

**REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF TRUSTEES
WISEBURN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

March 9, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by JoAnne Kaneda, Vice President / Clerk, in the Brann Center of the Peter Burnett School.

Call to Order

Members present:

Roger Bañuelos

Neil Goldman

JoAnne Kaneda

Nelson Martinez

Israel Mora (arrived late)

Roll Call

Administrators present:

Dr. Thomas R. Johnstone, Superintendent

Dr. Chris Jones, Deputy Superintendent

Mr. Vince Madsen, Director of Facilities Planning

David Wilson, Chief Business Official

The Board entered closed session at 6:05 p.m. and reconvened at 7:03 p.m. There was no reportable action during Closed Session.

Closed Session

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Adam Tittle.

Ms. Laura Sullivan, Principal at Burnett School, introduced 5th grade students working with Summer Graves and the Project Lead the Way Engineering Program. All 5th graders at Peter Burnett get six-week science rotations where they meet with Ms. Graves twice a week. The students provided the Board with an enthusiastic presentation on robotic cars that the students engineered and constructed. After three short presentations, the students provided the Board with two demonstrations to share the mobility of the robots and ability to maneuver through challenging obstacle courses.

Special Presentation

The Board had a number of questions for the students and they were thoroughly impressed with the presentation.

Dr. Chris Jones introduced Burnett teachers, Carrie Schat and Michelle Decelles. Ms. Schat and Ms. Decelles shared how 20 teachers at Anza, Burnett and Cabrillo Schools between TEDDE and 5th grade piloted two sets of textbook series, Houghton Mifflin "Journeys" and McGraw Hill "Wonders". The process was a long and thoughtful process that started in December of 2015. The 20 teachers who were piloting both sets of materials for a period of three months each generated an extensive list of pros and cons for each series. The McGraw Hill "Wonders" series was, by far, the unanimous preference by the teachers. The pilot materials will be on display for four weeks at the District Office if any community members are interested in reviewing the Language Arts materials.

The Board had several questions for Ms. Schat and Ms. Decelles and thanked them for all of their hard work and dedication in making sure that the District makes a good decision with the new adoption.

Sylvia Chavez from P.S. Arts provided the Board with a State of the Arts Update for the Wiseburn Unified School District. She shared that P.S. Arts had been working with the District since 2010. During that time, P.S. Arts was able to introduce the Harmony Project, Inside Out, Dream a World Education and many other offerings in the visual and performing arts. Ms. Chavez shared that recently there have been new opportunities for funding and she was very hopeful that the Eisner Foundation will be providing funds for a new mural at Dana

Middle School. Ms. Chavez shared the Strategic Plan that was developed by several teachers, community members, administrators and Board member, Dr. Neil Goldman, during the 2015-16 school year. The Strategic Plan is a five-year arts plan and it was recently accepted by Arts for All, which qualifies Wiseburn for additional arts funding through Los Angeles County.

Special Presentation
(Cont'd.)

The Board was very impressed with Ms. Chavez's presentation and thanked her for P.S. Arts' dedication to the Wiseburn students and the Wiseburn community.

Dr. Goldman shared that it was exciting to hear about the Wiseburn Education Foundation fundraising event at Dana Middle School. He also publically thanked Carla Levenson of Da Vinci Schools for her excellent fundraising efforts.

From the Board

Mr. Bañuelos thanked the Burnett teachers for their excellent English Language Arts presentation. He shared that this is a very costly materials adoption but that this is a very important academic area and is well worth it. He asked CBO, Dave Wilson, if the District had set aside funding for the adoption and Mr. Wilson indicated that all of the money has been set aside.

Mr. Martinez also thanked the teachers and thanked them for their great work over the last 14 years to make the current Houghton Mifflin series more usable with the new Common Core Standards.

Burnett teacher, Karen Fraser, shared that a great deal of work by the Burnett teachers was needed to adjust Language Arts materials for Common Core.

The Board thanked Ms. Fraser for her dedication and for the dedication of all Wiseburn teachers in providing an excellent English Language Arts program while using the same textbook series for 14 years.

Ms. Kaneda also thanked the teachers and expressed that one of the successes in Wiseburn is the fact that teachers work very, very effectively with instructional materials and that the two necessarily have to go together. She expressed that during her years in Wiseburn there had been a great deal of change in education.

In closing, Ms. Kaneda indicated that she and Board President, Israel Mora, had attended a short JPA Board meeting on March 6, 2017.

Mr. Mora thanked all three of the presenters for their thoughtful and well-done presentations to the Board.

Dr. Jones shared that he, Dr. Mary Ring and Wendy Tsubaki had been working with a representative from CSBA for three days to begin the process of updating all of Wiseburn Unified School District's Board policies. That process will be completed by the end of the summer.

From the Deputy
Superintendent

In closing, Dr. Jones shared that much progress had been made with the Da Vinci Sports Program. Da Vinci Athletic Teams will be placed in a league with several local charter schools that include Animo Leadership and Environmental Charter in Lawndale. He also shared that all of our athletic teams at Da Vinci for Winter Sports had winning seasons.

Dr. Johnstone shared the CSBA ballot for the Delegate Assembly. After a brief discussion, the Board was unanimous in recommending the vote for 6 of the delegates.

From the Superintendent

Dr. Johnstone introduced Herald reporter, Duane Plank, and shared that Mr. Plank will be covering Wiseburn board meetings from here on out.

Dr. Johnstone shared that he, Dr. Jones, Mr. Bañuelos and Mr. Mora had attended the Wiseburn Education Foundation Fundraising Event.

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Dr. Johnstone shared that he and Jorge Paz, Counselor at Anza Elementary School, had attended the Loyola Marymount University Sex Trafficking Forum that was put on by Rotary District 5280 at LMU. The forum highlighted a very serious issue that faces our community and communities throughout the United States and the world. This powerful event was attended by Congresswoman, Maxine Waters and Los Angeles City Council Member, Mike Bonin.	From the Superintendent (Cont'd.)
Dr. Johnstone thanked the Board for allowing him to attend the SSDA Annual Conference in Sacramento. He shared that the highlight of the conference was a conversation with State Board of Education President, Dr. Michael Kirst, of Stanford University and Travis Allen from iSchool Initiative.	
In closing, Dr. Johnstone shared a draft copy of the 2017-18 school calendar. The Board granted permission for Dr. Johnstone to send out a letter from the District and the Wiseburn Faculty Association along with the two calendars to gauge the level of community support for the new calendars before they are officially approved by the Board.	
On a motion by Ms. Kaneda, which was seconded by Mr. Martinez, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting held February 28, 2017.	M16.522 Minutes
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Dr. Goldman, the Board voted unanimously to adopt Resolutions #16/17.18-29 – Regarding Release of Certificated Employees and Related Actions.	M16.523 Resolutions #16/17.18-29
The item related to the approval of the School Calendars for the 2017-18 School Year was tabled for further discussion.	Item tabled.
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Mr. Bañuelos, the Board voted unanimously to approve “ Apparent Low Bidder ” for Bid Package 20 for Phase II of the New Wiseburn High School Project. These Trade Contracts will be paid from Fund 35.1.	M16.524 Apparent Low Bidder – Bid Package 20, Phase II
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Mr. Bañuelos, the Board voted unanimously to approve a Notice of Completion for Metcoe Skylight Specialties for the completion of Trade Package #12: Metal Framed Skylights for the New Wiseburn High School Project, effective March 9, 2017.	M16.525 Notice of Completion - Metcoe
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Mr. Bañuelos, the Board voted unanimously to approve an increase to the original agreement for flooring dated July 14, 2016 with KYA Surfacing, LLC for additional floor patching to all floors by \$17,436.35. This increase to the agreement to be paid from Bond Fund 35.1.	M16.526 KYA Surfacing, LLC
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Mr. Bañuelos, the Board voted unanimously to approve a proposal for mosaic tile race stripes for the competitive pool in Phase II of the New Wiseburn High School Project with A&T Europe S.p.A. in an amount not to exceed \$48,396. This proposal will be paid from Fund 35.1.	M16.527 A&T Europe S.p.A.
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Mr. Bañuelos, the Board voted unanimously to execute an agreement with ASI Networks, Inc. for wireless mapping and IT programming in an amount not to exceed \$50,000. This work to be paid from Bond Fund 21.4.	M16.528 ASI Networks
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Ms. Kaneda, the Board voted unanimously to approve Change Order #10 with K.A.R. Construction, Inc. for changes to the piles under the theater, a credit for removing concrete benches on floors two, three, and four, and added concrete curbs under exterior columns for Phase I of the New Wiseburn High School Project. Amount of credit is \$525. This savings is to be distributed per Construction Contingency Distribution #52 in the GMP.	M16.529 K.A.R. Construction

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Ms. Kaneda, the Board voted unanimously to approve a Construction Contingency addition of \$525 per CC-52 with K.A.R. Construction, Inc. into Balfour Beatty's GMP per their Change Order #10 for Phase I of the New Wiseburn High School Project.	M16.530 Construction Contingency
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Ms. Kaneda, the Board voted unanimously to approve Change Order #10 with Inland Building Construction Companies, Inc. for window shades back into scope of work for the high school building for Phase I of the New Wiseburn High School Project in the amount not to exceed \$103,510. This agreement is to be paid from Construction Contingency Distribution #53 in the GMP.	M16.531 Inland Building Companies, Inc.
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Ms. Kaneda, the Board voted unanimously to approve a Construction Contingency Distribution for \$103,510 per CC-53 from Balfour Beatty's GMP to Inland Building Construction Companies, Inc. per their Change Order #3.	M16.532 Construction Contingency
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Ms. Kaneda, the Board voted unanimously to approve Change Order #9 with Couts Heating and Cooling, Inc. for added exhaust fans in all three nurses' offices for Phase I of the New Wiseburn High School Project in the amount not to exceed \$10,611. This agreement is to be paid from Construction Contingency Distribution #54 in the GMP.	M16.533 Couts Heating and Cooling
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Ms. Kaneda, the Board voted unanimously to approve Change Order #11 with Gould Electric, Inc. for wiring in added exhaust fans and added Southern California Edison meter to the high school building for the aquatics center for Phase I of the New Wiseburn High School Project in the amount not to exceed \$43,749. This agreement is to be paid from Construction Contingency Distribution #54 in the GMP.	M16.534 Gould Electric, Inc.
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Ms. Kaneda, the Board voted unanimously to approve a Construction Contingency Distribution for \$54,360 per CC-54 from Balfour Beatty's GMP to Couts Heating and Cooling, Inc. per their Change Order #9 and to Gould Electric, Inc. per their Change Order #11.	M16.535 Construction Contingency
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Ms. Kaneda, the Board voted unanimously to approve Change Order #11 with Anderson Charnesky Structural, Inc. for a credit for reducing amount of walk-off grille at the main north entrance of the school building for Phase I of the New Wiseburn High School Project. Amount of credit is \$1,481. This savings to be distributed per Construction Contingency Distribution #55 in the GMP.	M16.536 Anderson Charnesky Structural Steel, Inc.
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Ms. Kaneda, the Board voted unanimously to approve a Construction Contingency addition of \$1,481 per their Change Order #19 with Anderson Charnesky Structural Steel, Inc. into Balfour Beatty's GMP per CC-55.	M16.537 Construction Contingency
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Ms. Kaneda, the Board voted unanimously to approve Change Order #10 with Gould Electric, Inc. for additional labor and material to provide dedicated temporary power for the elevator trade contractor for Phase I of the New Wiseburn High School Project in the amount not to exceed \$3,490. This agreement is to be paid from Scope Interface Contingency #8 in the GMP.	M16.538 Gould Electric, Inc.
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Ms. Kaneda, the Board voted unanimously to approve Scope Interface Contingency Distribution for \$3,490 per SI-8 from Balfour Beatty's GMP for Phase I of the New Wiseburn High School Project to Gould Electric, Inc. per their Change Order #10.	M16.539 Scope Interface Contingency

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Ms. Kaneda, the Board voted unanimously to approve Change Order #4 with J.G. Tate Fire Protection Systems, Inc. for additional labor and material to provide dedicated temporary power for the elevator trade contractor for Phase I of the New Wiseburn High School Project in the amount not to exceed \$6,000. This agreement is to be paid from Scope Interface Contingency #9 in the GMP.	M16.540 Tate Fire Protection Systems
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Ms. Kaneda, the Board voted unanimously to approve Scope Interface Contingency Distribution for \$6,000 per SI-9 from Balfour Beatty's GMP for Phase I of the New Wiseburn High School Project to J.G. Tate Fire Protection Systems, Inc. per their Change Order #4.	M16.541 Scope Interface Contingency
On a motion by Dr. Goldman, which was seconded by Mr. Martinez, the Board voted unanimously to hereby declare all management, confidential and other unrepresented employee salaries indefinite for 2017-18.	M16.542 Indefinite Salaries
On a motion by Ms. Kaneda, which was seconded by Mr. Bañuelos, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Second Interim Report and all related budget revisions and transfers as of January 31, 2017, as a positive certification.	M16.543 Second Interim
On a motion by Dr. Goldman, which was seconded by Mr. Martinez, the Board voted unanimously to approve an increase in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 to the authorization with the Law Firm of Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud and Romo.	M16.544 Additional Authorization - AALRR
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Dr. Goldman, the Board voted unanimously to ratify/approve attendance at the following meetings or conferences, including provision of substitute teachers as needed, and transportation by car at 50¢ per mile, or lowest reasonable air fare as appropriate:	M16.545 Conference Attendance
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Vince Madsen at C.A.S.H.'s "C.A.S.H. Academy Mentor Orientation" in Sacramento on March 10-11, 2017 at an approximate cost of \$350 to be paid from the General Fund, Director of Facilities Discretionary Account. 2. Julie Espinosa at EDS's "2017-18 Edition CELDT Scoring Training of Trainers Workshop" in Costa Mesa on March 27, 2017 at an approximate cost of \$50 to be paid from LCAP Goal 7, Action 4 (Dana) Funds. 3. Dr. Aileen Harbeck at LACOE's "2016-17 State & Federal Programs Directors' Meetings in Downey on February, 23, 2017, March 23, 2017, April 27, 2017 and May 25, 2017 at an approximate cost of \$100 to be paid from the General Fund. 4. Ana Montes and Silke Tecun at School Services of California's "Management of Employee Benefits Workshop" in Orange on March 30, 2017 at an approximate cost of \$50 to be paid from the General Fund. 5. Dr. Aileen Harbeck at LACOE's "California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) Post-Test Workshop" in Downey on June 7, 2017 at an approximate cost of \$20 to be paid from the General Fund. 6. Margaret Lynch, Cara Nakama, Lissette Ochoa, Jennifer Williams, Heidi Obermeyer and Emily Witkowski at COTSEN's "2017 CGI 9th Biennial National Conference" in Seattle, Washington on June 26-28, 2017 at an approximate cost of \$6,000 to be paid from One-Time Discretionary Cabrillo Site Funds and the K-5 COTSEN Grant Funds. 7. Candyse Crow, Maria Garcia, Shannon Tupper and Lisa Wilberg at the 2016-17 CAASPP Institute's "Digging Deeper into Using the CAASPP System in Arcadia on February 7-8, 2017 at an approximate cost of \$1,000 to be paid from Measure CL Funds, Line 36. 	
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Dr. Goldman, the Board voted unanimously to approve/ratify the following classified employment/additional hours to be paid from the Classified Salary Schedule unless otherwise noted:	M16.546 Additional Hours – Classified

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1. Patty Mojonner, Instructional Aide, approve up to 16 temporary hours to provide support to Speech Pathologist at Anza School, effective February 22, 2017 through April 12, 2017

to be paid at Classified Range 6, Step C from Special Education Funds. Approximate cost to District \$300 and included in budget.	M16.546
2. Aracelia Fernandez, Accounting Technician, approve up to 20 temporary overtime hours to provide support for calendar development, effective March 1, 2017 through March 8, 2017 and to be paid at her appropriate Range/Step from the General Fund. Cost to District \$1,300 and not included in budget.	Additional Hours – Classified (Cont’d.)
<u>Anza</u>	
3. Eric Mendoza, Computer Clerk, approve up to 7 total temporary hours to provide support to Foot Steps to Brilliance, effective February 23, 2017 through March 31, 2017 and to be paid at Classified Range 6, Step C from Supplemental Funds. Cost to District \$150 and included in budget.	
4. Eric Mendoza, Computer Clerk, approve up to 15 temporary hours to support technology meetings and assist Anza staff, effective February 22, 2017 through June 17, 2017 and to be paid at Classified Range 6, Step C from the General Fund. Cost to District \$300 and included in budget.	
<u>Cabrillo</u>	
5. Gilda Harrison, Noon Duty Aide, approve up to 3 part-time hours per week for extra hours to sub for other Playground aides as needed, effective February 16, 2017 and to be paid at Classified Range 4, Step A and to be paid by the General Fund. Cost to the District \$850 and included in budget.	
6. Stephanie Gonzalez, Computer Aide, approve up to 3 temporary hours per week to set up Foot Steps to Brilliance, effective February 27, 2017 through June 1, 2017 and to be paid at Classified Range 6, Step C from Supplemental Funds. Cost to District \$700 and included in budget.	
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Dr. Goldman, the Board voted unanimously to ratify Deanna Ableser as the Home Study Teacher for a student for up to an additional 1.5 hours per week of home instruction and prep, effective February 2017 through June 15, 2017 and to be paid at \$30 per hour from Special Education Funds.	M16.547 Home Study - Ableser
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Dr. Goldman, the Board voted unanimously to ratify up to 35 temporary additional hours for Erin Henn to provide support to SDC class during teacher leave, effective February 21, 2017 through June 16, 2017 and to be paid from Special Education Funds.	M16.548 Additional Hours - Henn
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Dr. Goldman, the Board voted unanimously to approve a field trip and bus transportation for Juan de Anza Kindergarten classes – Rooms 2, 3, 4 and 5 – to Centennial Farms on March 29, 2017. No cost to the District, as this will be paid by the Anza PTA.	M16.549 Field Trip & Bus Transportation – Anza
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Ms. Kaneda, the Board voted unanimously to accept the following resignations of certificated personnel per their effective dates:	M16.550 Resignation - Certificated
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maruzella Bognoli, School Psychologist, effective February 28, 2017 • Jeanne Smiley, Substitute Teacher, effective February 23, 2017 • Jeanette Payne Sutton, Anza Teacher, effective June 30, 2017 	
On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Ms. Kaneda, the Board voted unanimously to accept the following resignations of classified personnel per their effective dates:	M16.551 Resignation – Classified
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maria Carmen Medina, Instructional Aide, effective March 13, 2017 • Lauren Torres, Instructional Aide, effective March 6, 2017 (corrected effective date) 	

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Ms. Kaneda, the Board voted unanimously to ratify the following On-Call Substitute Food Service Workers, per their effective dates and to be paid at Classified Range 1, Step A from the General Fund:

M16.552
On-Call Substitute Food
Services Worker

- Alexis Ignant, effective February 27, 2017
- Maritza Guzman, effective February 27, 2017

On a motion by Mr. Martinez, which was seconded by Ms. Kaneda, the Board voted unanimously to ratify Victor Valle as an On-Call Substitute Custodian, effective February 28, 2017, to be paid at Classified Range 11, Step A from the General Fund.

M16.553
On-Call Substitute
Custodian

Dr. Goldman moved and Ms. Kaneda seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 9:14 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees will begin with a Board Facilities Workshop and will be held Thursday, March 23, 2017, at 5:00 p.m. in the District Board Room.

JoAnne Kaneda
Vice President / Clerk of the Board

Tom Johnstone
Secretary of the Board