

REEF-SUNSET UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2011
KETTLEMAN CITY SCHOOL LIBRARY

A regular meeting of the Reef-Sunset Unified School District Board of Trustees was held on this date in the Kettleman City School Library located at 701 General Petroleum, Kettleman City, CA.

Ms. Monohon, Board Clerk called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Board convened to closed session. The meeting was reconvened to open session at 7:05 p.m. Ms. Monohon welcomed everyone and led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Larry Bunch, President(absent)
Gail Monohon, Clerk
Jose Barrera
Ricardo Verdugo(absent)
Bill Hatcher
Julian Ponce(absent)

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS/ACTIONS: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR SEPTEMBER 15, 2011:

Motion by Barrera seconded by Hatcher to approve the agenda as presented.
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PRESENTATIONS:

- A. Attorney Randy Edwards; Griswold LaSalle – Establishing Trustee Areas: Showed a powerpoint presentation on establishing trustee areas. He explained that due to the 2010 Census data the District is considering moving from an at large election process for members of Board of Trustees to a system of trustee areas where each Board member is elected from a specific trustee area in which they reside. Attorney Edwards also explained in detail the three alternate maps for trustee areas as well as the entire public hearing process and interest in having input from all stakeholders. Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Tim Bowers handed out information on the Kings County Committee on School Organization and explained that they too will be establishing trustee boundaries. He invited everyone to attend their 3rd public hearing which will be held on Oct. 5th at the KCOE Round building at 5:30pm.
- B. Student Representatives- KCES student representatives Katelyn Magallan, Celina Barroteran and Jennifer Manzano gave an update on current and upcoming activities in the area of academics, athletics and school activities.
- C. Bill Vallem- Reported on the upcoming Mt. Sac Cross Country Invitational at Walnut, Los Angeles area, Oct. 21st. He asked the Board to consider approving the overnight trip to this important meet. Dr. East informed Mr. Vallem that he would place this under the consent calendar for Board approval in October.
- D. L. Sledge, K. Horn, J. Ruiz – Summer School Report: Mrs. Sledge handed out her summer camp report. She reported that she had an average attendance of 182 students a day. Students had art, cooking and P.E. classes, as well as Accelerated Reader. She also reported about her interest of having Science Camp for the 2011-12 summer school program. Mr. Horn showed a power point presentation about summer school at AES and TES. Their focus was on helping the far below basic students and teaching them ELA and Math. Mr. Horn reported that in every class in every subject they had growth. He

thanked Mrs. Sledge for all the help she provided. Mr. Ruiz showed a power point presentation on the AHS Summer School program which is focused for students who need credit recovery. He reported that they offered English and Math classes. UC Merced offered a Writing Academy. Mr. Ruiz reported they had 154 students who passed their classes in the first session. They also had an ESL class. Kids enjoyed the interaction with I pads and the Rosetta Stone Program. UC Merced took middle school students to UCLA and invited their parents to attend.

Mrs. Monohon, Board Clerk, asked to address Public Hearing-1 at this time because Attorney Edwards had to drive to Los Angeles after the meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING: 1

RSUSD TRUSTEE AREA BOUNDARY PLAN- Opened for comment at 8:03 pm. Mr. Fagan, KCES teacher asked a question about candidates and about the CVRA. Attorney Edwards answered his questions in detail. There being no other comments, the hearing adjourned at 8:09 pm.

- E. CSEA/WKCTA Representatives- Mr. Fagan, CTA President announced Mrs. Downey's husband passing away today. He thanked Mrs. Cutillo for sending maintenance personnel to help fix the air conditioning situation in the gym. Mr. Fagan reported on the contract negotiations which resulted in a three year settlement. He also reported on the District holding teachers more accountable. Mr. Fagan also reported on the health benefit increase which is a concern to both CTA and CSEA members. Finally, Mr. Fagan welcomed Mr. Hatcher, new Board member.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

PUBLIC HEARING: 2

SUFFICIENCY OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS- Opened for comment at 8:13pm. Dr. East briefly explained what this hearing was about. There being no comment, the hearing was closed at 8:14 pm.

STAFF/BOARD COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Board Members- Mr. Hatcher reported he had the opportunity to attend Open House events at AES and TES which he enjoyed, however the sound system at those sites was not suitable as he couldn't quite hear. Mr. Hatcher reported that he also attended the Rachel's Challenge Assembly and his first expulsion hearing as a Board member. Mr. Barrera reported he will be attending another Masters In Governance module, Sept. 24. Ms. Monohon reported on the archived CSBA webinars. CSBA is having their annual Back to School webcast on Sept. 22. NSBA is having a webcast Nov. 10 for school Boards and another webinar, Million Voices: The Power of Student Voices to Improve School Climate, Oct. 4. Ms. Monohon also reported on CAST which is a nonprofit research and development organization that works to expand learning opportunities for all individuals, especially those with disabilities, through Universal Design for Learning. She stated that their materials look like things we should be using for all of our students. Ms. Monohon also reported she saw the SBE meeting online. She explained they discussed the SIG applications and the corrective action plan forms they are providing. Ms. Monohon also stated that she attended KCSBA meeting on Sept. 12. and reminded everyone about the Fall Conference scheduled for Sept. 29. At that meeting they also discussed the new trustee area proposals. Ms. Monohon also thanked Mr. Draper and Mr. Horn for their daily bulletins. She would like to receive daily bulletins from the other

- school sites as well. Ms. Monohon also attended all three Rachel's Challenge presentations and is looking forward to hearing about the level of student participation in the school site clubs.
- B. Mrs. Cutillo- Cafeteria: We need to buy another walk-in freezer for AES to remain outside to accommodate 6th graders and breakfast in the classroom. Transportation: Started year in rough state because we have a lot of special education needs students, we are accommodating with current staffing but it is necessary to charter all sports trips to Southwest transportation. Grounds: Waste Management has provided lawn assistance to KCES back fields but they are no longer able to, therefore, our grounds people will be taking on that responsibility as well. Facilities: AHS girls lockers were atrocious, they are currently working on getting estimates to replace them and plans to use deferred maintenance funds for that. KCES has air conditioning issues so she has contacted Garza's to make an investigation and give estimates. TES had major electrical issues. The issues are between the transformer and main breaker. Mrs. Cutillo reported that the fix will cost between \$25,000 - \$40,000. HVAC at RSMS is still faulty and there is no easy fix, however, there is enough funds available to move forward with the well at RSMS. Fiscal: books are closed and they are getting ready to prepare for 1st interim. In regards to the developer fee plan—we have no plan, but we do have a developer fee study report.
- C. Mrs. Horn- Thanked the summer school principals for their hard work and Mrs. Cutillo for accommodating the SDC bathroom at AES. Mrs. Horn also reported that Mental Health services have been transferred from the responsibility of the County Mental Health Dept. to the schools. The county SELPA is working diligently to sort out which responsibilities transfer and how to set up or county program. We will be needing our school psychologists to conduct behavior health assessments. Mrs. Horn also reported that the Rachel's Challenge presentations were glorious. RSMS and AHS have started the Friends of Rachel's club. Finally, the District nurse is dealing with TDap immunizations, specially for all 7/8th graders.
- D. Dr. East- Reported they've joined the CVELI rural schools network; focus is on instruction. He also reported on some consultant contracts. We are providing the new District nurse with support through R.N., Cindy Coverston. Rich Villanueva is helping Suzy VanderMolen with Alternative Ed. Kidd Crawford, is providing District support with legal issues and special ed, and finally through Madera County, Art Davis consulting with AGB and Program Improvement. Dr. East reported he is working with Steve Carroll in regards to Prop 84—water system to alleviate water issues at Kettleman City Elementary School and possibly providing a water system for them. This will be a planning grant which is due Oct. 31. KCOE is conducting a legal review on the high speed rail project and the environmental impact. They are asking school districts affected to contribute with the costs. Dr. East reported he has invited Marshall Krupp with WorldSolar Tec to come back and make another presentation next month. In regards to fencing projects for AHS and RSMS; Dr. East would like to get design work done while securing the sites. The Day of the Family will be held on September 24th at Rice Park and we will have principals there representing RSUSD. Ms. Monohon asked Dr. East to provide a copy of Kidd Crawford's contract and to ask Mr. Krupp to provide an overall picture about the solar energy project.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. Minutes of August 8, 18, & 23, 2011
B. Warrants(*removed to vote on separately*)
C. Personnel Report
D. Interdistrict Transfer Requests

- E. Request to Approve Overnight Trip for AHS Students and Mrs. Wilkinson to Attend the Journalism Conference in Sacramento, October 14-15, 2011

Ms. Monohon asked to have Consent Calendar Item B removed and voted on separately. *There was discussion started by Mr. Hatcher regarding Consent Calendar Item B – Warrants. They discussed at length ACSA dues for Board members and administrators. Mr. Hatcher commented that he had a hard time accepting some ACSA views on teachers and asked if he had other alternatives regarding Board memberships. He also had questions regarding AVID conference warrants, etc.*

Motion by Hatcher seconded by Monohon to approve the Consent Calendar as amended.
Removed Consent Calendar Item B
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Approval of Consent Calendar:

- B. Warrants

Motion by Barrera to approve the warrants as presented - **no** second.
Motion died for lack of a second

Mr. Barrera asked what the consequence was for lack of a second- item not approved. He asked for legal clarification regarding the above action on the warrants. Dr. East will look into this.

ACTION ITEMS:

- A. J-200, Unaudited Actual Financial Report:

Motion by Hatcher seconded by Barrera to approve the J-200 as presented:
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- B. Resolution 2011: 23, Sufficiency of Instructional Materials:

Motion by Barrera seconded by Hatcher to approve Resolution 2011: 23, as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Barrera –Yes, Hatcher –Yes, Monohon –Yes, Bunch – Absent, Verdugo – Absent.

Motion Carried

- C. Resolution 2011: 24, Amended Child Development Services Contract for 2011-12:

Motion by Hatcher seconded by Barrera to approve Resolution 2011: 24, as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Barrera –Yes, Hatcher – Yes, Monohon – Yes, Bunch – Absent, Verdugo – Absent.

Motion Carried

- D. Resolution 2011: 25, Gann Limit:

Motion by Barrera seconded by Hatcher to approve Resolution 2011: 25, as presented.

Roll Call Vote: Barrera –Yes, Hatcher –Yes, Monohon –Yes, Bunch – Absent, Verdugo –Absent

Motion Carried

- E. Approval of Academic Tutoring Services, Inc., Club Z, Cesar Chavez Foundation & A+ Education Center Contracts for Supplemental Services – 2011-12:

Motion by Barrera seconded by Hatcher to approve the contracts for supplemental services as presented.

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F. Resolution 2011: 26, Decision to Rescind Certificated Layoff Notice:
Motion by Hatcher seconded by Barrera to approve Resolution 2011: 26, as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Barrera – Yes, Hatcher –Yes, Monohon –Yes, Bunch – Absent, Verdugo – Absent.

Motion Carried

G. Consider Request to Change Warrant Report Process:
Motion by Barrera seconded by Hatcher to TABLE for next month.
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H. Consider Approval of Professional Development Services Contract for Total Educational Systems Support (TESS):
Motion by Hatcher seconded by Barrera to approve the services contract as presented.
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I. First Reading of New/Updated July 2011 Board Policies and Administrative Regulations:
Motion by Barrera seconded by Hatcher to approve the first reading as amended.
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J. Request to Approve the 2011-12 Class Size Reduction Program Application for K-3:
Motion by Hatcher seconded by Barrera to approved the Class Size Application for K-3 as presented.
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DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- A. Board Bylaw 9250, Remuneration, Reimbursement & Other Benefits
- B. School Services Report on District Organization
- C. Discipline Issues

Discussion items A - C were tabled for next month due to time.

- D. Future Agenda Items- Dr. East to report on the Promise Neighborhood Grant.

REPORTS:

- A. Enrollment Report
- B. JSO Report

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 pm.

Secretary to the Board

