

# COLUSA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

745 Tenth Street  
Colusa, CA 95932

## OFFICIAL MINUTES Board of Trustees Board Meeting

February 9, 2016

- CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room by Board President Kelli Griffith-Garcia, who established a quorum was present. Attending were Charles Yerxa, Terry Bressler, Lincoln Forry and Kathie Whitesell. Also in attendance was Superintendent Dwayne Newman, staff and community members.
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Ann Kalisuch led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- STUDENT REPORT Ann Kalisuch reported on upcoming CHS events.
- HEARING OF THE PUBLIC FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA No information was presented.
- HEARING OF THE PUBLIC FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA No information was presented
- RECOGNITIONS & CELEBRATIONS Mr. Brown recognized Dan Kiely for his many years of dedication to the athletes of CHS. Mrs. Toth recognized the BPS Paraeducators for their hard work and efforts.
- PRESIDENT'S REPORT  
CRAF – None.  
FOM – Terry Bressler reported that Mr. Phenecie and the CHS students made it back safely from Carnegie Hall.  
FOA – Kelli Griffith-Garica reported that students are preparing for the Colusa County Fair.  
SELPA – Kathie Whitesell & Terry Bressler – None.  
Grounds – Lincoln Forry reported that continued progress is being made with the Ag Barn.  
  
Site Visits – Zeba Hone will work with the Board to set up a date for the site visits.
- SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT IMPROVING ACHIEVEMENT
- LCAP Recommendations from the Board – Mr. Newman asked the Board if they have anything other than what CUSD is currently focusing on that needs to be addressed. Mr. Bressler asked to see a demonstration on the new smart boards that are currently on the market.
  - Staffing Recommendations for 2016-17 – Mr. Newman presented a staffing proposal for the upcoming school year.
  - Teacher Recruiting Update – Mr. Newman provided information on the status of our current openings.
  - CA Healthy Kids Survey – CUSD students participated in a statewide survey where they self-reported on various aspects of their education. Mr. Newman reviewed the results of the survey.

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- Memorandum of Understanding with CCOE Regarding CTE Incentive Grant - Mr. Newman signed an MOU with CCOE to allow the county to do work with middle school kids on career exploration.
- Summer School – There will not be a K-6 Summer School this year due to the modernization projects that will be taking place. There will be a credit recovery program for grades 7-12.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT  
MANAGEMENT**

- Bond Project Update – An update was provided on the bond progress. Mr. Newman asked the board to do an informal poll of the community to gauge how residents felt about another bond measure on the ballot for 2016. The board does not feel as though the community is ready for another bond measure on the ballot this year.
- Developer Fee Update – Mr. Newman reported that the new developer fee rates have increased, but not enough to justify the study required to implement the rate increase. The board was comfortable with waiting until the rates were increased enough to make the study worthwhile.
- SB277 –Mr. Newman provided information on SB277. This law eliminates the personal belief exemption for parents who wish their children to attend public school without having received the state required vaccinations. School Nurse, Barbara Hankins, and Superintendent Newman expressed support for the goals and intent of SB277.
- Possible Change to SELPA Funding Formula – Mr. Neman provided information on the cost for SELPA services. He presented the plan for a new funding formula that will allow for a more fair distribution of excess costs among the participating SELPA districts.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT  
BUDGET**

Enrollment – Enrollment continues to be steady.

**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

Clair Toth and Ellen Cenami presented information on how the Paraeducators at BPS support student achievement. Mrs. Toth recognized the Paraeducators for the dedication and contributions to the students of CUSD.

**CSEA REPORT**

Nick Schantz reported that a ratification meeting occurred and two of three items were approved. Another meeting is scheduled.

**CEA REPORT**

Bobbi Weiglein stated that CEA is working on finalizing language to be ratified on. They are looking forward for all that is to come.

**INFORMATION/DISCUSSION/  
POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS  
ACTION ITEM #1516122**

Motion was made by Terry Bressler, seconded by Lincoln Forry to approve Resolution #2015-16.05 – Adopting Compatibility, Uniformity, & Standardization for Analog Addressable, Fire Alarm, with Emergency Voice System.

Whitesell – Aye  
Yerxa – Aye  
Griffith-Garcia – Aye

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Bressler – Aye  
Forry – Aye

Vote: (Unanimous)

ACTION ITEM #1516123

Motion was made by Charles Yerxa, seconded by Terry Bressler to approve a stipend for the CHS Counselor for one year in the amount of \$1431.00.

Whitesell – Aye  
Yerxa – Aye  
Griffith-Garcia – Aye  
Bressler – Aye  
Forry – Aye

Vote: (Unanimous)

ACTION ITEM #1516124

Motion was made by Kathie Whitesell, seconded by Terry Bressler to approve the purchase of a short bed, 2 wheel drive Ag Truck with a rear view camera not to exceed the purchase price of \$35,000.

Whitesell – Aye  
Yerxa – Aye  
Griffith-Garcia – Aye  
Bressler – Aye  
Forry – Nay

Vote: (4 Ayes, 1 Nay)

ACTION ITEM #1516125

Motion was made by Terry Bressler, seconded by Kathie Whitesell to approve the First Reading of Board Policies and Administrative Regulations as listed on the agenda.

Whitesell – Aye  
Yerxa – Aye  
Griffith-Garcia – Aye  
Bressler – Aye  
Forry – Aye

Vote: (Unanimous)

ACTION ITEM #1516126

Motion was made by Terry Bressler, seconded Lincoln Forry to approve the Warrants: Batch #25-28.

Whitesell – Abstain  
Yerxa – Aye  
Griffith-Garcia – Aye  
Bressler – Aye  
Forry – Ayes

Vote: (4 Ayes, 1 Abstain)

ACTION ITEM #1516127

Motion was made by Charles Yerxa, seconded by Kathie Whitesell to approve the following consent agenda items with the exception items c, d, e, and f:

- a. January 12, 2016 Meeting Minutes
- b. January 29, 2016 Special Meeting Minutes
- c. 2015-16 CSEA Tentative Agreement
- d. 2015-16 CSEA Salary Schedule
- e. CSEA Job Description for Administrative Assistants
- f. 2015-16 AB1200 Public Disclosure of Collective Bargaining Agreement for CSEA
- g. 2015-16 2<sup>nd</sup> Interim Report
- h. General Fund 01 Revision
- i. Surplus Equipment – School Bus
- j. Personnel Assignment Order #2015-2016 #8
- k. January Payroll
- l. ASB Financial Statement

Whitesell – Aye  
 Yerxa – Aye  
 Griffith-Garcia – Aye  
 Bressler – Aye  
 Forry – Aye

Vote: (Unanimous)

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC FOR  
MATTER ON CLOSED SESSION  
AGENDA

None.

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 7:49 PM to consider and/or take action upon any of the following items:

1. Student Matters:

- a. Out of School Suspensions
- b. Inter-District Transfers

2. Personnel Matters:

- a. Public Employment
  - 1. 2015-2016 New Hires
- b. Public Employee Discipline/ Dismissal/Release/Resignations
  - 1. Resignations

3. Negotiations

Instructions 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).*

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The Board reconvened from Closed Session at 8:15 PM. Board President, Kelli Griffith-Garcia reported out that the Board reviewed the Out of School Suspensions and Inter-District Transfers.

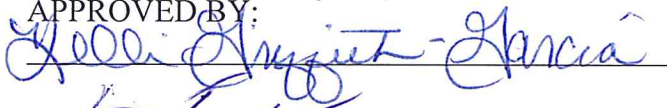
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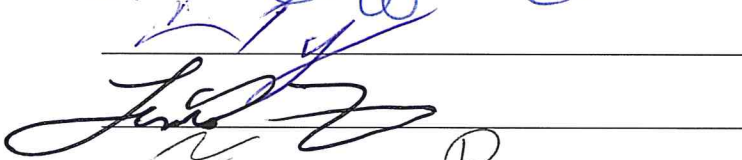
The meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM

Respectfully submitted by Zeba Hone,  
Executive Administrative Assistant

  
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