

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, April 17, 2024

MINUTES

Teleconference: Trustee Delrae Pope participated remotely from 704 4th Ave NE, Hillsboro, ND 58045.

OPEN SESSION - CALL TO ORDER - Trustee Anderson called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

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

Administrators Present: Scott Loehr, Superintendent
Chris Borasi, Director of Personnel & Student Services
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)
2. Public Employee Performance Evaluation (**Certificated**) – Superintendent

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

CLOSED SESSION - 5:15 p.m.

OPEN SESSION - CALL TO ORDER - 6:09 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE –

The Flag Salute was led by Howard Ballin.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

No action taken during Closed Session. The following took place during Open Session:

1. Student Expulsions/Readmissions (G.C. §54962):
Student Expulsion 23/24-06 – Recommendation approved.
Motion: Bruno **Ayes:** Anderson, Ballin, Bruno, Pope, Sammons
Second: Ballin **Noes:** None

- Student Expulsion 23/24-07 – Recommendation approved.
- Motion:** Bruno **Ayes:** Anderson, Ballin, Bruno, Pope, Sammons
Second: Sammons **Noes:** None

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION (continued)

Student Expulsion 23/24-08 – Recommendation approved.

Motion: Bruno

Ayes: Anderson, Ballin, Bruno, Pope, Sammons

Second: Sammons

Noes: None

Student Expulsion 23/24-09 – Recommendation approved.

Motion: Bruno

Ayes: Anderson, Ballin, Bruno, Pope, Sammons

Second: Sammons

Noes: None

Stipulated Expulsion 23/24-10 – Recommendation approved.

Motion: Ballin

Ayes: Anderson, Ballin, Bruno, Pope, Sammons

Second: Bruno

Noes: None

2. Public Employee Performance Evaluation (**Certificated**) – Superintendent: No action was taken.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

There was a motion to bring the adoption of the agenda to the floor.

Motion: Ballin

Second: Bruno

There were no public comments. There was a motion to approve the adoption of the agenda as amended: pull Consent Agenda Item #14 and #19 for separate consideration.

Motion: Bruno

Ayes: Anderson, Ballin, Bruno, Pope, Sammons,
Ortega (*Student Bd Rep*)

Second: Ballin

Noes: None

RECOGNITIONS

Recognition of the Certificated and Classified Employees of the Year from Spinelli Elementary School – Erica Olmstead, Principal at Spinelli Elementary School, spoke about Sabrina Golobic, Teacher of the Year and Laura Gasca Pantoja, Classified Employee of the Year at Spinelli Elementary School. Sabrina and Laura were each presented with a plaque.

Scott Loehr, Superintendent, acknowledged Rex Fortune Elementary School and Principal Jason Farrel as the recipient of the Attendance Champions Award for the month of March 2024. Their site had the highest average daily attendance for that month.

ORGANIZATION REPORTS

1. CUTA – Venessa Mason, President, noted that things are going pretty smoothly in the district. Teachers are looking at the last 6 weeks of school and planning ahead for next year, excited for new things to come, and worried about discipline and regular things that are occurring at our schools. The 3 schools that are going through modernization are excited to see their new campuses when they come back in August; and Dudley is excited to have a mini-modernization. She noted that Heather Woods & herself will be co-Presidents next year.
2. CSEA – Niesha Harris-Knott, President, was not in attendance. Mr. Loehr noted that she had nothing to report.

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

1. **Williams Uniform Complaint Quarterly Report** – Mike Jordan, Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Special Education, reported that there was nothing to report.
2. **Peer Tutoring Update** – Tami Jbeily, Coordinator of State/Federal Programs, shared information about the Peer Tutoring Program. Abigail Armienta and Sarah Gonzalez shared the following: days and times of the program, the Learning Lounge, things that the Learning Lounge offers (Homework Help, a place to study, and access to technology), process for selecting tutors (what they are looking for, the application process, and training), marketing, special events, what a typical day is, and Peer Tutor of the Week. There was Board discussion. Mr. Loehr presented certificates to the Peer Tutors, as well as to Abigail, Sarah and Tami.
3. **Facilities Report** – Richard Putnam, Director of Facilities, reported on the following:
 - there are 3 modernization projects going on. Oak Hill & Center High modernization projects are in full swing, and are just starting at North Country.
 - today were pre-bid meetings at Spinelli and Dudley, both this morning for fencing projects and this afternoon's meeting were for painting portables.
 - Dudley is looking at paint for the portables & an office renovation.
 - Next week there will be four roofing pre-bid meetings for the Annex, Dudley and Spinelli.
 - Noted some items on agenda tonight that will help the district do even more summer work.

Trustee Sammons asked if there is a plan to replace trees at Oak Hill. Mr. Putnam noted that they would like to get another native oak tree in there, but it will be planted in a way that the roots will go down, instead of up and causing damage.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA –

Public Comments In-Person: none

Public Comments Online: none

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approved Adoption of Minutes from March 8, 2024 Special Meeting
2. Approved Adoption of Minutes from March 13, 2024 Regular Meeting
3. Approved Adoption of Minutes from March 15, 2024 Special Meeting
4. Approved Classified Personnel Transactions
5. Approved Certificated Personnel Transactions
6. Approved Resolution #25/2023-24: Resolution Terminating Services of Classified Employees for Lack of Work and/or Lack of Funds
7. Approved New Job Description for Classified Management Position – Communications Coordinator
8. Approved Disposal of Surplus Busses/Vehicles:
 - Bus 17 – Plate # E359776
 - Bus 21 – Plate # 1309954
 - Bus 30 – Plate # 1104914
 - Bus 31 – Plate # 1070194
 - Bus 32 – Plate # 1070193
 - Bus 33 – Plate # 1089698
 - Bus 34 – Plate # 1089697
 - Bus 36 – Plate # 1190523
 - Chevy Tow Truck – Plate # 1018611
9. Ratified 2023-24 Master Contract:
 - CCHAT

CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

10. Ratified Contract with Total Education Solutions
11. Approved 2024-2025 Memorandum of Understanding with Sacramento County Office of Education, Agreement #CI:ELA_2025_01 for New Teacher Wonders Training
12. Approved Educational Client Staffing Agreement between Covelo Group and Center Joint Unified School District
13. Approved Out-of-State Travel to the Ron Clark Academy, Atlanta, Georgia – T. Heflin, K. Tricomo, A. Morgan, D. Shepard, E. Wharton, C. Croshal, M. Jeffrey, H. Pezel, J. Freitas, H. Sippola, R. Ybarra, N. Grant
14. *This item was pulled for separate consideration.*
15. Approved Revised Single Plan for Student Achievement - Riles
16. Approved Surplus Books to Recycle/Discard - Dudley
17. Approved Professional Services Agreement: Tracy Neill, Amazing Animal World – North Country
18. Approved Memorandum of Understanding with University of California at San Francisco (UCSF) and Spinelli Elementary for Research Engagement with Multitudes Literacy Screening and Early Intervention Pilot Program
19. *This item was pulled for separate consideration.*
20. Approved Resolution #24/2023-24: Authorizing the Designation of Specific Systems, Products, and/or Materials in the Specifications for District Construction Projects (Freezer)
21. Approved Resolution #26/2023-24: Authorizing the Designation of Specific Systems, Products, and/or Materials in the Specifications for District Construction Projects (HVAC)
22. Approved Amendment #1 with Mid Pacific Engineering Inc (MPE) Consultant Services Agreement for the North Country Elementary School Modernization Project, DSA #02-120908
23. Approved Resolution #23/2023-24: CalSHAPE Grant Application
24. Approved Payroll Orders: March 2024
25. Approved Supplemental Agenda (Vendor Warrants): March 2024

There were no public comments. There were no comments from the Board. This item was Board approved.

Motion: Ballin
Second: Sammons

Ayes: Anderson, Ballin, Bruno, Pope, Sammons,
Ortega (*Student Bd Rep*)
Noes: None

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS PULLED FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION

14. Ratify Student Travel to Anaheim, CA for FBLA State Leadership Conference

There were no public comments. Trustee Bruno noted that the students shared about this at a previous board meeting. Noted that he is proud of our students. This item was Board approved.

Motion: Bruno
Second: Ballin

Ayes: Anderson, Ballin, Bruno, Pope, Sammons,
Ortega (*Student Bd Rep*)
Noes: None

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS PULLED FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION (continued)

19. Ratified Purchase of Flexible Seating with One Workplace – North Country
There were no public comments. Trustee Pope thanked Principal Seivert for bringing this to the attention of the Board for transparency of flexible classroom furniture. This item was Board approved.

Motion: Pope
Second: Bruno

Ayes: Anderson, Ballin, Bruno, Pope, Sammons,
Ortega (*Student Bd Rep*)
Noes: None

BUSINESS ITEMS

A. APPROVED - Board Policy 4117.2/4217.2/4317.2 - Resignations

Mr. Loehr gave a brief overview regarding the update to the policy. There were no public comments. There was Board discussion. There was a motion to approve Board Policy 4117.2/4217.2/4317.2 - Resignations.

Motion: Bruno
Second: Ballin

Ayes: Anderson, Ballin, Bruno, Pope, Sammons,
Ortega (*Student Bd Rep*)
Noes: None

PUBLIC HEARING: Consideration and Adoption of Resolutions Regarding the Adoption of a Developer Fee Study and the Increase of the Statutory School Fee (Level 1 School Fees). President Anderson opened the public hearing at 6:46 p.m. Mr. Loehr explained the process of the Developer Fee Increase. There were no public comments. The public hearing was closed at 6:48 p.m.

B. APPROVED - Resolution #22/2023-24: Adoption of a Fee Justification Study and the Increase in School Facilities Fees and Adoption of CEQA Notice of Exemption

There were no public comments. There was Board discussion. There was a motion to approve Resolution #22/2023-24: Adoption of a Fee Justification Study and the Increase in School Facilities Fees and Adoption of CEQA Notice of Exemption.

Motion: Bruno
Second: Ballin

Ayes: Anderson, Ballin, Bruno, Pope, Sammons,
Ortega (*Student Bd Rep*)
Noes: None

STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

1. Harmonie Ortega
 - Have had yearbook and CTE people working on a video; yearbook is going pretty well from what she has heard.
 - FLBA club went to Anaheim last week; nine students participated, but none placed.
 - Prom was last weekend and was successful.
 - This week is Cougars to College week.
 - Purple Cord will be this week.
 - There are Spirit Days this week.
 - Blood Drive was held April 3-4.
 - Tomorrow is the Senior Recognition Night for 4 sports: baseball, track, tennis, and boys volleyball.
 - Sports-O-Rama sign-ups are taking place; the event will be May 3rd.
 - AP testing will be starting May 6th.
 - Senior cap and gown distribution will be Thursday, May 25th.
 - April 26th will be the Día de los Niño's Movie Night, 5-7 p.m.

STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

- Dance concert will be May 9-10, 6-8 p.m.
- the Hughey's will be May 1st, 2-3:30 p.m.

Trustee Pope left the meeting at about 7:00 p.m.

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS

Mr. Bruno

- helped with the food distribution at the Family Resource Center and noted that it was physically demanding. As well as Peer Tutoring, they do a lot of other great work.
- attended site tours at Center High, Spinelli, Riles, North Country, and McClellan. He commented on how music has been integrated into the schools. Noted that he is impressed and appreciates everything that our staff does.
- is looking forward to Purple Cord Dinner coming up.
- is looking forward to the Poetry Reading on May 1st.
- noted that this is the time of year when things come up really fast, but they are a lot of fun.

Mr. Ballin

- noted that it is hard to believe that we are preparing for the end of the school year. It's a busy time of year.
- went on 2 sets of school tours. On Friday, March 13th he went to Center High and Spinelli Elementary, and on Friday, April 12th he went to McClellan High, North Country Elementary and Riles Middle Schools.
- attended the Top Ten Dinner at the Woodcreek Gold Course. It was an amazing event. He congratulated the students who were recognized.
- gave a shout out to Superintendent Loehr and district executive and administrative staff who have dealt with the budget shortfall.
- gave hats off to Richard Putnam and his staff for the dedication they have conducted this year.
- noted that all are welcome to attend meetings in person. Comments on the social media platforms are encouraged. Board email addresses are on the district website.

Mrs. Pope – was not available to report.

Mrs. Sammons

- attended a site tour at Center High and Spinelli Elementary. Liked Center High's store for getting swag.
- attended Center High's Top Ten Dinner.
- attended the Family Art Night at Oak Hill.
- was invited to be a mystery reader at Rex Fortune in Mrs. Donnelly's class.
- look forward to attending the Purple Cord Dinner this Friday.
- was invited by the Oak Hill PTA to hand out the Blankets of Hope.
- Reminded everyone to "remember to show up each day". Try to be a light in someone's day. One smile really does bring another.

Mr. Loehr

- noted that the End-of-the-Year celebrations are upon us. He acknowledged those that make the celebrations happen for our students our staff and families.
- noted that for next year, there is a lot of work that is already happening behind the scenes to prepare for next year.
- noted that site visits and tours have been great.

BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS (continued)

Mrs. Anderson

- attended the Top Ten Dinner.
- attended a walkthrough at Wilson Riles MS; noted that it is rewarding to go into the classes.
- noted that walkthroughs went great.
- thanked all of our staff that are in the trenches day after day, doing such a wonderful job.

ADVANCE PLANNING

- a. *Future Meeting Dates:*
 - i. *Regular Meeting: Wednesday, May 15, 2024 @ 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:*
 - *Twin Rivers Police Update, slated for May*

ADJOURNMENT – 7:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

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

/s/

Steve Bruno
Board of Trustees Clerk

5/15/2024

Adoption Date