and referrals
- o encouraged all board members to see what Career Tech Ed courses Center High offers

2. Facilities Update – Richard Putnam, Director of Facilities, reported on the following:

- o Construction of two CTE buildings are under construction; they will be home to the Geometry in Construction & MCA (Media Communications Academy) programs; those buildings should be complete in May 2023
- o Rex Fortune Elementary should be ready by June 2023

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA –

Public Comments In-Person:

Angelina Hughes, parent and community member, congratulated the newly elected Trustees. Also shared her concerns with Board members getting paid for their services to represent their community, but not showing proof of living in district boundaries. She asked if there are any ramifications for not following board policy. Also asked that at the next board meeting, that it be explained what censure really is.

Kelly Kelley, community member, congratulated the board members on their election, and re-election, to the Board.

Audriana Sammons, parent from the Oak Hill PTA, thanked the CHS Seniors that have come to every one of their events to help.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. *This item was pulled for separate consideration.*
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3. Approved Certificated Personnel Transactions
4. Approved Professional Services Agreement: R Leiblum Art
5. Approved Professional Services Agreement: SpeedPro
6. Approved List of Surplus Books to Recycle/Discard – Center High
7. Approved List of Surplus Books to Recycle/Discard – McClellan
8. Approved List of Surplus Books to Recycle/Discard – Dudley
9. Approved Contract with Community Matters
10. Approved Payroll Orders: July – November 2022

CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

11. Approved Supplemental Agenda (Vendor Warrants): November 2022

Motion: Anderson
Second: Pope

Ayes: Anderson, Ballin, Bruno, Pope
Noes: None
Absent: Lee
Advisory Vote: Aye – Mason

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS PULLED FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION

1. Approved Adoption of Minutes from November 16, 2022 Regular Meeting

Motion: Pope
Second: Anderson

Ayes: Anderson, Ballin, Bruno, Pope
Noes: None
Absent: Lee
Advisory Vote: Aye – Mason

2. Approved Classified Personnel Transactions

Motion: Bruno
Second: Anderson

Ayes: Anderson, Bruno, Pope
Noes: None
Absent: Lee
Abstain: Ballin
Advisory Vote: Aye – Mason

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Educator Effectiveness Block Grant

BUSINESS ITEMS

A. APPROVED - Annual Organizational Meeting for Governing Board

Trustee Bruno opened the nominations for Officers of the Board for 2023.

- 1) **Office of the Board President:** Trustee Pope made a motion to nominate Trustee Anderson as President of the Board. Trustee Anderson declined the nomination. Trustee Anderson made a motion, seconded by Trustee Bruno, to nominate Trustee Pope as President of the Board. There were no other nominations.

Ayes: Anderson, Ballin, Bruno
Noes: None
Abstain: Pope
Absent: Lee
Advisory Vote: Ayes – Mason

- 2) **Clerk of the Board:** Trustee Pope made a motion, seconded by Trustee Bruno, to nominate Trustee Anderson as Clerk of the Board. There were no other nominations.

Ayes: Ballin, Bruno, Pope
Noes: None
Abstain: Anderson
Absent: Lee
Advisory Vote: Ayes – Mason

BUSINESS ITEMS (continued)

- 3) **Board Representative to the County School Board's Association:** Trustee Pope made a motion, seconded by Trustee Anderson, to nominate Trustee Bruno to serve as Board Representative to the Sacramento County School Board's Association. There were no other nominations.

Ayes: Anderson, Ballin, Pope
Noes: None
Abstain: Bruno
Absent: Lee
Advisory Vote: Ayes – Mason

- 4) **Date, Time, Place of Board Meetings:** Trustee Anderson made a motion, seconded by Trustee Pope, to continue meeting at 6:00 p.m. (start of Open Session) on the third Wednesdays of the month, with special meetings to be held on the first Wednesdays whenever possible. Meetings will continue to be held in the District Board Room.

Ayes: Anderson, Ballin, Bruno, Pope
Noes: None
Absent: Lee
Advisory Vote: Ayes – Mason

RECESS: At 6:58 p.m., the Board recessed the regular meeting of the Center Joint Unified Board of Trustees to convene the Organizational Meeting of the Board of Directors of the CJUSD Financing Corporation. The Board adjourned the CJUSD Financing Corporation meeting at 6:59 p.m.

Scott Loehr, Superintendent, presented a gavel to Trustee Bruno for serving as Board President for 2022.

Trustee Bruno handed the meeting over to Trustee Pope.

B. APPROVED - Center High School Uniform Credit Adjustment Formula

There was a motion to approve this item. Mr. Loehr gave an overview of this item. There were no public comments. There was no discussion by the Board.

Motion: Anderson
Second: Ballin

Ayes: Anderson, Ballin, Bruno, Pope
Noes: None
Advisory Vote: Ayes – Mason
Absent: Lee

C. APPROVED - Resolution #8/2022-23: Authorizing the Establishment of Unrestricted General Fund Reserves

Mr. Loehr gave an overview of this item. There were no public comments. There was discussion by the Board. There was a motion to approve this item.

Motion: Bruno
Second: Ballin

Ayes: Anderson, Ballin, Bruno, Pope
Noes: None
Advisory Vote: Aye – Mason
Absent: Lee

BUSINESS ITEMS (continued)

D. APPROVED - First Interim Report for Fiscal Year 2022-23

Lisa Coronado presented the First Interim Report. There were no public comments. There was no discussion by the Board. There was a motion to approve the First Interim Report for Fiscal Year 2022-23.

Motion: Bruno
Second: Ballin

Ayes: Anderson, Ballin, Bruno, Pope
Noes: None
Absent: Lee
Advisory Vote: Aye – Mason

STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

Riley Mason reported on the following:

- enjoyed the week off for Thanksgiving
- Juniors & Sophmores won the Powder Puff game
- looking forward to 2 weeks off for Christmas break
- Winter sports are currently happening: boys and girls basketball, boys and girls soccer, and wrestling
- soccer gear (shirts, etc.) are on sale through Friday
- December 7th was the Annual Ginger Buddies competition was won by Ms. Robinson (math teacher) and Madison S. (Junior)
- baseball and softball workouts are coming up
- finals are going on this week; wished the students luck
- wished everyone a merry Christmas and a happy New Year

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Dr. Lee – was not available to report

Mrs. Anderson

- noted that we need to figure out a way to see if people calling in to the meeting are within the district.
- thanked everyone for their well wishes.
- noted that she is excited to be here again; loves to be involved with the students and the community.
- wished everyone a happy holiday.
- asked everyone to be safe.

Mr. Bruno

- noted that he is honored to be elected. It was his first time being elected since he was first appointed to the Board.
- thanked Howard and Nancy for their support during this campaign and while waiting for the results.
- reported that he attended the CSBA conference in San Diego; there was really good information.

Mr. Ballin

- reported that he toured Rex Fortune Elementary. Noted that he is impressed with the progress that has been made. Commended district staff that are driving this project for their dedication, transparency and communication, and setting clear goals and objectives for completing this project on time and within budget.
- thanked those that helped him get elected. Also noted a debt of deep gratitude to his family, and specifically his wife.
- introduced himself and his shared his views and goals.
- wished everyone a merry Christmas and a happy and safe holiday season.

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS (continued)

Mrs. Pope

- congratulated Mrs. Anderson and Mr. Bruno for their continuation on the Board, and is excited to work with them again, and noted that the next two years will be great with Mr. Ballin. She noted that it is two years because she would be up for re-election at that time.
- attended the facilities tour at Rex Fortune Elementary.
- on December 9th attended Oak Hill's Cozy Crafts and Cocoa event; it was amazing.
- yesterday had the opportunity to stop at Spinelli's holiday social with Mr. Loehr. The highlight was the Kindergarten performance.
- talked about our schools' school spirit. Thanked all of the PTAs, PTOs, Boosters, and all the staff, parents and students that help with these functions. She thanked the Seniors for helping with events at the elementary sites.
- wished everyone happy holidays, take care and enjoy your two weeks off.

Mr. Loehr

- welcomed and congratulated Howard Ballin to the Board.
- welcomed Mrs. Anderson and Mr. Bruno back, and look forward to working with them.
- noted that elections are stressful and hard work; thanked their family members for supporting them in that work.
- noted that its been wonderful getting out to the schools.
- noted that the CSBA event was fantastic.
- noted that he appreciates all the work the staff and our parents and families are putting into each of the school events.
- appreciated the students who presented tonight and thanked Ms. Jenna Boller, Activities Director, for working with our students.
- wished everyone happy holidays, happy New Year, and that they enjoy their two weeks.

ADVANCE PLANNING

- a. *Future Meeting Dates:*
 - i. *Regular Meeting: Wednesday, January 18, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. – Board Room, Center Joint Unified School District Annex, 3243 Center Court Lane, Antelope, CA 95843 and/or Virtual*
- b. *Suggested Agenda Items:*
 - *Safety Report*
 - *Bullying Report*
 - *Censure*
 - *Discussion regarding the disclaimer regarding the flag salute*
 - *Discussion regarding signage displayed on the board table*

ADJOURNMENT – 7:37 p.m.

Motion: Pope
Second: Anderson

Vote: General Consent

