

**Cabrillo Unified School District
498 Kelly Avenue, Half Moon Bay, CA 94019**

Minutes (Adopted) of Regular Governing Board Meeting

Date and Place: April 9, 2009 – District Office Conference Room

Board Members Present: Kirk Riemer, President
Dwight Wilson, Vice President
Jolanda Schreurs, Clerk

Board Members Absent: Charles Gardner, Member
John Moseley, Member (arrived at 9:12 p.m.)

Administrators at the Table: Robert Gaskill, Superintendent
Elizabeth Schuck, Assistant Superintendent
John Corry, Director, Personnel & Pupil Services
Diane Stupi, Director, Fiscal Services

CALL TO ORDER/QUORUM ESTABLISHED

Dr. Riemer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

The Governing Board recessed to closed session at 6:01 p.m.

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

Dr. Riemer called the open session to order at 7:02 p.m. Dr. Riemer reported that the board met in closed session from 6:01 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. and no action was taken.

Juliet Shelton and Helen Fisher students from Hatch Elementary School led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Wilson made a request to move Agenda Item 13.b (Revenue Streams) to Agenda Item 9.c. He made the motion to adopt the remainder of the agenda as presented. Dr. Schreurs seconded the motion.

Passed 3-0 (M-64)

Dr. Schreurs requested that a community member be permitted to address the Board under “Comments from the Public on Items Not on the Agenda” when he arrives. Board members voiced agreement with this request.

STUDENT/STAFF/COMMUNITY RECOGNITION

Minutes approval

Student members, Junko Anderson, Hart Ayoob, Mia Cordes, Avery Dean, Helen Fisher, Erika Gallagher, Ellie Henretty, Antonio Lopez, Jacqueline Lopez, Trisha Patrice Madayag, Amanda Nelson, Israel Ramirez, Juliet Shelton, Emma Spaeth, and Sasha Takata, of Hatch Elementary *Odyssey of the Mind* teams and their teacher-coach Jennifer Luerssen were recognized for their participation and for winning the Omar Award (spirit) in competition held in Santa Clara.

REPORTS/INFORMATION

Michael Wright, student representative from the high school reported on events and activities taking place at the high school including the upcoming prom and presented a partial list of the colleges to which graduating Half Moon Bay High School students have been accepted.

CSEA President, Pati Serrano, stated that classified employees received their layoff notices and there is a lot of sadness in the air. She also noted that negotiations on the impact of layoffs seem to be moving slowly.

PRESENTATIONS

Nancy Hornor, Chief of Planning for the National Parks Service was present and provided an update on the planned expansion of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area to include the Rancho Corral De Tierra land that adjoins Farallone View Elementary School property. There will be two more public hearings held regarding this issue, one on May 19 in San Francisco and one on May 21 in Mill Valley.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Mr. Eric Martinez, community member, addressed the Governing Board on the benefits of students learning chess. Mr. Martinez provided board members with a letter he intends to send to site principals regarding ways for students to become participants in organized and on-going chess programs.

DISCUSSION

(Item 13.b. Revenue Streams as per board member Dwight Wilson's request to amend the agenda.

Jane Battey, Vice President, Cabrillo Education Foundation, addressed the Governing Board regarding ideas that were recently discussed to support the district and students at a recent CEF meeting. A suggestion was made to hold forums for parent and community members at each school on strategies to support the students in this difficult time. Silicon Valley Foundation has been contacted and may be a partner in organizing a process. Board members reached consensus that the District would be partners in such an effort and two board members would serve as liaisons (Dwight Wilson and Jolanda Schreurs). Several questions were asked and it was agreed that whatever actions the District takes over the course of the upcoming year, the community will be involved. The suggestion was made to look at the Strategic Plan again to avoid reinventing the wheel. All agreed it was important to seek community input as part of the decision-making process.

Item 12.c: Approved the Proposed Two-year Goal of Having All Cabrillo Unified School District Students Complete Algebra 1 or its Equivalency by the End of the 2010-2011 School Year. Mr. Wilson made the motion and Dr. Schreurs made the second to approve.

Several board members asked questions for clarification.

Passed 3 – 0 (M-68)

Item 12.d.: Approved Professional Learning Community as the Model Organizational Structure for the Cabrillo Unified School District. Dr. Schreurs made the motion and Mr. Wilson made the second to approve.

Passed 3 – 0 (M-69)

Item 12.e.: Approved “Every Child...Every Day!” as the District Focus Statement in Our Work to Implement the Existing Cabrillo Unified School District Mission Statement and the Goals Set Forth in the No Child Left Behind Legislation.

Passed 3 – 0 (M-70)

Item 12.f.:Approved Resolution No. 11-09: Discontinuation and/or Reduction of Classified Position at Kings Mountain Elementary School

Passed 3 – 0 (M-71)

Roll call: Kirk Riemer – yes
Jolanda Schreurs – yes
Dwight Wilson - yes

DISCUSSION

Item 13.a. K-5 mathematics textbook adoption – *first reading*; Teachers and members of the Mathematics Cycle Task Force Lynn Kelly and Debbie Silveria gave a presentation on the process that was followed to reach agreement on the proposed textbook *California Everyday Mathematics*. This item will be brought back to the Governing Board for consideration of action on May 14, 2009.

Item 13.b. was moved to Item 10.b. (see above).

Item 13.c: Discussion was held on the summative report of the Cabrillo Unified School District Ad-Hoc Advisory Capital Assets Committee. The consensus of the Governing Board was that the committee completed their task and now the Superintendent and the Board will need to determine next step strategies taking into consideration the information that was included in the report. No action was taken at this time.

Item 13.d.: The Governing Board received the results from the board self-evaluation survey conducted and completed during the course of the special session held on March 21, 2009. The consensus of the board members present was that the summary was accurate and the process was a productive one.

COMMUNICATIONS

Dr. Schreurs congratulated the elementary schools on receiving a San Mateo County School Boards Association J. Russell Kent Award for 2009 on their program *A Celebration of Our Oceans and Marine Sciences*. The award dinner will be on May 11, 2009. Dr. Schreurs also spoke about the ROP program at Carlmont High School and collaboration with Canada College.

Governing Board member, John Moseley joined the meeting at 9:12 p.m. He spoke about his disappointment that the certificated contract agreement approved by the Board earlier in the evening did not reflect the kind of collaborative effort he would like to see. He stressed the respect he has for the certificated staff and all employees however; in the future he would like to see more of an effort by all employee groups to work together in these difficult financial times.

Dr. Riemer attended the Cunha welcome for new 6th graders. He was very impressed how well the Community Schools staff has put to good use the former library at Cunha School. He spoke about how impressed he was with the new construction and how much he has enjoyed being a part of this important work.

Superintendent Gaskill spoke about the college choices that Student Representative Michael Wright has before him and wished him well. Mr. Gaskill congratulated employee Yolanda Novelo on becoming a United States citizen. Mr. Gaskill reported his disappointment in the lack of details associated with the stimulus dollars that schools are supposed to receive – and that it appears that some of the dollars may be directed at new programs rather than “back-filling” existing programs. He also spoke about the Lehman Brothers federal hearings and local hearings and that the next hearing will be held on April 28th in Washington, D.C.

FUTURE EVENTS/DATES/REQUESTS

May 14, 2009 Governing Board Meeting:

- K-5 mathematics textbook adoption – *final*
- Report on Cunha modernization work from Principal Architect John Diffenderfer
- Finalization and potential rescinding of program reductions
- Schedule Quarterly Board Special Sessions

ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

Dr. Riemer adjourned the meeting at 9:37 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Charmion Donegan, Secretary to the Superintendent
Minutes presented by Mr. Gaskill, Secretary to the Board

Certified by the Clerk of the Board

Date