

**SYLVAN UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
May 7, 2019**

MINUTES

Members Present: Mmes. Christine Harvey, Cynthia Lindsey, and Jennifer Miyakawa.
Messrs. David Collins and George Rawe.

Members Absent: None

District Administration Present: Debra Hendricks, Velma Beck, Yvonne Perez, Laura Wharff,
Didi Peterson, Marti Reed, Laura Granger, Dawn Mori, Carrie Albert,
Lemuel Vergara, and Lisa Sandoval.

Audience Present: Michael Hargis, Joanna O'Brien, Holly Gaylor, Sean Smith, Donna
Tigrett, Grace Luke, Brenda Flores, Scott Ferreira, Jennie Smith,
Nikki Codramac, Michel Calton, Debbie Moniz, Amber Wethern,
Sumreet Kumar, Kelly Berman, Margaret Lehr, Allison Bucklund,
Arvin Kumar, Asleena Kumar, Amanda Hidahl, Jennifer Stone
Rosales, Erica Amezuca, Trisha Rascon, Jymme Hunter and about ten
other people.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m.

Adjourn to Closed Session: The meeting adjourned to Closed Session for the following:

- a. **READMISSION HEARING IN THE MATTER OF
STUDENT: 2018/2019 – AH# 01**
- b. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING
LITIGATION
Number of Cases: One (1)
Case Name: Blanton**
- c. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE EMPLOYMENT
Title: Administrative Assignments**
- d. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE EMPLOYMENT
Title: Superintendent's Contract**

Reconvene to Open Session: The meeting reconvened to Open Session at 7:03 p.m.

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Board President Announcement: Mr. Collins advised all attendees that in accordance with Board Policy, tonight's Board Meeting was being recorded. He also advised any persons wishing to address the Board on any agenda or non-agendized item must fill out a speaker card.

Report Out of Closed Session: Mr. Collins reported that direction was given to staff regarding all matters.

Adoption of Agenda: The motion was made by Mrs. Lindsey, seconded by Mr. Rawe, adopting the Agenda.

AYES: Collins, Harvey, Lindsey, Miyakawa, Rawe

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Collins welcomed everyone to the meeting. Dr. Joanna O'Brien, principal at Woodrow Elementary School introduced Ashleena Kumar a 5th grader, who has been selected to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ashleena led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Dr. O'Brien, shared that Ashleena was selected to be recognized tonight because she possesses all the characteristics of a successful student. She has the strong desire to learn and loves to read. She is also very thoughtful and kind. Ashleena always thinks of ways to make other students happy. She has the leading role in an upcoming play on Friday at Woodrow Elementary School. Dr. O'Brien encouraged all to come watch her play the part of Alice. Ashleena's future is bright and the possibilities are endless.

Mr. Collins presented Ashleena with a certificate for her accomplishment.

Recognition Presentation: The school selected to be recognized at tonight's Board Meeting was Woodrow Elementary School. Dr. O'Brien shared that tonight was the second time that Woodrow has had the opportunity to present exciting things happening at Woodrow Elementary School. Their first board presentation was at the start of the school year. Since August, Woodrow students have excelled and student achievement and scores have shown great gains. Dr. O'Brien shared a video

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RECOGNITION PRESENTATION Continued

created by Second grade teacher, Michael Hargis. The video showcased the amazing student's enthusiasm about learning. Second graders became geologists and shared about their favorite rock findings on their off-site field trip. Hands on learning projects with robots, solar power projects, and growing plants have been many of the student's favorite projects this year. Students have been setting goals and recording their accomplishments in the classroom. Library Media Assistant Janet Ralph shared how students have been striving to become better readers and are proud they are reading chapter books. If you would like to view Woodrow's video presentation, click this link: [Woodrow 2018-2019 Presentation](#) The board thanked Mr. Hargis and Dr. O'Brien for creating and sharing the wonderful video of excited and engaged Woodrow students.

Student Discipline Action Items:

STUDENT DISCIPLINE ACTION ITEMS

- a. The motion was made by Mrs. Miyakawa, seconded by Ms. Harvey, approving the recommendations of the Readmission Hearing of Student 2018/2019 – AH # 01.

AYES: Collins, Harvey, Lindsey, Miyakawa, Rawe

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Communications:

COMMUNICATIONS

Written Communication:

- a. Mrs. Hendricks shared the following information with the Board:
 - None.

Public Participation:

- b. Mr. Collins requested a moment of silence for Dr. Stephen Stroud, Board of Trustee member for sixteen years. His memorial service was on Saturday, May 4, 2019.

INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

Supt's Update:

- a. **Superintendent's Update – 2019-20 Planning:**

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INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION Continued

Mrs. Hendricks shared that staff has been working on the planning and details for the 2019-20 school year. The 2019-20 Leadership Team Retreat will be held on Friday, July 19th. The location is yet to be determined. Staff has set calendar dates for training with new hires, administrators, and office managers. The 2019-20 District Inservice will be held on Monday, August 5, 2019, at Dan Savage Middle School.

Review Proposed Draft Job Description for Licensed Social Worker:

b. Review Proposed Draft Job Description for Licensed Social Worker:

Mrs. Peterson presented a copy of the draft job description for Licensed Social Worker. Mrs. Albert shared the differences between a Licensed Social Worker and a Mental Health Clinician and reviewed their job duties. Licensed Social Workers have the ability to supervise and possess a higher level of licensing and clinical experience. The intent for a Licensed Social Worker is to assist the needs of students and not solely perform administrative duties.

First Reading Draft Air Quality Policy:

c. First Reading Draft Air Quality Policy:

Mrs. Hendricks shared the draft AR 5141.28 Air Quality and Exhibit 5141.28 that aligns with information presented by The Valley Air District. The Administrative Regulation and Exhibit provides complies with the memorandum of understanding with Valley Air Quality District. Currently Sherwood Elementary School is in the pilot program for a television RAAN air quality updates. The television is displayed in the school office for parents, families, and drive by traffic to see. The AR and Exhibit will be brought back at the next board meeting for a second reading.

Safety and Facilities Update: Board Questions:

e. Safety and Facilities Update: Board Questions:

Mrs. Albert shared feedback and the results of the surprise safety visits to sites by payroll, accounting, and special education staff members. Mrs. Albert shared that many sites were very diligent when it came to not letting unknown visitors on campus or through the gates and redirected them to the front office. There are areas for improvement and action plans and details will be shared with the Leadership Team. It was noted that site staff were very welcoming.

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INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION Continued

After discussion, the Board shared that we should provide incentives to sites that pass these test inspections with flying colors.

Action Items:

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Job Description for Mild/Moderate Special Day Class Teacher:

- a. The motion was made by Mrs. Miyakwa, seconded by Ms. Harvey, approving the job description for Mild/Moderate Special Day Class Teacher.

AYES: Collins, Harvey, Lindsey, Miyakawa, Rawe

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Approval of Job Description for Mental Health Clinician:

- b. The motion was made by Ms. Harvey, seconded by Mrs. Miyakawa, approving the new job description for Mental Health Clinician therefore the district may employ mental health clinicians to support students, families, and staff.

AYES: Collins, Harvey, Lindsey, Miyakawa, Rawe

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Approval of Purchase Agreement with Solution Tree, Inc. – Global PD Library:

- c. The motion was made by Mrs. Lindsey, seconded by Ms. Harvey, approving the agreement with Solution Tree, Inc. for the Global PD Library three (3) year subscription for up to thirty-six (36) users.

AYES: Collins, Harvey, Lindsey, Miyakawa, Rawe

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Approval of the History/Social Science Adoption: Kindergarten:

- d. The motion was made by Ms. Harvey, seconded by Mrs. Miyakawa, approving the History/Social Science Adoption for Kindergarten for Studies Weekly textbooks to begin in the 2019-2020 school year.

AYES: Collins, Harvey, Miyakawa, Rawe

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ACTION ITEMS Continued

NOES: Lindsey
ABSENT: None
ABSTENTIONS: None

*Approval of the
History/Social
Science Textbook
Adoption: Grades
1-5:*

- e. The motion was made by Ms. Harvey, seconded by Mrs. Miyakawa, approving the History/Social Science Textbook Adoption for Grades 1-5 for Pearson to begin the 2019-2020 school year.

AYES: Collins, Harvey, Miyakawa
NOES: Lindsey, Rawe
ABSENT: None
ABSTENTIONS: None

*Approval of the
History/Social
Science Materials:
Middle School:*

- f. The motion was made by Mr. Rawe, seconded by Mrs. Miyakawa, approving the History/Social Science Materials for Middle School with McGraw Hill to begin the 2019-2020 school year.

AYES: Collins, Harvey, Lindsey, Miyakawa, Rawe
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTENTIONS: None

*Ratify Contract
with Data Path for
Managed Network
Services:*

- g. The motion was made by Ms. Harvey, seconded by Mr. Rawe, ratifying the contract with Data Path for managed network services through June 30, 2019.

AYES: Collins, Harvey, Lindsey, Miyakawa, Rawe
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTENTIONS: None

*Expenditure of
Construction
Funds:*

- h. The motion was made by Mr. Rawe, seconded by Ms. Harvey, approving the Expenditure of Construction Funds for the Ustach Middle School Modernization.

AYES: Collins, Harvey, Lindsey, Miyakawa, Rawe
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

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ACTION ITEMS Continued

ABSTENTIONS: None

Consent Agenda: **CONSENT AGENDA:** The motion was made by Mrs. Miyakawa, seconded by Ms. Harvey, approving the Consent Agenda.

a. The Minutes from the April 16, 2019, Special Board Meeting, April 16, 2019, Budget Study Session, and the April 23, 2019, Regular Board Meeting;

b. The Ratification of the following Personnel Actions:

The employment of:

Certificated:

Certificated management hired = 1

Certificated hired = 4

Certificated resignation = 2

Classified:

Classified resignation = 4

c. The ratification of checks as listed;

d. The approval of the Aeries software and services proposal for Aeries Communications;

e. Approval of the contract with Therapeutic Pathways Inc.;

f. Approval of the contract with The Gift of Speech;

g. The approval to award the paint bid to D and T Painting to paint the exterior of Freedom Elementary School;

h. The approval of the listed donations:

- o The donation of a saxophone with case and stand valued at \$80.00 from Benjamin, Windi, and Derek Miller to Crossroads Elementary School for the instrumental program for students.

The donation of \$899.67 from Freedom Elementary

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CONSENT AGENDA Continued

- PTA to Freedom Elementary School for physical education balls.
- The donation of \$1,319.00 from Freedom Elementary PTA to Freedom Elementary School for the 4th grade field trip.
- The donation of \$1,496.45 from Freedom Elementary PTA to Freedom Elementary School for homework and Wednesday folders for students.
- The donation of \$10.00 from YourCause Corporate Employee Giving Programs to Freedom Elementary School for student recognition and supplies.
- The donation of \$3,000.00 from Orchard Elementary PTA to Orchard Elementary School for chromebooks for students.
- The donation of \$1,000.00 from Glenn Uejio to Mary Ann Sanders Elementary School for music supplies for the classroom for students.
- The donation of paper direct stationery and paper products valued at \$700.00 from John and Stacey Wyatt to the District Office to use for parent and student communication needs.

TOTAL VALUE: \$8,505.12

AYES: Collins, Harvey, Lindsey, Miyakawa, Rawe

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

Superintendent's Report:

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT: Mrs. Hendricks shared the following information with the Board of Trustees:

- The 3rd grade PBL Showcase at Sylvan STEAM Academy will be Wednesday, May 8th until 1:30 PM.
- West Side Spring Concert at Somerset Middle School: Wednesday, May 8th.

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT Continued

- Elementary Open House: Thursday, May 9th.
- East Side Spring Concert at Savage Middle School: Wednesday, May 15th
- The 8th Grade Promotions:
 - Thursday, May 23rd:
 - Savage: 6:30 PM at Savage Middle School
 - Somerset: 6:30 PM at Somerset Middle School
 - Friday, May 24th:
 - Ustach: 6:00 PM at Johansen High School

Board Reports:

BOARD REPORTS

Ms. Harvey thanked families, her fellow board members, and teachers for their diligent work.

Mrs. Miyakawa gave a warm thank you to the retirees for their great service. She wished them well on their retirement.

Mrs. Lindsey congratulated teaching staff on the Day of the Teacher, May 8, 2019. She also shared that she has a new grandson and he is one week old. He is her sixth grandchild.

Mr. Rawe no report.

Mr. Collins concurred with Mrs. Miyakawa and wished them the best in the future.

Mr. Collins thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Future Agenda Items:

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- Spring Board Retreat: May 14, 2019 at 2316 O'Farrell Avenue, Modesto, CA 95350 at 5:30 P.M.
- Next Regular Board Meeting: May 21, 2019 at 7:00 P.M.

Final Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned by Board President Mr. Collins at 8:56 p.m.

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WITNESS:

Mr. Rawe, Vice President of the Board

Date