

ROCKLIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

5:30 p.m. District Visioning and Strategic Planning Workshop 7:00 p.m. Regular Session
March 20, 2013

MINUTES

1.0 **CALL TO ORDER** – President Todd Lowell called the regular meeting of the Rocklin Unified School District Board of Trustees to order at 5:30 p.m. on March 20, 2013 in the District Administration Office located at 2615 Sierra Meadows Drive, Rocklin, CA 95677. A quorum was established.

2.0 **ROLL CALL**

Trustees Present: Todd Lowell, *President*
Steve Paul, *Vice President*
Greg Daley, *Clerk*
Wendy Lang, *Member*
Camille Maben, *Member*

Trustee(s) Absent: None

Student Representative: Delany Chiu, *Rocklin High School*

Administrative Staff: Kevin Brown, *Superintendent*; Todd Cutler, *Deputy Superintendent*; Barbara Patterson, *Associate Superintendent*; Michael S. Garrison, *Assistant Superintendent*; Sue Wesselius, *Senior Director*; Carolyn Nunn-Lum, *Director*; David Bills, *Principal*; Mark Williams, *Principal*; Jay Holmes, *Principal*; Sarah James, *Principal*; Karen Huffines, *Principal*; Chuck Thibideau, *Principal*; Steve Mate, *Chief Technology Officer*; Jordan White, *Coordinator*; Mia Swenson/*Recorder*

3.0 **DISTRICT VISIONING AND STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP (5:30 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.)**

Deputy Superintendent Todd Cutler led the third District Visioning and Strategic Planning Workshop. Participants reviewed the RUSD Transformation Plan Summary and provided input and feedback on the concepts, ideas, and direction on the action steps and measurable objectives. In June, the Board will be asked to approve the final Transformational Plan (to include Vision, Mission, Guidelines, Priorities, Measurable goals/Objectives) and a Three-Year Action Plan. Administrators will then share the information with their staff while District Administration will work to present and share the District's Vision and Transformational Plan with the community and shareholders.

4.0 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – The Whitney High School AFJROTC Color Guard led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

5.0 **AUDIENCE/VISITORS PUBLIC DISCUSSION** – President Lowell welcomed all visitors and invited them to speak on agenda items at the conclusion of the Board's discussion. He also invited visitors to speak at this time regarding non-agenda items and announced that the public portion of the meeting would be recorded. The following comments regarding non-agenda items were noted:

Bob Bronte spoke in support of all the hard work and dedication put forth by Cindy Cutts, Career Technician at Rocklin High School. He expressed his thankfulness and admiration for Cindy, for the many years of support she has provided to district students (scholarships, college applications, guidance). The Board echoed the sentiments of Mr. Bronte and extended their deep gratitude to Cindy and to her peers, as well.

Michael Lang (Assistant Coach/Speech & Debate and Head Coach/Mock Trial) announced that the Rocklin High Speech & Debate team has four students that have qualified to represent the school at the State Championship Speech & Debate tournament which will be held in Santa Clarita.

Andrew Westrope of Gold Country Media introduced himself to the Board, administrators, and audience. He stated that he looks forward to working closely with staff on educational topics and District news.

6.0 **COMMENTS FROM STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE** – Student Representative Delany Chiu provided a report on districtwide events.

7.0 **COMMENTS FROM BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT** – Trustees and staff enjoyed attending the annual Rocklin Royale fundraiser event on March 16, sponsored by the Rocklin Educational Excellence Foundation (REEF) and South Placer Rotary. Trustees also echoed the sentiments of Mr. Bronte and lauded Cindy Cutts for her tireless efforts in supporting the students at Rocklin High School.

8.0 **ACTION ITEMS – CONSENT CALENDAR**

8.1 **BOARD MINUTES** – Request to approve Board minutes.

8.1.1 March 6, 2013 (Regular Session)

8.2 **APPROVE CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL REPORT** – Request to approve personnel items included on the Certificated Personnel Report. (Michael Garrison)

8.3 **APPROVE CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL REPORT** – Request to approve personnel items on the Classified Personnel Report. (Michael Garrison)

8.4 **APPROVE CERTIFICATION OF TEMPORARY ATHLETIC TEAM COACHES FOR 2012-13** – Request to certify that the conditions set forth in Title 5, Sections 5593 and 5594 pertaining the certification of temporary athletic team coaches has been met. (Michael Garrison)

8.5 **APPROVE OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP(S)** – Request to approve the following overnight field trip(s): (Todd Cutler)

8.5.1 Rocklin High School Mock Trial team to attend an overnight field trip to Riverside, CA (March 21-24, 2013)

8.5.2 Rocklin High School Speech and Debate team to attend an overnight field trip to Santa Clarita, CA (April 19-22, 2013)

8.6 **APPROVE 2013-14 COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL SAFETY PLANS** – Request to approve the 2013-14 Comprehensive School Safety Plans. (Jordan White and Lindsay Wong)

8.7 **APPROVE CONTRACT** – Request to approve a contract with Mercy Education for services related to private schools and Title I. (Jordan White)

8.8 **REJECT CLAIM NO. R1301** – Request to reject Claim No. R1301 in order for it to be handled by the District's insurance company. (Barbara Patterson)

8.9 **APPROVE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE CALIFORNIA SCHOOL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION (CSEA) AND THE ROCKLIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (RUSD)** – Request to approve an MOU dated March 5, 2013 reflecting updates to the Collective Bargaining Unit Agreement/Article 26.10 pertaining to contribution levels outlined in the California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act (PEPRA) effective January 1, 2013. (Michael Garrison)

8.10 **APPROVE STIPULATED EXPULSION** – Request to approve a stipulated expulsion for Student No. 032013-01. (Todd Cutler)

8.11 **APPROVE STIPULATED EXPULSION** – Request to approve a stipulated expulsion for Student No. 032013-02. (Todd Cutler)

President Lowell requested to remove Item 8.1 for separate discussion. A **MOTION** was made by Steve Paul and seconded by Wendy Lang to approve the remainder of the

consent calendar. Motion passed by the following roll call vote: Student Representative – aye, Paul – aye, Maben – aye, Lang –aye, Daley – aye, Lowell – aye.

Regarding Item 8.1, President Lowell requested a correction to the March 6 Board Meeting Minutes regarding the Energy Services Agreement with IEC Renewables LLC. Following this clarification, a **MOTION** was made by Steve Paul and seconded by Wendy Lang to approve Item 8.1. Motion passed by the following roll call vote: Student Representative – aye, Paul – aye, Maben – aye, Lang –aye, Daley – aye, Lowell – aye.

9.0 **ACTION ITEMS – REGULAR AGENDA**

- 9.1 **2013 ELEMENTARY SUMMER SCHOOL PRINCIPAL** – A **MOTION** was made by Wendy Lang and seconded by Greg Daley to approve the appointment of Jennifer Kaiser as the 2013 Elementary Summer School Principal. Motion passed unanimously.
- 9.2 **2013 SECONDARY SUMMER SCHOOL PRINCIPAL** – A **MOTION** was made by Greg Daley and seconded by Steve Paul to approve the appointment of Kym Milisci as the 2013 Secondary Summer School Principal. Motion passed unanimously.
- 9.3 **ENERGY CURTAILMENT PLAN** – At the March 20, 2013 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting, Sue Wesselius presented the annually-implemented energy curtailment plan for the summer months. The plan includes a joint effort with sites to reduce facilities use during peak hours and a summer fee schedule. After hearing the details of the energy curtailment plan, a **MOTION** was made by Greg Daley and seconded by Steve Paul to approve the energy reduction/curtailment plan. Motion passed unanimously.
- 9.4 **HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE BOUNDARY FOR ROCKLIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** Sue Wesselius reviewed the history of high school attendance boundaries. Rocklin Elementary had been temporary assigned as a Whitney High feeder school with the understanding that a re-assignment to Rocklin High would occur dependent upon enrollment status and projections. The high schools now have a balanced student body, with the likelihood that Whitney High's enrollment and growth will surpass Rocklin High. In conclusion, a **MOTION** was made by Wendy Lang and seconded by Camille Maben to approve the re-assignment of Rocklin Elementary to Rocklin High, effective 2015-16 (which affects current Grade 6 students). Rocklin Elementary students and families will receive notification of the re-assignment to Rocklin High. Motion passed unanimously.

10.0 **INFORMATION AND REPORTS**

- 10.1 **DISCUSSION OF HIGH SCHOOL ENROLLMENT BALANCE** – As part of the conversation regarding the re-assignment of Rocklin Elementary to Rocklin High, the Board had requested review of other attendance boundaries. Sue Wesselius presented information related to re-zoning Rocklin Elementary and Sierra Elementary to Rocklin High or Rocklin Elementary and Antelope Creek to Rocklin High. After a lengthy discussion, Superintendent Brown suggested that the Board schedule a comprehensive facilities workshop to discuss and review the District's master facility plan (third middle school, Whitney Ranch Elementary #2, re-zoning, etc.). The workshop will be scheduled and held in the month of May.
- 10.2 **PROPOSED TEXTBOOK FOR WHITNEY HIGH SCHOOL** – Whitney High Principal Debra Hawkins introduced Brett Hunter, who then presented a new textbook for the "Energy, Power, & Business" course. The "Energy, Power, and Transportation Technology, Second edition; Goodheart-Wilco Publishing, 2012" will be available for review from March 21 through April 30, 2013. The textbook will be presented for Board approval on May 1, 2013. Trustee Greg Daley expressed approval that the textbook emphasizes mechanical and tactical information, important for student learning.

- 10.3 **WIRELESS TECHNOLOGY INFORMATION AND PROPOSAL** – Dr. Cutler and Steve Mate presented a wireless deployment proposal to the Board. The Rocklin Educational Technology Team (RETT) utilized the information provided by Shandam Consulting, who had completed a needs-assessment on network infrastructure. Justifications such as new state and federal assessment requirements, the importance of integrating technology into instruction, and the benefit of enhancing the quality of the programs were discussed. Trustees expressed their support and recognized the need for technology-based curriculum. The cost for wireless implementation will be considered as they continue to review the 2013-14 budget, multi-year projections, and the identification of District priorities and goals.
- 11.0 **PENDING AGENDA** – The Board requested an update on the Aspiring Administrators Leadership Academy, as well as a review of cell phone policies and procedures.
- 12.0 **CLOSED SESSION** – The Board adjourned to closed session at 8:55 p.m. regarding the following matters:
- 12.1 *Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation* as authorized by Government Code section 54956.9
- 12.2 *Conference with Labor Negotiators* as authorized by Government Code Section 54957.6:
- District Representative(s): Kevin Brown, Superintendent
Michael Garrison, Assistant Supt. of Human Resources
Barbara Patterson, Associate Supt. of Business Services
- Employee Organization(s): Rocklin Teachers Professional Association (RTPA)
- 13.0 **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION** – The meeting reconvened to open session at 10:34 p.m.
- 14.0 **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION** – No action was taken in closed session.
- 15.0 **ADJOURNMENT** – President Lowell adjourned the meeting at 10:35 p.m.