

Board of Education Regular Meeting Board of Education – Chico Unified School District
February 21, 2018 MINUTES

Attendance Taken at 6:01 PM:

Present:

Kevin Bultema
Elizabeth Griffin
Jim Hanlon
Dr. Kathleen Kaiser
Gary Loustale
Joanne Parsley
Eileen Robinson
Kelly Staley

Absent:

Linda Hovey

1. CALL TO ORDER

At 5 p.m. Board President Loustale announced the Board was moving into Closed Session.

1.1. Public Comment on Closed Session Items

There was no public comment on Closed Session Items.

2. CLOSED SESSION

- 2.1. Update on Labor Negotiations
- 2.2. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation
- 2.3. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation

3. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION

3.1. Call to Order

Board President Loustale noted that Linda Hovey was in Closed Session, but would not be in attendance during Open Session. Board Vice President Hovey's husband is receiving an award for his work with the City of Chico. *ed*

3.2. Report Action Taken in Closed Session

Board President Loustale reported that the District has entered into a Tolling Agreement with Campus Walk Chico, LP to toll any developer fee protest litigation claim by Campus Walk Chico, LP pending the outcome of a pending developer fee protest litigation claim brought by AMCAL Chico, LLC.

3.3. Flag Salute

Board President Loustale led the salute to the flag.

4. STUDENT REPORTS

Shasta Elementary School's Principal, Bruce Besnard announced the students have been working on a play since November called Haphazardly Ever After. The students performed a short excerpt from the play and distributed posters of the upcoming performance.

5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND RECOGNITION

Superintendent Kelly Staley introduced Fair View High School's Principal Andrew Moll. Brian Daggett received the Classified Superintendent's Award and Bruce Besnard presented the Certificated Superintendent's Award to Antonia Rendall (a Shasta Elementary School Teacher).

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Board Clerk Kaiser introduced a group of international educators from 19 different countries. All the educators teach English as a foreign language in their respective countries.

CUTA President Kevin Moretti announced Chico Unified Teachers and BCOE teachers are hosting a free reading event, Read Across Chico, this Sunday at the CARD center. He invited everyone to attend the March 1, 2018 Empty Bowls fundraiser.

7. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

Board President Loustale asked if there were any items from the floor. Lucinda Law, a student at Chico High, was joined by other high school students and community supporters. They requested that the Board issue a mandate for district-wide support of the March 14 #Enough Walkout. They want to hold a 17 minute demonstration – each minute would honor the life of the seventeen lives lost.

Megan Menyard, a senior from Pleasant Valley High School, shared the intent of students to walk out of their classrooms and join together in one common area on March 14 to join in unity with the symbol #Enough and #nomore. She is here tonight to request support in leadership for this event.

Board President Loustale said Board Meeting rules do not allow the Board to respond to the student request. Board President Loustale suggested students speak directly with their school site administrators and staff. Board Member Robinson requested the exploration of other options that minimize interference with school class time due to academic testing. Superintendent Kelly Staley responded that student will work with their school sites directly to ensure the students are supported in a safe and responsible way. Suzie Norris, an employee with Chico Unified School District stood and spoke on behalf of the students.

Board President Loustale stated the Board will be moving to negotiation updates.

8. NEGOTIATIONS UPDATE

Assistant Superintendent Jim Hanlon stated CSEA reached a tentative agreement and it will be coming to the floor tonight.

9. CONSENT CALENDAR

Board President Loustale asked if anyone would like to pull a Consent Item for further discussion. Board Clerk Kaiser pulled Consent Items 9.2.18 and 9.2.27; Board Member Griffin pulled Consent Item 9.2.3.; Board President Loustale pulled Consent Items 9.2.16 and 9.2.24. Board Member Griffin moved to approve all remaining Consent Items; seconded by Board Member Robinson.

9.1. GENERAL

- 9.1.1. The Board Approved Minutes of Regular Session on January 17, 2018 and Special Board Workshop on February 7, 2018
- 9.1.2. The Board Approved Items Donated to the Chico Unified School District

9.2. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

- 9.2.1. The Board Approved Expulsion of Students with the Following IDs: 77140, 67812, 88419, 73180, 68921
- 9.2.2. The Board Approved The Single Plan for Student Achievement
- 9.2.3. This Item was Pulled for Further Discussion
- 9.2.4. The Board Approved the 2018-19 E-Rate Internal Connections and Telecommunications Recommendations
- 9.2.5. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request form Emma Wilson Elementary to Attend Shady Creek Environmental Camp from 03/26/18-03/29/18

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- 9.2.6. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for PVHS Jazz Band to attend the Reno Jazz Festival in Reno, NV from 4/26/18-4/28/18
- 9.2.7. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for PVHS to attend Mock Trial State Competition in Orange County, CA from 3/15/18-3/18/18
- 9.2.8. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for PVHS to Attend the Culinary Prostart Team Competition in Pomona, CA from 3/16/18-3/20/18
- 9.2.9. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for PVHS to attend the FCCLA State Convention in Fresno, CA from 4/27/18-5/1/18
- 9.2.10. The Board Approved Field Trip Requests for PVHS, CHS and FVHS to Attend the Friday Night Live Reach for the Future Conference in Richardson Springs, CA from 03/08/18-03/10/18 and BJHS, CJHS and MJHS to Attend from 03/01/18-03/03/18
- 9.2.11. The Board Approved Field Trip Request for PVHS Boys Golf to attend the Masters Tournament in Graeagle from 05/14/18-05/15/18 and the NorCal Tournament from 05/20/18-05/21/18
- 9.2.12. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for PVHS Sand Volleyball Team to attend a Tournament in Folsom, CA from 3/13/18-3/14/18
- 9.2.13. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for PVHS Varsity Softball to Attend a Tournament in Vacaville, CA from 4/6/18-4/7/18
- 9.2.14. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Music Department to attend the College Tour and Performances at Disneyland from 04/05/18-04/08/18
- 9.2.15. The Board Approved PVHS New Course Proposal - Emergency Response 1 Public Service Pathway & New Textbook Request - Fire & Emergency Services Orientation and Terminology
- 9.2.16. This Item Was Pulled for Further Discussion
- 9.2.17. The Board Approved PVHS New Course Proposal - Introduction to Public Safety Careers 911 and Health
- 9.2.18. This Item Was Pulled for Further Discussion
- 9.2.19. The Board Approved PVHS New Course Proposal Graphic Design 1
- 9.2.20. The Board Approved PVHS New Course Proposal - Percussion
- 9.2.21. The Board Approved PVHS Proposed Course Change to AP US Government & Politics/AP Macroeconomics Class
- 9.2.22. The Board Approved CHS Course Name Change: Plant and Soil Science to Horticulture 1
- 9.2.23. The Board Approved CHS New Course Proposal - Digital Arts 3
- 9.2.24. This Item Was Pulled for Further Discussion
- 9.2.25. The Board Approved CHS New Textbook Adoption: Street Law: A Course in Practical Law
- 9.2.26. The Board Approved CHS New Course Proposal - Fitness for Life
- 9.2.27. This Item Was Pulled for Further Discussion

9.3. BUSINESS SERVICES

- 9.3.1. The Board Approved Account Payable Warrants
- 9.3.2. The Board Approved the Independent Contractor Agreements
- 9.3.3. The Board Approved the Contracts

9.4. HUMAN RESOURCES

- 9.4.1. The Board Approved the Certificated Human Resources Actions
- 9.4.2. The Board Approved Classified Human Resources Actions
- 9.4.3. The Board Approved Resolution No. 1415-18: Elimination of Classified Services and Ordering Layoffs in the Classified Service for the 2017-2018 School Year

AYES: Loustale, Kaiser, Griffin, Robinson
NOES: None
ABSENT: Hovey

10. DISCUSSION/ACTION CALENDAR

Items Pulled from Consent Calendar

9.2.3. Consider Approval of Updates to CUSD Preschool Parent Handbook

Board Member Griffin pulled this item because she thought there was going to be a policy developed that would outline a parent education requirement or a parent participation component (similar to the pilot program) incorporated into the handbook. Assistant Superintendent Joanne Parsley said she would check the status of the policy. Board Member Griffin said she would like an update at a future Board Meeting.

Board Member Griffin moved adoption of this agenda item and a report back from Ted or Robin about where the parental involvement policy stands; seconded by Board Clerk Kaiser.

AYES: Loustale, Kaiser, Griffin, Robinson
NOES: None
ABSENT: Hovey

9.2.16. Consider Approval of PVHS New Course Proposal – History of Music &

9.2.24. Consider Approval of CHS New Course Proposal – Intro Law Class (Street Law)

Board President Loustale pulled these items because there have been a lot of new course proposals. He inquired as to how these courses will affect the current CTE Pathways. He expressed concern regarding the future potential problem of too many classes and asked for an overview of the methodology utilized to ensure the classes meet the school and state expectations and time allotments.

Principal John Shepherd and Principal Mark Beebe both explained how the courses fit into the current high school curriculum. Board Member Griffin expressed her support for both of these new courses. Director Jay Marchant explained the amount of discussion and review that occurs for new courses and explained the importance of adding classes that are pathways and not just singleton classes. Board Clerk Kaiser discussed the importance of UC and CSU certified courses.

Board Member Griffin moved approval of 9.2.16 and 9.2.24.; seconded by Board Member Robinson.

AYES: Loustale, Kaiser, Griffin, Robinson
NOES: None
ABSENT: Hovey

9.2.18. Consider Approval of PVHS New Course Proposal – College and Career Writing (Gr. 12)
9.2.27. Consider Approval of CHS New Course Proposal – English 11 Expository Reading and Writing

Board Clerk Kaiser commended the Chico Unified English teachers for their work creating relevant courses that prepare students for the UC or CSUs system. Board Clerk Kaiser moved Agenda Item 9.2.18. and 9.2.27.; seconded by Board Member Robinson.

Board President Loustale inquired into the specifics of the grant English class. Principal Mark Beebe explained how the program will work next year.

AYES: Loustale, Kaiser, Griffin, Robinson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Hovey

10.1. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

10.1.1. INFORMATIONAL: Career Technical Education Update

Director John Bohannon provided an update on the CTE Program including new grant funding which has allowed for the formation of a CTE Team. He introduced the members of the CTE team: Priscilla Burns, Courtney Bullock, Anita Homesley, Kristin Lower, Stephanie Welton and Liz Metzger. Director Bohannon gave information regarding CTE successes, new curriculum and an update on the CTE facilities grant. Priscilla Burns said the team is working to make the CTE program more visible.

Board President Loustale stated this was informational and no action is required.

10.1.2. DISCUSSION/ACTION/PUBLIC HEARING: Blue Oak Charter Petition Public Hearing

Director John Bohannon provided a brief overview and turned the podium over to Blue Oak's Executive Director Susan Domenighini. She gave a status update and PowerPoint presentation.

At 7:36 p.m. Board President Loustale opened the Public Hearing.

Jennifer Adams, a first – 8th grade instructor at Blue Oak, spoke in support of Blue Oak Charter. Discussed the benefits of the Waldorf Education. Adolfo Mochado spoke in support of renewing the Blue Oak Charter School.

Board President Loustale asked if there was any opposition and there was none.

At 7:44 p.m. Board President Loustale closed the Public Hearing.

Director John Bohannon stated the Board is required to render a decision within 60 days after the Public Hearing. Chico Unified has asked to extend the deadline to have a decision made at the April 4 meeting. Blue Oak is having a Board Meeting and will let us know if an extension is possible.

Board Member Griffin shared that she did visit the school and was impressed with their program, but she's concerned about their financial situation. She noted the high facility use cost and inquired into possible solutions they've explored. Board Member Robinson inquired into suspension rates, truancy rates and SARB referrals. Director John Bohannon responded to additional questions and stated he would provide an update once the Blue Oak Board reached a decision regarding the extension.

10.1.3. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Wildflower Open Classroom Petition Decision

At 8:04 p.m. Director John Bohannon provided information regarding the Wildflower Open Classroom Petition. The charter committee is recommending the renewal of the charter which will give them five more years of operation.

Board Member Griffin moved approval of the petition for the Wildflower Charter renewal; seconded by Board Member Robinson.

Board Clerk Kaiser inquired into why their math scores were so much higher than other charter schools. Director Tom Hicks stated they work closely with Chico State and try to align common core standards. Board President Loustale also commented on the condition of the Wildflower facility and shared the good learning and lessons he witnessed on his visit.

At 8:11 p.m. Board President Loustale called for a vote.

AYES: Loustale, Kaiser, Griffin, Robinson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Hovey

At 8:12 p.m. Board President Loustale announced the Board was taking a short break.

10.1.4. INFORMATIONAL: Inclusion of Spectator Code of Conduct Language into the CUSD Co-Curricular Activities' Policy

At 8:18 p.m. Board President Loustale called the meeting back to order. Director Jay Marchant discussed the background information for how to make sporting events an even more positive experience. Jay Marchant stated the high expectations for our athletes, coaches and officiants. He explained that we should expect the same from our spectators.

Board Member Griffin moved passage of 10.1.4.; seconded by Board Member Robinson.

Board Clerk Kaiser asked how this was going to be enforced. Director Jay Marchant responded that referees have the ability to remove spectators and there is always an administrator on site during events. At 8:28 p.m. Board President Loustale called for a vote.

AYES: Loustale, Kaiser, Griffin, Robinson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Hovey

10.2. BUSINESS SERVICES

10.2.1. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Revised/Updated Board Policy BP 6163.2 Animals at School to Address Wild and Feral Animals on District Property

At 8:28 p.m. Assistant Superintendent Kevin Bultema discussed the background information for why an update to the Board Policy 6163.2 is needed. He cited the health and safety concern of students, staff and administrators regarding feral cats on the Pleasant Valley High School campus. Kevin Bultema stated abandonment on campus is prohibited and they're exploring human ways to remove the animals.

Board Member Griffin expressed her concern that removal of the feral cats wouldn't solve the problem. The Chico Cat Coalition representatives shared their opinion.

At 8:32 p.m. Board Clerk Kaiser moved approval of 10.2.1.; seconded by Board Member Robinson.

Board Member Robinson and Board Member Griffin expressed the language utilized in the Board Policy doesn't completely address the issue and needs to be modified.

At 9:11 p.m. Board President Loustale stated they were going to table the discussion and not call for a vote at tonight's meeting. Both Board Member Kaiser and Board Member Robinson agreed. Board President Loustale stated the cats can still be fed, but just not at the location on campus.

10.2.2. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Auditing Services for 2017-18, 2018-19, and 2019-20

At 9:13 p.m. Assistant Superintendent Kevin Bultema explained the District is required to undergo an annual financial audit and the current contract has expired.

Board Member Robinson moved approval of entering into an agreement with Tittle & Company for the next three year; seconded by Board Clerk Kaiser.

AYES: Loustale, Kaiser, Griffin, Robinson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Hovey

10.3. HUMAN RESOURCES

10.3.1. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approval of CSEA - Chapter #110 (2017-18) Tentative Agreement

At 9:15 p.m. Assistant Superintendent Jim Hanlon stated that Chico Unified School District has entered a tentative agreement with CSEA and outlined the agreement details.

Board Member Robinson moved approval of the tentative agreement with the California School Employees Association, Chapter 110; seconded by Board Member Griffin.

AYES: Loustale, Kaiser, Griffin, Robinson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Hovey

11. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

There were no items from the floor.

12. ANNOUNCEMENTS

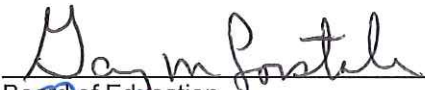
There were no announcements.

13. ADJOURNMENT


At 9:17 p.m. Board President Loustale adjourned the meeting.

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APPROVED:



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