

ROCKLIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

November 7, 2012

MINUTES

1.0 **CALL TO ORDER** – President Camille Maben called the regular meeting of the Rocklin Unified School District Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m. on November 7, 2012 in the District Administration Office located at 2615 Sierra Meadows Drive, Rocklin, CA 95677. A quorum was established.

2.0 **ROLL CALL**

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

Trustee(s) Absent: Steve Paul, *Member*

Student Representative: Delany Chiu, *Rocklin High School*

Administrative Staff: Kevin Brown/*Superintendent*, Todd Cutler (DO), Barbara Patterson (DO), Michael Garrison (DO), Sue Wesselius (DO), Carolyn Nunn-Lum (DO), Debra Hawkins (WHS), Mark Williams (RAEC), Jay Holmes (GO), Sarah James (TO), Mia Swenson/*Recorder*

Audience: Please see attendance sheet(s) attached hereto and made part of these minutes.

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

4.0 **AUDIENCE/VISITORS PUBLIC DISCUSSION** – President Maben welcomed all visitors and invited them to speak on agenda items at the conclusion of the Board's discussion. She 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:

Rocklin resident David Scanlan expressed concerns about the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) initiative and asked questions related to funding and whether feedback from parents and the community was sought and considered. President Maben clarified that the State Board of Education adopted the CCSS educational standards initiative and districts are preparing for its implementation. She encouraged Mr. Scanlan to contact Deputy Superintendent Todd Cutler for further information or questions.

Barbara Scott (President, Rocklin Teachers Professional Association) and Tiffany Pelkey (President, California School Employees Association) congratulated Camille Maben and Greg Daley on their uncontested re-elections and look forward to an additional four years of a positive working relationship. Barbara Scott also extended an invitation for the Board to attend a School Board Dinner.

5.0 **COMMENTS FROM STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE** – Student Representative Delany Chiu did not have any information to report at this time.

6.0 **COMMENTS FROM BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT** – Trustees and Superintendent Kevin Brown reported that the annual "Toast of the Town" fundraiser was a success and thanked

Rocklin Educational Excellence Foundation (REEF) Board Members and volunteers for the hard work, time, and dedication required to make this a successful event (approximately \$20,000 was raised). Trustees also thanked Barbara Scott, Tiffany Pelkey, and the RTPA/CSEA bargaining groups for their active support of the Proposition 30 measure. Superintendent Brown advised that conference week begins this Friday. He also announced that the annual Placer County School Boards Association Trustee Dinner is scheduled for November 26.

7.0 **ACTION ITEMS – CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 7.1 **BOARD MINUTES** – Request to approve Board minutes.
 - 7.1.1 October 17, 2012 (Regular Session)
- 7.2 **APPROVE CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL REPORT** – Request to approve personnel items included on the Certificated Personnel Report. (Michael Garrison)
- 7.3 **APPROVE CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL REPORT** – Request to approve personnel items included on the Classified Personnel Report. (Michael Garrison)
- 7.4 **ACCEPT DONATIONS** – Request to accept the following donations made to the District: (Barbara Patterson)
 - 7.4.1 \$500 from Shawn Bush to the library at Breen Elementary
 - 7.4.2 \$300 from Deborah Littlefield to Breen Elementary
 - 7.4.3 RAP Award Folders from Dennis Peterson, DDS and Jude Crutchfield, MD to Breen Elementary
 - 7.4.4 \$30 from PG&E Matching Gift Program to Breen Elementary
 - 7.4.5 Two boxes of Accelerated Reader books from Stephen Harris to Breen Elementary
 - 7.4.6 Pallet of paper from Thunder Valley Casino to Rocklin High School
 - 7.4.7 60 cases of paper from Thunder Valley Casino to Whitney High School
 - 7.4.8 Two sets of left-handed golf clubs and one pair of golf shoes from Jeff and Judy Wickun to Whitney High School
 - 7.4.9 Three sets of golf clubs from Shelley and Patrick Daly to Whitney High School
 - 7.4.10 \$150 from Michael Reeves through PG&E Matching Gift Program to Whitney HS.
 - 7.4.11 \$43.01 from David Brumley to Antelope Creek Elementary
 - 7.4.12 \$50 from Julia and Ben Arreguy for science camp at Rocklin Elementary
 - 7.4.13 \$117.42 from PG&E Matching Gift Program on behalf of Katharine Reeves and Shelley Hayward to Rock Creek Elementary
 - 7.4.14 \$118.34 from Global Impact to Rock Creek Elementary
 - 7.4.15 Balancing board for preschool Special Day Class from Cheryl Hudson to Rock Creek Elementary
 - 7.4.16 \$45 from PG&E Corporation to the District
- 7.5 **APPROVE FIELD TRIP(S)** – Request to approve the following overnight field trip(s). (Todd Cutler)
 - 7.5.1 Rocklin High School Choir to San Jose, CA (November 15-17, 2012).
- 7.6 **REJECT CLAIM NO. R1201** – Request to reject Claim No. R1201 in order for it to be handled by the personnel department and general counsel after rejection. (Barbara Patterson)
- 7.7 **APPROVE CONTRACT FOR MEDI-CAL BILLING SERVICES** – Request to approve contracts with the Northern California Medi-Cal Administrative Services Joint Powers Authority (NMAS-JPA) and Sutter County Superintendent of Schools (SCSS) to provide Medi-Cal Billing services for Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (MAA) and Local Education Agency (LEA) Billing. (Barbara Patterson)
- 7.8 **APPROVE SERVICES AGREEMENT** – Request to approve a service agreement with the Active Network, Inc. for accounting software for use by the Rocklin High, Whitney High, Granite Oaks Middle and Spring View Middle Schools Associated Student Body Associations and District Office. (Barbara Patterson)
- 7.9 **APPROVE ESTABLISHING ESCROW ACCOUNT** – Request to approve an escrow account with the Placer County Treasurer and PCOE for the construction funds related to the Rocklin High School Scoreboard. (Barbara Patterson)
- 7.10 **APPROVE JOB DESCRIPTION REVISIONS** – Request to approve revisions to multiple job descriptions to reflect job-specific aptitude requirements. (Michael Garrison)

- 7.11 **APPROVE STIPULATED EXPULSION** – Request to approve a stipulated expulsion for Student No. 110712-01. (Todd Cutler)

A **MOTION** was made by Wendy Lang and seconded by Greg Daley to approve the consent calendar. Motion passed unanimously by the following roll call vote: Student Representative – aye, Paul – *absent*, Lowell – aye, Lang – aye, Daley – aye, Maben – aye.

8.0 **ACTION ITEMS – REGULAR AGENDA**

- 8.1 **PROGRAM SPECIALIST II – ROCKLIN ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION CENTER** – A **MOTION** was made by Greg Daley and seconded by Wendy Lang to approve Charlotte Klinock for the position of Program Specialist II, Rocklin Alternative Education Center. Principal Mark Williams and the Board welcome Ms. Klinock to the District. Motion passed unanimously.
- 8.2 **FACILITIES USE AND CELL TOWER REVENUE FUNDS** – A **MOTION** was made by Wendy Lang and seconded by Todd Lowell to approve language modifications to the Facilities Use and Cell Tower Revenue Funds document originally approved in June 2011. The slight revisions are required per Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) fund balance reporting requirements. Motion passed unanimously.
- 8.3 **CITY OF ROCKLIN SOCIAL HOST ORDINANCE IN SUPPORT OF A HEALTHY COMMUNITY FREE OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE** – Health Educator Shari Crow and several Youth Commissioners from the Coalition for Placer Youth and the Placer Youth Commission presented information related to their efforts in gaining support for a Social Host Ordinance called “Raising Placer County Drug Free.” Those who provide a venue for underage drinking would be held responsible and subject to any applicable consequences. Passage of this ordinance would establish the City of Rocklin as the first Placer County city to adopt and enact such an ordinance. A **MOTION** was made by Greg Daley and seconded by Wendy Lang to approve the Board’s collective support. Motion passed unanimously.
- 8.4 **ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION (AR)** – Todd Cutler had requested the deletion of Administrative Regulation (AR) 6163.1 Library Media Centers at the October 17 Board of Trustees Meeting. District librarians submitted a request to reinstate this regulation with revisions, due to the section that outlines the selection process of library books. Rocklin resident John Brennen requested that the review process for selection of instructional materials be more transparent and easily accessible. President Maben thanked him for this excellent suggestion. In conclusion, a **MOTION** was made by Todd Lowell and seconded by Greg Daley to approve the reinstatement of the revised regulation. Motion passed unanimously.

8.4.1 AR 6163.1 Library Media Centers

9.0 **INFORMATION AND REPORTS**

- 9.1 **FINDINGS OF BOOK REVIEW COMMITTEE** – Superintendent Brown convened a new Library Book Review Committee to review the recent banning of a Stephen King novel (“Different Seasons”) from the Rocklin High School library. Members of the committee (administrators, teachers, librarian, parent, and student) carefully considered the original complaint and collectively decided that removal of the book was in fact not appropriate and overturned the original banning. The committee considered information and factors from a number of different sources including The American Library Association’s Library Bill of Rights, the District’s own philosophy for the selection of library materials, and the differing views of students/parents. In conclusion, the committee did reiterate that it is a parent’s right to restrict their own student’s reading materials and working with the school librarian is always an option. The Board thanked Debra Hawkins and the Library Book Review Committee for their work and also acknowledged those who spoke in

disagreement with the decision to reinstate the novel, as both views are valued and appreciated.

- 9.2 **VISION STATEMENT POST-WORKSHOP SUMMARY** – Todd Cutler provided Trustees and the audience with the summary of outcomes from the Vision Statement Workshop held on October 17. District administrators have continued the collaborative work on strategic planning based on the dialog, discussions, and feedback from that first workshop. Superintendent Brown and Dr. Cutler outlined that this is still a work in progress and requested the Board confirm whether they agree with the direction and process, thus far. Trustees provided input regarding the purpose of a Vision Statement, and that it should identify and define where the District wants to be in three to five years. Additional workshops are scheduled for January, March, and June to finalize the Vision Statement and approve a Strategic Plan.
- 9.3 **DRUG/ALCOHOL RELATED SUSPENSIONS/EXPULSIONS AND K9 DRUG DOG DATA** – Todd Cutler summarized the high school drug dog visits data included in the Board packet. It was generally agreed that the drug dog visits do act as a deterrent and should be considered for the middle school campuses, as well. Trustees recommended that the data be compared with previous years and a future report will be made.
- 10.0 **NOVEMBER 6 ELECTION DISCUSSION** – With the passage of Proposition 30, the District no longer faces immediate cuts to programs, staff, and class sizes. As outlined in the General Fund Multiyear Budget Projection, Barbara Patterson reminded the audience that the passage of Proposition 30 does not provide additional school funding. Based on the information available at this time, the District will not have to make further budget reductions until 2014-15. More concrete information will be available in January, once the state budget figures are announced.
- 11.0 **PENDING AGENDA** – Greg Daley requested information about the detailed use of Datawise software. Todd Cutler confirmed that district administration is in the process of reviewing how the District is utilizing Datawise and will present information in the near future.
- 12.0 **CLOSED SESSION** – The Board adjourned to closed session at 8:40 p.m. regarding the following matters:
- 12.1 *Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation* as authorized by Government Code section 54956.9 (Placer Superior Court Case No. SV0027932)
- 12.2 *Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation* as authorized by Government Code section 54956.9
- 12.3 *Public Employee Performance Evaluations* as authorized by Government Code 54957 (Position: Administrators)
- 13.0 **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION** – President Maben reconvened the meeting to open session at 10:05 p.m.
- 14.0 **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION** – No action was taken during closed session.
- 15.0 **ADJOURNMENT** – President Maben adjourned the meeting at 10:06 p.m.

Please note that additional information distributed to the Board before or during the meeting and not included in the agenda packet can be obtained by calling the District Office at 630-2230.