

U N A D O P T E D M I N U T E S

of the Board of Trustees
Regular Board Meeting
October 22, 2013

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Trustee Stys at 6:04 p.m.

Governing Board of Trustees present: Sharon Stys, Jan Baird, Sylvia Macias, Layla Avila, Jorge Hernandez.

Others present: Erich Kwek, Superintendent
Gail Baxter, Associate Superintendent of Educational Services
Michael Krause, Associate Superintendent of Business Services

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Monte Vista School teacher, Mr. Olegario Acosta.

SCHOOL PRESENTATION

Mr. Francisco Meza, principal and Mr. Olegario Acosta, teacher and teaching Vice Principal at Monte Vista School, presented the Olweus Anti-Bullying Program as it is implemented at Monte Vista School. This program is a school-wide mission with meetings held regularly on Monday with the students to discuss issues and concerns and to receive training on what to do or not do if they know someone is being bullied, mistreated or ignored. All staff members, including the support staff, at Monte Vista School and Los Altos School have received training. The Olweus rules are printed on the back of the school identification cards. Students are able to e-mail Mr. Acosta anonymously with any bullying concern. Monte Vista School does not have a bullying problem and are below the nation's norm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Rey Cruz, McKibben School Custodian, relayed his concerns regarding employment procedures to the Board and administration.

COMMENTS BY TRUSTEES

Trustees commended Mr. Acosta and Mr. Meza for the informative report on the Olweus Anti-Bullying Program. Trustees liked the pro-active approach used in conveying the anti-bullying message to all students. They also commented on the "call me" approach and the emphasis placed on letting students know they should tell an adult, whether a parent or a teacher, if they are being bullied.

Trustee Baird attended the Monte Vista Car Wash and Rummage Sale event saying she enjoyed seeing so many happy parents participating and also had a tour of the garden area.

COMMENTS BY TRUSTEES

Trustee Macias attended the THINK Together “Lights On After School”, performances saying she was very impressed with the program and with the students’ enthusiasm, especially after a full day of classes. There were many wonderful displays and art work exhibited throughout the campus. Mrs. Macias commended Mr. Long, school principal and the THINK Together staff.

REPORTS

Superintendent Kwek also thanked Mr. Meza and Mr. Acosta for their presentation. The Olweus program is an effective program that will be implemented district-wide.

The Great Shake Out earthquake drill was held on October 17th. All schools participated and did very well with the drills. All went smoothly and students and staff know what is to be done in an emergency.

Dr. Kwek mentioned the presentations that would be given at this Board meeting. The insurance presentation given this evening is timely as the district is in the process of implementing the Health Care Reform. Also, the Local Control Accountability Act will explain the new processes, new requirements and new funding.

CONSENT

On a motion by Trustee Macias seconded by Trustee Hernandez and unanimously carried the consent portion of the agenda was approved.

Approval of Minutes

Approved the minutes of the regular meeting held October 8, 2013.

Purchase Order List No. 07

Approved purchase order list no. 07 for purchases submitted prior to October 22, 2013.

Contract List No. 07

Approved contract list no. 07 for services provided prior to October 22, 2013. Contracts include:

13-14-045: contractor – Apple I Pad and Android Tablet Tutoring, service – meets provisions of No Child Left Behind, duration – 10/23/2013 to 06/30/2014, amount – not to exceed \$12,606.08;

13-14-046: contractor – We Can, service – meets provisions of No Child Left Behind, duration – 10/23/2013 to 06/30/2014, amount – not to exceed \$5,515.16;

13-14-047: contractor – 1 To 1 Study Buddy, service – academic instruction to increase achievement, duration – 10/23/2013 to 06/27/2014, amount – not to exceed \$11,818.20

CONSENT

113-14-048: contractor – A Better Tomorrow, service – supplemental instruction arts, reading and mathematics, duration – 10/23/2013 to 05/30/2014, amount – not to exceed \$11,818.20;
13-14-049: contractor – A Tree of Knowledge, service – meets provisions of No Child Left Behind, duration – 10/23/2013 to 05/31/2014, amount – not to exceed \$2,363.64;
13-14-050: contractor – Able Academics, service – meets provisions of No Child Left Behind, duration – 10/23/2013 to 05/30/2014, amount – not to exceed \$9,454.56;
13-14-051: contractor – UROK, service – academic instruction to increase achievement, duration – 10/23/2013 to 06/30/2014, amount – not to exceed \$11,818.20;
13-14-052: contractor – ARC Associates, service – supplemental educational services “High Quality”, duration – 11/01/2013 to 06/30/2014, amount – not to exceed \$17,333.36;
13-14-053: contractor – Aspirar a la educación, service – meets provisions of No Child Left Behind, duration – 10/23/2013 to 06/30/2014, amount – not to exceed \$31,515.20;
13-14-054: contractor – Achieve Highpoints, service – meets provisions of No Child Left Behind, duration – 10/23/2013 to 06/30/2014, amount - \$2,363.64;
13-14-055: contractor – ETS, service – analyze students’ strengths and align skills, duration – 10/23/2013 to 06/30/2014, amount – not to exceed \$18,909.12;
13-14-056: contractor – Healthy Families, service – meets provisions of No Child Left Behind, duration – 10/23/2013 to 06/30/2014, amount – not to exceed \$2,363.64;
13-14-057: contractor – Keep Hope Alive, service – meets provisions of No Child Left Behind, duration – 10/23/2013 to 06/30/2014, amount – not to exceed \$3,151.52;
13-14-058: contractor – Studentnest, Inc., service - supplemental educational services content area of mathematics, duration – 10/23/2013 to 06/30/2014, amount – not to exceed \$3,151.52.

Travel and Conference Report No. 07

Approved travel and conference report no. 07

BUSINESS

Health Care Reform Presentation

Michael Krause, Associate Superintendent of Business Services, presented Ms. Karyn Goodsite from Keenan and Associates, an insurance consulting company to schools. Ms. Goodsite gave an overview of the Health Care Reform giving specific details and critical information that school districts must be able to implement in incremental years. The insurance coverage plan is dependent on the number of employees. Businesses must provide insurance for its employees or penalties will be assessed.

CURRICULUM

Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)

Gail Baxter, Associate Superintendent of Educational Services, presented a detailed report on the new Local Control Accountability Plan, the proposed structure of the changes to the educational system and the process involved in adopting the LCAP. The target in this new plan is to 'prepare students for success in college and the workplace.' There are three major proposals that will impact the changes to the educational system. They are: Common Core Standards/Framework for the 21st century, Assessment/Accountability and the Funding Formula. The new educational requirements will be paid for with the new funding plan called 'Local Control Funding Formula' (LCFF). School districts with a higher count of students on free/reduced lunch, foster children and English Language Learners will receive supplemental grants in addition to the base amount. The LCAP will be updated every three years and includes input from teachers, principals, school personnel, bargaining units, students, parent advisory committees and the public. Mrs. Baxter stated in her report that this is a very exciting time in education and will be a very busy school year as we prepare to implement the LCAP.

Public Hearing: Proposed Waiver to Amend Extended School Year Program for Special Education Students

A public hearing was held to discuss the Proposed Waiver to Amend Extended School Year Program for Special Education Students. The hearing was open on a motion by Trustee Avila seconded by Trustee Hernandez and unanimously carried. The South Whittier School District is proposing to operate a four week Extended School Year program for sixteen days at 4.75 hours per day for a total of 76 hours. The proposed extended school year will operate Monday through Thursday during the weeks of June 2, 2014 through June 26, 2014. There was no public discussion on the proposed waiver. The hearing was closed on a motion by Trustee Macias seconded by Trustee Baird and unanimously carried.

Approval of the Waiver to Amend Extended School Year Program for Special Education Students

On a motion by Trustee Macias seconded by Trustee Baird and unanimously carried the Waiver to Amend Extended School Year Program for Special Education Students was approved. The South Whittier School District will operate a four week Extended School Year program for sixteen days at 4.75 hours per day for a total of 76 hours. The proposed extended school year will operate Monday through Thursday during the weeks of June 2, 2014 through June 26, 2014.

GENERAL

Consideration of Modifying Board Meeting Dates

On a motion by Trustee Hernandez seconded by Trustee Macias and unanimously carried, the November 26, 2013 and the December 24, 2013 Board meetings were canceled due to District holiday conflicts.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON
CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There were no public comments on closed session items.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board of Trustees commenced closed session at 7:35 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

The Board of Trustees resumed open session at 8:00 p.m. No action was taken in closed session.

PERSONNEL
CLASSIFIED

On a motion by Trustee Baird seconded by Trustee Avila and unanimously carried Classified Personnel Report No. 10-22-13-07 was approved.

2013-2014 Reassignment and Site Transfers – Effective
11/01/2013

Gregorio Martinez, custodian, Lake Marie School, 8 hours/12 months

Eva Gutierrez, custodian, 4 hours at Lake Marie School and 4 hours at Graves Middle School

2013-2014 New Hire – Effective –Pending Processing Completion

Bryant Murillo, Technology/Information Systems Technician/
Educational Services, 8 hours/12 months

2013-2014 Substitute List – Effective – Pending Results from
D.O.J.

Carmen Muñoz, Sub Instructional Aide

Blanca Smith, Sub Cafeteria Helper and Noon Duty Supervisor

2013-2014 Extra Pay Assignments – Ratification

From 10/01/2013 to 05/28/2014, the participants listed below will provide Spanish interpreting support service for IEPs at Lake Marie School, not to exceed 25 hours each. Participants will receive their regular rate of pay plus benefits.

Participants:

Rosa Montes, Victoria Beas-Gonzalez, Maritza Dionisio,
Carmen Hernandez, Marcia Rangel, Armida Romero

PERSONNEL
CLASSIFIED

Extra Pay Assignment

On 10/29/2013 the participant listed below will attend a CALPADS Aeries Users Group meeting in Pasadena for a total of two hours. Participant will receive her regular rate of pay plus benefits.

Participant:
Stephanie Conde

Extra Pay Assignment

From 10/21/2013 to 01/17/2014 the participant listed below will provide software support for Tech Services for a total of 248 hours. Participant will received her regular rate of pay plus benefits.

Participant:
Stephanie Conde

Extra Pay Assignment

From October to November 2013 the participant listed below worked/will work additional hours at Los Altos School to clean, repair and inventory equipment due to vandalism not to exceed a total of 64 hours. Participant will receive his regular rate of pay plus benefits.

Participant:
Irving Sanchez

2013-2014 Reduction in Work Hours As a Result of Layoff – Effective 11/25/2013

Yolanda Brennan, Instructional Aide-SH, Monte Vista School, from 6.5 hour/day to 6.0 hours/day

2013-2014 Extension to Medical Leave of Absence – Paid – Effective 10/04/2013 to 12/02/2013 – Ratification

Employee # AZ 488 1615

PERSONNEL
CERTIFICATED

On a motion by Trustee Hernandez seconded by Trustee Macias and unanimously carried Certificated Personnel Report No. 10-22-13-07 was approved.

2013-2014 Extra Pay Assignment

Home/Hospital Teachers – District Wide – Effective 10/23/2013 to 05/28/2014

Participants: Wendy King, Greta Benavides

2013-2014 Extra Pay Assignment

Planning for Virtual Field Trip for GATE Students – District Wide – Loma Vista School – Effective 11/2013 to 03/2014

Participant: Susanna Francia

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.