HAPPY VALLEY UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT Est. 1954

Happy Valley Elementary School District
Board of Trustees

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

February 12, 2025
Happy Valley Elementary Library – Open Session – 5:00 p.m.
Happy Valley Elementary Library – Closed Session – 5:05 p.m.
Happy Valley Elementary School Cafeteria – Open Session - 6:00 p.m.
17480 Palm Avenue, Anderson, CA 96007

OPEN SESSION – 5:00 PM Elementary Library

1.0 Call to Order @ 5:00 p.m.

2.0 Roll Call – Jodi Shearman, Cheryl Best, Mike Arey, Erin Ciapponi, Josh Hancock – Present

3.0 Approval of Closed Session Agenda -

On a motion by Cheryl Best, seconded by Mike Arey, the board voted 5-0 to approve the agenda.

4.0 Public Comment on Closed Session

The public is invited to address the Board regarding items that are listed under the closed session agenda. Speakers are limited to three minutes each. The Board is not allowed under law to act on matters that are not on the Agenda.

4.1 Public Comment Session Opened @ 5:01 p.m.
4.2 Person wishing to address the Board – None
4.3 Public Comment Session Closed @ 5:01 p.m.

5.0 Adjourn Open Session and Convene Closed Session

On a motion by Mike Arey, seconded by Erin Ciapponi, the board voted 5-0 to adjourn Open Session and convene Closed Session at 5:01 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION - 5:05 PM Elementary Library

6.0 Closed Session

6.1 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal Release (§54957)
6.2 Conference Regarding Labor Negotiations (§54957.6) Certificated & Classified
6.3 Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Superintendent/Primary School Principal (§54957)

7.0 Adjourn Closed Session and Convene Open Session

On a motion by Mike Arey, seconded by Cheryl Best, the board voted 5-0 to adjourn Closed Session and convene Open Session at 5:39 p.m.

OPEN SESSION – 6:00 PM Elementary Cafeteria

*****Erin Ciapponi left after Closed Session at 5:39 p.m.**

8.0 Call to Order at 6:00 p.m.

9.0 Pledge of Allegiance – Led by Jodi Shearman

10.0 Report from Closed Session

Jodi Shearman reported during closed session held earlier tonight, the board adopted Resolution #25-11 – Release of Certificated Probationary Employee pursuant to Education Code 44929.21 and authorized Mrs. Murphy to notify a teacher of release from their probationary status.

On a motion by Mike Arey, seconded by Cheryl Best, the board voted unanimously to approve Resolution #25-11.

11.0 Approval of Agenda –

On a motion by Cheryl Best, seconded by Mike Arey, the board voted 4-0 to approve the agenda.

12.0 Presentation – Students/Staff

Students: Blake Albright
Staff: Nicole Westaby; Bruce Bear

13.0 Information/Discussion Items

13.1 Community/Staff/District (suggested 2 minutes maximum per presenter)

a) Community – None
b) Certificated Staff – None
c) Classified Staff – None
d) Board Members – the West Valley Tri-tip dinner had a good turnout; 4-H students will be picking up their pigs this evening; the 8th grade dinner is this Saturday and tickets are almost sold out. There have been a lot of great donations made.
e) Primary Site Update – Gina Murphy reported the following: Cooking Club has started at both sites; Gardening Club will be starting soon; Happy Valley held a basketball tournament over the weekend; Amy Barker filled in as principal one day this week and commented on the great dismissal process; the School Site Council met and went over their goals for the year.
f) Elementary Site Update – Gina Murphy reported the following for Chris Nelson: Softball tryouts start this week; students will be participating in the Kindness

Challenge. There will be a different kindness challenge each day; the middle school Valentine's Dance will take place on Friday.

14.0 Communications to the Board – SCOE – Concurrence of 1st Interim Budget & Positive Certification

15.0 Public Comment – Public Session Items not on the agenda, but within the jurisdiction of this body, may be addressed at this time or be submitted to the Superintendent in writing for Board consideration as an agenda item. Items not on the agenda are restricted in response and action by the Board and its members. A three-minute limit is set for each speaker on all items. The total time for public input on each item is limited to 20 minutes (Government Code 54952). In order to protect the rights of all involved, complaints about employees should be addressed through the District complaint process. Speaking about a personnel issue at a Board meeting may prevent the Board from being able to act on it. Please see an administrator to initiate the complaint process.

15.1 Public Comment Session Opened @ 6:23 p.m.
15.2 Items on the Agenda – None
15.3 Items not on the Agenda – None
15.4 Public Comment Session Closed @ 6:23 p.m.

16.0 Consent Agenda - Consent Agenda items are expected to be routine and non-controversial. They will be acted upon by the Board at one time without discussion. **Board Members may request that an item be removed from the Consent Agenda for later discussion.**

16.1 Approval of Minutes for Regular Board Meeting January 14, 2025
16.2 Approval of Warrants Jan. 10, 2025 – Feb. 7, 2025

On a motion by Cheryl Best, seconded by Mike Arey, the board voted 4-0 to approve the Consent Agenda.

17.0 Personnel:

17.1 Approve Personnel Action Report

On a motion by Cheryl Best, seconded by Mike Arey, the board voted 4-0 to approve the the Personnel Action Report.

18.0 Discussion/Action Items

18.1 Discussion/Action: Discussion/Action: Approval of Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

No items removed

18.2 Discussion: TK/K Facility Project

Gina Murphy reported there was a pre-bid walkthrough for builders. Any of them wishing to bid on the project will turn their bid into Semingson. She also reported she followed up with the attorneys regarding the property line. She is still waiting on an MOU agreement from them.

18.3 Discussion/Action: Approve AB1200 Public Discloser of Proposed Bargaining Agreement: Certificated - including updated contract language & salary schedule

On a motion by Cheryl Best, seconded by Mike Arey, the board voted 4-0 to approve the bargaining agreement with the Certificated staff.

18.4 Discussion/Action: Approve AB1200 Public Discloser of Proposed Bargaining Agreement: Certificated Management; Confidential/Management – including updated salary schedule

On a motion by Cheryl Best, seconded by Mike Arey, the board voted 4-0 to approve the bargaining agreement with Certificated Management & Confidential/Management staff.

18.5 Discussion/Action: Approve 2024/25 Extended School Year Waiver

On a motion by Cheryl Best, seconded by Jodi Shearman, the board voted 4-0 to approve the 2024/25 Extended School Year Waiver.

18.6 Discussion/Action: Approve Comprehensive Safety Plan

Mrs. Murphy reported that Opioid Response and Continuity of Learning Prevention was added to the plan.

On a motion by Jodi Shearman, seconded by Cheryl Best, the board voted 4-0 to approve the Comprehensive Safety Plan.

18.7 Discussion/Action: Approve SPSA: School Plan for Student Achievement

On a motion by Cheryl Best, seconded by Mike Arey, the board voted 4-0 to approve the School Plan for Student Achievement.

18.8 Discussion/Action: Approve Updated Signature Warrant Card

On a motion by Cheryl Best, seconded by Mike Arey, the board voted 4-0 to approve the updated Signature Warrant Card.

18.9 Discussion/Action: Approve 2025/26 School Year Calendar

On a motion by Jodi Shearman, seconded by Mike Arey, the board voted 4-0 to approve the 2025/26 School Year Calendar.

18.10 Discussion/Action: Approve Resolution #25-12 Lincoln's Birthday Observance

On a motion by Cheryl Best, seconded by Mike Arey, the board voted 4-0 to approve Resolution #25-12.

18.11 Discussion/Action: Approve Sub-committee for Provisional Board Appointment

Mike Arey will resign from the board effective February 13, 2025 leaving a vacancy on the board. After discussion it was decided that Jodi Shearman and Cheryl Best would serve as members of the sub-committee.

On a motion by Jodi Shearman, seconded by Cheryl Best, the board voted 4-0 to approve the Sub-committee for Provisional Board Appointment.

18.12 Discussion/Action: Approve Updated September 2024 Board Policies

Jodi Shearman reviewed the updated board policies with board members and gave recommendations on each.

On a motion by Cheryl Best, seconded by Jodi Shearman, the board voted 4-0 to approve the updated September board policies with the recommendations.

19.0 Superintendent Update – Gina Murphy reported the California School Dashboard was released on January 31st.

20.0 Business Manager Update – Nothing to report

21.0 Enrollment Update as of February 7, 2025: 493 - Grades TK – 8 (includes CDS and Independent Study/Homeschool)

22.0 Next Meetings

March 12, 2025
April 09, 2025
May 14, 2025

Board Meeting Times:
5:00 p.m. – 5:05 p.m. – Open Session – Community Comments on Closed Session – Elem. Library
5:05 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. – Closed Session – Elementary Library
6:00 p.m. – Open Session – Regular Board Meeting – Elementary Cafeteria

23.0 Adjourn Open Session

On a motion by Cheryl Best, seconded by Mike Arey, the board voted 4-0 to adjourn open session @ 7:40 p.m.

Approved March 12, 2025

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Clerk of the Board