

MEETING MINUTES

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Attendees

Voting Members

Ronda Clarke, Board President
Steven High, Board Vice President
Ann Mangold, Board Clerk
Bill Atwood, Representative to Executive Board
Julie Greenwood, Trustee

Non-Voting Members

Randy Seals, Superintendent

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Board President, Ronda Clarke.

2. ROLL CALL

Staff in attendance: Randy Seals, Tara Campanella, Robert Dias, Steffan John and Jeanne Ratchford.

Others present: Nancy Harmelin and Lisa High.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by: Bill Atwood

Motion seconded by: Julie Greenwood

Voting:

Ronda Clarke - Yes
Steven High - Yes
Ann Mangold - Yes
Bill Atwood - Yes
Julie Greenwood - Yes

a. Approval of agenda

b. Approval of minutes of the Regular Meeting May 11, 2022

c. Approval of the Monthly Payroll \$727,826.31.

d. Approval of Compensation for Additional Duties.

e. Approve the resignation of Sandra Luna, Bilingual Liaison at Oakhurst Elementary; Topanga Jackson, Instructional Assistant; Sarah Johnson, Office Assistant at Wasuma, and Bailey Markley, Speech Language Pathologist.

f. Approve the hiring of James Jirash (transfer) as Head Cook and Jennifer Tune as Reading Intervention Teacher at Wasuma.

g. Approve the retirement of Dawn Mersman, District Database Coordinator.

h. Approve the Addendum to the MOU between BLJUESD AND CDPH.

i. Approve MOU between Madera County Superintendent of Schools and BLSJ for Educational Resources and Services for the 2022-23 School Year.

j. Approve Donations.

4. SPECIAL RECOGNITION FOR DISTRICT NURSE, ANITA JENSEN.

This item was tabled for the June 29, 2022 meeting.

5. MONTHLY ITEMS AND FINANCIAL REPORTS

a. Monthly Approval of Warrants (Action needed)

Chief Business Officer, Tara Campanella answered a couple of questions from the board. Trustee High asked about the bill from the Atkinson legal firm and was told it would be covered in closed session. He stated he was pleased about the field trips our students are once again taking. Trustee Clark asked about whether the bill from Green Meadows was for one day, which was confirmed.

Motion made by: Ann Mangold

Motion seconded by: Julie Greenwood

Voting:

Ronda Clarke - Yes

Steven High - Yes

Ann Mangold - Yes

Bill Atwood - Yes

Julie Greenwood - Yes

b. 2021-22 Budget Revisions

CBO, Tara Capanella explained that part of building next year's budget is adjusting this year and making revisions. The revisions were broken down in the report she went over at the meeting.

Motion made by: Steven High
Motion seconded by: Julie Greenwood
Voting:
Ronda Clarke - Yes
Steven High - Yes
Ann Mangold - Yes
Bill Atwood - Yes
Julie Greenwood - Yes

6. HEARING OF PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Nancy Harmelin's comments are attached to this agenda item. She would like there to be a moment of silence after the Pledge of Allegiance at our Board Meetings to give those in attendance a chance to pray. Mr. Seals is looking into Ed Code regarding this request and will discuss it at a future meeting.

7. ACTION ITEMS

a. APPROVE THE TENTATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CSEA AND THE DISTRICT.

Randy explained the terms of the agreement and the changes to the salary scale, benefit cap and longevity amounts.

Motion made by: Julie Greenwood
Motion seconded by: Ann Mangold
Voting:
Ronda Clarke - Yes
Steven High - Yes
Ann Mangold - Yes
Bill Atwood - Yes
Julie Greenwood - Yes

b. APPROVE THE CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE HOLIDAY CALENDAR FOR 2022-23.

Motion made by: Ann Mangold
Motion seconded by: Julie Greenwood
Voting:
Ronda Clarke - Yes
Steven High - Yes
Ann Mangold - Yes
Bill Atwood - Yes
Julie Greenwood - Yes

c. CONSIDERATION OF RATIFICATION OF MADERA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION 2022-23 BUDGET.

Motion made by: Bill Atwood
Motion seconded by: Ann Mangold
Voting:
Ronda Clarke - Yes
Steven High - Yes
Ann Mangold - Yes
Bill Atwood - Yes
Julie Greenwood - Yes

d. APPROVE THE SALARY SCHEDULE FOR 2021-22

After approval of contracts from CSEA and BLTA, the salary schedules were updated and presented to the Board.

Motion made by: Bill Atwood

Motion seconded by: Ann Mangold

Voting:

Ronda Clarke - Yes

Steven High - Yes

Ann Mangold - Yes

Bill Atwood - Yes

Julie Greenwood - Yes

e. APPROVE THE FILING OF FORM J-13A FOR SNOW DAY TAKEN 12/14/21.

Motion made by: Ann Mangold

Motion seconded by: Steven High

Voting:

Ronda Clarke - Yes

Steven High - Yes

Ann Mangold - Yes

Bill Atwood - Yes

Julie Greenwood - Yes

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

a. PUBLIC HEARING TO REVIEW THE LCAP FOR 2021-24.

The Public Hearing opened at 6:20pm.

Superintendent Seals thoroughly walked through the LCAP. Our current year was year one; goals we created will remain in place.

Audience member, Nancy Harmelin asked if there was an armed guard on each campus. There is not. Mr. Seals said there's a lot more discussion to be had.

The Public Hearing ended at 6:35pm.

b. PUBLIC HEARING FOR 2022-23 BUDGET

The Public Hearing opened for the 2022-23 Budget at 6:35pm.

CBO, Tara Campanella presented the 2022-23 Budget to the Board and those present. Board members commented on the challenges we're facing with the uncertainty of what's happening in Sacramento. Ronda spoke about the changes in the things PTA used to fund that we are now covering. Mr. Seals said those things may come back to PTA as funding models change.

The Public Hearing ended at 7:04pm

c. ENROLLMENT REPORT

Tara Campanella went over the report and said it would change over the summer and with surprise enrollments on the first day of school.

9. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Seals thanked all the parent volunteers who made our 8th grade promotions so successful. He thanked the Trustees for their presence at the promotions. Robert thanked the site leads for taking over the sound systems for the promotions and congratulated them on the great job they did.

10. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Julie Greenwood - She attended both graduations and was so proud. Loved watching the kids receive awards and thanked community members who said really nice things about our 8th graders. She watched the K-12 Politics and Tech You Tube channel. She finds it to be very helpful and informative. She thanked Curt Pollock for his summary about the ending balance and how it helped them understand the ever changing ending balance. She wanted to publicly thank him for his contribution.

Bill Atwood - attended the wonderful graduations at Wasuma and OCI. He commented on how nice and clean our campuses are and how appreciative he is of Robert's team for their work. Loves talking to citizens in our community and hears great things before he tells them he's a school board member. He asked if the teachers' salaries would hit the 60% range. Randy and Tara said they wouldn't know until they know the budget for next year.

Ann Mangold - She went on the Catalina trip for OCI and said it was amazing. Our district Transportation Department showed up to help with a debacle with the buses. Donuts with Dad at Oakhurst Elementary was fantastic. 8th grade water park day at Island Water Park was a success and everyone had a blast. OCI graduation was amazing and James did a wonderful job on sound. She appreciates that we're moving to Parent Squared since she has a student at the High School and one in our district as well.

Steven High - He said his questions were answered as Randy and Tara went through their presentations. He likes the revised salary schedule and said it was good negotiating. Wants to see us work toward more community involvement in the LCAP with better networking. He also attended Wasuma's graduation and said it was great. He likes Nancy's idea of having a moment of silence after the flag salute.

Ronda went to Wasuma's graduation and enjoyed it. She was able to get into the classroom last month and hopes to help out more next year. She really enjoys being around the students and staff.

Community Member, Lisa High, wanted to add that she could hear the cheering of family members from the Wasuma Graduation and how it was music to her ears after not hearing it for the last few years due to Covid.

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Steven High would like a moment of prayer added to the August meeting agenda. Superintendent Seals will look into Ed Code and will get back to the Board.

12. NEXT MEETING DATE

13. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There were no comments.

14. CLOSED SESSION

Open Session adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Closed Session began at 7:35 p.m.

a. Employee Negotiations (Gov. Code 54957.6)

The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

b. Personnel (Gov. Code 54957)

c. Student Discipline or other confidential Student matters (Ed. Code sections 35146, 48900 et seq., 48912(b) and 49060 et seq., and 20 U.S.C. section 1232g)

15. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION: ANNOUNCE CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

Closed session ended at 7:51 p.m. There were no announcements.

16. ADJOURNMENT



Superintendent

Clerk of the Board

6-16-22

Dear Randy Seals and school board,

We have been praying for you for wisdom, strength, health, and courage. At each board meeting you say the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States promising loyalty to our country one nation under God.

In 1963 before starting to teach in Goleta, I signed a loyalty oath to the United States. We were allowed to pray in schools.

On our currency and at many board meetings, the motto "In God we trust" is displayed.

When our founding fathers could not agree on how to govern our new nation, they stopped and prayed for wisdom from Almighty God.

Our country is divided, facing many challenges, but people are relying on government to solve problems that only God can solve. We must return to God for help.

To get to the point: I propose that after the pledge to the flag opening board meetings, you allow one minute of silence so people can remember that we are one nation under God.

Heavenly father, please give us your wisdom to help us, your strength and courage. Amen

Sincerely,
Nancy Harmelin

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