

# **COLUSA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

745 Tenth Street  
Colusa, CA 95932

## **UNOFFICIAL MINUTES**

### **Board of Trustees Regular Meeting**

January 18, 2011

4:30 P.M. – 6:00 P.M. Board – Management Team Workshop

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

4:30 P.M.  
BOARD/MANAGEMENT  
TEAM WORKSHOP

Board Clerk Lincoln Forry opened the Board/Management Team Workshop at 4:30 p.m. Board members present were Cindy Steidlmayer, Terry Bressler, Charles Yerxa, and Lincoln Forry. Don Bransford was absent. Action Team members present were Dave McGrath, Dave Tarr, Jody Johnston, Kathy Aplanalp, Sheryl Bailey, Shannon Laux, Lori Tanner, Rosa Bautista, Barbara Hankins, Mary Lyttle, Mike West and Larry Yeghoian.

The purpose of this workshop was for the Action Teams to report on the continuing progress of goals focused at school sites that were set in June, 2010 at the Board/Management Team Workshop. The Chairperson/Principal of each team brought the Board up to date on their team's development. The teams will meet again in April to update action plans. Mary Camezon, educational consultant for school improvement, addressed the Board. She informed them of her role in working with Burchfield Primary School and Egling Middle School to help improve test scores. The workshop concluded at 5:30 p.m.

6:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER

The regular board meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. in the District Office Conference Room by Board Clerk Lincoln Forry, and established a quorum was present. Attending were Lincoln Forry, Terry Bressler, Charles Yerxa and Cindy Steidlmayer; Don Bransford was absent. Also in attendance were Larry Yeghoian, District Superintendent; School Administrators Dave Tarr, Jody Johnston and Dave McGrath; Business Manager Sheryl Bailey; and staff members.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Kathy Aplanalp led the Pledge of Allegiance.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

None

STUDENT'S REPORT

Katelyn Mena reported on basketball homecoming week at CHS. She stated the homecoming theme was "Diamonds Are Forever" and that they were celebrating 100 years of having the Redskins mascot.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Lincoln Forry thanked Mary Lyttle for the pizza served during the break between the Action Team Workshop and Board Meeting. He stated the CHS site visit went well. He enjoyed the student input and said students had very positive things to say about their school.

BOARD OF TRUSTEE TIME

- Cindy Steidlmayer agreed with Lincoln Forry regarding his comment on the CHS visitation. She said she had a positive feeling when she left CHS and thought the students were very enthusiastic when they spoke about their school.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Mr. Yeghoian asked Mr. McGrath, Principal of Colusa Alternative High School to present a report on his school. He informed the Board there were 26 students enrolled at the CAHS. He also reported students were focusing on Career Awareness, Community Service projects and completing their individual learning plan development.
- In his Report of the District Superintendent Mr. Yeghoian informed the Board of new laws that affect education in 2011. **AB2444** addressed **Interdistrict Attendance** which states once a student has an Interdistrict Agreement on file at a school, they do not have to reapply throughout their stay at that school. The bill also prohibits a school district from rescinding transfer permits for pupils entering grades 11 or 12. **SB1413 Schools: Pupil Nutrition: Availability of Tap Water**, which requires all school students to provide free, fresh water to students during meal times in the school's food service areas. **Proposition 25** which allows the Legislature to pass a State Budget with a majority vote instead of the previously required two-thirds vote.
- District Enrollment currently shows a drop in enrollment of 6 students from 1 year ago.
- Mr. Yeghoian reported he and Sheryl Bailey recently attended the Governor's Budget Proposal seminar in Sacramento. He stated the Governor's Proposal is the first step in the district's budget-development process. Usually our next piece of planning information comes in mid-May with the Governor's May Revision, but with the Governor proposing a special election in June we may have to wait until mid-June to learn a significant piece about the budget. Some highlights of the budget proposal are: The Governor proposes the same level of funding as was provided to schools in 2010-11. The proposal eliminates the deficit by cutting expenditures by 12.5 billion, passing a tax package in June that continues the "temporary" sales tax and vehicle license fees, and increases the prior-year funding deferrals to approximately 45% of the state's share of revenue limit apportionments. If the tax ballot is approved, but fails in June, the district could see a budget decrease of \$330 per ADA in 2011-12. Good news is that the Governor proposes an extension of categorical flexibility for an additional two years.

CEA REP'S REPORT

Pam Giuliano apologized for there being no CEA representative at the last two Board meetings. She knows that its important teachers are present at the meetings. She commented that the new tax law to be voted on in June must pass due to the impending \$330 per student in cuts from the district's budget.

CSEA REP'S REPORT

Mr. Yeghoian said CSEA President Rosemary Hicks called him to say she was unable to make the meeting tonight. She wants the Board to know CSEA would like to work together with the Board in these tough budget times.

CONSENT AGENDA:  
ACTION ITEM #101120

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

Consent Agenda: Regular and Customary Business Items:

- a. Minutes of December 14, 2010 Regular Board Meeting

- b. January Payroll
- c. January Warrants: Batch #23 - 25
- d. January Financial Statements
- e. Personnel Assignment Order #2010/2011.06
- f. Approve 2010-11 General Fund Budget Revision
- g. Approve 2010-11 Consolidated Application Part II
- h. Approve Burchfield Primary School Single Plan for Student Achievement – February 1, 2011 – January 31, 2012
- i. Approve Egling Middle School Single Plan for Student Achievement – February 1, 2011 – January 31, 2012
- j. Approve Colusa High School Single Plan for Student Achievement – February 1, 2011 – January 31, 2012
- k. Adopt Resolution #2010-11.07 Signatures of the Members of the Board
- l. Williams Complaint Quarterly Report for October 1, 2010 through December 30, 2010
- m. Approve 2010-11 CIF Representatives to the League

Vote: Ayes – 4

Noes – 0

Absent – 1 (Bransford)

HEARING OF PUBLIC FOR  
MATTERS ON CLOSED  
SESSION AGENDA

None

ADJOURN TO CLOSED  
SESSION

The Board adjourned to closed session at 6:20 p.m. to consider and/or take action upon any of the following items:

- 1. Student Matters:
  - a. Out of School Suspensions
  - b. Approve Recommendation for Expulsion Case #EH 2010-11.02
- 2. Personnel Matters:
  - a. Public Employee – New Hires 2010/2011
  - b. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release
  - c. Public Employee Resignation
- 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 7:25 p.m. Board Clerk Lincoln Forry reported out the Board reviewed the Out of School Suspensions and the Expulsion Recommendation.

ACTION ITEM #101121

Motion was made by Terry Bressler, seconded by Cindy Steidlmayer to approve the action taken by the Administration Hearing Panel regarding Expulsion Case #EH 2010-11.02.

Vote: Ayes – 4

Noes – 0

Absent – 1 (Bransford)

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Mary Lyttle, Executive Administrative Assistant

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APPROVED BY:

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