



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

03/13/2024 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
Eileen Robinson, Board Member - Trustee Area 5
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

1. CALL TO ORDER

At 5:00 p.m. Board President Dalby called the Regular Board Meeting to order at Marigold School Multi-Purpose Room, 2446 Marigold Avenue, Chico, 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. *Update on Labor Negotiations*

3. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION

1. Call to Order

At 6:00 p.m. Board President Dalby called the meeting back to order and announced the Board had been in Closed Session.

2. Report Action Taken in Closed Session

Board President Dalby stated no action was taken in Closed Session.

3. Flag Salute

At 6:01 p.m. Board President Dalby led the salute to the flag.

4. STUDENT REPORTS

At 6:02 p.m. Principal Courtney Connelly introduced the Emma Wilson Elementary School second-graders and shared that the school was a certified kindness school. The students sang two songs.

5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND RECOGNITION

At 6:10 p.m. Chapman Elementary School's Principal Cristi Tellechea presented the Superintendent's Award to custodian Jeff Thomas. Parkview Elementary School's Principal Heather Sufuentes, presented the Superintendent's Award to Lynnette Ford.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

At 6:20 p.m. Board President Dalby asked if there were any announcements. There were none.

7. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

Board President Dalby asked if there were any items from the floor. There were none.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

At 6:22 p.m. 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 - Yes

Matt Tennis – Yes

The motion passed (5-0).

1. GENERAL

1. The Board Approved the Minutes of Regular Board Meeting on 2/21/24
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: 75272, 84355, 88461, 90215, 99457, 100965
2. The Board Approved the Expulsion Clearance of Students with the Following IDs: 75561
3. The Board Approved the Chico Unified School District Monthly Enrollment Update
4. The Board Approved the Joint Field Trip Request for Emma Wilson Elementary and Shasta Elementary Schools to Attend Shady Creek Environmental Camp 4/22/24 - 4/25/24
5. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Softball to Attend a Tournament in Monterey, CA from 3/15/24 - 3/16/24
6. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Students to Attend the Educational Talent Search in Fresno, CA from 4/2/24 - 4/3/24
7. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Softball to Attend a Tournament in Reno, NV from 4/5/24 - 4/6/24
8. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Chico High School Softball to Attend a Tournament in Susanville, CA from 4/26/24 - 4/27/24
9. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School Educational Talent Search Students to Attend College Tours at UC Merced, Fresno State, and Sacramento State from 4/2/24 - 4/3/24
10. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School House of BLUE to Attend the Skills USA Conference in Ontario, CA from 4/4/24 to 4/7/24
11. The Board Approved the Field Trip Request for Pleasant Valley High School Cheer to Attend a Cheer Camp in Rocklin, CA from 7/22/24 - 7/25/24

12. The Board Approved the Textbook Request for New World Language French Textbook for Pleasant Valley and Chico High Schools Titled "Entrecultures I" and "Entrecultures II"
13. The Board Approved the Textbook Request for New World Language Spanish Textbooks for Secondary Schools Titled "Entreculturas I," "Entreculturas II," "Triangulo A Preciado" and "Azulejo"
3. BUSINESS SERVICES
 1. The Board Approved the Account Payable Warrants
 2. The Board Approved the Contracts
 3. The Board Approved the 2022-23 Measure E & Measure K General Obligation Bond Audit
 4. The Board Approved the Measure E and K Bond Oversight Committee Annual Reports for 2022-2023
 5. The Board Approved the 2024-25 Transportation Services Plan
 6. The Board Approved the Charter Schools Measure K Committee Members
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. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Potential For Adding a Chico Unified School District Student Board Member

At 6:24 p.m. Director Pedro Caldera shared the history of student board members within Chico Unified School District, legal aspects and student school board member rights. The Board discussed ways to get more student input and representation at the Board Meetings.

A motion was made to request a report from the two scheduled LCAP student input meetings provided in the form of a summary by staff facilitators. Board President Dalby requested a friendly amendment to add an additional student input meeting (so there would be one in the fall, winter and early spring). The friendly amendment was accepted.

The amended motion on the floor is to direct staff to provide the Board with a summary report from the two scheduled LCAP student input meetings and one additional student meeting (for a total of three student input meetings per year) within four weeks of holding the student meetings.

Motion made by: Eileen Robinson

Motion seconded by: Caitlin Dalby

Voting:

Caitlin Dalby - Yes

Tom Lando - Yes

Rebecca Konkin - Yes

Eileen Robinson - Yes

Matt Tennis – No

The motion passed (4-1).

Board President Dalby clarified the Board would receive a combined cumulative report from all the various student group meetings (three reports total).

Board Vice President Lando moved to direct staff to create more than one sample of

a job description for a student board member to then forward on to leadership and government teachers at the secondary sites; seconded by Dalby. Board Vice President Lando amended the motion to change it to "a sample."

The amended motion on the floor is to direct staff to create a sample job description for a student board member to then forward on to leadership and government teachers at the secondary sites.

Motion made by: Tom Lando

Motion seconded by: Caitlin Dalby

Vote:

Caitlin Dalby - Yes

Tom Lando - Yes

Rebecca Konkin - No

Eileen Robinson - No

Matt Tennis - No

The motion failed (2-3).

2. INFORMATIONAL: Update on the Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) in Chico Unified School District

At 7:43 p.m. Director Tina Keene and Coordinator Christi Bangsund provided an overview of the Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS).

At 7:53 p.m. Board Clerk Konkin left the room.

Board President Dalby stated this was an informational item only and no action was required.

2. BUSINESS SERVICES

1. DISCUSSION/ACTION/PUBLIC HEARING: Resolution No. 1635-24, Acceptance of the Use of State Construction Grant Funding to Construct New Facilities at Pleasant Valley High School

At 7:56 p.m. Director Julie Kistle provided background information and stated the Resolution would allow the use of approximately 110 K-6 pupil grants for new construction funding for the construction of Cafeteria/Multi Use on Pleasant Valley High School and approval of the housing plan to house 110 K-6 pupils and transfer new construction grants from the elementary school level (K-6) to the high school level (9-12) to build the additional facilities on Pleasant Valley High School.

At 7:59 p.m. Board President Dalby opened the Public Hearing.

There were no public comments.

At 8:00 p.m. Board President Dalby closed the Public Hearing.

A motion was made to approve Resolution No. 1635-24.

Motion made by: Eileen Robinson

Motion seconded by: Tom Lando

Voting:

Caitlin Dalby - Yes

Tom Lando - Yes

Rebecca Konkin - Not Present
Eileen Robinson - Yes
Matt Tennis – Yes

The motion passed (4-0).

2. DISCUSSION/ACTION/PUBLIC HEARING: Resolution No. 1636-24, Acceptance of the Use of State Construction Grant Funding to Construct New Classrooms at Pleasant Valley High School

At 8:01 p.m. Director Julie Kistle explained the resolution would allow the use of approximately 27 K-6 pupil grants for new construction funding for the construction of additional classrooms on Pleasant Valley High School and approval of the housing plan to house 27 K-6 pupils and transfer new construction grants from the elementary school level (K-6) to the high school level (9-12) to build the additional classrooms on Pleasant Valley High School.

At 8:02 p.m. Board President Dalby opened the Public Hearing.

There were no public comments.

At 8:03 p.m. Board President Dalby closed the Public Hearing.

A motion was made to approve Resolution No. 1636-24.

Motion made by: Tom Lando

Motion seconded by: Eileen Robinson

Voting:

Caitlin Dalby - Yes
Tom Lando - Yes
Rebecca Konkin - Not Present
Eileen Robinson - Yes
Matt Tennis – Yes

The motion passed (4-0).

3. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Resolution 1633-24, Interfund Borrowing Between Funds

At 8:03 p.m. Director Charise Bromley explained that at this point in time, the district does not anticipate the need to interfund borrow for the Child Development Fund and/or the Cafeteria Fund. However, should the need arise to maintain a positive cash balance in either Fund, the money will be borrowed from the General Fund.

If Interfund Borrowing is necessary, the General Fund (Fund 01) will be paid interest for the days when cash is temporarily borrowed.

At 8:04 p.m. Board Clerk Konkin returned to the meeting.

A motion was made to approve Resolution No. 1633-24.

Motion made by: Matt Tennis

Motion seconded by: Eileen Robinson

Voting:

Caitlin Dalby - Yes
Tom Lando - Yes
Rebecca Konkin - Abstain

Eileen Robinson - Yes
Matt Tennis – Yes

The motion passed (4-0).

4. DISCUSSION/ACTION: 2nd Interim Budget

At 8:05 p.m. Director Marie Hartman provided an overview of the second interim budget. The 2023-24 2nd Interim Budget estimates a negative change in fund balance of (\$617,583) for unrestricted programs and a negative change of (\$10,771,979) in restricted programs. The large negative change in restricted fund balance is largely due to one-time dollars received in prior years, which will be spent in the current year.

Chico Unified School District's ending fund balance in the General Fund for both unrestricted and restricted programs is projected to be \$65,442,954 as of June 30, 2024. The unrestricted ending balance is estimated to be \$43,615,053 and the restricted ending fund balance is estimated to be \$21,827,901.

The Multi-Year Projection (MYP) currently shows the district will meet its economic reserve requirement in the current and subsequent two years. The 2023-24 2nd Interim Budget meets the definition of a "Positive" certification. A motion was made to accept the 2nd Interim financial report.

Motion made by: Matt Tennis

Motion seconded by: Tom Lando

Voting:

Caitlin Dalby - Yes
Tom Lando - Yes
Rebecca Konkin - Yes
Eileen Robinson - Yes
Matt Tennis – Yes

The motion passed (5-0).

3. HUMAN RESOURCES

1. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Resolution No. 1634-24, Elimination of Classified Staff Due to Lack of Work or Lack of Funds

At 8:21 p.m. Executive Director Human Resources Mike Allen explained 12 position are being brought forward for elimination and six are currently filled with people. The following positions are being brought forward for consideration: Behavior Specialist (Position No. 414034 and FTE 0.9375), Behavior Specialist (Position No. 414035 and FTE 0.9375), IA-Computers (Position No. 407132 and FTE 0.6250), IA-Computers (Position No. 414200 and FTE 0.3500), IA-Computers (Position No. 413764 and FTE 0.5000), IA-Computers (Position No. 412938 and FTE 0.5000), IA-Computers (Position No. 413149 and FTE 0.5000), IA-Computers (Position No. 413148 and FTE 0.5000), IA-Computers (Position No. 412937 and FTE 0.5000), IA-Computers (Position No. 414484 and FTE 0.5000), IA-Computers (Position No. 412940 and FTE 0.5000), Instructional Paraprofessional (Position No. 219266 and FTE 0.4375).

Board President Dalby opened the floor to public comment. Two speakers spoke in support of retaining the Behavior Specialist positions for a total of six minutes.

The Board discussed the Behavior Specialist positions. At 8:54 p.m. Board President Dalby opened the floor to additional speakers. Four speakers spoke for a total of 12 minutes in support of retaining the Behavior Specialist positions.

A motion was made to strike the Behavior Specialist Positions Number 414034 and 414035 from Resolution No. 1634-24 and to approve the elimination of the remaining ten classification positions listed in the Resolution.

Motion made by: Eileen Robinson

Motion seconded by: Caitlin Dalby

Voting:

Caitlin Dalby - Yes

Tom Lando - Yes

Rebecca Konkin - Yes

Eileen Robinson - Yes

Matt Tennis – No

The motion passed (4-1).

Board President Dalby stated the resolution passed with the Behavior Specialists struck from the layoff list.

2. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Resolution No. 1637-24, Non-Reelection of Probationary Certificated Employees

At 9:19 p.m. Assistant Superintendent John Shepherd shared California Education Code section 44929.21(b) provides that a certificated employee shall be notified, on or before March 15 of the employee's second complete consecutive school year of probationary employment, of the decision to reelect or not reelect the employee for the next succeeding school year. Three employees were brought forward for consideration. A motion was made to approve Resolution No. 1637-24.

Motion made by: Matt Tennis

Motion seconded by: Eileen Robinson

Voting:

Caitlin Dalby - Yes

Tom Lando - Yes

Rebecca Konkin - Yes

Eileen Robinson - Yes

Matt Tennis – Yes

The motion passed (5-0).

4. BOARD

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

At 9:21 p.m. Superintendent Kelly Staley explained the policies are being brought forward for a first reading and will return for discussion/action at the April 3, 2024, Board Meeting.

10. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

At 9:23 p.m. Board President Dalby asked if there were any Items From the Floor. There were none.

11. BOARD MEMBER REQUEST TO AGENDIZE ITEM

1. DISCUSSION/ACTION: Board Member Request to Agendize a Discussion Regarding Limitations on Cell Phones at School

At 9:24 p.m. Board Member Tennis provided the rationale to introduce a future agenda item discussing potential limitations on cell phone use at school. A motion was made to add the discussion on a future agenda as a discussion/action item.

Motion made by: Matt Tennis

Motion seconded by: Rebecca Konkin

Voting:

Caitlin Dalby - Yes

Tom Lando - Yes

Rebecca Konkin - Yes

Eileen Robinson - Yes

Matt Tennis – Yes

The motion passed (5-0).

The Board provided additional clarification regarding the desire to hear potential fiscal implications, potential processes and considerations for potentially a classroom, school or district-wide policy.

12. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:29 p.m. Board President Dalby adjourned the meeting.

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Board Clerk



Superintendent