



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Tuesday, September 19, 2017

Closed Session 5:30 p.m. / Regular Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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Board Members Present: President Craig Bueno, Clerk Chuck Rogge, and Members Kate Runyon and Anne White.

Administrative Staff Present: Dr. Kelly Bowers, Superintendent; Chris Van Schaack, Deputy Superintendent; Mike Biondi, Assistant Superintendent; Susan Kinder, Assistant Superintendent, Philomena Rambo, Director; Bruce Wilke, Director; Frank Selvaggio, Director; Dr. Kevin Grier, Director; Scott Vernoy, Director; Tim Boczanowski, Bond Program Director, and Executive Assistant to the Superintendent, Cathy McConnell

Student Board Member Representatives Present:

Paige Johnson, Livermore High School and Rachel Sylwester, Granada High School

1.0 5:30 PM. - CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Craig Bueno with Clerk Chuck Rogge and Members Anne White and Kate Runyon present. Member Chris Wenzel was absent.

2.0 ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session to discuss items 2.1 through 2.5. Staff in attendance included Dr. Kelly Bowers, Superintendent; Mike Biondi, Assistant Superintendent, Chris Van Schaack, Deputy Superintendent, and Susan Kinder, Assistant Superintendent. Legal representatives from Burke, Williams & Sorensen were also present.

2.1 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Leave/Employment Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.

2.2 Conference with Labor Negotiator Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 Employee Organizations: California School Employees Association (CSEA) – Chris Van Schaack; Service Employees International Union (SEIU) – Chris Van Schaack; Livermore Education Association (LEA) – Chris Van Schaack.

2.3 Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation pursuant to Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9 (Go Code 54954.5(c)): Two cases

2.4 Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation - Conference with Legal Counsel (Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9) In Re: Tri Valley Learning Corporation, United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District, Case No. 16-43112-CN

2.5 Liability Claim – Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.95 Government Code Section 912.4 requires that the Board of Education act on a claim within (45) days after the claim has been presented. Claim No. 543786

3.0 7:02 PM RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

3.1 The Regular Board Meeting was reconvened in Open Session by President Craig Bueno and Clerk Chuck Rogge with Members Kate Runyon and Anne White present.

- A. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Altamont Creek Elementary School Student Council members: Makenna Couch, Kaylee Parker, Presley Nava, Joseph Eng, Alex Lemoine and Eli Meek.
- B. Closed Session Action – None to report.
- C. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Leave/Employment Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957
- D. Meeting Procedures – President Craig Bueno reviewed all meeting procedures.

4.0 CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

The Superintendent reported that there was additional correspondence that was received after the Agenda was published, but prior to the 4PM deadline the day before the meeting, per policy. The Clerk included the correspondence in his correspondence summary.

5.0 RECOGNITIONS

5.1 Superintendent Bowers asked Mrs. Tara Aderman, Principal of Altamont Creek Elementary School, to honor and recognize the school's Office Staff. Mrs. Aderman honored and praised the amazing work of Amy Rossknecht, Executive Assistant, Jacquie Kuhn, Office Specialist and Cheryce Johnson, Child Welfare and Attendance Specialist. She shared that these women have developed special bonds with every child in the school and the staff. She states that faculty, students and families are appreciative of their commitment and compassion shown to each student and family. She noted that they are also a wealth of information to the parents and the staff depends on them every day. Mrs. Aderman thanked them from the bottom of her heart for the myriad of tasks they perform each day.

5.2 Superintendent Bowers asked Mrs. Melissa Theide, Director, to call upon each school principal to come forward to introduce and recognize the classified and certificated staff members who have attained permanent status this school year. Mrs. Theide congratulated all those staff members who have reached this huge accomplishment and milestone. The principals presented certificates to those in attendance and will present the certificates at their school sites to those unable to attend. Certificates were awarded to the following classified staff: Justin Ackley, Racquel Barker, Michael Bumanlag, Melissa Carli-Walton, Jorgenice Codington, Geanie Crampton, Sulochana Dass, Jorge DePaz, Caroline Doidge, Patricia Fritz, Rebekah Hart, Rubina Hart, Jill Hornbeck, Karla Hurst, Fernando Izon,

Fidel Izon, Trisha Jensen, Alonso Jimenez Montano, Leah Julson-Barlow, Leslie Lemieux, Colleen Maak, Flordelina Maass, April Martinez, Lorria Mascari, Debby Napier, Alyssa Perry, Belen Prusso, Heather Rasmussen, Esther Sadkowski, Crystal Scanlon, Christopher Sigg, Torri Silva, Michelle Smith, Lea Smith, Solana Symon-McNabb, Miguel Tuy Gabriel, Wendy Vasquez, Stephan Volker, Janice Wakefield, Lana Wiedenfeld, Kristi Wilkinson, Lisa Wisely and Elizabeth Zaragoza. Certificates were awarded to the following certificated staff: Dawn Allen, Blair Armaz, April Avila Forde, Olsen Baez, Gabriela Borgna, Leif Bostrom, Marina Bunce, Kimberley Campbell, Kimberly Chase, Brett Christopher, Matthew Clifton, Samantha Cole, Jill Dayton, James Dye, Cynthia Eaton, Mary Eilers-Fielding, Christopher Filice, Madalina Fouche, Mariza Garcia, Luana Gould, Alana Gray, Eileen Greenlee, Melissa Greer, Grace Hersh, Meggin Hu, Nanette Hunter, Melissa Klepper, Andrea Lagorio, Susan Lai, Sylvie Langbehn, Jane Lillie, Vivian Luchetta, Rachel Martin, Joanna Martinez, Jeremy Mattern, Ivana Orloff, Allison Perlin, Jocelyn Reed Rountree, Thomas Reynolds, Kimberly Richardson, Christina Rocha, Sofia Rodriguez, Michele Sanchez, Amanda Schultz, Emily Shull, Tawney Smith, Shelby Stanton, Ashley Storey, Jeffrey Taves, John Thayer, Ariel Thompson, Lori Valenzuela, Kenon Willis, Elizabeth Wilson and Rebecca Zaballos.

The Board recessed for 10 minutes to celebrate the honored staff members and enjoy refreshments.

6.0 STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Rachel Sylwester, Granada High School, shared that the past two weeks were very successful for Granada sports, clubs and the community. She noted that the Football team has won all three of its games, and Cross Country, Tennis, as well as Girls and Boys Water Polo teams are all doing very well. Rachel stated that the Clubs at Granada have started the year off strong. Interact, Red Cross and Hip Hop are all active on campus. She noted a new club called Humans of Granada has been formed, which was inspired by the Humans of New York campaign. Rachel noted that Homecoming nominations have begun and ballots are currently being cast to determine the next Queen and King. Rachel shared that the students are very thankful that the solar panel installation will not begin until after the week of Homecoming. She noted that the Granada community has come together to support Homecoming for Houston; specifically North Forest High School. Rachel commented that linens and towels are being collected by the school community. She commented that four cars have been filled so far with donated items.

Paige Johnson, Livermore High School, shared that there are only two weeks to go before Homecoming. She noted that students are building floats and are excited about the rally and the big game. On Friday, September 15th, the seniors went on a Senior Picnic to Little Hills Picnic Ranch. Paige commented that everyone had fun and also had a chance to unplug, as there was absolutely no cell service. She shared that Livermore High School will be hosting the District Reclassification of English Learners Ceremony on September 20th in the gym. On behalf of the LHS administration, she applauded the students and families district-wide for their achievement and honor. Paige noted that LHS will be showing the documentary "Screenagers" on September 21st in the school theater, and invited everyone to come and view it. She also shared that ASB Leadership is currently working on building an ASB Leadership website using Google sites. Paige noted that ASB Leadership is also rewriting the ASB constitution as well as bylaws in an effort to be in line with current policy.

7.0 EMPLOYEE ASSOCIATIONS

Cate Sarraille, Livermore Education Association (LEA) President, commented that she and five members of the LEA Executive Board had the opportunity to attend the California Teachers Association (CTA) Leadership Conference, where they were inspired by the words of keynote speaker, Lily Garcia, National Education Association President, and CTA President, Eric Heins. Ms. Sarraille noted that relationships matter. She stated that LEA members are creating and maintaining positive relationships, so students have the schools worthy of them.

Mamie Kristovich, Classified School Employees Association (CSEA) President, stated that CSEA contract negotiations are near the end, after almost a year of meetings. She thanked the CSEA negotiating team for contemplating the needs of the membership and the many hours of work they have accomplished during this time. Ms. Kristovich shared that she also appreciates the collaborative efforts of the District's bargaining team, and is looking forward to the final meeting. She stated that she hopes there will be good news to share. Ms. Kristovich shared that over the summer she updated the CSEA website and hopes to increase communication this upcoming year.

8.0 COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

8A Audience Communication – None.

8B Board Correspondence

Maria Dean, Formal Board correspondence received via email. Ms. Dean stated that she would like to weigh in on the District's current dress code policy and encouraged the Board to consider modifying or changing the current policy. She included the Oregon NOW Model Student Dress Code as an example.

Maria Dean, Formal Board correspondence received via email. Ms. Dean sent a second correspondence regarding the District's dress code policy. She included a copy of the Evanston, Illinois high school dress code as an example.

Susan Ragatz, Formal Board correspondence received via email. Ms. Ragatz inquired about the status of the Livermore High School Aquatics programs during the upcoming construction that will be taking place at Livermore High School.

L. Karen Monroe, Superintendent, Alameda County Office of Education (ACOE), Formal Board correspondence received via US mail to inform the District that after careful review, ACOE has approved the District's Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) and Adopted Budget for 2017-2018. Superintendent Monroe strongly encouraged the District to identify and adopt any budget solutions, if or as necessary, for inclusion in the 2017-18 First Interim Report. She expressed her appreciation to the Governing Board, the District staff, and the community for continued diligence and hard work.

Sim J. Singh, National Advocacy Manager, The Sikh Coalition, Formal Board correspondence received via email. Mr. Singh shared bullying resources with the District, in the event that such resources are needed.

9.0 INFORMATION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

9.1 Workplace Dynamics Survey

Superintendent Bowers asked Chris Van Schaack, Deputy Superintendent, to present the Workplace Dynamics Survey, for information only.

Public Comment: None

9.2 Solar Power Update

Superintendent Bowers asked Bruce Wilke, Director, and David Williard, Principal from Sage Renewables, to present the Solar Power Update, for information only.

Public Comment: None

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEM

10.1 Board Policy/Administrative Regulation/Exhibit from Series 1000

Scott Vernoy, Director, presented Board Policy/Administrative Regulation/Exhibit 1250 Visitors/Outsiders for Second/Final Reading and Board approval.

Public comment: Joanne Morrison, community member, stated that she appreciated the opportunity to discuss and add input to Board Policy 1250 Visitors/Outsiders. She encouraged the Board to adopt and approve the policy for Second/Final reading.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **Kate Runyon** Moved, President **Craig Bueno** Seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion 'To Approve Board Policy/Administrative Regulation/Exhibit 1250 *Visitors/Outsiders*, revision for Second/Final Reading and Board approval' Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0 Absent: 1 The motion **Carried**. 4 – 0 - 1

Craig Bueno – Yes
Anne White – Yes
Chuck Rogge – Yes
Kate Runyon – Yes
Chris Wenzel – Absent

10.2 California School Boards Association (CSBA) Call for Nominations for Directors-at-Large African American, American Indian, and County

President Bueno opened the discussion among fellow Board members regarding a Call for Nominations for Directors-at-Large: African American, American Indian and County. After discussion, the Board decided not to move forward with a nomination.

11.0 CONSENT ITEMS - MOTIONS

11.1 Approval of Consent Items – Motions

11.2 Approval Employment of Personnel

11.3 Confirmation of Resignations/Retirements

11.4 Approval of Leaves of Absence

11.5 Approval of Employment of Extracurricular Coaches, 2017/2018

11.6 Approval of Purchase Order Summary Report

11.7 Approval of Energy, Water and Resource Conservation Services Contract for 2017-2018

11.8 Approval of Out-of-State Conference for One Staff Member to Attend the Educational Theatre Association Conference in Nashville, Tennessee, September 14, 2017 through September 17, 2017

11.9 Approval of Out-of-State Field Trip for Livermore High School's Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) students to travel to Phoenix, Arizona, from November 16, 2017 through November 20, 2017

11.10 Approval of Out-of-State field Trip for Livermore High School's Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) students to travel to Atlanta, Georgia, from April 21, 2018 through April 24, 2018

11.11 Rejection of Claim No. 543786; Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.95; Government Code Section 912.4 requires that the Board of Education act on a claim within (45) days after the claim has been presented

11.12 Approval of the September 5, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Minutes

11.13 Conditional Approval of an All-Expense Paid Out-of-State Conference for One Staff Member to Attend the North American Association for Environmental Education (NAAEE) in San Juan, Puerto Rico, October 14, 2017 through October 21, 2017

Public comment: None

Note: 11.7 Approval of Energy, Water and Resource Conservation Services Contract for 2017-2018 was removed to be discussed separately, under 13.0 Consent Items Removed for Separate Discussion/Vote, as reflected in the minutes.

ORIGINAL – Motion

Member **Kate Runyon** Moved, Member **Anne White** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approval of Consent Items – Motions 11.1 – 11.13'

Revised Motion

Member **Kate Runyon** Moved, Member **Anne White** Seconded to approve the revised **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approval of Consent Items – Motions 11.1- 11.6 and 11.8 – 11.13,' Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0 Absent: 1 The motion **Carried** 4 – 0 – 1

Craig Bueno – Yes
Anne White – Yes
Chuck Rogge – Yes
Kate Runyon – Yes
Chris Wenzel – Absent

12.0 CONSENT ITEMS - RESOLUTIONS

12.1 Approval of Consent Items – Resolutions

12.2 Resolution No. 018-17/18, Calling for Bids for the Stadium Bleachers Replacement at Granada High School and Livermore High School

12.3 Resolution No. 019-17/18, Adoption of Operational Area Emergency Management Agreement

12.4 Resolution No. 020-17/18, Conflict of Interest Code

Public Comment: None

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **Kate Runyon** Moved, Clerk **Chuck Rogge** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Consent Items – Resolution Nos. 018-17/18, 019-17/18, and 020-17/18.' Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0 Absent: 1 The motion **Carried** 4 – 0 – 1

Craig Bueno – Yes
Anne White – Yes
Chuck Rogge – Yes
Kate Runyon – Yes
Chris Wenzel – Absent

13.0 CONSENT ITEMS REMOVED FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION/VOTE

13.1 Consent items removed for separate discussion/vote

Consent Item – Motion: 11.7 Approval of Energy, Water and Resource Conservation Services Contract for 2017-2018 was removed for separate discussion and vote.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Clerk **Chuck Rogge** Moved, Member **Kate Runyon** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve Consent Item 11.7: Approval of Energy, Water and Resource Conservation Services Contract for 2017-2018'

Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 4 Nay: 0 Absent: 1
The motion **Carried** 4 – 0 – 1

Craig Bueno – Yes
Anne White – Yes
Chuck Rogge – Yes
Kate Runyon – Yes
Chris Wenzel – Absent

14.0 BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND REQUESTS

Member Anne White commented that she had the pleasure of attending Back-to-School Night at Vineyard, located at the former Almond Avenue school site. Mrs. White noted that the Principal invited support agencies to share information with families. She stated that Bothwell Arts Center was represented, along with Tri-Valley Regional Occupational Programs (TVROP). Mrs. White also shared that Horizons Youth and Family Services Program Manager, Lynn Gardner, was also there and spoke about the Parent Project; a parent training, evidence-based program, that supports families. Mrs. White commented that all in all, it was a broadening experience and was a reminder of the support our District provides to our families.

Member Kate Runyon did not report.

Member Chuck Rogge did not report.

President Craig Bueno did not report.

On behalf of Member Chris Wenzel, Clerk Rogge shared Mr. Wenzel's report with the Board. Mr. Wenzel noted that he attended Granada High School's Back-to-School Night. He stated that it was very well done. He also attended a book reading at Marylin Avenue Elementary School with Adonal Foyal, the Warriors ambassador and former player, and also, children's author. Mr. Foyal read two of his books to the entire student body at the school, in two separate assemblies. The event was enjoyed by everyone who had the opportunity to attend.

16.0 SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Bowers shared that Back-to-School Nights at Granada and Livermore High Schools, as well as Vineyard were very successful and well attended.

She noted that she had the pleasure of sending out hundreds of letters to students who participated in the City Library's Summer Reading program, as well as to students who performed at the highest levels on last spring's State CAASPP tests in either English Language Arts or Math, or both!

Dr. Bowers and her husband were delighted to attend the Granada Varsity Football game vs Dublin. She noted that the spirit of the crowd was palpable, and the cheerleading, band and dance performances were outstanding.

Dr. Bowers also visited Marylin Avenue Elementary School to hear Adonal Foyle, Golden State Warrior Ambassador, read his children's books to the entire student body. Mr. Foyle's positive message for

children was that what makes you different actually can become your greatest strength. She thanked Trustee Chris Wenzel for helping make the arrangements for his visit and donating funds to purchase some of the books.

Dr. Bowers noted that she is looking forward to the annual Reclassification Ceremony hosted by Livermore High School on September 20th. She shared that close to 350 students will transition from English Learner status to Fluent English Proficient at the ceremony.


On September 19th, the first Parent Club Information Council meeting (PCIC) of the year was held. Parent Club leaders from all of the schools met. Dr. Bowers stated that she was energized by the group of dedicated parent volunteers and leaders who support our children and schools. She noted there was a strong sense of enthusiasm in the room. Dr. Bowers commented that these leaders will be placing an emphasis on engaging the school's entire parent community.

In closing, Dr. Bowers gave a shout out to the Livermore Police Department for its key partnership and support for community, student and campus safety. She noted that they are responsive and available, as well as proactive, whether it is in the case of education or safety practices. Dr. Bowers stated, "We are very fortunate for their professionalism and dedication and never take their public service for granted."

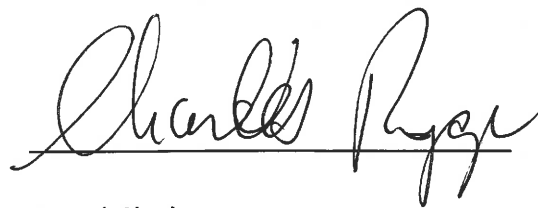
17.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, the Board President adjourned the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Board President



Board Clerk

Approved and entered into the proceedings of this Board this 3rd day of October 2017