

REEF-SUNSET UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEE REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES OF JANUARY 19, 2012
DISTRICT BOARD/STAFF DEVELOPMENT ROOM

A regular meeting of the Reef-Sunset Unified School District Board of Trustees was held on this date in the Board/Staff Development room located at 205 N. Park Ave., Avenal, CA 93204.

Mr. Bunch, Board President called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. and the Board convened to closed session. The meeting was reconvened to open session at 7:00 p.m. by Mr. Bunch who led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Larry Bunch, President
Gail Monohon, Clerk
Jose Barrera
Bill Hatcher
Ricardo Verdugo(absent)
Julian Ponce (present at 7pm)

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS/ACTIONS: The board readmitted 2 students.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Ms. Drummond thanked the Board on behalf of herself and the other administrators for their work and dedication. She had student representatives hand each Board member goodie baskets.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR JANUARY 19, 2012:

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

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PRESENTATIONS:

- A. Student Representatives- TES, AES and AHS Amber Cantu, Maricruz Martinez, Steven Saldivar, and Edson Huape student representatives gave an update on current and upcoming school activities.
- B. Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co., LLP- Audit Report for 2010-11- Larry Corum handed out and went over the audit findings with the Board.
- C. John Isom, General Obligation Bond Survey- John Isom from Isom Advisors a Division of Urban Futures Inc., handed out a booklet and reported in detail regarding the survey results conducted in Avenal to assess if the community would be in favor of having another potential bond on the ballot.

RECOGNITION:

School Board Appreciation: Mr. Bunch asked to take a five minute break to celebrate the Board's recognition with cake and punch.

STAFF/BOARD COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Board Members- Ms. Monohon congratulated all the student finalists for the District's upcoming spelling bee, and thanked all the teachers who helped worked with the students to prepare them. She also thanked Julian and the journalism class for copies of the most recent issue of "The Buc" magazine. Ms. Monohon reported that she attended the KCSBA meeting in Lemoore. She also watched the two-day State Board of Education meetings on Jan. 11-12. Ms. Monohon expressed how impressed she was by the considerable amount of input that the State Board receives from special committees. She stated how Superintendent Torlakson is putting increased emphasis on making sure the State Board holds 'robust' public conversations, and feels we need to do the same. Ms. Monohon also watched the NSBA webinar on the implementation of the Common Core Standards. The number one advice was to make sure all teachers sit together and

thoughtfully read the Standards. She also attended the Facilities Advisory Committee meeting and reported that Feb. 1st is Digital Learning day.

- B. Mrs. Cutillo- Reported that the ConApp is still not out because the State went into a new system; CARS. She also reported that the Governor's budget had been released. She stated that there would be a \$370/ADA cut for 2012-13 plus elimination of all transportation funding for both, home to school and special education transportation. For our district it might be a \$550,000 cut in revenue. Ms. Cutillo asked the Board to plan for the worst. Mr. Ruiz reported that cameras are clearer and better. Ms. Monohon asked Ms. Cutillo to send her report along with their Board packet.
- C. Mrs. Horn- Reported that the next professional development date would be on 1/23/12 for all grades. She also stated that they continue working with TESS and that a large group of teachers will be attending the Exemplary Practices in Education Leadership Conference by Anthony Muhammad in Fresno. Mrs. Horn also reported that they have been having grade level collaboration meetings to plan on pacing guides. Mrs. Horn reported that the Academic Decathlon will be held Feb. 4 and that the SARC reports will be on the district website soon.
- D. Dr. East- Handed out his State of the District report and went over it in detail. He reported that we have a stable enrollment as a result of PLC and curriculum and instruction. Implementing Board Math in K-6 and we have AVID in grades 7-12 for implementation next school year. PBIS program going well as well as the FOR clubs. Dr. East commended Paul Cobine and his crew for a good Williams report. Dr. East also reported that the SIG grant did not get funded at AES. He is looking at some ways to secure grant funding and will be meeting with John Walkup from Acquisition Partners. He is the grant writer who was successful in writing the SIG grant for Parlier. There was discussion made by the Board and administration regarding the AES SIG grant not being approved by the State. Dr. East also reported that through the mandates of KCOE we have successfully moved to trustee areas.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR:

- A. Minutes of Dec. 1, 8, 15, 2011
- B. Warrants
- C. Personnel Report
- D. Interdistrict Transfer
- E. Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints
- F. Request to Approve Overnight AHS FFA Trip to the Made for Excellence Conference – Visalia, CA held Feb. 10-11, 2012
- G. Permission for AHS Activities Advisor to Attend Out of State Conference in Reno, Nevada held February 29 – March 3, 2012

Ms. Monohon asked that all the warrants be pulled.

Motion by Barrera seconded by Monohon to approve the Consent Calendar as amended. *Removed Consent Calendar Item B - Warrants*

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Approval of Consent Calendar:

- B. Warrants

Ms. Monohon expressed her concerns about being more transparent and asked the rest of the Board to request the Business office to add brief notations on the warrants just the same way as H.U.S.J.D. and HESD. Mr. Barrera asked that this process be brought up later for discussion as the Board had already voted on this particular item.

Motion by Barrera seconded by Hatcher to approve the warrants as presented.

Bunch – Aye, Barrera – Aye, Verdugo – Absent, Hatcher – Aye, Monohon – No

Motion Carried

ACTION ITEMS:

A. Resolution 2012: 01, Implementing the Plan to Establish Trustee Area Boundaries and Elections Pursuant to California Education Code Section 5019:

Motion by Barrera seconded by Hatcher to approve Resolution 2012: 01, as presented.

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

Motion Carried

B. Resolution 2012: 02, 457 Security Benefits Amendment:

Motion by Barrera seconded by Bunch to approve Resolution 2012: 02, as presented.

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

Motion Carried

C. Request to Approve Memorandum of Understanding between Coalron Lyceum/Berkeley House and RSUSD:

Motion by Monohon seconded by Hatcher to approve the MOU as presented.

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D. Consider Contract for RSMS Well:

Motion by Monohon seconded by Barrera to approve the contract for the RSMS Well.

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D. Request to Reject Formal Claim Filed by Juan M. Cuevas Jr.:

Motion by Bunch seconded by Barrera to reject the formal claim as presented.

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E. Consider Approval of Agreement between Urban Futures Inc. and RSUSD:

Motion by Barrera seconded by Hatcher to approve the agreement as presented.

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

Motion Carried

F. Resolution 2012: 03, 2012 Investment Policy for Kings Co. Director of Finance:

Motion by Monohon seconded by Barrera to approve Resolution 2012: 03, as presented.

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

Motion Carried

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. 2011-2012 Annual Williams Report for RSUSD- Dr. East reported that all sites received exemplary ratings. Mr. Bunch thanked the GO Bond/Citizen Facilities Committee for helping us point out issues that need attention. Mr. Barrera thanked the school administrators for a job well done. Dr. East announced that the District and City in a joint effort will be holding a Gang Forum on Jan. 21st to be held at the AHS old gym. Dr. East will give the Board dates when JSO Ortega will conduct parent meetings at RSMS and AHS.

B. Future Agenda Items- Warrant process as discussion item, information on CHA selection process to be provided by Mrs. Horn.

REPORTS:

A. Enrollment Report

B. Cafeteria Report

C. JSO Report

D. Suspension Report

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

Secretary to the Board