

UNADOPTED MINUTES

POLLOCK PINES SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting
Board of Trustees
January 12, 2010

- Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 6:48 p.m. by President Dennis Cullen in Room B-1 at the Emigrant Trail Educational Center.
- Members Present J. Dennis Cullen
 Dave Campbell
 Tom Griffin
 Dean Smith
 Cindy Stetler
- Adoption of Agenda It was moved by Mr. Griffin, seconded by Mr. Smith, to adopt the agenda. Motion unanimously carried.
- Approval of Minutes President Cullen requested that an explanation be added to the minutes of the December 2009 Board meeting stating that the reason the date of the regularly scheduled board meeting was changed from December 8 to December 14 was due to heavy snowfall and unsafe road conditions. It was moved by Mrs. Stetler, seconded by Mr. Campbell, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of December 14, 2009 as amended. Motion unanimously carried.
- Public Comment Carol Steinbrecher and Danielle Mickelson addressed the Board regarding the use of district facilities to provide a community fitness exercise class. They propose that a percentage of the fees charged for the class go to the school district and/or Parent-School Club in exchange for a direct cost rental fee. Ms. Steinbrecher and Ms. Mickelson were encouraged to meet with the Superintendent to submit a plan for review.

Presentations, Hearings, Reports, and Discussion

- Report -
Budget Committee President Cullen outlined the process the Budget Committee used to compile and rate suggestions submitted to assist Board members in the decision making process when any cuts or other budget action is presented for Board consideration. All suggestions received from committee members and the public were anonymously rated by each member of the Budget Committee. A detailed analysis of the results, listing both the mode (the response that appeared most often) and the mean (the average score) for

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each suggestion, was reviewed by Board members. At the conclusion of the discussion which followed, it was the unanimous consensus of the Board that this report will be a very useful reference document when considering budget action.

Discussion -
Summer School

Superintendent Spencer stated that ongoing remedial programs have now been established at both sites, providing assistance to students in language arts and math. The results of student remediation through Summer School have been poor. Ongoing remediation programs cost less than Summer School, and it is felt they will produce better results. It is also the recommendation of the Budget Committee that we do not continue to offer Summer School.

It was moved by Mr. Griffin, seconded by Mr. Campbell, that we do not operate a Summer School program this year. Motion unanimously carried.

Superintendent Spencer will send notification of this decision to parents the first of February.

Finance and Business

Adoption -
Resolution No.
2009-2010-10

It was moved by Mrs. Stetler, seconded by Mr. Campbell, to adopt Resolution No. 2009-2010-10 delegating authority to the Superintendent to approve warrants in exceptional situations. Motion carried with five Ayes and zero Noes.

Board Policies and Administration

Review -
Facility Inspection
Program Reports

Board members reviewed the Facility Inspection Program Reports for all district sites.

Certification -
Williams Act Uniform
Complaint Procedures
Quarterly Report

It was moved by Mr. Griffin, seconded by Mr. Campbell, to certify the Williams Act Uniform Complaint Procedures Quarterly Report for the period of October 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009.

Adoption -
Resolution No.
2010-2011-11

Superintendent Spencer reported that California's Valued Trust, in partnership with the California Education Coalition for Health Care reform, has requested its members adopt a resolution to help in their efforts to maintain current healthcare programs and manage premium costs.

It was moved by Mrs. Stetler, seconded by Mr. Campbell, to adopt Resolution No. 2009-2010-11, “California Education Coalition for Health Care Reform Health Care Costs, 2010-2011.” Motion unanimously carried.

Staff Reports and Announcements

The Principals and Supervisor of Maintenance and Operations and Food Service had submitted written reports of activities and programs at their sites.

Superintendent’s Reports, Announcements, and Communications

The Superintendent reported on the following:

- Enrollment – District enrollment continues to decline at 701 students. This is a decrease of 18 students from CBEDS enrollment in October.
- Dictionary Distribution – Pollock Pines-Camino Rotary Club members distributed dictionaries to all 3rd grade students today.
- Rescheduled Staff Party – The staff party which was rescheduled for March 25 has been changed to Thursday, April 8. This additional change was necessary to include 4th grade teachers who will be at Coloma on March 25. The party will begin at 4:30 p.m. at Apple Mountain Golf Resort.
- Rescheduled ADA Recovery Day – The ADA Recovery Day has been rescheduled for Friday, February 27. Information will be going out to parents soon.
- Community Meetings – Community meetings to discuss a single bus run and changes in site start times will be held Thursday, February 4, at 4:00 p.m., and Thursday, February 11, at 7:00 p.m., in the Board Room. Proposed site schedules for a single bus run are: 8:25 a.m. – 2:40 p.m. at Pinewood; 8:40 a.m. – 2:55 p.m. at Sierra Ridge. Information regarding these meetings will be going out to parents soon.
- Race to the Top – Six districts in El Dorado County signed a MOU for Race to the Top: Buckeye, El Dorado County Office of Education, Gold Trail, Indian Diggings, Lake Tahoe, and Rescue. All other districts did not. The time line for this decision was short, and there were many unknowns regarding this competitive grant including:
 - ! The amount of money to be awarded
 - < Funding for Title I lowest 5% of PI schools and high schools graduating less than 60% will be granted first, with money distributed over four years.
 - < Remaining funds will be redistributed to include districts which join later.

! Whether the amount of money districts will receive will cover the cost of developing and implementing mandates

! The amount of work hours required to design individually compliant district programs

The MOU states that districts can pull out of the program by mutual consent; however, there is no guarantee that the state will consent. Participation also requires teacher evaluation plans include CST assessment results, and this has not be a part of negotiations with our employees.

- Conflict of Interest – The prevailing gift limitation is \$420.
- Calendar Committee – The first meeting of the Calendar Committee for 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 will be held January 20. Calendars adopted by the El Dorado Union High School District for both years include a three-week winter break.
- Boys & Girls Club Fund Raiser – The Boys & Girls Club annual Heroes Night dinner with a silent and live auction will be held this Saturday night at the El Dorado County Fair Grounds. Tickets are \$25.
- EDCSBA Annual Awards Dinner – The EDCSBA Annual Awards Dinner will be Thursday, January 21, 5:30 p.m., at the Cold Springs Country Club. Dave Walrath will be the guest speaker. The deadline for reservations is Monday, January 18.
- Letter to the Editor – A letter to the Editor of the Mountain Democrat from Mr. Cullen and his son was shared with Board members. Mr. Cullen and his son, Mike, who is currently deployed in Iraq, thanked the people of El Dorado County for the generous Christmas package he received which included many letters and cards of support.

Board Members’ Reports and Communications

Future Board
Agenda Topics

No future board agenda topics were suggested.

Other Board Member
Reports

President Cullen suggested lunch dates be selected for Board members to visit sites this trimester.

In addition, CFO Sean Martin was asked for a brief report on the Governor’s Budget Workshop he attended today. Mr. Martin reported:

- < The one-time cut of \$252 per ADA to the Revenue Limit will probably become an ongoing cut.
- < A COLA was funded; however, it is a negative this year.
- < The governor is requesting more federal funds.

- < There will be no mid-year cuts this year. Additional cuts will be made in 2010-2011.

Consent Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Griffin, seconded by Mr. Campbell, to approve the Consent Agenda with the exception of Warrants Batch 34. Motion carried with three Ayes, zero Noes, and two Abstentions (Mr. Smith and Mrs. Stetler).

It was moved by Mrs. Stetler, seconded by Mr. Griffin to approve Warrant Batch 34 of the Consent Agenda. Motion carried with four Ayes, zero Noes, and one Abstention (Mr. Campbell).

1. Approval of Warrants

Closed Session

At the hour of 8:15 p.m., Mr. Cullen concluded the open portion of the meeting, and the Board reconvened in closed session regarding the Superintendent's Evaluation.

Actions from Closed Session

There were no actions from closed session.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Griffin, seconded by Mr. Smith, to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m. Motion unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Spencer
District Superintendent and
Secretary to the Board

APPROVED:

J. Dennis Cullen, President

DATE: _____