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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

At 6:30 p.m. the Board convened and announced they would recess into closed session to discuss Items 2.1-2.4.

Present: Jann Reed, Rick Anderson, Dr. Andrea Lerner Thompson, Dr. Kathy Kaiser, and Rick Rees

Absent: None

**2. CLOSED SESSION****2.1 Public Employee Performance Evaluation**

Pursuant to Government Code §54957

**2.2 Liability Claim/Claim No. 080149**

Claimant: Tarrant for KM

Agency claimed against: Chico Unified School District

Pursuant to Government Code §54957

**2.3 Update on Existing Litigations**

Government Code Section §54956.9(a)

Name of Cases: Black vs. CUSD and Crews vs. CUSD

**Attending:**

Kelly Staley, Superintendent

Bob Feaster, Assistant Superintendent

Jan Combes, Assistant Superintendent

**2.4 Update on Labor Negotiations**

Employee Organizations:

CUTA

CSEA, Chapter #110

Representatives:

Kelly Staley, Superintendent

Bob Feaster, Assistant Superintendent

Jan Combes, Assistant Superintendent

**3. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION**

Present: Jann Reed, Rick Anderson, Dr. Andrea L. Thompson, Dr. Kathy Kaiser and Rick Rees

Absent: None

**3.1** Board President Reed called the Regular Session Meeting to Order in the City Council Chambers at 7:05 p.m. It was announced that if anyone wished to speak, they should fill out a card in the lobby and turn it in.**3.2 Closed Session Announcements**

Board President Reed stated that the Board had been in closed session since 6:15 p.m. regarding the above items.

The Board unanimously denied Item 2.2, Claim No. 080149. There were no other announcements.

**3.3** Board President Reed led the salute to the Flag.**4. STUDENT REPORTS**

Kitty Lopez, Asst. Rally Commissioner and Prom Coordinator reported on Chico High School events. Pedro Quentana, Kena Vigil, and Natalie Eggleston reported on Fair View High School events. Courtney Bobinger, Senior Class Vice President, and Vincent Walker, Senior Class Spirit Coordinator, reported on Pleasant Valley High School events. Every 15 Minutes was a big success. Superintendent Staley thanked everyone (staff, students and community) who participated in the Every 15 Minutes program.

**5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Students who won statewide awards in the Federal Junior National Duck Stamp program were announced. Mark Rodriguez introduced Marigold students: Haley Barnhart, Evan Drake, Juan Pablo Martinez, and Dylan Whaley, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade; and Anthony Thao, 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Joyce Burdette introduced CJHS students Corina Ahlswede and Travis Peebles. Jim Baumgartner, CJHS teacher and Mark Rodriguez, Marigold teacher were recognized for their work with students in this program for the last several years.

Rob Williams introduced 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students from Hooker Oak who worked collaboratively with the CSUC Museum of Anthropology to create an artifact display of the Renaissance. Board members and the community were invited to the Grand Opening at Hooker Oak School on April 24, 7:00pm.

Superintendent Staley congratulated Marigold Elementary School for being recognized as a California Distinguished School.

Larry Spini, Principal, introduced Shasta students who performed a song from their 7<sup>th</sup> Spring Musical, *No Strings Attached*, under the direction of Jack Tulley and Mrs. Darcy Wigham.

**MINUTES****6. CONSENT CALENDAR**

At 7:30 p.m., Board President Reed asked if anyone from the public or the Board wanted to pull any consent items for further discussion. Board Member Kaiser pulled Items 6.A.1. and 6.B.1. A motion was made by Board Member Rees and seconded by Board Member Kaiser to approve the remaining consent items.

**A. GENERAL**

1. The Board approved the minutes of special session, April 9, 2008, special session on March 29, 2008, and regular session on March 26, 2008 (with the correction that Board Member Kaiser was present).
2. The Board accepted the items donated to Chico Unified School District.

<b>Donor</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Recipient</b>
Washington Mutual	\$374.76	Chapman
Emma Wilson PTA	\$3,304.50	Emma Wilson/6th Grade
Emma Wilson PTA	\$500.00	Emma Wilson
Jim Crane	Mailbox Storage Unit @ \$150.00	Forest Ranch
Becki & James Gilbert	10 Books @ \$150.00	Hooker Oak School
Yvonne Gailey	2 rolls of paper @ \$120.00	Hooker Oak School
James Gilbert	Plant Containers and Trays @ \$50.00	Little Chico Creek
Donald Fowkes, DDS	\$50.00	McManus
Rajendra Bhakta	\$100.00	McManus/Ms. Lewis' Class
Lindy Hoppough	1 Fiskars 12" Rotary Cutter @ \$68.00	Neal Dow
Marva Burr	Misc. Microphone Items @ \$497.29	Neal Dow
David & Kelly Zeichick	\$5,000.00	Parkview
Target Stores	\$171.08	Parkview
Washington Mutual	\$402.82	Parkview
Mr./Ms. Heyman	\$25.00	Shasta
Shasta PTO	\$1,000.00	Shasta
Samuel Medrano, M.D.	\$250.00	Shasta
Kathryn Miller	\$20.00	Sierra View/6th Grade
Best Buy Co., Inc.	Gift Certificates/USB Drive @ \$2,100.00	Sierra View
Cozy Diner		Sierra View/6th Grade
Great Harvest Bread	Granola @ \$40.00	Sierra View/6th Grade
Longs Drugs	Ice Cream @ \$35.00	Sierra View/6th Grade
Morning Sun Martial Arts	Bowls @ \$40.00	Sierra View/6th Grade
Walmart	Gift Card @ \$50.00	Sierra View/6th Grade
Theresa McGowan	Couch @ \$1,600.00	Bidwell Jr. High
Betty & David Nopel	Miscellaneous Supplies @ \$65.54	Chico Jr. High/Science Dept
Nancy & Kevin Barry	\$100.00	Chico Jr. High
Jennifer Rossoovich	\$50.00	Chico Jr. High
CJHS PTSA	\$872.00	Chico Jr. High
Azad's Martial Arts		
Academy	\$400.00	Chico Jr. High
Target Stores	\$110.80	Chico Jr. High
United Way	\$27.50	Chico Jr. High
United Way	\$10.00	Chico Jr. High
Debbi Pisani	\$50.00	Marsh Jr. High
North Valley Tree Service	Wood Chips @ \$9,500.00	Marsh Jr. High
PG&E	Three Checks @ \$399.00	Marsh Jr. High
Target Stores	\$74.66	Marsh Jr. High
John & Judee D'Anna	\$200.00	CHS/Boys' Volleyball
Mark & Michelle Hill	\$150.00	CHS/Boys' Volleyball
Bruce & Cindi McGowan	\$150.00	CHS/Boys' Volleyball
Charlie Copeland/Sally Foltz	Books/DVD @ \$3,008.00	PVHS Library
John Copeland	Digests/Quarterlies @ \$78.50	PVHS Library

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Ann Dempsey	Books/Video/DVDs/CDs @ \$250.00	PVHS Library
Trevor Irwin	Books @ \$55.00	PVHS Library
Lauren Taylor	Books @ \$400.00	PVHS Library
Team Sports, Inc.	Uniforms @ \$180.00	PVHS /Culinary-Prostart
Mary Kemp	\$20.00	PVHS
Metal Works	Welding Materials @ \$2,200.00	PVHS/ROP Welding
		PVHS/Building Construction
Tile City	Material @ \$102.48	Class
Washington Mutual	\$312.18	PVHS
Wizard Mfg.	6,000 lbs Steel Sheet @ \$3,600.00	PVHS/ROP Welding
Sara Simmons	Thursday Night Market Fee/\$196.00	Chico Unified

**B. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

2. The Board approved the expulsions of students with the following IDs: 35284, 39611, 39857, 41894, 54670, and 58675.
3. The Board approved the Field Trip Request from Rosedale 5<sup>th</sup> grade class to attend Whiskeytown Environmental Camp from 5/27/08-5/30/08.
4. The Board approved the Field Trip Request for CJHS students to attend the Shakespeare Festival in Ashland, Oregon from 4/26/08-4/27/08.
5. The Board approved the Field Trip Request for PVHS Athletics to attend the Summer Basketball Tournament at the College of the Siskiyous from 5/31/08-6/1/08.
6. The Board approved the Field Trip Request for PVHS Fellowship of Christian Athlete Club to attend "Summit Adventure" at Yosemite National Park from 5/9/08-5/11/08.
7. The Board approved the Carl Perkins Vocational and Technical Education Grant.

**C. HUMAN RESOURCES**

1. The Board approved the Certificated Human Resources Actions.

Name/Employee #	Assignment	Effective	Comment
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**Administrative Appointment(s) – Summer Session 2008**

Kassel, Jeaner	Principal-Loma Vista School Summer Session		
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**Retirement(s)/Resignation(s)**

Employee #1857	06/06/08	Retirement
Beaton, Patricia	07/01/08	Retirement
Cannon, Lynn	06/06/08	Retirement
Cooper, Michael	06/05/08	Resignation
Davis, Janice	06/06/08	Retirement
Gulbrandsen, Patricia	06/06/08	Retirement
Helman, Patricia	06/06/08	Retirement
McGettrick-Kirkland, Peggy	06/06/08	Retirement
Neumann, Arthur	07/01/08	Retirement

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2. The Board approved the Classified Human Resources Actions.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CLASS/LOCATION/ ASSIGNED HOURS</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>COMMENTS/PRF #/ FUND/RESOURCE</u>
<b><u>APPOINTMENTS</u></b>			
ADAMS, MOLLY	INSTRUCTIONAL ASST/ CITRUS/1.0	3/25/2008	VACATED POSITION/118/ GRANT/6010
DECKER, TAMALA	SCHOOL BUS DRIVER-T2/ TRANSPORTATION/7.8	4/10/2008	VACATED POSITION/203/ TRANS SPECIAL ED/7240
DOLAN, ANDREW	CAFETERIA ASST/ EMMA WILSON/2.0	4/3/2008	VACATED POSITION/189/ NUTRITION/0000
DORGHALLI, RANIA	LT CAFETERIA ASST/ CITRUS/3.1	3/25/2008- 6/5/2008	VACATED POSITION/223/ NUTRITION/0000
FARMER, AFTEN	LT CAFETERIA ASST/ CJHS/1.5	3/27/2008- 6/5/2008	VACATED POSITION/181/ NUTRITION/0000
LOWREY, KAREN	CAFETERIA ASST/ PVHS/2.0	3/25/2008	VACATED POSITION/109/ NUTRITION/0000
RODGERS, ROBIN	INSTRUCTIONAL ASST/ ROSEDALE/2.5	3/25/2008	NEW POSITION/172/ GRANT/6010
SANDS, JEREMIAH	LT CAFETERIA ASST/ CJHS/1.5	3/25/2008- 6/5/2008	VACATED POSITION/182/ NUTRITION/0000
<b><u>INCREASE IN HOURS</u></b>			
CURLIN, EUGENIA	HEALTH CARE ASST-SPEC/ EDUCATION SERVICES/6.0	4/1/2008	VACATED POSITION/226/ SPECIAL ED/6501
<b><u>VOLUNTARY REDUCTION IN HOURS</u></b>			
ALEXANDER, JENNIFER	IA-SPECIAL ED/ AFC/5	3/26/2008	EXISTING POSITION/ SPECIAL ED/6010
<b><u>LEAVE OF ABSENCE</u></b>			
BAKER, CHRISTINA	CAFETERIA COOK-NSS/ COHASSET/6.0	4/26/2008- 5/8/2008	PER CBA 5.3.3
CLEMENT, NICOLE	IPS-CLASSROOM/ LOMA VISTA/2.0	4/16/2008- 5/27/2008	PER CBA 5.11
CLEMENT, NICOLE	IPS-HEALTHCARE/ LOMA VISTA/4.0	4/16/2008- 5/27/2008	PER CBA 5.11
<b><u>RESIGNED ONLY POSITION LISTED</u></b>			
CURLIN, EUGENIA	HEALTH CARE ASST-SPEC/ LOMA VISTA/5.0	3/31/2008	INCREASE IN HOURS
<b><u>RESIGNATION/TERMINATION</u></b>			
COOPER, BRENDA	SCHOOL BUS DRIVER-T2/ TRANSPORTATION/7.5	4/4/2008	VOLUNTARY RESIGNATION

D. BUSINESS SERVICES

1. The Board approved the Declaration of Surplus Property.
2. The Board approved the Bid Approval for Heater Replacement at the Bidwell Junior High School Gym.
3. The Board approved the Bid Approval for Reroofing of Units E&M at Chapman Elementary School.
4. The Board approved the Monthly Board Report on Average Daily Attendance.
5. The Board approved the Monthly Board Report on Enrollment.

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(Consent Vote)

AYES: Reed, Anderson, Thompson, Kaiser, Rees

NOES: None

7. **DISCUSSION/ACTION CALENDAR**

*ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION:*

Item 6.A.1 – At 7:30 p.m. Board Member Kaiser stated the minutes of the regular session on March 26, 2008, showed her as both present and absent from the same meeting. The minutes will be corrected to show she was present. A motion to approve was made by Board Vice President Anderson and seconded by Board Member Rees.

AYES: Reed, Anderson, Thompson, Kaiser, Rees

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Item 6.B.1 – At 7:35 p.m. Board Member Kaiser removed herself from voting. A motion to approve was made by Board Vice President Anderson and seconded by Board Clerk Lerner.

AYES: Reed, Anderson, Thompson, Rees

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Kaiser

ABSENT: None

A. **EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

1. **Information: BIGS in Schools**

Carolyn Adkisson shared information on the BIGS in Schools program. The school based mentoring program is a partnership with CUSD, Big Brothers and Big Sisters, and the Chico Chamber of Commerce. Members volunteer to meet one day per week with students. Claudia de la Torre, Principal, Sheri Zeno, teacher, Weldon Marston, volunteer, Cathy Barrett, Manager, Erin Guilbranson, teacher, Max Littlejohn, student, and Roy Ragstaedt, volunteer, all spoke about the success/meaningfulness of the program.

B. **BUSINESS SERVICES**

1. **Action: Consider Approval of Recommended Budget Reductions Recommendation**

At 7:55 p.m. President Reed thanked everyone for attending. President Reed read sections from a Butte County Office of Education letter regarding possible actions that could occur if the district does not make necessary budget adjustments. President Reed explained how the meeting was to proceed: the Superintendent would speak first; 30 minutes would be allowed for speakers to address sports items left off the reduction list presented at the April 9, 2008 Special Meeting; 30 minutes would be allowed for speakers to address solutions/suggestions; the Board would be allowed to discuss the Recommendation and then additional comments would be allowed. Speakers were reminded to fill out a card and told they would be allowed three minutes to speak.

At 8:04 p.m. Superintendent Staley reiterated the seriousness of the budget situation and presented the Budget Reductions Recommendation including the new proposal that rather than eliminating funding for specific sports, PVHS and CHS would each receive \$100,000 for sports and they would determine how it would be spent.

At 8:23 p.m. Sheila Vickers, the Fiscal Advisor from Butte County Office of Education, told the Board that approving these first reductions would be moving in the right direction to avoid a state takeover. She explained if the district has to resort to borrowing money from the state, the Board would lose control and the administrators would be replaced by a state official. Local control would not be completely regained for as long as 25 years.

Students, Coaches, parents and community members asked the Board not to cut sports, music and other programs. Residents of Forest Ranch and Cohasset asked to preserve their schools. CUTA President Young encouraged people to write their legislators.

At 9:20 p.m. Board Members assured the public that they all agreed with the speakers, and would keep all programs and schools in place if it were possible. But as sworn trustees, they have a higher responsibility to protect the district and its students by keeping it financially sound. Additional comments were heard from the public. At 10:40 p.m. Board Vice President Anderson made a motion, seconded by Board Member Kaiser to adopt the revised Budget Reductions Recommendation as presented tonight.

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AYES: Reed, Anderson, Thompson, Kaiser, Rees

NOES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

**8. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR**

A spectator encouraged people to look at the glass as half full. There was also a question regarding the savings for cutting the music program at grades 4-6. The savings would amount to \$151,200.

**9. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

CUTA President Young announced two upcoming rallies regarding the state budget the first one, "Focus on Higher Education", on May 5, at 2:00 p.m., at Butte College, and the second one on May 14, 3:30 p.m. in the downtown park.

Board Vice President Anderson stated that CSBA representatives will be at the capitol on May 17, 18, and 19 to talk with representatives from the state.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

At 10:46 p.m., President Reed adjourned the meeting.

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APPROVED:

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Board of Education

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Administration