

# COLUSA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

745 Tenth Street  
Colusa, CA 95932

## UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

November 29, 2010

6:00 P.M. Open Session with Closed Session to Follow

- 6:08 P.M. CALL TO ORDER The regular meeting of the Colusa Unified School District Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:08 p.m. in the District Office Conference Room by Board Clerk Don Bransford, and established a quorum was present. Attending were Don Bransford, Lincoln Forry, Terry Bressler, and Cindy Steidlmayer. Board President Charles Yerxa arrived at 6:10 p.m. Also in attendance were Larry Yeghoian, District Superintendent; School Administrators Dave Tarr, Jody Johnston and Dave McGrath; Business Manager Sheryl Bailey; staff members, parents and students.
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Mackenzie Bressler led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- HEARING OF THE PUBLIC None
- STUDENT'S REPORT CHS leadership advisor, Bob Kirkman, Jr. reported on activities that were taking place at Colusa High School. He said he was giving the report because the 2 student representatives to the board were not available. The activities he reported on included upcoming basketball games, the Snowball dance and senior projects.
- PRESIDENT'S REPORT President Yerxa apologized for being late to the meeting. He said he arrived home from the East Coast at 1 a.m. and mistakenly thought the meeting was scheduled for Tuesday.
- BOARD OF TRUSTEE TIME Cindy Steidlmayer commented that since this is the time of year everyone shows their gratitude for things she wanted everyone to know she was grateful to be able to work with such a good Board and staff at Colusa Unified.
- CHS VISITATION The Board set January 12, 2011 from 8:00 – 12:30, as their visitation date for Colusa High School.
- SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT Superintendent Yeghoian informed the board of a rental agreement the District has entered into with United Parcel Service. UPS will be using the Bagworks building as a transfer station for trucks serving this area. The rental agreement has been reviewed by Bob Thurbon, CUSD attorney, and all liabilities and responsibilities have been satisfied. CUSD will receive \$450 per month rent which will be used to repair windows and clean up the building.  
In his Report of the District Superintendent Mr. Yeghoian provided a chart that shows monthly growth or decline of enrollment at each school and a running year-to-date change. He stated the significant enrollment increase this month (+42) came from re-designating 40 Special Education students from Special Day Class (SDC) to the Resource Specialist Program (RSP), resulting in the ADA funding coming directly to the district versus going directly to the SELPA. He said this move will result in less revenue to the SELPA and in turn a higher excess cost bill to districts. Due to the SELPA funding model and high number of SDC students in CUSD, the overall cost from CUSD to the SELPA will be lower. Board members had questions regarding this and a discussion was held. Mr. Bransford asked to have Mr. Yeghoian, at a future meeting and after the students have had their I.E.P.'s completed, provide more detailed information as to what is happening with the students who have moved from SDC into RSP.

BURCHFIELD PRIMARY  
SCHOOL REPORT

Burchfield Primary School Principal Dave Tarr started his BPS report by pointing out the conference room bulletin board that was decorated by art work from Mrs. Decker's 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students. He then introduced CHS ag. student Mackenzie Bressler who presented a power point of her corn maze and pumpkin patch project. She stated Burchfield students enjoyed the corn maze and walking through the pumpkin patch to pick out pumpkins to take home.

Mr. Tarr gave the Board a handout which included an overview of the State test scores for Burchfield and strategies to raise scores. He also included Burchfield's Action Team goals for 2010-11. He emphasized the fact that his Action Team's primary focus is to increase student performance.

CEA REP'S REPORT

None

CSEA REP'S REPORT

Rosemary Hicks reported CSEA members are having a chapter meeting this month.

ACTION #101112

Motion was made by Terry Bressler, seconded by Don Bransford to approve the 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade English Language Arts adoption of the Holt Literature and Language Arts series, 2010.

Vote: Unanimous

CONSENT AGENDA:  
ACTION ITEM #101113

Motion was made by Cindy Steidlmayer, seconded by Lincoln Forry to approve the Consent Agenda without exception.

Consent Agenda: Regular and Customary Business Items:

- a. Minutes of September 21, 2010 Regular Board Meeting
- b. Minutes of October 14, 2010 Special Board Meeting - EMS visit
- c. Minutes of October 19, 2010 Regular Board Meeting
- d. November Payroll
- e. November Warrants: Batch #16 - 20
- f. November Financial Statements
- g. Personnel Assignment Order #2010/11.04
- h. Approve 1<sup>st</sup> Interim Report 2010-11
- i. Approve 2010-11 General Fund Budget Revision
- j. Adopt Resolution #2010-11.05 Agreement Between CUSD and CCOE to Operate a County Community School
- k. Adopt Resolution #2010-11.06 Agreement Between CUSD and CCOE to Operate an Opportunity Classroom
- l. Approve Surplus Equipment - CHS Textbooks

Vote: Unanimous

HEARING OF PUBLIC FOR  
MATTERS ON CLOSED  
SESSION AGENDA

None

ADJOURN TO CLOSED  
SESSION

The Board adjourned to closed session at 6:45 p.m. to consider and/or take action upon any of the following items:

1. Student Matters:
  - a. Interdistrict Transfer Agreements
  - b. Out-of-School Suspensions

- c. Approve AHP Recommendation for Expulsion Case #2010-11.01
- 2. Personnel Matters:
  - a. Public Employee – New Hires 2010/2011
  - b. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release
  - c. Public Employee Leave Request
- 3. Negotiations:
  - a. Instruction to District Negotiators (Executive Session of School Board and its designated representatives for the purpose of discussing its position regarding matters within the scope of representation and instructing its designated representatives.)

RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION      The Board reconvened from Closed Session at 8:05 P.M. Board President Charles Yerxa reported out the Board reviewed the Out of School Suspensions, the Inter-district Transfer Agreements and the Employee Leave Request.

ACTION ITEM #101114      Motion was made by Don Bransford, seconded by Cindy Steidlmayer to approve the Interdistrict Transfer Agreements.

Vote: Unanimous

ACTION ITEM #101115      Motion was made by Terry Bressler, seconded by Lincoln Forry to approve the AHP recommendation for Expulsion Case #2010-11.01.

Vote: Unanimous

ADJOURNMENT      The meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Submitted by Mary Lyttle  
Executive Administrative Assistant

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APPROVED BY:

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