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WHEATLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
DISTRICT OFFICE
January 19, 2012
5:30 P.M.

All open sessions will be recorded. A CD of the recorded meeting is available upon request.

MINUTES

5:30 P.M. OPEN SESSION – District Office

1. MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 5:35 PM

By Board President – Wayne Bishop

Members Present

Wayne Bishop- Board President

Denis O'Connor – Board Clerk

Barbara Warren

Nicole Crabb

Col Douglas Barron- BAFB Liaison

Members Absent

Ish Medina

1.1 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION

2.1 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Guensler said that he is very proud to report that the area outside of the District Office and the field across the street is finally looking amazing. He said that a huge thank you goes out to the maintenance and grounds crew. A special “thank you” to Rich and Barry for all that they have done to the areas in the past couple of weeks.

Mr. Guensler reported that he attended another meeting in regards to the property just south of town (formally Heritage Oaks). This is the property that will eventually be developed and sits in five school districts and three county offices of education. He said that he may ask that a couple of Board Members attend a meeting in the future.

We received a 2012 Impact Aid Table 9 payment for \$606,448.92. This was paid at 65% of lot so we should expect more funding in the near future as we typically receive 90% to 95% of lot.

The District received the reimbursement for the new large bus in the amount of \$137,000. We are still waiting on the \$25,000 match from Feather Air Quality. We received out 2nd new bus over Winter Break. It is a very nice smaller bus with wheelchair access. We have one more bus on the way that was ordered last year. This is the one that Small Schools paid for the majority of the cost.

The District finally received a check for \$17,498.92 for reimbursement from Preferred Meals for the unused commodities. According to our records, they still owe the District \$1308. We have sent another letter demanding that they pay us the remainder.

Mr. Guensler stated that he has been in contact with the other District's in Yuba County regarding the need to develop a 2012-2013 Calendar.

Tami Johnson and Mr. Guensler attended the conference on the Governor's budget Proposals. It is going to be a bleak year for the education world again. He is proposing another trigger budget tied to the passing of additional taxes. It appears that transportation has been completely eliminated. Transitional Kindergarten is out of the budget. This is still ongoing updates will continue to come regarding this.

Weighted Student Funding – Categorical Programs that are not mandated by the Feds (Special Education-an example) would be combined with our revenue limit and allocated on a single formula based on the number of students and the concentration of English Learners and Free and Reduced Lunches. There will be no COLA. The Deficit Factor will be increased. The Budget provides for \$200 million for new K-12 and Community College mandate incentive Block Grants and also proposes to eliminate more than half of existing mandates.

Child Care is another proposed cut to the Program which will reflect in reduced reimbursements and a shift in eligibility.

- 2.2 Currently there are 1253 students in the District. That is 6 students less than the report last month. It is 3 more than the same month last year. We have 150 student enrolled in our Preschool Program.
- 2.3 Tara Aroz did a presentation on the After School Programs and Summer Camp.

3. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC

There was no communication from the public.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

It was MSC (Crabb-O'Connor) to approve the Consent Agenda

- 4.1** Approved Regular Board Meeting Minutes – December 15, 2011
- 4.2** Approved Special Board Meeting Minutes – January 11, 2012
- 4.3** Accepted the Annual Accounting of School Facilities
- 4.4** Approved Bills and Warrants
- 4.5** Approved Williams Uniform Complaint Act Report
- 4.6** Approved Surplus Items from Far West School
- 4.7** Approved the School Accountability Report Cards (SARC)

5. ◇ ACTION ITEMS ◇ DISCUSSION ◇ INFORMATION

CODE: (A) = Action (D) = Discussion (I) = Information

5.1 (A) ACCEPTED THE 2010-11 AUDIT AND APPROVE THE FINDINGS RECOMMENDATIONS –

It was MSC (Crabb-O'Connor) to approve this Action Item

5.2 (A) APPROVED THE RE-OPENING OF THE WHEATLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SITE AFTER A DISCUSSION –

It was MSC (Warren-Crabb) to approve this Action Item

Mr. Guensler said that he spoke with Ish Medina on the telephone and Mr. Medina was in support of re-opening the Wheatland Elementary School site. Mr. Medina indicated that he was in favor of smaller class sizes.

Mr. Bishop stated that after the discussions at the Board meetings and the community/staff meetings that he is in support of re-opening the Wheatland Elementary site. Mr. Bishop stated that while he is always fiscally conservative, that he is convinced that lower class sizes are better. Denis O'Connor questioned the delay of playground equipment. He said that he feels as though it is important. Barbara Warren expressed concerns about the base under the older playground areas. She said it is a safety concern.

Marianne Miller asked about the 3 hour comp tech/3hour library aide positions. She said that many programs are based around the library and computer techs. Mr. Guensler said that anything is possible and that she has some very valid points. We will have to look at the budget. Melissa Luevano stated that the younger students need extra support with the library and computers.

Barbara Warren stated that she wants to see the school moved in a more organized fashion this time. Mr. Guensler said that we will do our best to make the move and transition as smooth as possible.

**5.3 (A) APPROVED A CHANGE OF DATE FOR THE FEBRUARY
2012 BOARD MEETING-**

It was MSC (Warren-Crabb) to approve this Action Item

The February Board Meeting has been changed to February 23, 2012 due to a scheduling conflict with several Board Members.

6. BOARD COMMENTS

Mrs. Crabb thanked Tara Aroz for her presentation and hard work in the Afterschool and Summer Camp Programs.

Mrs. Crabb asked Tara about the preferred location of Summer Camp. Tara said that they are flexible and can make it work wherever it is located.

Mrs. Crabb thanked Tami Johnson and her staff for “no findings” in the audit report. Job well done!

7. CLOSED SESSION –

**7.1 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR
G.C. 54957.6**

Pursuant to Government Code 54957.6, the Board will meet in Closed Session to give direction to Agency Negotiator, Craig Guensler, regarding negotiations with W.E.S.T.A., CSEA #626, W.E.S.S. and unrepresented groups.

8. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

**8.1 DISCLOSURE OF ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION. IF
ANY**

9. ADJOURNMENT