

Regular Meeting Board of Education – Chico Unified School District December 17, 2003

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:

Steve O'Bryan, President

Scott Huber, Vice President

Anthony Watts, Clerk

Rick Anderson, Member

Rick Rees, Member

ADMINISTRATION:

Dr. Scott Brown, Superintendent

Bob Latchaw, Executive Director – Human Resources

Kelly Mauch, Assistant Superintendent – Educational Services

Randy Meeker, Assistant Superintendent – Business Services

Janet Brinson, Director II – Educational Services

Bob Feaster, Director – Educational Services

Dr. Cynthia Kampf, Director – Educational Services

Tracy Martineau, Director – Human Resources - Classified

Alan Stephenson, Director – Educational Services

Bernard Vigallon, Director – Educational Services

Kim Hutchison, Executive Secretary

OTHERS:

Association representatives, news media, and visitors.

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CALL TO ORDER

At 7:00 p.m., Mr. O'Bryan called the meeting to order and welcomed visitors.

Ellie Glusman, Student Board Member from Chico High School led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. CLOSED SESSION

The Closed Session was not held.

3. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Judy Johnson, Teacher at BJHS and students from the BJHS Choir and Band performed for the audience.

Janet Brinson, Director – Educational Services reported on the recent Consolidated Compliance Review (CCR)

that was completed last week by the State Department of Education.

Steve Connolly, Principal – FVHS/CAL reported that the Center for Alternative Learning (CAL) received the

California School Boards Association Golden Bell Award for their outstanding program.

4. HEARING SESSION/PUBLIC FORUM

At 7:34 p.m., Mr. O'Bryan opened the Hearing Session/Public Forum. Maria Sayer, parent at Citrus invited Board

members to attend the Citrus Spaghetti Feed on February 4. Contact Citrus Elementary for more information

and tickets. There were no further comments and the Hearing Session/Public Forum was closed.

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5. CONSENT CALENDAR

5.1 The Board approved the minutes of the 11/19/03 Regular Meeting. MSC Anderson/Rees; Student: approve

5.2 The Board approved the minutes of the 12/01/03 Special Meeting. MSC Anderson/Rees; Student: approve

5.3 The Board approved the minutes of the 12/03/03 Regular Meeting. MSC Anderson/Rees; Student: approve

5.4 The Board approved the following **Certificated** changes: MSC Anderson/Rees; Student: approve

Name Assignment Effective Comment

Full-Time Leave Requests for 2003/04

Carlisle, Kate Elementary 2003/04 (Effective 1/5/04-5/27/04)

1.0 FTE Leave

Part-Time Leave Requests for 2003/04

Allen, Joanna School Psychologist 2003/04 (Effective 1/5/04 – 6/30/04)

0.65 FTE Leave

Rescission of Leave Requests for 2003/04

Southam, Kirsten Elementary 2003/04 (Effective 1/5/04)

Rescission of 0.4 FTE Leave

Temporary Re-Appointments 2nd Semester 2003/04

Abbey, Donna 1.0 FTE Secondary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Bankhead, Lyn 0.2 FTE Secondary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Bettencourt, JoAnne 1.0 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Bishop, Gregory 1.0 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Blizman, Brandi 1.0 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Boyer, Susan 0.2 FTE Special Education 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Bransky, Raymond 1.0 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Chapin, Katherine 0.4 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment/
Increase to 0.4 FTE

Christensen, Joyce 0.6 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Cockrell, Ronnie 0.4 FTE Secondary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Collins, Don 1.0 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Coppage, Denise 0.375 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Dahlgren, Kathleen 0.6 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Davis, Cateena 1.0 FTE Special Education 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Denney, Rochelle 0.2 FTE Secondary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Eckhart, Julie 0.375 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

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Ellis, Tisha 1.0 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Feingold, Dana 1.0 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Frisbee, Kenneth 1.0 FTE Secondary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Gervasi, Katy 0.4 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Gimbal, Kim 0.7 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Graham, Dawn 0.375 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Heald, Carol 1.0 FTE Special Education 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Henderson, Donna L. 0.5 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

Herniman, Estella 0.5 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 Huffine, Kurt 0.4 FTE Secondary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 Johnson, Paula 0.2 FTE Secondary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 Manna, Jennifer 0.2 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 Matzinger, Catherine 0.2 FTE Special Education 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 McLearn, Janelle 1.0 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment/
 Increase to 1.0 FTE
 Mota, Adan 1.0 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 Niles, Paul 0.1 FTE Secondary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 Parker, Julie 0.2 FTE School Nurse 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 Pettersen, Steve 1.0 FTE Secondary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 Rowe, Heather 0.375 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 Salas, Jennifer 0.2 FTE Secondary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 Sarrett, Mary K. 1.0 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 Schoenthaler, Mary 1.0 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 Seymour, Kimberly 0.5 FTE Special Education 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 Shannon, Pamela 0.375 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 Sloan, Sharon 0.4 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 Small, Cathy 0.4 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 Sorenson, Brenda 0.16 FTE Special
 Education
 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 Stadtmiller, Rhonda 0.10 FTE Secondary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 Stoffel, Lauri 0.3 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 Utterback, Richard 1.0 FTE Secondary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 Volland, Shawn 1.0 FTE Secondary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 West, Dana 0.2 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 Wisdom, Kevin 0.6 FTE Secondary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment

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Witt, Ernest 1.0 FTE Elementary 2nd Semester 2003/04 Temporary Re-Appointment
 5.5 The Board approved the following **Classified** changes: MSC Anderson/Rees; Student: approve

NAME CLASS/LOCATION/ASSIGNED HOURS EFFECTIVE COMMENTS/FUND
Appointments

Alvarez, Leticia I A-Bilingual/McManus/3.0 11/10/03 Vacated Position
 Barber, Angela Parent Clsrm Aide-Rest/Partridge/1.0 11/18/03 Vacated Position
 Belcher, Brenda Cafeteria Assistant/PVHS/2.0 11/17/03 Vacated Position
 Buitron, Sarah I A-Bilingual/CJHS/.6 11/18/03 New Position
 Cooper, Justin Computer Tech/Marigold/2.0 11/25/03 Vacated Position
 Cornell, Kelly Campus Supervisor/CJHS/1.0 11/17/03 Vacated Position
 Fisher, Karen IPS-Healthcare/Loma Vista/4.0 11/17/03 New Position/
 Glass, JoAnn LT Parent Clsrm Aide-Rest/Hooker Oak/.4 10/06-11/20/03, New LT Position/
 Hofmann, Janice HR Technician/Classified HR/8.0 12/01/03 Vacated Position
 Kemper, Nancy Trans Special Ed Aide/Transportation/2.5 11/17/03 New Position
 Kemper, Nancy Trans Special Ed Aide/Transportation/1.75 11/17/03 New Position
 Langseth, Christine IPS-Classroom/Marigold/3.0 11/21/03 Vacated Position
 Murray, Linda IPS-General/CJHS/.8 11/04/03 New Position/
 O'Brien, Casey Campus Supervisor/CJHS/1.0 11/17/03 Vacated Position
 Persaud, Nayaram SBD-Type 1/Transportation/6.0 09/30/03 Corrected Effective
 Robinson, Mitchell I A-Elementary/Hooker Oak/3.0 12/01/03 Vacated Position
 Runnells, Marina Trans Special Ed Aide/Transportation/3.2 11/19/03 New Position
 Runnells, Marina Trans Special Ed Aide/Transportation/1.0 11/19/03 Vacated Position

Triplett, Vicki I A-Sr Elementary Guidance/ 11/17/03 New Position/
Zarzynski, Stephen Custodian/FVHS/4.0 12/01/03 Vacated Position

Promotion

Gowdy, Shauna IPS-Classroom/Loma Vista/ 3.0 12/01/03 Vacated Positions
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Zarzynski, Stephen Sr. Custodian/Cohasset/4.0 12/01/03 Vacated Position

Re-employ from Layoff

Lorentzen, James Custodian/Citrus/8.0 11/05/03 Vacated Position

Increase in Hours

Dunlap, Lorri Parent Clsrn Aide-Rest/Emma Wilson/2.6 11/10/03 Existing Position/
Sonnenberg, Jill Sr. Library Media Asst/MJHS/6.0 12/01/03 Existing Position

Voluntary Reduction in Hours

Brownfield, Lynda Parent Clsrn Aide -Rest/Shasta/4.0 11/19/03 Existing Position/

Leave of Absence

Martinez, Elizabeth I A-Bilingual/Chapman & CHS/5.0 & 2.5 11/19-12/31/03 CBA 5.3.3
Pinson, Paula Health Care Asst-Spec/Loma Vista/6.0 01/05-07/04/04 CBA 5.12
Tillson, Rebecca IPS-Classroom/LCC/5.5 01/05-03/26/04 CBA 5.12
Weber, Shirley Cafeteria Cashier/CHS/3.5 01/05-06/04/04 CBA 5.12

Resignation/Termination Only Position Listed

Gowdy, Shauna Campus Supervisor/BJHS/2.0 11/30/03 Voluntary Resignation
Zarzynski, Stephen Custodian/Hooker Oak/8.0 11/30/03 Voluntary Resignation

Resignation/Termination

Apel, Sherry Parent Clsrn Aide-Rest/Citrus/2.9 12/09/03 Voluntary Resignation
Balakshin, Mariann I A-Special Ed/CAL/5.0 12/19/03 Voluntary Resignation

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Cabral, Michael Custodian/Emma Wilson-Rosedale/8.0 12/01/03 To Re-Employment
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Flanagan, Mary Ann I A-Special Ed/Rosedale/2.5 12/01/03 Voluntary Resignation
Gullick, Christine Library Media Asst/LCC/1.4 & 1.5 01/21/04 Voluntary Resignation
Johnson, Andrea Parent Clsrn Aide-Rest/McManus/2.0 11/26/03 Voluntary Resignation
Littlefield, Mary IPS: Classroom/LCC/3.0 12/01/03 Voluntary Resignation
Olson, Janet I A-Elementary/McManus/3.0 11/13/03 Voluntary Resignation
Peters, Robert M & O Supervisor/M & O/8.0 11/01/03 Retirement
Xiong, Yangpao Impacted Lang Liaison-Hmong Lao/CJHS/3.0 11/28/03 Voluntary Resignation
5.6 The Board approved payment of the following warrants: MSC Anderson/Rees; Student: approve
FUND #: FUND DESCRIPTION: WARRANT #'S: AMOUNT

01 General Fund 313516 - 313830 \$417,835.96
13 Nutrition Services 313831 - 313833 \$116.99
23 BLDG FD - Refunding Costs 313834 \$2,342.03
24 BLDG FD - Measure A (P & I) 313835 - 313838 \$6,856.34
25 Capital Facilities FD - State CAP 313839 \$1,528.25
29 BLDG FD - 1988 Ser. C - INT 313840 \$2,500.00
32 SSBLP #2 New Construction 313841 \$9.19
33 SSBLP #3 Reconstruction 313842 \$0.01
35 County School Facilities Fund 313843 - 313846 \$3,903.75

CURRENT WARRANT TOTAL: \$435,092.52

PREVIOUS WARRANT TOTAL: \$0.00

TOTAL WARRANTS TO BE APPROVED: \$435,092.52

5.7 The Board approved the expulsions of the following students: Student No. 56903; Student No. 51813; Student

No.: 56921; Student No.: 38021; Student No.: 38328. MSC Anderson/Rees; Student: approve

5.8 The Board approved the major field trip request by CHS ACT to attend the National Service Learning

Conference in Orlando, FL March 28 – 31, 2004. MSC Anderson/Rees; Student: approve

5.9 The Board approved the major field trip request by CHS ACT to attend the Presentation and Technical Work

Conference in Los Angeles, CA March 21 - 24, 2004. MSC Anderson/Rees; Student: approve

5.10 The Board approved the major field trip request by CHS ACT to attend the Curriculum Integration in Anaheim,

CA February 26 – 29, 2004. MSC Anderson/Rees; Student: approve

5.11 The Board approved the major field trip request by CHS ACT to attend the Curriculum Integration in San Diego,

CA February 5 – 8, 2004. MSC Anderson/Rees; Student: approve

5.12 The Board approved the consultant agreement between CUSD and DW Education Research, Inc. to perform a

curriculum calibration of student work to measure the alignment of classroom student work to the California

Content Standards at Chico Junior. After analyzing the student work, DataWorks will present an in-service to

school personnel. The in-service will include the results of the curriculum calibration and additional topics

regarding improving student achievement. Funding Source: Title I. There is no impact to the General Fund.

MSC Anderson/Rees; Student: approve

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5.13 The Board adopted Resolution No. 894-03 designating Randy Meeker, Assistant, Superintendent – Business

Services as authorized to sign contract documents for the purpose of providing child care and development

services. MSC Anderson/Rees; Student: approve

5.14 The Board accepted the annual Personnel Commission Report. MSC Anderson/Rees; Student: approve

5.15 The Board denied Claim No. 1671203, Claim No. 1681203 and Claim No. 1691203. MSC Anderson/Rees; Student:

approve

5.16 The Board approved the ASAM Third Indicator Selection Form for Fairview High School and the Center for

Alternative Learning (CAL). MSC Anderson/Rees; Student: approve

5.17 The Board approved the 2003-04 Consolidated Application for funding Categorical Aid Programs (Part II). MSC

Anderson/Rees; Student: approve

6. DISCUSSION CALENDAR

6.1 Alan Stephenson, Director – Educational Services and Mark Wilson, Teacher at MJHS reviewed the petition

request for permission from the State Board of Education to authorize the use of any instructional materials

allowances for the purchase of College Preparatory Mathematics textbooks. At 7:47 p.m. the Public Hearing was

opened. There were no comments and the public hearing was closed.

6.2 Randy Meeker, Assistant Superintendent – Business Services reviewed the 1st Interim Report.

Dr. Brown presented the budget update. Chico Unified School District has been forced to reduce expenses by nearly \$6 million over the past 5 years. These reductions are responses to declining enrollment and the state budget crisis. Current forecasts indicate a need to eliminate approximately \$4 million in expenses over the next two years. Nearly 87 cents of every dollar we spend goes to salaries and benefits and if employee organizations are unwilling to sacrifice; then the cost savings needed must come from reduced programs and services. The Board of Trustees will face agonizingly painful options in the months ahead. Among the difficult decisions are the following possibilities: Further reductions to nurses, counselors, psychologists and librarians; Campus consolidation; Close 3 rural schools; Reduced unit requirements at both Junior and Senior High Schools; Elimination of district contributions to Athletics; Eliminate Air Conditioning. There are no easy choices. On January 21, 2004 staff will present a plan that responds to both declining enrollment and the state budget crisis. This plan will address both 04-05 and 05-06. In the coming months a number of meetings will be held to allow for extensive discussion of the options facing the Board.

6.3 Anthony Watts, CUSD Board of Education and Todd Lindstrom, Vice President of Electric & Gas Industries

Association presented information regarding the use of solar energy and the potential for use in CUSD.

6.4 Rick Rees, CUSD Board of Education lead the discussion regarding Board appointments to committees. Mr.

O'Bryan asked that members of the Board communicate to him their interest in serving on committees and at the next regular meeting, committee assignments will be made.

6.5 The Board discussed the different ways in which funds could be raised through either a parcel tax or by

fundraising to help offset the budget shortfall CUSD is going to be faced with in the coming years. After

lengthy discussion, Mr. O'Bryan asked Mr. Anderson and Mr. Rees to explore the public interest in parcel taxes

and Mr. Huber and Mr. Watts to explore opportunities for fundraising. Mr. O'Bryan also asked that they be

prepared to report back to the Board on their assignments at the next regular meeting on January 21, 2004.

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7. ACTION CALENDAR

7.1 The Board approved the Tentative Agreement between CUSD and CSEA, Chapter #110 dated June 5, 2003. MSC

Anderson/Rees

7.2 The Board approved the Tentative Agreement between CUSD and CSEA, Chapter #110 dated January 16, 2003.

MSC Rees/Watts

7.3 Consider approval to submit the Petition Request for use of instructional materials allowance for the purchase

of College Preparatory Mathematics textbooks. MSC Huber/Anderson

7.4 The Board approved the 1st Interim Budget Report. MSC Anderson/Watts

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements

9. BOARD ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Reports on fundraising and parcel tax. Budget update.

10. CLOSED SESSION

At 11:14 p.m., the Board recessed into closed session for the purpose of real property negotiations and conference with labor negotiator. Mr. O'Bryan announced those who would be attending: Bob Latchaw, Executive

Director - Human Resources and Agency Negotiator; Kelly Mauch, Assistant Superintendent - Educational

Services; and Randy Meeker, Assistant Superintendent - Business Services.

11. ADJOURNMENT

At 11:52 p.m. the Board reconvened, there were no announcements and the meeting was adjourned.

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NEXT REGULAR MEETING: Wednesday, January 21, 2004

7:00 p.m., Chico City Council Chambers

APPROVED:

Board of Education

Administration