

U N A D O P T E D M I N U T E S

of the Board of Trustees
Regular Board Meeting
September 14, 2010

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Trustee Avila at 6:15 p.m.

Governing Board of Trustees present: Layla Avila, Jan Baird, Jorge Hernandez, Sylvia Macias, Sharon Stys.

Others present: Dr. Erich Kwek, Superintendent;
Cecilia Laidemitt, Associate Superintendent, Administrative Services
and Personnel Management;
Gail Baxter, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
David Rivera, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services.

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by McKibben School principal, Jose Alarcon.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

It was brought to the Boards' attention that there were inaccuracies with some classified employees' pay warrants.

Joe Duardo addressed the Board and administration about a proposed collaboration between the South Whittier School District with the Whittier Union High School District and Rio Hondo College to form a partnership for STEM (science, technology, engineering, math) Education. Mr. Duardo is on the planning committee and encouraged administration to promote STEM education in the South Whittier School District.

COMMENTS BY TRUSTEES

Board members reported they had attended several Back to School Night activities saying they were well organized and well attended. They all enjoyed visiting the classrooms, meeting teachers and parents. They also reported they had attended the South Whittier Education Center/Rio Hondo College satellite campus opening. They had an opportunity to explore the campus and receive information from the various speakers. Board members are very excited about the educational opportunities available at this campus for the South Whittier community. At the earlier held Board Workshop, the Board received a STAR Test accountability progress report. Trustee Avila said she appreciated everyone's hard work in administering the tests and in relaying the data to the Board.

REPORTS

Dr. Kwek stated the district is dealing with many changes in salaries and with employee changes district wide. He apologized for the inaccuracies in pay warrants. The district will make the corrections.

The Superintendent thanked Joe Duardo for the STEM information and stated the district is very interested in being a part of the STEM consortium.

Dr. Kwek is part of a CSBA Superintendents Advisory Group. This group met in Sacramento and discussed recent events dealing with the executive director. CSBA asked the superintendents for input on the steps to take and how to proceed in pursuing the replacement in this position. Prior to recruiting and hiring the next executive director an internal governance review will be conducted. Dr. Kwek supports CSBA and the many services and programs they provide to school districts.

The Jobs Bill was approved. The district has been informed that approximately \$695,000 will be forwarded to offset job losses and future job losses.

The district had projected a loss of 80 students in the 2010-2011 school year. The actual enrollment drop is 174 students. Adjustments are being made in staffing.

CONSENT

On a motion by Trustee Baird seconded by Trustee Hernandez and unanimously carried the consent portion of the agenda was approved.

Approval of Minutes

Approved the minutes the meeting/workshop held August 24, 2010.

Approved the minutes of the regular Board meeting held August 24, 2010.

Approval of Purchase Order List No. 04

Approved purchase order list no. 04 for purchases submitted prior to September 14, 2010.

Contract List No.04

Approved contract list no. 04 for services provided prior to September 14, 2010. Contracts include:

07-08-104 – Correction: contractor – Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Company, LLP, service – CPA auditing services, duration – correction to date 04/09/2007 – 01/31/2011, amount – na

Travel and Conference Report No. 04

Approved travel and conference report no. 04.

BUSINESS

Appointment of District Employee to Serve on the Whittier Area Liability and Property Self Insurance Authority Committee

On a motion by Trustee Macias seconded by Trustee Baird and unanimously carried, Lily Huntенberg, Director, Fiscal Services, was appointed to serve as an alternate on the Whittier Area Liability and Property Self Insurance Authority Committee.

Resolution No. 10-11-04: Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the South Whittier School District to Approve the Assignment of Delinquent Tax Receivables to the California Statewide Delinquent Tax Finance Authority for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30 in Each of the Years 2011 Through 2013 and Authorizing Execution and Delivery of Related Documents and Actions

On a motion by Trustee Baird seconded by Trustee Hernandez and unanimously carried resolution no 10-11-04 was approved. The approval of this resolution authorizes the South Whittier School District to participate in assigning of delinquent property taxes to the California Statewide Delinquent Tax Finance Authority for 2010-2011, 2011-2012 and 2012-2013.

2009-2010 Unaudited Actuals

On a motion by Trustee Baird seconded by Trustee Stys and unanimously carried the 2009-2010 Unaudited Actuals were approved. David Rivera, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, provided the 2009-2010 Unaudited Actuals report. Enrollment data information will be revised based on the fact that the district is down 174 students this school year.

District Commitments

The Board of Trustees discussed the 2010-2011 District Commitments. The Board provided input that will be added to the Commitments.

Public Hearing: Ratification of the Memorandum of Understanding Between the South Whittier California School Employees Association and the South Whittier School District

A public hearing was held to provide an opportunity for discussion of this ratification of the Memorandum of Understanding. On a motion by Trustee Baird seconded by Trustee Hernandez and unanimously carried the public hearing was open. There was a discussion on the Memorandum of Understanding. Clarification about the salary schedule and the Memorandum of Understanding was provided by David Rivera. The hearing was closed on a motion by Trustee Hernandez seconded by Trustee Baird and unanimously carried.

BUSINESS

Ratification of the Memorandum of Understanding Between The South Whittier California School Employees Association and the South Whittier School District

On a motion by Trustee Hernandez seconded by Trustee Baird, on a vote of 4/1 with Trustee Stys the dissenting vote, the Memorandum of Understanding between the South Whittier California School Employees Association and the South Whittier School District was approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

There were no public comments on closed session items.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board of Trustees commenced closed session at 7:07 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

The Board of Trustees resumed open session at 7:34 p.m. No action was taken in closed session.

PERSONNEL

On a motion by Trustee Stys seconded by Trustee Hernandez and unanimously carried Classified Personnel Report No. 09-14-10-04 and Certificated Personnel Report No. 09-14-10-04 were approved.

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL

Increase in Work Hours

Christine Miovisky, Instructional Aide/SH, increase from 6.0 hours per day to 6.5 hours per day, effective 09/08/2010.

Extra Pay Assignment

From 09/15/2010 and 06/01/2011, the participants listed below will work additional hours to administer CELDT testing to identified students as required by state guidelines. Employees will be compensated at their regular rate of pay.

Participants: Maria Ankeney, Dawn Camargo, Rosa Chavez, Maria Cornejo, Maritza Dionisio, Flor Garcia, Asunción Gomez, Marisa Hernandez, Elia Herrera, Cynthia Rodríguez, Josefina Tafoya, Laura Tovar

Extra Pay Assignment – Ratification

On 08/23/2010 the participants listed below assisted in child care while parents attended a Parent Education opportunity. Employees will be compensated at their regular rate of pay.

Participants: Maria Franco, Ruth Mendoza

CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

2010-2011 New Hire – K-2nd Grade – SDC/SH Teacher – Lake Marie Probationary Contract – Effective 09/15/2010 through 06/15/2011
Michelle Grunwald

CERTIFICATED
PERSONNEL

2010-2011 Extra Pay Assignment – Move Instructional Materials -
Teachers – Effective – Three Days between 06/2010 and
08/2010 – Ratification

Karen Fuller, Los Altos
Laura Stillman, Monte Vista

2010-2011 Extra Pay Assignment – Assess Incoming Kindergarten
Students – District Wide – Effective 08/23/2010 to 08/27/2010 –
Ratification

Patti Martin, Los Altos

2010-2011 Extra Pay Assignment – BTSA Support Providers –
District Wide – Effective 09/01/2010 through 06/15/2011

Patricia Lopez, Todd Banner, Jeffrey Kearney from Graves Middle
Tamara McGarry from Monte Vista

2010-2011 Participating Teachers – BTSA Induction Program –
District Wide – Effective 09/01/2010 to 06/15/2011 – Ratification

Christina Carmona (year 2), Brook Sens (year 2),
Kelly Hernandez (year 2), Mariella Ponce (year 1)

2010-2011 Extra Pay Assignment – Staff Training and Administer
CELDT Testing – District Wide – Effective 08/2010 through
06/01/2011 – Ratification

Carmela: Valerie Favrow, Lucilla Gutierrez, Elisabel Santos-Scott,
Debra Wease

Los Altos: Patti Martin, Lisa Palomino

Lake Marie: Alicia Lizarzaburu

McKibben: Roberta Ellis, Roxanne Grago

Loma Vista: James Brannan, Susana Francia, Lani Namahoe,
Maria Westbrook

Monte Vista: Olegario Acosta, Carrie Galloway

Graves Middle: David Crabtree, Mona Fortini, Cheryl Jensen,
Patricia Lopez, Odelisa Orellana, 3 alternates

2010-2011 Extra Pay Assignment – Create Benchmark Assessments –
District Wide – Effective 09/27/2010

Graves Middle School: Dale Chitwood, David Crabtree, Guy Sardo,
Heriberto Frias, Daniel Honeycutt, Brooke Sens, Jeff Kearney

Lake Marie: Denise Killackey

Monte Vista: Laurel Porro, 5 alternates

2010-2011 Resignation - Lake Marie School Teacher – Effective
09/15/2010

Irene C. Marquez, SDC/SH Teacher

CERTIFICATED
PERSONNEL

2010-2011 Involuntary Reassignments – Effective 09/01/2010 to
06/15/2011 – Ratification

Lake Marie:

Cristina Corrales from 4th Grade to 4th / 5th Grade

Lucille Hase from 4th / 5th Grade to 4th Grade

Yolanda Holguin from 6th Grade to 3rd Grade

Patricia McNally from 2nd / 3rd Grade to 6th Grade

Denise Zazueta from 3rd Grade to 2nd / 3rd Grade

Graves Middle School:

Joanne Espinosa from 7th / 8th Grade Science/P.E. Teacher to
7th / 8th Grade P.E. Teacher

Eric Gier from 7th / 8th Grade English/Language Arts Teacher to
7th / 8th Grade History/Social Science Teacher

2010-2011 Extension to Medical Leave of Absence – Paid – Graves
Middle School – Effective 09/16/2010 through 10/14/2010

Employee I.D. # CH0735258 – English/Language Arts Teacher

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.