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Governing Board Members

Mr. Shane Nielson, President ~ Mr. Ben Fobert, Clerk ~ Dr. Chris Cunningham ~ Dr. Atul Khanna ~ Dr. James Hiramoto

MEETING MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2008

- I. Call to order at 7:01 P.M.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance – Mr. Dale Hansen, Superintendent, Lead the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. Administer Oath of Office: Mr. Ben Fobert; Dr. James Hiramoto
Superintendent Hansen administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Ben Fobert and Dr. James Hiramoto.
- IV. Members Present: Chris Cunningham; Shane Nielson; Atul Khanna; Ben Fobert; James Hiramoto
Staff Present

Dale Hansen, Superintendent	Noel Balzarini, Executive Assistant
Debbie Burnette, Assist. Supt. Ed. Svcs.	Alvina Keyser, Director of Business Svcs.
Samy D’Amico, Principal – LES	Kim Parrott, Director of Special Ed.
Maria Bordanaro, Vice-Principal – BES	Keri Buckley, Principal – BES
Debbie Wingo, Vice-Principal – WES	Lem Vergara, Principal – WES
Rose Boynton, Librarian – LES	Signe McIntire, Sup. Of Transportation
Anne Goodrich, Teacher - BES	Kelly Hendrix, 7 th Grade Teacher - WES

Others Present: Members of the community were present.

- V. Annual Reorganization of Governing Board Officers:
 - A. Nomination for Board President: Shane Nielson – Motion by C.Cunningham; Second by A.Khanna – Motion Carried.
 - B. Nomination for Board Clerk: Ben Fobert – Motion by S.Nielson; Second by C.Cunningham – Motion Carried.
 - C. Nomination for Representative to County Committee of District Representation: Shane Nielson – Motion by C.Cunningham; Second by Ben Fobert – Motion Carried.
 - D. Consider/Approval of Appointing Mr. Dale Hansen, Superintendent, to serve as Secretary to the Governing Board. Motion by S.Nielson; Second by C.Cunningham – Motion Carried.
- VI. Approval of Governing Board Regular Meeting Dates for 2009. Motion by S.Nielson; Seconded by C.Cunningham to approve this items by the following vote: AYES: 5 ; NOES: 0 ; ABSENT: 0 Motion carries.
- VII. Approval and/or Corrections to the Agenda.
Motion by: S.Nielson; SECOND BY: B.Fobert to approve the agenda as presented with AYES: 5; NOES: 0; ABSENT: 0.
- VIII. Receiving of Public Comments: Mrs. Celeste Farron thanked the previous Governing Board for their dedication here and time, and welcomed the two new Board Members.
- IX. Consent Items for Consideration:
 - A. Approval of Governing Board Meeting Minutes:
 - 1. Regular Meeting – November 19, 2008
 - B. Approval of Warrants as listed: (See attached List)
 - C. Approval of Budget Revisions: (See Attachment)
 - D. Acceptance of Resignation of Classified Employee Gregory Felver, Instructional Aide, Bethany School – Effective December 19, 2008.

E. Elementary Capital Facilities Fund Expenditure Report 2007-2008

Motion by S.Nielson; Seconded by J.Hiramoto to approve all consent items by the following vote: AYES: 5 ; NOES: 0 ; ABSENT: 0 Motion carried.

X. Presentation: Report on the Lammersville Elementary School District Unification Feasibility Study by School Site Solutions, Inc. – Mr. Jim Bush

Mr. Bush provided a summary of the unification study he was hired by Tracy Unified to provide. He recommended to TUSD to hire a unification specialist, Joel Kirshenstien. On January 8, 2009, both districts will begin discussing the major issues. TUSD has a revenue limit issues and a slight short fall in actual operating costs. Superintendent Hansen will receive the full agenda on the 1/8/09 meeting. The TUSD Governing Board has not made a decision either way yet.

XI. District Administrative Reports

A. Report on District Facility Report..... Mr. Dale Hansen

1. Superintendent Hansen reported that the gas leaks at Wicklund continue. We have repaired 4 leaks. We haven't paid for any repairs due to the design and construction flaws. We are looking to have the whole campus surveyed.
2. At Bethany, there were 68 warranty items on the to-do list. All but 7 have been completed.
3. Trimark completed the fire-access driveway at Bethany School
4. PG&E surveyed Lammersville School to see why our gas bill has doubled and to provide options on how to reduce usage.

B. Report on Enrollment September, 2008..... Mr. Dale Hansen
Superintendent Hansen reported that enrollment is slowly increasing each month and we are at a growth of 159 students from the end of last year.

C. School Site Reports

1. Bethany School..... Mrs. Keri Buckley
Principal Buckley welcomed the new board members. She reported that December is a very busy month for Bethany School. There were 4 music concerts that displayed Bethany's wonderful talent. Many parents showed up to support their children. On December 1st the "Don't Laugh at Me" assembly showed the students how to respect each other and it was very inspirational. School Site Council has 5 community members and 5 staff members that meet once a month to discuss school site plans, test scores, and other school issues. Vice-Principal Bordanaro has taken charge of the ELAC program and the first meeting had 20 parents in attendance. 178 ELL students were identified out of 815 students.
2. Lammersville School..... Mr. Samy D'Amico
Principal D'Amico welcomed the new board members to our District. He reported that school life is changing. The cheerleaders competed last Saturday and placed 5th out of 5 teams. They did not qualify for Nationals but in January they will have the opportunity to try again. Student Council has been very busy with: Candy Grams; Collecting Toys and food items for The Brighter Christmas charity. Music concerts and the school choir showed their talent. Beginning Band has been showing progress. The general music concert is tomorrow night and if you plan on attending, get there early!
3. Wicklund School..... Lem Vergara
Principal Vergara congratulated and welcomed the 2 new board members. He reported that the concerts were last night and he wasn't able to attend them. He mentioned that he is pleased with the new Kindergarten teacher's performance and rotation with the other classes. The Wicklund School Staff Softball team won 1st place in the Tracy Adult League. January 22nd is the 100th day of school. May 16/17th will be the Grease Play. On March 6/7th is read across America. The District basketball coaches had a meeting today and games will begin the 2nd week of January.

D. District Business Report..... Mrs. Alvina Keyser
Mrs. Keyser reported that the budget is talked about in the news and we are preparing ourselves for the possibility of cuts.

E. August Cafeteria Report 2008..... Mrs. Alvina Keyser
Mrs. Keyser reported that the cafeteria program is doing very well at all 3 schools.

F. District Special Education Report..... Mrs. Kim Parrott

Mrs. Parrott welcomed the new board members. She presented some students from Mrs. Goodrich's class to show the items they made at their "Color Me Mine" field trip.

- G. District Educational Services Report..... Mrs. Debbie Burnette
Mrs. Burnette welcomed the new board members to a great district. Curriculum Council dates will be sent out. She provided a handout for the Math adoption cycle and the new GATE science class. English Language Arts must be adopted by May 2010. The new GATE sign up sheet has been sent out. On February 11, 2009, a Family Science night will be held at Wicklund and Bethany Schools. The PE teachers will be meeting to discuss the curriculum and standards for P.E.

XII. Governing Board Reports:

Trustee Cunningham reported that her and trustee Khanna were lucky enough to attend the CSBA conference with Superintendent Hansen in San Diego and it was great! She reported that she attended a session on terrorism on campus given by the Sheriff's department. They said the theory was that the next target will be our schools.

Trustee Khanna reported that the session he attended regarding the Brown Act he discovered that the District needs to be careful on their technology usage (cell phones). He also attended sessions on Superintendent's contracts, school violence, and a mock board meeting.

XIII. Governing Board Action Items:

A. **Consider/Approval of Interim Fiscal Report.**

Mrs. Keyser reviewed the 1st Interim report with the Board and recommends approval. She mentioned that if the budget changes in January, we will meet again to make some changes.

This item had a MOTION TO APPROVE BY: JHiramoto; SECOND BY: CCunningham with no discussion and approved with the following vote: AYES:5; NOES:0; ABSENT:0; ABSTAIN:0; Motion carried

B. **Consider/Approval Certificated and Classified Seniority List.**

This item had a MOTION TO APPROVE BY: CCunningham; SECOND BY: BFobert with no discussion. This item was approved with the following vote: AYES:5; NOES:0; ABSENT:0; ABSTAIN:0; Motion carried

C. **Consider/Approval 2009 IRS Mileage Rate Decrease from 58.5 Cents per Mile to 55 Cents per Mile Effective January 1, 2009.**

This item had a MOTION TO APPROVE BY: AKhanna; SECOND BY: CCunningham with no discussion and approved with the following vote: AYES:5; NOES:0; ABSENT:0; ABSTAIN:0; Motion carries.

D. **Consider/Approval of the 2007 – 2008 Audit Report.**

Mrs. Keyser highlighted the findings: p. 54 new staff have been trained for ASB deposits. P. 56 - \$258 for Wicklund School mailboxes were not approved as instructional materials and the corrections were already mde.

This item had a MOTION TO APPROVE BY: CCunningham; SECOND BY: AKhanna with no discussion and approved with the following vote: AYES:5; NOES:0; ABSENT:0; ABSTAIN:0; Motion Carries.

E. **Consider/Approval to Authorize the Superintendent to Research Legal Representation for the Unification Process.**

This item had a MOTION TO APPROVE BY: SNielson; SECOND BY: JHiramoto with no discussion. This item was approved with the following vote: AYES:5; NOES:0; ABSENT:0; ABSTAIN:0; Motion carries.

XIV. Information and Discussion Items Reviewed:

- A. District Update on Questa Elementary School: Working with BFGC & Shea on cuts for Questa's design. When we are finalized in an amount we will bring it to the Board for review. We need to reduce by 10 million.
- B. Future District Facility Needs: Discussion on Relocating District Office to Provide Additional Classroom Space at Wicklund. If not we will need to provide portables at Lammersville School and increase bussing.

XV. Calendar of Events Were Reviewed:

- A. December 22nd – January 2nd 2009 Winter Break – No School
- B. Monday, January 19th, 2009..... MLKJ Day – No School
- C. Wednesday, January 28th..... Regular Governing Board Meeting

XVI. Adjourn to Closed Session at 8:52 P.M. (Closed Session is in regards to Personnel, and Negotiation Matters as permitted under Gov. Code Section 54957, 54957.6, and 54957.1)

- A. Gov. Code 54956.9 Pending Litigation
- B. Gov. Code 54957 Mid-Year Superintendent Evaluation, Goals & Objectives, and Additional Job Duties
- C. Gov. Code 54957.6 Certificated/Classified Negotiations

XVII. Reconvene to Open Session at 10:30 P.M. to report any action taken in Closed Session.
No Action to report from Closed Session.

Adjournment of the Regular Meeting, December 17, 2008, at 10:20 P.M.

MOTION BY: CCunningham ; SECOND BY: AKhanna; AYES: 5 ;NOES: 0 ; ABSENT: 0

Respectfully submitted,

_____, Secretary

Approved and ordered entered into the
Proceedings of the District on January 28, 2009.

_____, Clerk