



Regular Board of Education Meeting/Reunión ordinaria de la Junta de Educación

01/17/2024 06:00 PM

Open Session Begins at/La sesión abierta comienza a las 6PM (Closed Session Begins

at/la sesión cerrada comienza a las 5PM)

In-Person Attendance & Via Live Stream on YouTube/Asistencia en Persona y Transmisión

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Marigold School/Escuela Marigold , 2446 Marigold Ave., Chico, California 95926

MEETING MINUTES

Attendees

Voting Members

Caitlin Dalby, Board President (Serving At Large)

Tom Lando, Board Vice President - Trustee Area 4

Rebecca Konkin, Board Clerk - Trustee Area 1

Matt Tennis, Board Member (Serving At Large)

Non-Voting Members

Kelly Staley, Superintendent

Jaclyn Kruger, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

Jay Marchant, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services

John Shepherd, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources

Not Present During Meeting

Eileen Robinson, Board Member - Trustee Area 5 (*Arrived at Closed Session at 4:45 p.m. but had to leave unexpectedly at 5:05 p.m.*)

1. CALL TO ORDER

At 5:12 p.m. Board President Dalby called the Regular Board Meeting to order at Marigold School, Multipurpose Room, 2446 Marigold Avenue, Chico, CA and announced the Board was going into Closed Session.

1. Public Comment on Closed Session Items

There were no public comments on Closed Session Items.

2. CLOSED SESSION

1. Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation
2. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation
3. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation
4. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation
5. Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation
6. Update on Labor Negotiations

3. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION

1. Call to Order

At 6:05 p.m. Board President Dalby called the Board Meeting to order.

2. Report Action Taken in Closed Session

Board President Dalby stated the Board was in Closed Session. During Closed Session, the Board voted unanimously to ratify a settlement agreement to resolve a special education dispute against the District. Pursuant to the agreement, the District authorized educational assessments and services for an eligible special education student and agreed to reimburse a portion of parent's attorney fees. Under the express terms of the agreement, the Board's ratification of agreement does not constitute an admission of liability by the District.

(CD, TL, RK, MT)

3. Flag Salute

At 6:08 p.m. Board President Dalby led the salute to the flag.

4. STUDENT REPORTS

Little Chico Creek Elementary School's Principal Kristen Schrock introduced the kindergarten classes who performed songs about Martin Luther King, Jr.

5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND RECOGNITION

Little Chico Creek Elementary School's Principal Kristen Schrock presented the Superintendent's Award to Kindergarten Teacher Margie Werner. Little Chico Creek Elementary School's Assistant Principal Stephanie Cunniff presented the Superintendent's Award to Senior Custodian Matt Griffis.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

At 6:24 p.m. Board President Dalby asked if there were any announcements. Board President Dalby shared the League of Women Voters of Butte County appointed league observers and welcomed the league observers to the meeting.

7. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

At 6:25 p.m. Board President Dalby asked if there were any Items From the Floor. There were none.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

Board President Dalby asked if anyone would like to pull a Consent Item for further discussion. No items were pulled. A motion was made to approve the Consent Calendar.

Motion made by: Matt Tennis

Motion seconded by: Tom Lando

Voting:

Caitlin Dalby - Yes

Tom Lando - Yes

Rebecca Konkin - Yes

Eileen Robinson - Not Present

Matt Tennis – Yes

The motion passed (4-0).

1. GENERAL

1. The Board Approved the Minutes of Regular Board Meeting on 12/13/23
2. The Board Approved the Items Donated to the Chico Unified School District

2. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. The Board Approved the Expulsion of Students with the Following IDs: 96048, 98927
2. The Board Approved the Expulsion Clearance of Students with the Following IDs: 77851, 80349, 83034, 97717
3. The Board Approved the Chico Unified School District Monthly Enrollment Update
4. The Board Approved the Williams Uniform Quarterly Report
5. The Board Approved the Drafts of the School Accountability Report Cards (SARCs) for 2023-2024
6. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Neal Dow Elementary Fifth Grade Students to Participate in Shady Creek in Nevada City, CA From 5/13/24 – 5/17/24
7. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Music Students to Participate in a Rehearsal and Performance in Arcata, CA From 01/18/24 - 01/20/24
8. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Music Students to Participate in the Honor Band Event in Sacramento, CA From 1/31/24 – 2/4/24

9. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Theater Students to Compete and Participate at the Lenaea Theater Festival in Folsom, CA From 2/2/24 – 2/4/24
10. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Choir Students to Compete in International Championship in the Bay Area and Participate in the A Cappella Festival in Los Angeles, CA From 2/16/24 – 2/19/24
11. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Music Students to Attend and Observe Performances in Anaheim, CA From 4/3/24 – 4/5/24
12. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Patient Care Pathway Students to Compete and Volunteer in Anaheim, CA from 4/3/24 – 4/8/24
13. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School Band Students to Attend a Rehearsal and Performance in Arcata, CA From 1/18/24 - 1/20/24
14. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School AG Students to Attend a Leadership Conference in Redding, CA From 1/19/24 - 1/20/24
15. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School AG Students to Attend a Competition in Merced, CA from 3/8/24 - 3/10/24
16. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School AG Students to Attend a Competition in Modesto, CA From 3/15/24 - 3/16/24
17. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School Career and Technical Education (CTE) Patient Care Pathway Students to Attend a State Conference in Anaheim, CA From 4/3/24 - 4/8/24
18. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School AG Students to Attend a Competition in Reedley, CA From 4/12/24 - 4/13/24
19. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School AG Students to Attend a Competition in Fresno, CA From 4/19/24 - 4/20/24
20. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School AG Students to Attend a Competition in San Luis Obispo, CA From 5/3/24 - 5/5/24
21. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School Boys Golf Team to Attend a Competition in Clio, CA From 5/13/24 - 5/14/24
22. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School Boys Golf Team to Attend a Competition in Berkeley, CA From 5/19/24 - 5/20/24
23. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School Boys Golf Team to Attend a Competition in San Gabriel, CA From 5/27/24 - 5/29/24
3. BUSINESS SERVICES
 1. The Board Approved the Account Payable Warrants
 2. The Board Approved the Contracts
 3. The Board Approved the Notice of Completion – Shade Structure Project
4. HUMAN RESOURCES
 1. The Board Approved the Certificated Human Resources Actions
 2. The Board Approved the Classified Human Resources Actions

9. DISCUSSION/ACTION CALENDAR

1. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. **INFORMATIONAL: Recognition of the Reading Pals Chico Program and Award**
 At 6:27 p.m. Director Ted Sullivan introduced Michelle Curran who runs the Reading Pals Program and provided a program overview. Superintendent Kelly Staley thanked Rory and Michelle for starting the Reading Pals Program and all the program volunteers. Chico Unified School District and the Reading Pals Program were recently awarded one of the top three Golden Bell Awards at the California School Board Association's Annual Education Conference.

2. INFORMATIONAL: Review of California School Dashboard Results for Chico Unified

At 6:35 p.m. Director Tim Cariss shared the California School Dashboard (Dashboard) was implemented by the California Department of Education (CDE) in 2017. The Dashboard is one part of California's comprehensive accountability system for schools, districts, and county offices of education that reports performance and progress in 13 different areas (six state indicators and seven local indicators). Each area reflects the priorities of California's Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) and the metrics required by the federal Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). The Dashboard exists on a publicly accessible website that allows the public to view indicator performance for any school or district in the state. Dashboard goals, achievements and concerns were shared. Board President Dalby stated this is informational only and no action is required.

3. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Extended School Year (ESY)

At 7:16 p.m. Director Jennifer Skala shared that every summer Special Education Services must offer Extended School Year (ESY) to ensure students do not regress over the summer. The Board is requested to take action regarding the ability of Chico Unified School District to provide ESY (Extended School Year) services to identified students with disabilities utilizing a 15-day schedule of five hours of instruction per day, equaling 80 hours of ESY instruction. A motion was made for approval.

Motion made by: Tom Lando

Motion seconded by: Matt Tennis

Voting:

Caitlin Dalby - Yes

Tom Lando - Yes

Rebecca Konkin - Yes

Eileen Robinson - Not Present

Matt Tennis – Yes

The motion passed (4-0).

2. BUSINESS SERVICES

1. INFORMATIONAL: 2024-25 State Budget Update

At 7:19 p.m. Assistant Superintendent Jaclyn Kruger shared the budget cycle begins with the Governor providing their proposal in January prior to the next fiscal year beginning July 1. Then, the Governor will provide a budget update to their proposal in May referred to as the "May Revise". Ultimately, the state legislature and the Governor adopt the state budget on or before June 30, 2024. Board President Dalby stated information only and no action is required.

2. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Architect Selection for Facilities Master Plan (FMP) Projects

At 7:24 p.m. Director Julie Kistle shared November 6, 2023, the District issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for architectural services for Facilities Master Plan projects. The projects included: Citrus Elementary Modernization, Transitional Kindergarten at Emma Wilson, Little Chico Creek and Marigold Elementary Schools, New Construction at Rosedale, Chapman (and Interim Housing) and Parkview Elementary Schools.

Eight firms responded, and four architects were qualified by the selection panel: DLR Group, HMC (formerly Rainforth Grau Architects), Lionakis and Studio W. Staff recommended that the Board of Education direct the District to enter into negotiations for Architectural Services with Lionakis for the Citrus Elementary School Modernization project. As for the Transition Kindergarten projects, DLR Group is recommended for Emma Wilson, Studio W for Little Chico Creek, and HMC for Marigold. For the New Construction at Rosedale Elementary School, New Construction & Interim Housing at Chapman Elementary School and New Construction at Parkview Elementary School, the Committee recommends that all four firms be in the pool of Board approved architectural firms to submit proposals when the appropriate time arises. A motion was made to create a pool of architects and assign as recommended.

Motion made by: Tom Lando

Motion seconded by: Rebecca Konkin

Voting:

Caitlin Dalby - Yes

Tom Lando - Yes

Rebecca Konkin - Yes

Eileen Robinson - Not Present

Matt Tennis – Yes

The motion passed (4-0).

3. DISCUSSION/ACTION: 2022-23 Independent Financial Audit

At 7:30 p.m. Director Charise Bromley stated that an annual independent financial audit is required of all K-12 local educational agencies in California. Audits of the prior fiscal year must be filed with the California Department of Education, the State Controller's Office, and the local County Superintendent of Schools by December 15th each year. Chico Unified School District had one non-financial audit finding that dealt with internal controls. The district has already addressed the finding noted in the report and made the necessary changes to ensure compliance going forward. A motion was made to approve the 2022-23 Independent Financial Audit.

Motion made by: Matt Tennis

Motion seconded by: Tom Lando

Voting:

Caitlin Dalby - Yes

Tom Lando - Yes

Rebecca Konkin - Yes

Eileen Robinson - Not Present

Matt Tennis – Yes

The motion passed (4-0).

4. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Adoption of Resolution No. 1625-24 Regarding Accounting of Developer Fees for Fiscal Year 2022-23

At 7:32 p.m. Director Charise Bromley shared the District levied school facilities fees pursuant to various resolutions, the most recent of which is dated June 21, 2023. These resolutions were adopted under the authority of Education Code section 17620, in an amount authorized by Government Code section 65995. Government Code Section 66006(b) requires the District to make an annual accounting of the Developer Fee Fund for the prior school year and a fifth year reporting requirement. The Board of Education is requested to take action on Resolution No. 1625-24 regarding accounting of developer fees for the previous school year (2022-23).

A motion was made to adopt Resolution No. 1625-24 Regarding Accounting of Developer Fees for Fiscal Year 2022-23.

Motion made by: Matt Tennis

Motion seconded by: Rebecca Konkin

Voting:

Caitlin Dalby - Yes

Tom Lando - Yes

Rebecca Konkin - Yes

Eileen Robinson - Not Present

Matt Tennis – Yes

The motion passed (4-0).

3. HUMAN RESOURCES

1. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Resolution No. 1626-24, Release/Non-Reelection of Temporary (including "Probationary 0") Certificated Employees

Assistant Superintendent John Shepherd stated California Education Code section 44954(b) requires that the governing board notify a temporary employee, in a position requiring certification qualifications, of the decision to release/non-reelect the employee from such a position for the next succeeding school year. A motion was made to approve Resolution No. 1626-24.

Motion made by: Tom Lando

Motion seconded by: Matt Tennis

Voting:

Caitlin Dalby - Yes

Tom Lando - Yes

Rebecca Konkin - Yes

Eileen Robinson - Not Present

Matt Tennis – Yes

The motion passed (4-0).

2. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Approval of Personnel Commission Member for Three-Year Term

At 7:37 p.m. Assistant Superintendent John Shepherd explained the Chico Unified School District (CUSD) is a Merit System school district for our classified employees. CUSD operates under a three-person Personnel Commission. One member of the Personnel Commission is selected by California School Employees Association (CSEA) Chapter #110, another Personnel Commission member is selected by Chico Unified School District (CUSD), and the CSEA appointee and the CUSD appointee mutually select the third Personnel Commission member. Each Commissioner is appointed to a rotational three-year term whereby one member is appointed each year. CSEA Chapter #110 met and reappointed Beverly Patrick as their Personnel Commission appointee. Her current term expired December 2023.

Board action is required to appoint Beverly Patrick to another three-year term as the CSEA representative to the CUSD Personnel Commission. A motion was made to approve the appointment of Beverly Patrick to the Personnel Commission.

Motion made by: Tom Lando

Motion seconded by: Caitlin Dalby

Voting:

Caitlin Dalby - Yes

Tom Lando - Yes

Rebecca Konkin - Yes

Eileen Robinson - Not Present

Matt Tennis – Yes

The motion passed (4-0).

4. BOARD

1. INFORMATIONAL: First Reading of Revised/Updated/New Board Policies

At 7:38 p.m. Superintendent Kelly Staley stated this is the first reading and the Board Policies will be brought forward at a future meeting for discussion/action. Assistant Superintendent Jay Marchant explained recommended changes to Board Policy 1250 - Visitors, which will be brought forward at the next Board Meeting.

The initial updated draft of Board Policy 5145.9 - Hate Motivated Behavior was brought forward as an informational item. Staff are continuing to collaborate on developing the language and an accompanying Administrative Regulation. This Board Policy will come forward at a future meeting; Board and community feedback was encouraged.

2. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Potential Addition of at Least One Non-Voting Student Advisory Member to the Board Meetings

Agenda Item 9.4.2. was pulled from the agenda and will be discussed at the February Board Meeting. No discussion or action was taken on this item.

10. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

At 7:52 p.m. Board President Dalby stated there are no Items from the Floor.

11. BOARD MEMBER REQUEST TO AGENDIZE ITEM

Board President Dalby stated there were no requests to agendize an item.

12. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:53 p.m. Board President Dalby adjourned the meeting.

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Board Clerk



Superintendent