

**WESTERN PLACER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
May 15, 2007 6:30 P.M.
SHERIDAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM
870 J Street, Sheridan, CA**

MINUTES

2006-2007 Goals & Objectives (G & O) for the Management Team: Component I: Quality Student Performance; Component II: Curriculum Themes; Component III: Special Student Services; Component IV: Staff & Community Relations; Component V: Facilities/Administration/Budget.

5:30 P.M. OPEN SESSION – Sheridan Staff Room

1. Call to Order
2. Announce Closed Session Items
3. Adjourn to Closed Session

5:30 P.M. CLOSED SESSION – Sheridan Staff Room

1. **STUDENT DISCIPLINE/EXPULSION PURSUANT TO E.C. 48918**
Student Discipline/Expulsion Pursuant To E.C. 48918
Student Expulsion #06/07 U
2. **LIABILITY CLAIMS**
Claim (Williams) pursuant to Government code 910 and 910.2
3. **PERSONNEL**
Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release
4. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR**
Update on certificated negotiations
5. **ADJOURN TO OPEN SESSION**

6:30 P.M. OPEN SESSION – Sheridan Multi-Purpose Room

Members Present

James McLeod, Vice President
Paul Carras, Clerk
Ana Stevenson, Member
Brian Haley, Member

Members Absent

Paul Long, President

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Others Present

Scott Leaman, Superintendent

Mary Boyle, Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services

Carrie Carlson, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services

Bob Noyes, Assistant Superintendent of Personnel Services

Rosemary Knutson, Secretary to the Superintendent

Press - Dave Kerns, Lincoln News Messenger

Student – Laura DiGiordano, Lincoln High Student Advisor

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Leaman asked that the grant request from Lincoln High School will be added to consent agenda due to the application deadline.

2. DISCLOSURE OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION, IF ANY

The Board of Trustees will disclose any action taken in Closed Session regarding the following items:

2.1 STUDENT DISCIPLINE/EXPULSION PURSUANT TO E.C. 48918

Student Discipline/Expulsion Pursuant To E.C. 48918

Student Expulsion #06/07 U

Motion by Mr. Carras, seconded by Mr. Haley, and passed by unanimous vote to not expel student and allow student to return on a behavioral contract, student will attend a different middle school for the 07-08 school year.

2.2 LIABILITY CLAIMS

Claim (Williams) pursuant to Government code 910 and 910.2

Mr. Carras made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Stevenson, and passed by unanimous vote to reject the claim.

2.3 PERSONNEL

Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release

Mr. Carras made a motion, seconded by Mr. Haley, and passed by unanimous vote to take action on the classified employee.

2.4 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR

Update on certificated negotiations

Update was given to the board of trustees, no action was taken.

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3. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS**Sheridan Elementary School**

Sheridan is delighted to have an opportunity to highlight some of the wonderful features of their school to the Western Placer Unified School District Board of Trustees.

Mr. Leaman presented certificates to the following students for receiving the highest Accelerated Reading Scores in their grade level, Emily Sampson 1st grade; Abigail Rowe 2nd grade; Andrew Quick 3rd grade; and for the overall points in the Sheridan School was McKenzie Taylor.

Mr. Knutson introduced Mr. Weygandt of the Placer County Board of Supervisors Office who was there to acknowledge a past student of Sheridan Elementary. He read aloud a commendation given to Adrienne Bankert, Channel 3 Traffic Anchor. This award was on behalf of the Board of Supervisors. Adrienne Bankert was presented for her many accomplishments and her continued support to Sheridan School and Placer County. Adrian thanked everyone and was honored to receive this award.

Mrs. Mentze discussed the Accelerated Reading program and how the process works with a small school. Some of the improvements that have helped the AR program are the United Indian Tribe who funded a new computer lab, as well as a partnership with KVIE who has provided many books to Sheridan School. The students earn points and with the points they are allowed to attend the AR store and purchase items. Mrs. Mentze then discussed the Heifer International program, it's called "Read to Feed" they are working with the school farm in raising a calf. They will sell the calf and send the money to the Heifer International program.

Mrs. Eslinger is the treasurer of the PTC. She talked about the different things that have been funded for the school. There have been several assemblies, 11 field trips, put together a Back to School BBQ, the Annual Fall Fest, and an LCD projector.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4.1 Ratification of Personnel Items

Certificated:**a. Request for Child Rearing Leave:**Kelli Willard – 2nd Grade Teacher – CCC**b. Ratification of Certificated Resignation:**Kristi Malone – 6th Grade Math/Science Teacher - GEMS

4.2 Community-Based English Tutoring Program

4.3 Deny request for unpaid leave of absence

4.4 Approval of Donation to Lincoln High School

4.5 Approval of Lincoln High Grant Application

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Motion by Mrs. Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Haley, and passed by unanimous vote to approve the consent agenda as presented.

5. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC

There was no communication from the public.

6. REPORTS & COMMUNICATION

- 6.1 Lincoln High School, Student Advisory – Laura DiGiordano talked about “Relay for Life” which will be held at the high school this Saturday. There will be many high school students participating. The leadership class will be presenting a rally at GEMS and TBMS for incoming high school students. The high school will be having their May “Play Day.” She introduced Joanna Loya, the new student advisor for next year. Laura reported this would be her last board meeting.
- 6.2 Western Placer Teacher’s Association – Mike Agrippino, Jennifer Terabochia spoke in behalf of Mike Agrippino. She expressed how great it was to be at Sheridan and enjoyed all the wonderful programs going on.
- 6.3 Western Placer Classified Employee Association – Joe Ross was not present
- 6.4 Superintendent, Scott Leaman reviewed the District Goals and Objectives with the board of trustees. Mr. Leaman also discussed the Sutter Incident. He reviewed all lists that have been compiled from the district staff and administration debrief. It indicated the positives and suggested improvements.
- 6.5 Assistant Superintendent(s)
- 6.5.1 Carrie Carlson had no report but will be bring the preliminary budget in June.
- 6.5.2 Mary Boyle gave update on STAR testing and thanked all the staff on their patience.
- 6.5.3 Bob Noyes gave an update on staffing. He reported we’re still in the process of hiring a Special Education Director, Principal for Lincoln Crossing, RSP teachers, and SDC teachers.

7. ♦ACTION ♦DISCUSSION ♦INFORMATION

CODE: (A) = Action (D) = Discussion (I) = Information

- 7.1 (I/D) ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE TO EVALUATE THE SUPERINTENDENT - Leaman (06-07 G & O Component V-IV)**
- It is time to begin the process to evaluate the superintendent. The board adopted form is attached.

Mr. Leaman reminded the Board it’s time to evaluate the Superintendent. A meeting will be set up with the board of trustees.

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•Based on board request, an analysis of district office staffing will be presented to the board.

Mr. Leaman discussed the staffing analysis process he put together for the district office, technology and maintenance department. Mr. Carras felt that the importance to look at staffing in high risk areas such as Special Education.

7.3 (I/A)**SITE PLANS – SINGLE PLAN FOR STUDENT****ACHIEVEMENT – Boyle** (06-07 G & O *Component V)*

•The School Based Leadership Team from each school annually reviews data regarding student achievement and sets goals for the continuous improvement of programs and the delivery of instruction to meet student needs. The SBLT is responsible for creating a budget and allocating categorical monies at the site level toward the improvement of student achievement.

Mrs. Boyle reported this is information and discussion only, this would allow the board of trustees more time to review the site plans. Action will be taken at the next board meeting.

7.4 (D/A)**INCREASE LUNCH PRICES FOR MIDDLE SCHOOLS AND HIGH SCHOOLS – Carlson** (06-07 G & O *Component V)*

•Expenditures in the Cafeteria Fund have increased significantly over the past several years. Salary and benefit costs have gone up much more quickly than revenues. Two years ago, the District increased lunch prices from \$2.00 to \$2.25, after a decade of no increases. Still, the Cafeteria Fund is expected to encroach upon the general fund by nearly \$200,000 in 2006-07. A review of neighboring and similar-sized school districts shows that Western Placer Unified School District's lunch prices are slightly lower than average. Therefore, we recommend implementing the following pricing structure for paid lunches beginning in the 2007-08 school year:

| | <u>Current</u> | <u>Proposed</u> | <u>Increase</u> |
|------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Elementary | \$2.25 | \$2.25 | \$0.00 |
| Middle | \$2.25 | \$2.50 | \$0.25 |
| High | \$2.25 | \$2.75 | \$0.50 |

Mrs. Carlson presented to the board of trustees the need to increase lunch fees. She has researched surrounding districts and has found the costs increases as student gets older. She estimated the increase would bring in \$45,000 to help with cost of serving food. The last increase was 2 years ago. After some discussion there was a motion by Mrs. Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Haley, and

passed by unanimous vote to increase the lunch prices for middle and high school.

7.5 (D/A) INCREASE PRICE OF BUS PASSES – Carlson (06-07 G & O Component V)

•Transportation expenditures have risen dramatically since prices were raised three years ago. Significant increases in employee health benefits, as well as skyrocketing gas prices, increased the burden on the District’s Transportation program. Transportation is expected to encroach upon the unrestricted general fund by over \$540,000 in 2006-07. We recommend implementing the following pricing structure for student transportation beginning in the 2007-08 school year.

| <u>Students per Family</u> | <u>Current</u> | <u>Proposed</u> | <u>Increase</u> |
|----------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1 – Semester Pass | \$100.00 | \$125.00 | \$25.00 |
| 1 – Annual Pass | \$180.00 | \$225.00 | \$45.00 |
| 2 – Semester Pass | \$200.00 | \$250.00 | \$50.00 |
| 2 – Annual Pass | \$360.00 | \$450.00 | \$90.00 |
| 3 or more-Semester Pass | \$230.00 | \$288.00 | \$58.00 |
| 3 or more-Annual Pass | \$420.00 | \$525.00 | \$105.00 |

A book of 10 one-way tickets, which currently costs \$10.00, will increase to \$12.50. Reduced pass or tickets will be sold at half price.

This item was tabled for the next board meeting allowing more time for research.

7.6 (D/A) APPROVE THE FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT BID FOR THE LINCOLN CROSSING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – Allen (06-07 G & O Component V)

•The District went out to bid for furniture and equipment to outfit the new Lincoln Crossing Elementary School Site on April 19, 2007. Bids were opened on May 11, 2007. Staff will present the proposal of the lowest responsive bidder at the board meeting.

Heather from facilities spoke on behalf of Cathy Allen. She reported on the bids received for Lincoln Crossing. There were only 2 bids received. After some discussion and bid comparisons, Heather recommended that the district go with A.S.C. package price. A motion was made by Mr. Carras, seconded by Mrs. Stevenson, and passed by unanimous vote to approve to accept the bid from A.S.C.

7.7 (D/A) APPROVE RESOLUTION 06/07.29 OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WESTERN PLACER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF 2007 TAX AND REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTES FOR SAID

DISTRICT AND REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PLACER COUNTY TO ISSUE SAID NOTES, AND APPROVE THE FORM OF THE CONTRACT OF PURCHASE AND THE FORM OF CONTINUING DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE RELATED THERETO –

Carlson (06-07 G & O Component V)

• Tax and Revenue Notes (TRANS) are a short-term borrowing strategy used to finance and eliminate cash flow deficits or potential deficits in the General Fund. It is not unusual for school district to experience cash flow deficits in the months just prior to the receipt of property tax revenues. Since 1990, the District has borrowed between \$1.2 and \$7.0 million a year to cover its operating costs.

Mrs. Carlson discussed the reason for the resolution which is authorizing the district to issue transfer of 7.0 million, we may not need this total amount but we would be allowed to go up to this amount. We're pooling together with other districts. After some discussion there was a motion by Mr. Haley, seconded by Mr. Carras, and passed by unanimous roll call vote to approve Resolution 06/07.29

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8.1 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

The following are a number of agenda items that the Board of Trustees has been monitoring. They are NOT action items for tonight's meeting, but are noted here for continuing purposes and to ensure that when there are changes or new information they will be called up as Action/Discussion/Information.

- Relationship with Sierra Community College
- Twelve Bridges High School
- Audio Visual Media Board Policy

8.2 BOARD MEMBER REPORTS/COMMENTS

Mr. Haley shared Sheridan is a nice small school, and was glad to be there.

Mr. Carras felt it was a great setting.

Mrs. Stevenson shared that Sheridan is a nice school

Mr. McLeod felt the presentation was great.

9. ESTABLISHMENT OF NEXT MEETING(S)

- The President will establish the following meeting(s):
 - June 5, 2007, 7:00 p.m., Lincoln High School Theater

10. ADJOURNMENT

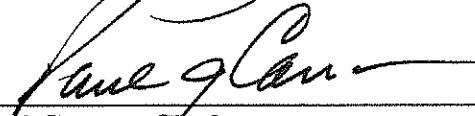
There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 8:10.

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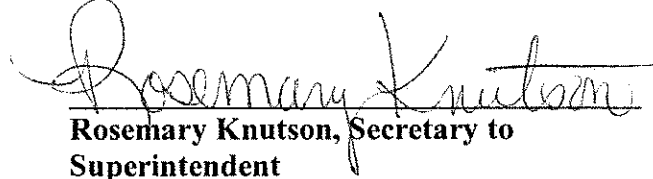
Paul Long, Board President



Paul Carras, Clerk



Scott Leaman, Superintendent



Rosemary Knutson, Secretary to
Superintendent

Adopted: June 5, 2007

Ayes: McLeod, Haley, Carras, Long

Noes:

Absent: Stevenson

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