Call to Order
The meeting was called to order at 6:46 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

Special Order of Business
Due to additional information which came to the District for review after the Board Agenda had been published, an addition to the agenda was requested. It was moved by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Griffin to add to the agenda Item B.4, “Recognition of Sierra Ridge 8th Grade Student, Jonathan “Jay” Revolinsky, El Dorado County Schools Champion 7th/8th Boys Cross Country.”

Adoption of Agenda
It was moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Stetler, to adopt the agenda as amended. Motion unanimously carried.

Recognition - Jonathan “Jay” Revolinsky
Board President Dennis Cullen presented a certificate of commendation to Sierra Ridge 8th Grade student Jonathan “Jay” Revolinsky in recognition of his earning the title of El Dorado County Schools 7th/8th Boys Cross Country Champion last week. Principal Rich Callaghan also congratulated Jay, stating he is not only a fine athlete, but an excellent student and the 2010-2011 Student Body President of Sierra Ridge Middle School.

Approval of Minutes
It was moved by Mr. Griffin, seconded by Mr. Campbell, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of September 14, 2010. Motion unanimously carried.

Public Comment
There was no public comment.

Discussion

School District Consolidation Report
Superintendent Monsma stated that the El Dorado County Office of Education (EDCOE) recently sponsored a study of school district consolidations conducted by School Services of California,
This report focused on an analysis of the revenue impact of school district consolidations and included 24 separate district consolidation configurations. It was presented at a workshop designed to provide introductory information regarding the processes and considerations involved in the consolidation of districts. It did not include any information regarding the cost of combining salary schedules or health benefits or take into consideration the services already shared between districts. This study was undertaken by EDCOE in response to the frequently asked questions from the public of why there are so many districts in the county and whether money could be saved by consolidation. EDCOE has made no recommendations for any of the consolidation configurations presented.

CFO Martin reviewed with the Board an analysis of consolidation with three of the four districts contiguous to the Pollock Pines ESD. The fourth district, Silver Fork ESD, is not considered a viable partner for consolidation due to its basic aid status which would significantly reduce the per-pupil funding in any consolidation. The 09-10 ADA, number of campuses, and budget status for Camino USD, Gold Oak USD, and Pioneer USD were included in the review. No additional funds are created for the new district resulting from consolidation; however, the revenue limit is increased to allow the consolidation of the two previous classified and certificated salary schedules which requires the majority of the funds. Savings in expenditures in overhead and support services is the main source of increased funding, with the largest savings resulting from combining sites or closing a school site. However, all four districts already share support services, which would reduce savings in a consolidation, and any site closure would require the transportation of students, due to the distance and location of the schools. In addition, Camino USD, Gold Oak USD, and Pioneer USD have union employee groups, and Gold Oak USD has a bond. Because the Education Code provides no specific details on how the bond indebtedness of existing districts will be divided in a consolidation, the existence of a bond is a complex issue when considering any consolidation of districts.

There was discussion following Mr. Martin’s presentation. President Cullen stated this report was sponsored by EDCOE in an effort to be proactive and to make available some good, unbiased information about school district consolidation; the topic was placed on our agenda for the same reasons.
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Finance and Business

Approval - 2010-2011 Master Contract with Guiding Hands, Inc.
It was moved by Mrs. Stetler, seconded by Mr. Campbell, to approve the 2010-2011 Master Contract with Guiding Hands, Inc. Motion unanimously carried.

Approval - Ad for CEDAPP 2011 Pollock Pines Business Directory
It was moved by Mr. Griffin, seconded by Mr. Smith, to approve the renewal of the district’s half-page ad in the CEDAPP 2011 Pollock Pines Business Directory. Motion unanimously carried.

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. Smith, to certify the Williams Act Uniform Complaint Procedures Quarterly Report for the period of July 1, 2010 – September 30, 2010. Motion unanimously carried.

First Reading - Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5144.1
Superintendent Monsma explained that the Education Code allows a school to require a parent’s attendance when a student misbehaves; however, this is not included in our current policy. The stipulated expulsion process has also been added to the Administrative Regulation, along with some explanatory updates from GAMUT. After the adoption of the updated policies, parents will be notified of the changes.

Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5144.1, “Suspension and Expulsion Due Process,” were presented for a first reading. There was no action required at this meeting. The Board Policy and Administrative Regulation will be presented for adoption at the regular Board meeting in November.

Personnel

Approval - Employment of Donna Maier
It was moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Griffin, to approve the employment of Donna Maier, School Nurse, .6467 FTE (92 days Pollock Pines; 27 days Camino), effective August 30, 2010. Motion unanimously carried.
Approval - Employment of Cathy Fritzler
It was moved by Mr. Griffin, seconded by Mrs. Stetler, to approve the employment of Cathy Fritzler, Dispatcher/Substitute Bus Driver, 1.25 hours per day Dispatcher, effective September 15, 2010. Motion unanimously carried.

Approval - Resignation of Rebekah Boatman
It was moved by Mrs. Stetler, seconded by Mr. Smith, to approve the following personnel items:

Approval - Resignation of Rebekah Boatman
Resignation of Rebekah Boatman, After-School Coordinator of Remediation Programs and 21st Century Grant, 4.0 hours per week, 28 weeks, 2010-2011

Approval - Resignation of Rebekah Boatman
Resignation of Rebekah Boatman, After-School Remediation Teacher, up to 1.25 hours per day, 3-4 days per week, 2010-2011

Approval - Employment of Kimberly Little
It was moved by Mrs. Stetler, seconded by Mr. Griffin, to approve the employment of Kimberly Little, After-School Coordinator of Remediation Programs and 21st Century Grant, at Pinewood, 2.0 hours per week, 28 weeks, 2010-2011. Motion unanimously carried.

Approval - Employment of Rebecca Foxworthy
It was moved by Mr. Griffin, seconded by Mr. Campbell, to approve the employment of Rebecca Foxworthy, After-School Coordinator of Remediation Programs and 21st Century Grant, at Sierra Ridge, 2.0 hours per week, 28 weeks, 2010-2011. Motion unanimously carried.

Staff Reports and Announcements
The Pinewood Principal, M&O/Food Service Supervisor, and Transportation Supervisor had submitted written reports of activities and programs at their sites.

In addition, Sierra Ridge Principal Rich Callaghan reported:

- Teachers and students performed the “unscheduled” fire drill very well in response to smoke and a pungent odor in the music room on September 30. There was no panic. A couple of calls were received after the event stating appreciation for the way it was handled. Teachers explained what had happened to students before they went home, and a Connect-Ed telephone message was sent out as soon as the buses left.
The parent-teacher conferences held last week were very productive.

Basketball tryouts were held today; football season just finished.

The annual Hot Air Balloon Launch was held this morning.

Mr. Haslam reported that the full amount of the First 5 grant will be allocated to Kindergarten Readiness Camp this year and will support two teachers. The aide for the program will be supported by the Parent Teacher Club.

Mrs. Barraque reported:

- Students riding the new bus have become accustomed to the seatbelts. The camera system is great, and the noise level on the bus is low.
- Over $18,000 has been collected in bus fees.
- Shuttle service for Sugarloaf earned just over $1,400. The Fleet Feet contract earned $1,300.
- If grant funding is available next year from the El Dorado Air Quality Management District for bus replacement, our district will qualify for the funding with the oldest bus in the county.

Superintendent’s Reports, Announcements, and Communications

The Superintendent reported on the following:

- State Budget Adopted – The state budget adopted today includes more deferrals for education. In addition, Proposition 98 was suspended for the second time. The Governor used his line item veto to eliminate public health services for special education students. School districts will now be responsible for providing these services. The Governor also used the line item veto to reduce funding for the development and support of CalPADS, the system for collecting student data throughout the state.
- Thank You for Artwork – Thank you to the students in Kathleen Weise’s classroom for providing artwork for display in the Board Room.
- Recording Studio – Randy Head and Eric Schlavin have done a marvelous job setting up a recording studio just across the hall from the Board Room. They also moved all the equipment across the street for Jillian Secor’s concert. They deserve a really big kudo for all the extra work they are doing.
- Bus Lane – A bus lane has been delineated at Sierra Ridge to help with the flow of traffic. It was suggested by Stacy Barraque and painted for us by Kevin Van Veldhuizen. We are hopeful it will
allow unrestricted access for the buses when the parking lot is congested.

- **Halloween Event** – The Stay Safe Halloween Event will be held in the Pinewood gym this year. This annual event is jointly sponsored by CEDAPP, Pollock Pines-Camino Rotary Club, Dogwood Garden Club, SERTS, Pollock Pines Community Center, and the local Parent Teacher Clubs. It is normally held at the Community Center which is unavailable this year.

- **AVID Activity** – Board members were encouraged to visit the classroom during an AVID activity called Philosophical Chairs. A topic is proposed to students who are then divided into opposing chairs depending on whether they agree or disagree with the subject. After a student has stated the basis of his/her opinion, another student restates what the first student has said, then states the basis of his/her exceptions to what has been stated. A student cannot speak again until three other students have spoken. If a student changes his/her opinion, (s)he moves to a chair on the opposite side. It is a very respectful, courteous exchange which encourages logical, objective thinking.

- **Thank You to PPTA Representatives** – It was very helpful to have PPTA representatives attend a meeting held to discuss resolution of a personnel issue. It was a lengthy meeting held during parent conference week, and their willingness to participate after a long day with parent conferences is much appreciated.

### Board Members’ Reports and Communications

#### Future Board Agenda Topics

No future board agenda topics were suggested.

#### Other Board Member Reports

Board member Tom Griffin reported he was told recently of a Safeway fund raiser program during which 10% of a customer’s total purchase can be donated to local schools by entering on the eScrip website a rebate code located on the sales receipt. Receipts have been collected by Safeway employees, who are also parents of students in the district, in order to obtain the rebate codes and register the contributions. Unfortunately, the last day to register a contribution is tomorrow, October 13. *(Note: After research, we have learned this fund raising program is designated as the 10% Goes Back to Schools Program. It is an annual Safeway fund raiser during which 10% of the purchase price of designated products can be donated to local schools, not 10% of a customer’s total purchase as originally reported. Club Cards signed up for eScrip savings contribute automatically.)*
Consent Agenda

Approval - Consent Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Griffin, seconded by Mrs. Stetler, to approve 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 8:08 p.m., Mr. Cullen concluded the open portion of the meeting, and the Board met in closed session to consider a Stipulated Expulsion Agreement.

Actions from Closed Session

The Board returned to open session at 8:23 p.m.

It was moved by Mr. Griffin, seconded by Mrs. Stetler, to approve the stipulated expulsion agreement for the remainder of the 2010-2011 school year for Student I.D. Number 691658. Motion unanimously carried.

Adjournment

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Griffin, seconded by Mrs. Stetler, to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 p.m. Motion unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Kevin Monsma
District Superintendent and
Secretary to the Board

APPROVED:

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J. Dennis Cullen, President

DATE: ____________________