

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MONDAY, JANUARY 13, 2025, 5:45 P.M.
Oakdale Joint Unified School District
Technology & Staff Development Center
331 Hinkley Avenue, Oakdale, CA

THIS MEETING WAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

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| CALL TO ORDER | 1.1 | The meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m. by Board President Clayton Schemper. |
| TRUSTEES PRESENT | 1.2 | Bill Duvall, Diane Gilbert, Clayton Schemper, Tina Shatswell, and Terri Taylor; Student Board member Landon Arnold was present for Open session |
| LATE ARRIVALS | 1.3 | None |
| TRUSTEES ABSENT | 1.4 | None |
| VISITORS PRESENT | 1.5 | None |
| CLOSED SESSION | 2.0 | <p>Board President Schemper called the meeting to order and opened Public Comments on Closed Session Items at 5:45 p.m. There being none, public comments on Closed Session items Closed at 5:45 p.m.</p> <p>Board President Schemper adjourned the meeting into Closed Session at 5:45 p.m. Open Session reconvened at 6:32 p.m.</p> |
| PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE | 3.0 | Student Board member Landon Arnold introduced students from Fair Oaks Elementary School who led the pledge of allegiance: Cooper Thalman, Grade 3, Hartley Lutz, Grade 2, Carter Billings, Grade 1, Kaylin Tompkins, Grade K. These students were awarded Certificates of Appreciation for their participation. |
| ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION | 4.0 | <p>Board President Schemper reported:</p> <p>2.2.1 - The Board voted (5-0) to approve expulsion of student #24-25-08 for Fall 2024 and Spring 2025 for Ed Code violations: 48900 (a)(1), 48900 (a)(2), 48900 (r), 48915 (b)(1) and 48915 (b)(2).</p> <p>Item 2.3, Personnel Matters – The Board voted (5-0) to approve probationary release of employee #004251.</p> <p>Item 2.4 – The Board met on mid-year evaluation of the Superintendent.</p> |
| APPROVE ORDER OF AGENDA | 5.0 | It was M/S/C (Taylor/Shatswell) to approve the order of agenda items for this meeting. Passed unanimously. |

- ANNOUNCEMENTS 6.0 Trustee Taylor commented that she keeps score for the Girls Basketball games, and commended the high school administration and coaches and student athletes who are almost always positive, and are heads above what she is seeing coming to us from other schools. She noted it is appalling what we see from some of the other schools in term of what other athletes are doing and what coaches allow, and that we should be proud because ours do a wonderful job.
- ORGANIZATION REPORT, OTA 7.1 OTA President Omar Salinas reported they are back from break and ready to take on the second half of the school year. He also reported OTA is 250 members strong, and that he's looking forward to the School Boards Dinner February 3 and hopes some of the Board members will be able to join him.
- ORGANIZATION REPORT, CSEA 7.2 CSEA President Jake Cox reported they are looking forward to the new year and new challenges, including the minimum wage that went up. He noted that last time we worked together and solved it, and that later in the Board meeting there is approval of a one-time off salary schedule payment, but one-time money is not going to help the classified salary schedule get to minimum wage.
- ORGANIZATION REPORT, STUDENT 7.3 Student representative Landon Arnold reported on being off to a good start, excitement around Basketball and other sports, Winter Homecoming, Academic Decathlon, and Spring Sports starting soon.
- PUBLIC COMMENTS 8.0 Board President Schemper opened the Public Comments portion of the agenda at 6:44 p.m.
- MICHAEL NESSL Michael Nessler addressed the Board regarding multiple fights at the junior high before Christmas Break. He noted that the fights go on for a bit in front of the school in front of the gym before anyone steps in, and doesn't see much response from parents or school staff, and wondered if anyone has been informed this is a problem. He noted it seems excessive and that we need to be a little more proactive and stop before we have a situation happening, and wanted to bring to the Board's attention as a concerned parent. Trustee Schemper invited Mr. Nessler to talk with Superintendent Mendonca after the meeting.
- Public Comments closed at 6:46 p.m.
- REMOVE ITEMS FROM CONSENT CALENDAR 9.1 Trustee Duvall requested Item 9.4.3 be removed from the Consent Calendar.
- ADOPT CONSENT CALENDAR 9.2 It was **M/S/C (Gilbert/Shatswell)** to adopt the Consent Calendar as amended. Passed unanimously.
- ADOPT MINUTES OF 12/16/24 AS PRESENTED 9.3.1 On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board adopted minutes of its regularly scheduled meeting held Monday, December 16, 2024, as presented.

APPROVE QTRLY. REPORT, WILLIAMS COMPLAINTS	9.3.2	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved the Quarterly Report on Williams Settlement Complaints, as presented.
APPROVE INTERDISTRICT TRANSFER REQUESTS	9.4.1	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved interdistrict transfer requests, 2024-25 or 2025-26 school year, as presented.
APPROVE SARC PUBLICATION	9.4.2	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved Student Accountability Report Card (SARC) Publication, as presented.
APPROVE WARRANTS THRU 12/19/24, CYCLE I AND CYCLE II PAYROLL FOR DECEMBER 2024	9.5.1	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved district warrants prepared for payment through December 19, 2024, and Cycle I and Cycle II Payroll for December, 2024, as presented.
APPROVE CONSULTANT AGREEMENTS	9.5.2	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the board approved Consultant Agreements, as presented.
AUTHORIZE DISPOSAL, OBSOLETE EQUIPMENT & MATERIALS	9.5.3	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the Board authorized Disposal of Obsolete Equipment & Materials, as presented.
APPROVE WINTER 2024 CARS DATA SUBMISSION	9.5.4	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the Board approved Winter 2024 CARS Data Submission, as presented.
ACCEPT RETIREMENT, CERTIFICATED	9.6.1	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the Board approved certificated retirement, as presented: Jane Holmes, 1 st Grade Teacher, Sierra View, eff. 1/24/25
ACCEPT RESIGNATION, CERTIFICATED	9.6.2	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the Board accepted certificated resignation, as presented: Jenny Ferguson, Language Arts/Social Science Teacher, OJHS, eff. 12/20/24
APPROVE EMPLOYMENT, CERTIFICATED	9.6.3	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the Board approved certificated employment, as presented: Marissa Fast, Temp. TK Teacher, Cloverland, eff. 1/20/25
APPROVE EMPLOYMENT, CLASSIFIED	9.6.4	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the Board approved classified employment, as presented: Daniel De Souza, Custodian I Floater, M&O, eff. 12/16/24 Aimee Gunzenhauser, Supervisor of After School Programs, Magnolia, eff. 1/6/24 Hercil Llona, Behav. Prog. Para 1:1, Cloverland, eff. 1/6/25 Jayden Renault, Behav. Prog. Para 1:1, OHS, eff. 1/6/25 Nikita Smith, Café Assistant, OJHS, eff. 1/6/25
ACCEPT RESIGNATION, CLASSIFIED	9.6.5	On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the Board approved classified resignation, as presented: Gustavo Torres Carrillo, Groundswoker, OHS, eff. 1/6/25 Marissa Fast, Inst. Aide, Fair Oaks, eff. 1/17/25 Kaylee Silva, ELP Aide Oasis Prog., OJHS, eff. 12/31/24

APPROVE PROMOTION,
CLASSIFIED

9.6.6 On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the Board approved classified promotion, as presented:
Kaylee Silva, from Inst. Aide Title I, Magnolia (3.5 hr),
To Café Assistant (5.5 hr), OJHS, eff. 1/1/25

APPROVE TRANSFER,
CLASSIFIED

9.6.7 On adoption of the Consent Calendar, the Board approved classified transfer, as presented:
Tamberly Stone, Secretary II, from Sierra View to
Cloverland, eff. 1/6/25

DISPOSITION OF ITEMS
REMOVED FROM CONSENT

10.0 Trustee Duvall applauded setting goal of 3% student improvement, and that it's great we got this money, and asked what the new things entail.

9.4.3 APPROVE SINGLE PLAN
FOR STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT
ADDENDUMS

Cloverland Principal Larry Bonds explained that they have a number of Chromebooks that need to be replaced; they replaced 50 the first round and will replace 50 the next round. In order to go into CAASPP testing they will be purchasing another 50 Chromebooks. He also noted the need for a little nicer quality of headsets that we are purchasing for testing. They will be purchasing materials and supplies, curriculum, software and hardware. There is a need to replace Chrome Book batteries that are starting to fail, and keyboards that need to be replaced with use over time. With this roll over money we will be purchasing items to replace things, especially in preparation for testing.

Fair Oaks Principals Ben Cortes explained there is a wide variety of need. They try to buy supplemental curriculum, Science IXL software, they are also looking to boost small group intervention in classrooms and get some devices in classrooms to provide intervention instruction for students that are struggling.

Larry Bonds piggybacked on that, explaining that without having to come back multiple times within a school year, they have to write a broad plan, and there are sometimes needs they don't foresee, or sometimes the target is moving or changing based on what needs are. They want to make sure they are on top of things to make sure students don't go without to prepare for testing, and assessing needs within classrooms.

It was **M/S/C (Shatswell/Gilbert)** to approve Single Plan for Student Achievement Addendum for Cloverland and Fair Oaks. Passed unanimously.

REPORTS

11.0 None

RATIFICATION OF
TENTATIVE AGREEMENT, OTA

- 12.1 Assistant Superintendent Jose Sanchez presented this item for approval, noting the district and OTA reached tentative agreement which includes a \$4,000 one-time off salary schedule payment. There is also new contract language for Articles: 10, 24, 31, 32, 36, 37, Appendix A and B.

It was **M/S/C (Shatswell/Taylor)** to approve Ratification of the Tentative Agreement between Oakdale Joint Unified School District and OTA. Passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF ONE-TIME
OFF SALARY SCHEDULE
PAYMENT FOR CERTIFICATED
& CLASSIFIED MANAGERS &
CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEES

- 12.2 Assistant Superintendent Sanchez presented this item which gives Certificated and Classified Management and Confidential employees the same \$4,000 one-time off salary schedule payment as OTA.

It was **M/S/C (Taylor/Duvall)** to approve a One-time Off the Salary Schedule Payment for Certificated and Classified Management and Confidential Employees. Passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CLOSURE OF
OJHS ASES AFTER SCHOOL
PROGRAM

- 12.3 Armida Colon, Director of State & Federal Programs, reported the Oakdale Jr. High School ASES After School Program will be closing at the end of the 2024-25 school year. The program has struggled to recruit and retain students for several years, and since 2019, has not met the attendance targets mandated by the ASES grant. As a result of not meeting the attendance requirements, the grant will be reduced, and the new funding level will significantly limit the district's ability to cover all staffing and operational costs. The district is moving forward with voluntarily closing the program because of the fiscal impact. The California Department of Education requires districts to submit the *Voluntary Site Cancellation Form* whenever an ASES program closure is expected to ensure future funding is not set aside.

It was **M/S/C (Shatswell/Gilbert)** to approve Closure of OJHS ASES After School Program. Passed unanimously.

APPROVAL, RESOLUTION
#24-25-07, CERTIFYING
ELECTION RESULTS, 1/5/24
GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND

- 12.4 Superintendent Mendonca reported the district has received the official election results confirming passage of Measure G, General Obligation Bond in the November 5, 2024 general election. Under State law, the Board must officially enter the results in its minutes, which is accomplished by adoption of this resolution. The resolution certifies that the Bond Measure has been accomplished according to the law and approved by more than 55% of the votes cast at the Bond Election. Reading of the resolution was waived.

It was **M/S/C (Gilbert/Taylor)** to approve Resolution #24-25-07, Certifying to the Boards of Supervisors of Stanislaus County and San Joaquin County All Proceedings in the November 5, 2024, General Obligation Bond Election. A Roll Call Vote was taken and passed unanimously.

APPROVAL, RESOLUTION
#24-25-08, ADOPTING BYLAWS
GOVERNING MEASURE G
CITIZENS' BOND OVERSIGHT
COMMITTEE

- 12.5 Superintendent Mendonca reported that pursuant to State law, the District is required to establish and appoint a citizens' oversight committee to review bond expenditures for the purpose of ensuring that Measure G funds are spent on voter-approved projects. This resolution approves bylaws that will govern the administration of the committee. Committee members are expected to be appointed by the Board at a public meeting, upon recommendation of the Superintendent, within 60 days. Reading of the resolution was waived.

It was **M/S/C (Gilbert/Taylor)** to approve Resolution #24-25-08, Adopting Bylaws Governing the Measure G Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee. A Roll Call Vote was taken and passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF SECOND QTR.
DEVELOPER FEES REPORT

- 12.6 Chief Business Officer Cassandra Booth presented the Quarterly Developer Fee Report for October – December 2024, reporting fees were collected for 8 new homes: 3 in Carmel Ranch, 2 in in Tesoro, and 3 in Meadowland.

It was **M/S/C (Shatswell/Duvall)** to approve the Second Quarter Developer Fee Report. Passed unanimously.

INFORMATION

- 13.1 K-12 Minimum Day / Staff Development, January 15
13.2 Martin Luther King Birthday Holiday, January 20
13.3 Stanislaus County Academic Decathlon, January 25
13.4 K-12 Minimum Day / Staff Development, February 13
13.5 President's Day Holiday, February 17
13.6 Lincoln's Birthday Holiday Observed, February 24

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

- 14.1 Adoption of 2025-26 Board Meeting Calendar
14.2 Assignment of Commencement Appearances
14.3 LCAP Mid-Year Report

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA:

- 15.1 Consideration of Board Policy on AI (Artificial Intelligence)

ADJOURNMENT

- 16.0 The meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.