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"THE MISSION OF THE WEST SONOMA COUNTY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT IS TO PROVIDE HIGH QUALITY INSTRUCTION, AS STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT IS OUR TOP PRIORITY."

MINUTES

of a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the
West Sonoma County Union High School District

May 12, 2010
Analy High School Library
6950 Analy Avenue
Sebastopol, CA 95472

5:00 p.m. Open Session
5:05 p.m. Closed Session
6:00 p.m. Open Session

I. PRELIMINARY

- A. CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.
- B. ROLL CALL
 - Present
 - Diane Landry, President
 - David Stecher, Vice-President
 - Susan Devoto, Clerk
 - Jeanne Fernandes, Trustee
 - Absent
 - Kellie Noe, Trustee
 - Keller McDonald, Superintendent
 - Gordon Allen, Student Board Representative
 - Patrick Franck, Student Board Representative
 - Jennifer Lara, Student Board Representative
- C. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC REGARDING ITEMS ON THE CLOSED SESSION AGENDA – None
- D. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION – Recessed to closed session at 5:05 p.m.
ACTION UPON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:
 - 1. STUDENT DISCIPLINE CASE #17-(09-10), #21-(09-10)
 - 2. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT
 - a. Certificated
 - 3. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE - DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE
 - 4. EVALUATIONS:
 - a. Superintendent
 - b. Management Employees
 - c. Certificated Employees
 - d. Supervisory and Confidential Employees
 - e. Classified Employees
 - 5. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR - (Government Code Section 54957.6)

EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION:

AGENCY NEGOTIATORS:

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The Board of Education approved the request from Fran Barrett to change her retirement date from August 15 to August 1, 2010

Approved the request from Sandy Reynolds to change her retirement date from August 15 to June 10, 2010

Approved the request from Edna Cheek to change her retirement date from August 15 to June 1, 2010

II COMMUNICATION

- A. VERBAL - None
- B. WRITTEN – Trustee Fernandes reported she has received green technology information and shared the information with Mr. McDonald.

III. REPORTS

A. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

Patrick Franck, El Molino Student Representative - Absent

Gordon Allen, Analy Student Representative reported that the Prom will be held on Saturday May 22. The Analy choir will perform in a variety show on Thursday May 20. Day on the Green will be May 27 and the senior picnic will be May 28. Graduation is June 3. AP testing is ending this week. Gordon reported that he will be going to Missouri for a National Debate Tournament.

Jennifer Lara, Laguna Student Representative reported that Laguna is completing year end activities. A rummage sale will be held at Laguna May15 from 9-2. The spring barbeque will be Thursday May 20. The senior trip to Great America will be Tuesday June 1 and graduation is June 3. Ms. Lara thanked the Board for giving her the opportunity to participate as a student representative.

B. PRINCIPALS

Lindsey Apkarian, Analy Vice-Principal reported that tomorrow night is Analy's Open House. The Prom will be May 22 on a cruise ship in San Francisco Bay. The Senior Awards Night will be held on May 26. The Day on the Green and yearbook signing will be May 27 and Graduation will be June 3.

Brenda Hoff, Laguna Principal reported that more Laguna families are struggling more than usual. They have brought in Social Advocates for Youth to help with needs of the students. Bruce Light, custodian has spent hours cleaning and weeding around the campus. Laguna is concluding the last of the high school exit exams. There are 17 candidates for Laguna's student of the year. Kim Finch, 2010-11 counselor at Laguna has students registered already for next year. The CDS will be ending the year with 10 students. The CDS will hold their spring festival June 2 at 12 p.m.

Doria Trombetta, El Molino Principal reported Kai Hamblin, Campus Supervisor and Matt Transue, Dean did a great job with the situation that occurred this past week. Ms. Trombetta was very happy with the response of the Sheriff Department's follow up to the situation. The Ag Boosters held their 5th annual Tri Tip Dinner fundraiser and raised twenty-six thousand dollars on the silent auction. Open House was April 29. Senior projects will be presented May 18. The Prom will be held May 15. Senior Awards will be May 27 and Graduation is June 3.

C. ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATION

Ed Lynch, WSCTA Co-President reported that it has been a pleasure being the Co-President. Mr. Lynch thanked the people that have helped him in this year.

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Lynette Cowser CSEA Vice-President reported that CSEA has finished negotiations. Ms. Cowser thanked Mia Del Prete and Steve Jorgensen for keeping a positive outlook in negotiations with the classified union regarding budget cuts. CSEA will be participating in a march and rally in Petaluma on May 19 supported by C.A.U.S.E. California Advocates to Save Education, with forty-one districts participating.

D. BOARD MEMBERS

- Senior Awards – The Board discussed who would attend the Senior Awards. Trustee Stecher, Trustee Fernandes and Trustee Landry will attend Analy Senior Awards. Trustee Stecher, Trustee Fernandes and Trustee Landry will attend El Molino Senior Awards.
- Graduation – The Board discussed who will attend the graduation ceremonies. Trustee Landry, Trustee Stecher, Trustee Devoto and Trustee Fernandes will attend the Laguna graduation. Trustee Fernandes and Trustee Devoto will attend Analy graduation. Trustee Landry and Trustee Stecher will attend EL Molino's graduation.

Trustee Noe - Absent

Trustee Fernandes – No report

Trustee Devoto – No report

Trustee Stecher – No report

Trustee Landry reported that she attended the California Voting Act Workshop with Mr. McDonald.

E. SUPERINTENDENT

- West County Transportation Agency fuel use and air emission reduction grant – Mr. McDonald reported that the West County Transportation Agency worked with our district and the Sebastopol Rotary to submit a grant for bus equipment which also included an educational component working with the new ecological class. Notification of grant funding will be announced in September.
- California Voting Rights Act Workshop – Mr. McDonald reported he and Trustee Landry attended the workshop. Mr. McDonald gave a brief overview of the workshop.
- Analy High School main building window replacement project timeline – Mr. McDonald reported that the project is moving ahead. There will be a pre-construction meeting this Friday.
- Bus Pass Fees for 2010-2011 – Mr. McDonald reported that he does not recommend a bus fee increase. Cost of living is showing little growth, bus fees dropped significantly from last year; economic situations show that more passes are being given out.
- Refunding current general obligation bonds to reduce tax rates – Mr. McDonald reviewed the information regarding the opportunity to refund its outstanding General Obligation Bond. A brief discussion took place regarding:
 - Interest rate
 - Taxpayers will pay less
 - Savings per household
 - Consider to bring this back to the agenda

IV. SPECIAL RECOGNITION

A. PRESENTATION TO STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVES – Trustee Landry and Superintendent McDonald introduced and recognized the student board representatives.

B. PRESENTATION TO DISTRICT RETIREES
Brenda Hoff, Laguna Principal introduced and recognized Sandy Reynolds and Edna Cheek. Trustee Stecher presented Ms. Reynolds and Ms. Cheek with a certificate of appreciation and a gift.

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Doria Trombetta, El Molino Principal introduced and recognized Fran Barrett and Larry Lefor. Trustee Devoto presented Ms. Barrett and Mr. Lefor with a certificate of appreciation and a gift.

Kathryn Davy, Special Education Consortium Director introduced and recognized Sheila Friedman and Diane Shaw. Trustee Landry presented Ms. Friedman and Ms. Shaw with a certificate of appreciation and a gift. Linda Tessier was unable to attend.

Lindsey Apkarian, Analy Vice-President introduced and recognized Sally Briggs, Ed Lynch and Cathrine Wiese. Trustee Fernandes presented Ms. Briggs, Mr. Lynch and Ms. Wiese with a certificate of appreciation and a gift.

C. REFRESHMENTS – Refreshments were served.

V. DISCUSSION ACTION ITEMS

A. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH WEST COUNTY TEACHERS ASSOCIATION FOR WAGES AND HOURS FOR 2009-2010, 2010-2011 AND 2011-2012 - Mr. McDonald reviewed the Memorandum of Understanding. Trustee Stecher moved to approve Memorandum of Understanding with West County Teachers' Association for Wages and Hours for 2009-2010, 2010-2011 and 2011-2012. Trustee Fernandes seconded the motion. Approved by 4 yes, 0 no, 1 absent. A brief discussion took place regarding:

- Cooperation among staff
- Appreciation of negotiators
- Teachers were thanked
- Impact on students and parents in the community
- The need to inform the public of calendars
- Tribute to District and Association in working together

B. CONSIDERATION OF FINAL ACTION ON RESOLUTION #19.MAY.2009-2010 AND DECISION NOT TO RE-EMPLOY CERTIFICATED EMPLOYEES FOR THE 2010-11 SCHOOL YEAR – Mr. Jorgensen reviewed the resolution. Trustee Fernandes moved to approve the Final Action on Resolution #19.MAY.2009-2010 and Decision not to Re-Employ Certificated Employees for the 2010-11 School Year. Trustee Devoto seconded the motion. Approved by 4 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

C. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #20.MAY.2009-2010 REGARDING IN THE MATTER OF THE ELIMINATION / REDUCTION OF CERTAIN POSITIONS IN THE CLASSIFIED SERVICE AND DIRECTING NOTIFICATION OF CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES – Mr. Jorgensen reviewed the resolution. Trustee Stecher moved to approve Resolution #20.MAY.2009-2010 Regarding in the Matter of the Elimination / Reduction of Certain Positions in the Classified Service and Directing Notification of Classified Employees. Trustee Fernandes seconded the motion. Approved by 4 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

D. 7:45 PM PUBLIC HEARING IN THE MATTER OF RESOLUTION #21.MAY.2009-2010 CONSIDERATION OF ADJUSTING SCHOOL FACILITIES FEES – The Public Hearing was opened at 7:45 p.m. No comments were made. The Public Hearing was closed at 7:46 p.m.

E. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #21.MAY.2009-2010 ACCEPTANCE OF DEVELOPER FEE STUDY AND APPROVAL OF DEVELOPER FEES – Mr. Jorgensen reviewed the resolution and introduced Lori Raineri, President of Government Financial Strategies, Inc. Ms. Raineri was available to answer questions regarding the study. Trustee Fernandes moved to approve Resolution #21.MAY.2009-2010

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Acceptance of Developer Fee Study and Approval of Developer Fees. Trustee Devoto seconded the motion. Approved by 4 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

- F. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #22.MAY.2009-2010 REVISING THE DATE UPON WHICH JULY 4TH IS OBSERVED – Mr. Jorgensen reviewed the resolution. Trustee Fernandes moved to approve Resolution #22.MAY.2009-2010 Revising the Date Upon Which July 4th is Observed. Trustee Stecher seconded the motion. Roll call vote; Trustee Landry, yes, Trustee Stecher, yes, Trustee Devoto, yes, Trustee Fernandes, yes, Trustee Noe, absent. Approved by 4 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.
- G. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF WEST SONOMA COUNTY UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT'S 2009-10 THIRD INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT – Mr. Jorgensen reviewed the Third Interim Financial Report. Trustee Stecher moved to approve the West Sonoma County Union High School District's 2009-10 Third Interim Financial Report. Trustee Fernandes seconded the motion. Approved by 4 yes, 0 no, 1 absent. A discussion took place regarding:
- Governors announcements this Friday
 - State fiscal stabilization funds
 - Cash flow
 - Pursuing the TRANS
 - District liability for RRCS
 - Recovery of funds from RRCS
 - Long term projections
 - Timing of filing the third interim
 - Powers to back candidates
- H. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #23.MAY.2009-2010 SPECIFICATIONS OF THE ELECTION ORDER FOR SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS - Trustee Stecher moved to approve Resolution #23.MAY.2009-2010 Specification of the Election Order for School Board Members. Trustee Devoto seconded the motion. Approved by 4 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.
- I. REVIEW OF VOTER SURVEY RESULTS REGARDING GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND AND PARCEL TAX – Mr. McDonald introduced Greg Isom of Isom Advisors, Inc. Mr. Isom reviewed the results of the survey. The following discussion took place:
- Methodology
 - Ballot Measure
 - Questions asked during phone survey
 - GO Bond Projects
 - Energy efficiency
 - Tax Tolerances
 - Tax rate extension
 - Ballot Measure
 - Parcel Tax
 - Conclusion and Timeline
 - Projects supported
 - Extension opposed to increase
 - Recommend November 2012 parcel tax
 - Recommend continue to asses the community for support
 - Survey results
 - Green projects
 - Voters bond support
 - Equity
 - Parcel tax in 2012

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- Infinite extension – must have inflator
- Low interest rates
- Timeline to see voters
- Seed money
- The need to raise \$30,000 for campaign
- Absentee voters

The Board directed Keller to format the timeline and prepare two scenarios for the next Board meeting.

- J. FIRST READING OF BOARD CERTIFICATION AND DISTRICT ADOPTION OF STANDARDS-ALIGNED INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS IN ENGLISH, ENGLISH LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT AND AGRICULTURE BIOLOGY – Mr. McDonald reviewed Board Certification and District Adoption of Standards-Aligned Instructional Materials in English, English Language Development and Agricultural Biology. The Board recommended this item to be brought back on the Consent Calendar in June. A brief discussion took place:
- Any complaints regarding English literature
 - Want list – books have not been purchased and not in use
 - Books purchased as a class set
- K. FIRST READING OF RECOMMENDED REVISIONS TO ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION 6145.1 REGARDING PARTICIPATION IN EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES – Mr. McDonald reviewed the recommended revisions. The Board recommended the item be brought back on the Consent Calendar in June. A brief discussion took place regarding:
- Language
 - Unexcused absences
 - Doctors appointments
- L. FIRST READING OF RECOMMENDED REVISIONS TO BOARD POLICY 6146.1 REGARDING HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS/STANDARDS OF PROFICIENCY – Mr. McDonald reviewed the graduation requirements and the waiver for physical education. The Board recommended the item be brought back on the Consent Calendar in June. A brief discussion took place regarding:
- Agree with change
 - Wellness plan
 - Overall improvement of student’s health
 - Outside activities not applied
 - Independent study in the summer only for credit makeup
 - Wellness committee work on college classes – see what they think
- M. FIRST READING OF RECOMMENDED REVISIONS TO ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS 6148(a)(A)(2) REGARDING GRADING – Mr. McDonald reviewed the recommended revisions. The Board recommended the item be brought back on the consent calendar in June. A brief discussion took place regarding:
- Progress reports
 - Does not pertain to ninth graders
 - Must be in handbook

VI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- A. REVIEW CHALLENGED SECTION OF HEALTH TEXTBOOK
- B. BOARD SELF-EVALUATION – JUNE

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- E. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF DISCLOSURE OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH THE WEST SONOMA COUNTY TEACHERS ASSOCIATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH ASSEMBLY BILL 1200 - JUNE

VII. ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned at 9:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Executive Secretary Karen Lamb

Karen Lamb

Approved and entered into the official minutes of West Sonoma County Union High School District on this 23rd day of June 2010.

Keller W. Donald