

The Board of Education of the Chico Unified School District met in a Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Chico City Council Chambers. The following were present:

BOARD MEMBERS:

Ann Sisco, President
Rick Anderson, Vice President
Steve O'Bryan, Clerk
Donna Aro, Member
Scott Schofield, Member
Zachary Schwartz, Student Board Member

ADMINISTRATION:

Dr. Scott Brown, Superintendent
Jim Sands, Deputy Superintendent
Kelly Mauch, Assistant Superintendent – Education Services
Randy Meeker, Assistant Superintendent – Business Services
Gloria Bevers, Director – Education Services
Bob Feaster, Director – Education Services
Dr. Cynthia Kampf, Director – Education Services
Alan Stephenson, Director – Education Services
Tracy Martineau, Director – Classified Personnel
Greg Einhorn, Attorney at Law
Kim Hutchison, Executive Secretary to the Superintendent

OTHERS:

Association representatives, news media, and visitors.

1. CALL TO ORDER

- 1.1 President Sisco called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and welcomed visitors.
- 1.2 Zach Schwartz, Student Board member led the flag salute.

2. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Sara Simmons, Principal at Oakdale School introduced teacher Jennifer Jackson who was recently named Teacher of the Year by the California Consortium of Independent Study of Region 2. Dr. Brown presented Ms. Jackson with a plaque.

Dr. Brown announced that the Chico Science Fair was currently in progress at the Silver Dollar Fairgrounds. The Science Fair runs until noon on Friday, March 8, 2002.

3. HEARING SESSION/PUBLIC FORUM

At 7:04 p.m. the Hearing Session/Public Forum was opened. Students from Chico High School expressed their concern over the possible layoff of certificated staff. There were no further comments and at 7:12 p.m. the Hearing Session/Public Forum was closed.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

Prior to action on the Consent Calendar, Ms. Sisco announced that the following Student Numbers would be removed from Item 4.6: Student No.: 42289; Student No.: 18240; Student No.: 50906.

Mr. O'Bryan requested that Item 4.22 be removed for individual discussion.

- 4.1 The Board approved the minutes of the 02/20/02 Regular Meeting. MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve

- 4.2 The Board approved the following **Certificated** Personnel changes: MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Effective</u>
<u>Appointments</u>		
Raven, Virginia	Summer School Principal	Summer 2002
Kohen, Kay	Summer School Asst. Principal Secondary	Summer 2002
Scott, Dennis	Summer School Asst. Principal Secondary	Summer 2002
Deatsch, Helen	Summer School Asst. Principal Elementary	Summer 2002
Strieby, Lori	Summer School Asst. Principal Elementary	Summer 2002

- 4.3 The Board approved the following **Classified** Personnel changes: MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CLASS/LOCATION/HOURS</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>COMMENTS/</u>
<u>Appointments</u>			
Phillips, Leslie	Library Media Asst./Parkview/2.6	3/18/02	Vacated Position
Ruppel, Lori	LT Parent Clsrn Aide-Rest./	3/7-5/24/02	New Limited Term
<u>Reclassification</u>			
Martin, Diane	Account Technician/Business	7/1/01	Existing Position
<u>Increase in Hours</u>			
Aldred, Jill	Café Satellite Mgr./Shasta/4.0	3/7/02	Food Services
Coombs, Garrett	Passenger Van Driver/	3/7/02	Special Ed
George, Jodi	Passenger Van Driver/	3/7/02	Special Ed
Luce, Daniel	School Bus Driver T2/	3/7/02	Special Ed
Ramos, Tamera	School Bus Driver T2/	3/7/02	Special Ed
Solda, Sharon	School Bus Driver T1/	3/7/02	Transportation
<u>Leave of Absence</u>			
Lascano, Librado	IA-Alternative Ed/CAL/3.0	2/12-5/24/02	Part Time Leave
Sloan, Douglas	Custodian/Chico High/8.0	2/19-6/15/02	Leave Without Pay
<u>Resignation/Termination</u>			
Allen, Linda	Library Media Assistant/	3/2/02	Resigned for Other

4.4 The Board accepted the following donations received by individual school sites: MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve

<u>Donor</u>	<u>Donation</u>	<u>Recipient</u>
Kenneth & Donna Bubb	\$25	Chapman
Chico Sports Club	\$20	Chapman
Sierra Nevada Brewing Co.	\$150	Chapman
Peter & JoAnna Gogl	\$30.65	Chapman
Lois Gogl Quilts by L&L	\$100	Chapman
Matt Gogl & Elizabeth Bliss	\$100	Chapman
Cottonparty	cups, bowls, plates, napkins	CHS
Sarah Fry	\$20	CJHS
Laura & Brett Smith	children's books	Jay Partridge
Target	Valentine's decorations	MJHS
Safeway	balloons/floral	MJHS
Albertsons	balloons/floral	MJHS
Christines Needle Thread	nut gift pack, wheeled tote	Neal Dow
Carol & Rob Sylvester	Gateway PC, 17"monitor; Espon printer, speakers, microphone & software	Neal Dow
Westgate Hardwoods	3 sheet 3/4 plywood, 1 sheet 1/4 plywood, 56' tape, 4 board ft mahogany hardwood	Parkview
Julie Archer	bus for field trip	Sierra View

4.5 The Board approved the following warrants for payment: MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve

<u>FUND #:</u>	<u>FUND DESCRIPTION:</u>	<u>WARRANT #'S:</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
01	General Fund	295713 - 296044	\$740,740.71
13	Nutrition Services	296053 - 296085	\$96,535.51
24	BLDG FD - Measure A (P & I)	296045 - 296048	\$7,535.47
25	Capital Facilities FD - State CAP	296049 - 296050	\$24,523.49
41	Special Reserve RDA - 2% Growth	296051	\$968.00
		CURRENT WARRANT TOTAL:	\$870,303.18
		PREVIOUS WARRANT TOTAL:	\$0.00
		TOTAL WARRANTS TO BE APPROVED:	\$870,303.18

4.6 The Board approved the expulsions of the following students: Student No.: 38395; Student No.: 21515; Student No.: 30500. MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve

4.7 The Board approved the major fund raising request by Little Chico Creek PTA to hold a jog-a-thon April 26 - May 10, 2002 to raise funds for school benches. MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve

- 4.8 The Board approved the major field trip request by Mrs. Elkin's class to visit the Monterey Bay Aquarium in Monterey, CA May 28 - 29, 2002. MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve
- 4.9 The Board approved the major field trip request by Mrs. Holm's 5/6th Grade class to visit the Golden Gate Park Aquarium in San Francisco, CA April 15 - 17, 2002. MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve
- 4.10 The Board approved the major field trip request by all 5th grade students at Jay Partridge Elementary to go to Monterey, CA for science education April 29 - May 2, 2002. MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve
- 4.11 The Board approved the major field trip request by the PVHS Yearbook Class to attend the JEA National Conference in Phoenix, AZ April 3 - 7, 2002. MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve;
- 4.12 The Board approved the major field trip request by the Chico High School English 9 Honors class to attend the Oregon Shakespeare Festival in Ashland, OR April 6 - 7, 2002. MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve
- 4.13 The Board approved the major field trip request by the Chico High School English 10 Honors class to attend the Oregon Shakespeare Festival in Ashland, OR April 20 - 21, 2002. MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve
- 4.14 The Board approved the major field trip request by Neal Dow 6th Grade classes to visit Yosemite National Park, CA April 29- 31, 2002. MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve
- 4.15 The Board approved the staff development request for Cindy Hopkins and Michelle Martin to attend the JEA National Conference April 3 - 7, 2002 in Phoenix, AZ. MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve
- 4.16 The Board approved the staff development request for Michael Peck to attend the National Youth Leadership Conference March 20 - 23, 2002 in Seattle, WA. MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve
- 4.17 The Board approved the staff development request for Karen Abel and John Boone to attend Wilderness First Aid Classes April 19 - 20, 2002 in Merlin, OR. MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve
- 4.18 The Board approved the request for allowance of attendance due to a snowstorm causing impassable roads on January 28, 2002 at Cohasset and Forest Ranch.. MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve
- 4.19 The Board approved the request for allowance of attendance due to power outage on October 26, 2001 at Cohasset. MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve
- 4.20 The Board approved the consultant agreement between CUSD and CSU, Chico Research Foundation to conduct a full standards and assessment in the arts professional development series. MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve
- 4.21 The Board approved the consultant agreement between CUSD and Feather River Personal Care to provide 1:1 personal assistance to support a special needs student. MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve
- 4.22 The Board approved the consultant agreement between CUSD and Government Financial Strategies, Inc to provide a Developer Fee Justification Report. MSC O'Bryan/Anderson; Student: approve
- 4.23 The Board denied Claim No: 1440801. MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve
- 4.24 The Board approved the certification of temporary athletic team coaches for 2001-02. MSC Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve
- 4.25 The Board approved the application for the Education Technology Staff Development Program. MSC









Anderson/O'Bryan; Student: approve

5. DISCUSSION CALENDAR


5.1 Dr. Cynthia Kampf reviewed the proposed 2002-03 student calendar. The draft calendar currently has a starting date for K-12 Traditional to begin on August 19, 2002 and end on May 30, 2003. Year Round Education (YRE) would begin on August 5, 2002 with a four week break beginning December 9 - January 3, 2003 and a four week Spring Break beginning March 31 - April 25, 2003. Dr. Kampf will continue accepting input regarding the draft calendar. Comments may be addressed to her at ckampf@cusd.chico.k12.ca.us or mailed to her at CUSD, 1163 E. 7th Street, Chico, CA 95928. The calendar will be on the March 20, 2002 Board agenda for discussion and Board approval will be scheduled for April 3, 2002.

5.2 Rod Stone, Principal at Jay Partridge reviewed the status of the recommended interventions for the Immediate Intervention/Underperforming Schools Program.

1. Appoint a five-member committee to analyze parental involvement opportunities at Jay Partridge Elementary School and recommend modifications or additions to the II/USP Action Plan. (Two parents, one teacher, district administrator, and the principal.) New ideas from committee:

-  Grade level presentations by students for parents
-  Team parents and teachers together to work on school functions
-  "Puma Pat " to recognize parents in our MiniPress
-  Add an additional BBQ lunch for parents and students
-  We have started an English as a Second Language class for our second language parents
-  Muffins for Mom & Donuts for Dad
-  Add a Multicultural Night to the calendar
-  Activities already in place include: parent/student lunch barbeque, family math night, winter concert, school winter sing-a-longs, citizenship assemblies, sports-a-rama, spring concerts, school carnival, student promotion ceremony, Friday's second cup of coffee, Open House ice cream social, MiniPress newsletter, school marquee, and Writers' Workshop day.


2. Investigate and recommend possible negotiated modifications to the classified collective bargaining agreement to gain more flexibility in hiring hourly program personnel.

-  We are working within the current contract, but have offered more parents limited term positions.


3. As much as possible, keep intermediate class size lower than the contract maximum.

-  Our current class size is 30.6 in intermediate grades.


4. Eliminate combination classes.

-  We have worked hard to avoid combinations, but have not changed classes this year. There are two combination classes in the upper grades (out of five classes).

5. Work with the categorical programs office to investigate school readiness programs, including, but not limited to, preschool, Early Back and other best practices.

-  The Butte County Task force on School Readiness is currently developing a table of best practices that target interventions for the child's transition to kindergarten. Essential components of the plan include: early care and education, parenting and family support services, health and social services, and the school's capacity to prepare children and families for school success. Jay Partridge will stay aware of what progress is being by the Task Force so that we help our students and families.

6. Hire the Northern California Writing Project to conduct staff development in the area of Writing for the 2001/2002 and 2002/2003 school years.

-  We have contracted with the Writing Project for this year and next year. We will have our third session in March. We have 90% teacher participation.

7. Use one Tuesday per month for grade level meetings at which teachers will exchange student writing and score the writing to district rubrics.

-  This is currently in place.

8. Intermediate grades will look at adjusting their daily schedule to account for more time in Language Arts.



We began this change in November, 120 minutes of language arts now (up from 90 minutes).

6. ACTION CALENDAR

6.1 The Board approved the 2001-02 2nd Interim Report. MSC Aro/Anderson; Student: approve

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Sisco announced that Public Schools Week will be March 11 – 15, 2002.

Ms. Sisco announced that the Annual CUSD Hall of Fame dinner would be held on Thursday, March 14, 2002 at the Enloe Conference Center. The reception begins at 6:30 p.m. and dinner is at 7:00 p.m. This year's honorees are: Dr. Carolyn (Spellman) Shoemaker and Tony Aeilts both graduates from Chico High School. The recipient of the Hank Marsh Award is Dr. Jeff Lobosky. Tickets are available at the District Office.

8. BOARD ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Mrs. Aro requested an update from Cal Water.

9. CLOSED SESSION

At 9:29 p.m. the Open Session of the Regular Meeting was adjourned and the Board recessed into Closed Session for conferences regarding labor negotiations. Ms. Sisco announced those who would be attending: Jim Sands, Deputy Superintendent and Agency Negotiator; Randy Meeker Assistant Superintendent – Business Services; and Greg Einhorn Attorney at Law.

10. ADJOURNMENT

At 10:27 p.m. the Board reconvened. There were no announcements and the meeting was adjourned.

kh NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Wednesday, March 20, 2002
7:00 p.m, City Council Chambers

APPROVED:

Board of Education

Administration