

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2022, 6:30 P.M.
Oakdale Joint Unified School District
Technology & Staff Development Center
331 Hinkley Avenue, Oakdale, CA

THIS MEETING WAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
MASKS WERE REQUIRED TO ATTEND THE BOARD MEETING

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| CALL TO ORDER | 1.1 | The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M. by President Diane Gilbert. |
| TRUSTEES PRESENT | 1.2 | Larry Betschart, Diane Gilbert, Mike House, Tina Shatswell, and Terri Taylor. |
| TRUSTEES ABSENT | 1.3 | None |
| VISITORS PRESENT | 1.4 | |
| CLOSED SESSION | 2.0 | Board President Gilbert called the meeting to order and opened Public Comments on Closed Session Items at 5:30 p.m. There being none, public comments on Closed Session items Closed at 5:30 p.m.

Board President Gilbert adjourned the meeting into Closed Session at 5:30 p.m. Open Session reconvened at 6:35 p.m. |
| PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE | 3.0 | Student Board Member Brooklyn Tolboe led the pledge of allegiance. |
| ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION | 4.0 | Board President Gilbert reported:
2.2.1 - The Board voted (5-0) to approve expulsion of student #21-22-10 for Spring 2022 and Fall 2022 for Ed Code violations: 48900 (c), 48900 (k), 48915 (c)(3), 48915 (b)(1) and 48915 (b)(2).

2.2.2 – The Board reviewed a report from the Volz Scholarship selection committee and approved their award recipient selection. The recipient will be notified at the high school tomorrow morning, and the recommendation will be made public at the next meeting.

2.2.3 – The Board also had a conference with labor negotiator Craig Redman regarding negotiations with OTA and CSEA Chapter #830.

2.2.4 – The Board discussed methodology of the Superintendent’s Mid-Year Review Evaluation process. |
| APPROVE ORDER OF AGENDA | 5.0 | It was M/S/C (Betschart/Shatswell) to approve the order of agenda items for this meeting. Passed unanimously. |

ANNOUNCEMENTS 6.0	None	
ORGANIZATION REPORT, OTA	7.1	None
ORGANIZATION REPORT, CSEA	7.2	CSEA President Jake Cox reported they are looking at a solution that fixes minimum wage, but doesn't de-value members; they want to take care of the whole thing, not just the bottom half.
ORGANIZATION REPORT, STUDENT	7.3	Student Representative Brooklyn Tolboe reported they are having a feminine product drive at the high school this week; products will be donated to students and made available for free in bathrooms. They are also having Tobacco Awareness Week; Mustangs Be Nice Week coming up; and the Leadership Class was able to meet with Ms. Wegener, which they found very beneficial.
PUBLIC COMMENTS	8.0	Board President Gilbert opened the Public Comments portion of the agenda at 6:40 p.m. There being none, Public Comments closed at 6:40 p.m.
REMOVE ITEMS FROM CONSENT CALENDAR	9.1	Trustee Shatswell requested Item 9.6.4 be removed from the Consent Calendar.
ADOPT CONSENT CALENDAR	9.2	It was M/S/C (Betschart/House) to adopt the Consent Calendar as amended. Passed Unanimously.
ADOPT MINUTES OF 2/22/22 AS PRESENTED	9.3.1	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board adopted minutes of its regularly scheduled meeting held Tuesday, February 22, 2022, as presented.
ADOPT MINUTES OF 2/28/22 AS PRESENTED	9.3.2	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board adopted minutes of its special meeting held Monday, February 28, 2022, as presented.
APPROVE INTERDISTRICT TRANSFER & ALLEN BILL REQUESTS, 2021-22 & 2022-23	9.4.1	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved interdistrict attendance transfer requests, 2021-22 and 2022-23 school year, as presented.
ACKNOWLEDGE STUDENT DISCIPLINE REPORT, 1/22 & 2-YEAR COMPARISON	9.4.2	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board acknowledged the Student Discipline Report for the month of January, 2022, and Prior Two-Year Comparison, as presented.
APPROVE SUMMER SCHOOL CALENDAR	9.4.2	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved the 2022 Summer School Calendar, as presented.
APPROVE WARRANTS THRU 2/25/22, CYCLE I AND CYCLE II PAYROLL FOR FEBRUARY 2022	9.5.1	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved district warrants prepared for payment through February 25, 2022, and Cycle I and Cycle II Payroll for February, 2022, as presented.
APPROVE CONSULTANT AGREEMENTS	9.5.2	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved Consultant Agreements, as presented.

- APPROVE ASB ACCOUNTS, OJHS, JAN. & FEB. 2022 9.5.3 On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the Board approved Student Body Accounts, Oakdale Junior High School, Jan. & Feb. 2022, as presented.
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- APPROVE JOB DESCRIPTION UPDATE, SUPERVISOR OF AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM 9.6.1 On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved Job Description Update for Supervisor of After School Program, as presented.
- APPROVE PROMOTION, B. CORTES TO PRINCIPAL 9.6.2 On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved Promotion of Ben Cortes from Vice Principal, Cloverland, to Principal, Fair Oaks, eff. 7/1/22, as presented.
- APPROVE SUMMER SCHOOL PRINCIPAL ASSIGNMENT 9.6.3 On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved 2022 Summer School Principal Split Assignment Between Shannon Kettering and Ben Cortes, as presented.
- ACCEPT CERTIFICATED RETIREMENTS 9.6.4 On adoption of the consent calendar, the Board accepted certificated retirements, effective 6/30/22, as presented:
Kim Harris, 1st Grade Teacher, Fair Oaks
Bryan Mills, Choir/Drama Teacher, OJHS/OHS
Catherine Mormon, 3rd Grade Teacher, Fair Oaks
Sigrid Noordeweir, 4th Grade Teacher, Sierra View
Kathy Pinol, Principal, Fair Oaks
Pete Simoncini, Social Studies/AP US History Teacher, OHS
Lynn Coverston-Zunino, 1st Grade Teacher, Fair Oaks
- ACCEPT CLASSIFIED RETIREMENTS 9.6.5 On adoption of the consent calendar, the Board accepted classified retirements, effective 6/30/22, as presented:
Julie Moletta, Instructional Aide-Title I, Sierra View
Mary Richey, After School Program Leader, Cloverland,
Before School Program Leader, Fair Oaks
Yard Duty Aide, OJHS
Patty Traini, Secretary II, Magnolia
Toni Ward, Instructional Aide – SDC, Sierra View
- ACCEPT CERTIFICATED RESIGNATIONS 9.6.6 On adoption of the consent calendar, the Board accepted certificated resignations, effective 6/30/22, as presented:
Christy Motsinger, SDC-SH, Cloverland
- ACCEPT CLASSIFIED RESIGNATIONS 9.6.7 On adoption of the consent calendar, the Board accepted classified resignations, as presented:
Carla Baez Diaz, ASPL-1, Fair Oaks, eff. 2/25/22
Hannah Hanko, Behav. Prog. Para 1:1, OJHS, eff. 6/30/22
Camille Hartley, Instructional Aide, Magnolia, eff. 4/14/22
Jaclyn Mamaril, ASPL-1, Sierra View, eff. 1/17/22
Dylan Mendes, Custodian I, Fair Oaks, eff. 2/16/22
Tawni Vandagriff, Custodian I, Sierra View, eff. 2/11/22
Michelle Whitley, Bus Driver, eff. 2/22/22

- APPROVE CLASSIFIED PROMOTION 9.6.8 On adoption of the consent calendar, the Board approved classified promotion, as presented:
Taylor Essenpreis, from Yard Duty Aide, Magnolia
To Instructional Aide, Magnolia, eff. 2/7/22
- APPROVE CLASSIFIED PLACEMENT 9.6.7 On adoption of the consent calendar, the Board approved classified placement, effective 3/7/22, as presented:
Danica Taylor, from Custodian I, Cloverland
To Café Assistant/Custodian, Central Kitchen/OJHS
- DISPOSITION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT, 9.6.4, ACCEPT CERTIFICATED RETIREMENT 10.0 Trustee Shatswell noted the large list of teachers and administrator retiring, and wanted to acknowledge and express appreciation for their service. Trustee Taylor also acknowledged the classified retirees.
- It was **M/S/C (Shatswell/House)** to accept Certificated Retirements, as presented; passed unanimously:
Kim Harris, 1st Grade Teacher, Fair Oaks
Bryan Mills, Choir/Drama Teacher, OJHS/OHS
Catherine Mormon, 3rd Grade Teacher, Fair Oaks
Sigrid Noordeweir, 4th Grade Teacher, Sierra View
Kathy Pinol, Principal, Fair Oaks
Pete Simoncini, Social Studies/AP US History Teacher, OHS
Lynn Coverston-Zunino, 1st Grade Teacher, Fair Oaks
- PROMOTION OF BEN CORTES Board President Gilbert noted Mr. Cortes in the audience, congratulated him on his promotion to Principal at Fair Oaks (Item 9.6.2), and noted his previous experience in Special Education. Mr. Cortes shared that he is looking forward to joining Fair Oaks, that he has a Masters in Special Education, and taught Special Education for 10 years at OJHS prior to becoming Vice Principal at Cloverland.
- REPORTS 11.0 None
- APPROVAL OF SECOND INTERIM REPORT, 2021-22 12.1 Kassandra Booth, Chief Business Officer, presented an overview of the Second Interim Report, reviewing Budget/ Fiscal Cycle; General Fund Revenues; Local Control Funding Formula; General Fund Expenditures, Summary, and Multi-year Projection, Future Impacts on MYP, One-Time Funds, All Funds, and Next Steps.
- In reviewing expenditures, she noted anything after January 31st is not included. In reviewing General Fund Revenues, she noted 5.07% 'mega' COLA, with 2.31% from prior year unfunded COLA, 1.70% current year COLA, and 1.00% for ongoing fiscal pressures. She explained LCFF is based on 2019-20 ADA, which was the highest ever in OJUSD history, and that we have a lot of one-time funds. She reviewed LCFF funding of \$51,180,581, and that our 2021-22 LCFF funding per ADA is the lowest in the county, with OJUSD receiving \$2,695 per ADA less than Waterford. She explained that

every district receives a base grant; the difference between our district and others in the county who receive significantly more money than OJUSD is supplemental and concentration money, and other districts had a higher number of students who are EL's or low income.

In reviewing General Fund Expenditures, she explained the majority of expenditures are for employees, with the majority of those being certificated salaries and benefits. In reviewing Multiyear Projection Assumptions, she noted Revenues of DOF COLA projections of 5.33% in 2022-23 and 3.61% in 2023-24, enrollment/attendance declining, and flat Federal and Other State and Local revenues; Expenditures of Certificated 1.48% step increase and \$125,00 column increases, Classified 2.0% step increases, and Pensions of STRS: 16.92% in 2021-22 to 19.1% in 2022-23 and 2023-24, PERS: 22.91% in 2021-22 to 26.10% in 2022-23 and 27.10% in 2023-24.

She noted Multiyear Projection Unassigned Reserve goes from 21.18% in 2021-22 to 20.83% in 2022-23 to 19.08% in 2023-24, and with revenue going down, Net Surplus will be a Deficit next year, which is the reason we have the reserve that we have. She noted Future Impacts on Multiyear Projection include the Governor's Proposal for three-year average ADA, Enrollment / Attendance, Current year Negotiations, and Universal Transitional Kindergarten.

She reviewed the extensive list of One-Time Funds, noting we can't spend on salaries or increases for staff. She reviewed All Funds with a Beginning Fund Balance of over \$30 million, but noted charter is deficit spending because they have lost some students, and Cafeteria is deficit spending but updating equipment. She noted Capital Facilities Funds, and the Facilities Committee will be identifying projects to bring back to the Board soon.

She reviewed next steps: Governor's May Revision will be released in May, 2023-23 LCAP and proposed budget will be presented to the Board in May with approval in June, and 2021-22 Unaudited Actuals will be presented in September.

In response to a question from Trustee Shatswell about whether we need extra people to be checking budgets, expenditures and deadlines, Ms. Booth explained that we have a great team in the Business and C&I departments to make sure everything is coded correctly.

In response to a question from student board member Tolboe about whether the Governor's May Revision would

be available at the Board meeting and if it will be put in place and released before the school year ends. Ms. Booth explained that when the Governor releases his budget, the State budget is usually not approved until June; the Governor's proposed budget will be included in the proposed budget that goes to the Board in June. The deadline for the legislature to take action is June 30.

In response to a question from Trustee Taylor about One-time Funds from San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District, Ms. Booth explained we received \$100,000 for additional vehicles; we ordered 5 vehicles July 1 and are still waiting on them to be delivered. We got an extension on that grant to make sure we qualified for these funds for employee custodial carts.

Board President Gilbert noted the high percentage of our budget that goes to pensions, which continues to increase, and doesn't know that people recognize the high percentage of the district budget that goes to that purpose. Ms. Booth explained the state still contributes to CalSTRS, but not to CalPERS. It was noted that we were supposed to pay STRS pensions of 18% this year but it was actually 16.92% to help pay down that debt. She also noted that 30% of every dollar we spend on every employee goes to PERS, which increased significantly in two years.

It was **M/S/C (Shatswell/Betschart)** to Approve the Second Interim Report and Positive Certification for Fiscal Year 2021-22. Passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 12.2
#21-22-18, INDEPENDENT STUDY
SCHOOL RECONFIGURATION

Assistant Superintendent Craig Redman presented this item, explaining that in 2020-21 and 2021-22 OJUSD was compelled to run an Independent Study program to provide education for our TK-12 students who were wary of coming to school during the COVID-19 pandemic. In order to give our Independent study students an education that will allow them to rejoin in-person school at any point, we are working to establish a TK-12 Independent Study School at Valley Oak Junior and Senior High School. The new school will be called Valley Oak Online Learning Academy. It is the District's goal to create a strong, integrated, and well-coordinated Independent Study program for all grades.

He explained that because of the reconfiguration of Valley Oak Junior and Senior High School, the District must comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The reconfiguration will not increase the original student capacity of Valley Oak Junior and Senior High School by more than 25% or 10 classrooms, the reconfiguration will not have a significant impact on the environment, and is subject to CEQA guidelines (Section 15314) and exempt from CEQA.

In response to a question from Trustee Shatswell about the number of teachers at Valley Oak, it was explained there are 5 teachers; 1 at Valley Oak Jr. and Sr. High School, and 4 temporary teachers that served Independent Study at the elementary level this year and will be extended next year under temporary contracts in order to support Valley Oak. There are currently over 150 students and we want to build a model that will successfully serve students; we don't know what interest will be. Currently 7-12 kids use Edgenuity or Google Meets and come in and meet with an instructor for an hour.

Trustee Shatswell asked what we are doing for kids failing classes and concerned about those that need to make up work; in the past when kids failed, they may have stayed back a grade. She asked what we are doing with upper grade kids if they have more than 2 F's. Mr. Redman explained that for kids grades 7-12 and especially 9-12, if they fall behind by more than 2 classes, depending on the grade they are in, they have the opportunity to make up 2 courses in summer school, night school they are able to make up 2 courses throughout the year, and within their regular schedule they will start back logging those classes they have passed. For a senior, it is getting late in the game.

In response to a question from Trustee Taylor about rejoining in-person school at any point, it was explained that Independent Study is optional, a student can enroll in Valley Oak if they meet criteria. We will build model so they can go back to comprehensive high school. Conceivably a student could enroll in IS in September, go back to in-person in October, back to IS in November; the back and forth could be very disruptive.

Assistant Superintendent Gillian Wegener explained that currently the state is mandating students can enroll, unroll and reenroll whenever they feel like it. It is disruptive and we don't encourage it. We encourage them to stick it out, or if it is not working for them, encourage them to go back to in-person school. Next year Independent Study is not mandated by the state so we will have more flexibility.

Deputy Superintendent Larry Mendonca stated that part of Independent Study legislation is that the student has to demonstrate they can work independently successfully. The district can say student is not progressing, or a meeting can be held to help parent understand it is not an appropriate program for the student.

7-12 students on Independent Study are currently using Edgenuity. There is a different continuity of instruction for Edgenuity to in-person. There needs to be a determination made for the long haul. Edgenuity course work is in line with OHS, but pacing may be different. As we enroll student in to Independent Study, students are counseled that we want them there for the long haul, whether a semester or a year because it falls in line better for transitioning back to a comprehensive site. It is very important we continue to increase the two rails of both comprehensive schools and Independent Study schools to be as close as possible to allow students to move at any given time and to line up course work more efficiently. There will be a great deal of counseling so they understand what they are signing up for, what expectations are.

It was **M/S/C (Betschart/Shatswell)** to approve Resolution #21-22-18, Independent Study School Reconfiguration. A Roll Call Vote was taken and passed unanimously. Ayes: Betschart, Gilbert, House, Shatswell, Taylor; advisory Tolboe

INFORMATION	13.1	K-12 Minimum Day / Staff Development, March 16
	13.2	Spring Break, April 15 – April 22
ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA	14.1	Volz Scholarship Recommendation
	14.2	Report on School Farm
	14.3	Trustee Shatswell requests a report or update on parent helpers being allowed back in classrooms.
ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA	15.1	Assignment of Commencement Appearances (May)
	15.2	First Reading: BP/AR 5141.52, Suicide Prevention (June)
ADJOURNMENT	16.0	Board President Gilbert adjourned the meeting at 7:14 p.m.