

ROCKLIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

2615 Sierra Meadows Drive Rocklin, CA 95677



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Steve Paul, *Vice President*
Greg Daley, *Clerk*
Camille Maben, *Member*
Wendy Lang, *Member*

MARCH 5, 2014 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES (7:00 P.M.)

- 1.0 **CALL TO ORDER** – President Todd Lowell called the regular meeting of the Rocklin Unified School District Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 p.m. on March 5, 2014 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: Antonio Lerma, *Victory High School*

Administrative Staff: Roger Stock, *Superintendent*; Marge Crawford, *Acting Deputy Superintendent*; Barbara Patterson, *Associate Superintendent*; Michael S. Garrison, *Assistant Superintendent*; Sue Wesselius, *Senior Director*; Karen Huffines, *Director*; Mathew Phillips, *Director*; Bill Pruett, *Energy Education Specialist*; Skott Hutton, *Assistant Principal*; Brian Arcuri, *Principal*; Mark Williams, *Principal*; David Bills, *Principal*; Dorothy Sutter, *Principal*

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

4.0 **SPECIAL RECOGNITION(S)**

4.1 The Rocklin High School Chapter of FHA- Home Economics Related Occupations was recognized for competing at the Region 4 Competition and qualifying to compete at state competition. (*Presenter: David Bills*)

- 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:

Two RTPA bargaining members addressed the Board regarding negotiations.

Two sixth grade Boys Scout students from Breen Elementary asked about the possibility of having a Boys' Volleyball team at Granite Oaks Middle School (currently, there is only a Girls' Volleyball team). The Board thanked the students for speaking and requested Acting Deputy Superintendent Marge Crawford to follow-up with their request.

Rocklin parent Catherine Chynoweth advised the Board and audience that the Rocklin Police Department conducts free Child Safety Education programs and requested the District consider utilizing these free services.

- 6.0 **COMMENTS FROM STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE** – Student Representative Antonio Lerma provided a report on districtwide events.

- 7.0 **COMMENTS FROM BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT** – In celebration of *Read Across America*, Steve Paul read a book to Twin Oaks Elementary first graders while Superintendent Stock read to both kindergarteners and third graders at Rocklin Elementary. Wendy Lang spoke about her “day” job to K/1 students in Ms. Johnson’s class at Sierra Elementary. Greg Daley attended the Whitney High vs. Rocklin High Track & Field event and was impressed at their show of camaraderie. Todd Lowell reiterated that the Board supports, appreciates and respects the District’s teachers and deserves a fair contract. The Board committed to increasing employee compensation, spend down reserves and guaranteed to re-open negotiations if future revenues exceed expectations. However, after reviewing the union’s most recent counteroffer, the District declared impasse due to the negative financial position it would find itself in (negative \$1.1 million). The Negotiations webpage has been updated with the most current information regarding negotiations and the next step, following the declaration of impasse.

8.0 **ACTION ITEMS – CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 8.1 **BOARD MINUTES** – Request to approve Board minutes.
8.1.1 February 19, 2014 (Regular Session)
- 8.2 **APPROVE FIELD TRIP(S)** – Request to approve the following overnight field trip(s).
(Marge Crawford)
8.2.1 Rocklin High School Journalism to San Francisco, CA (April 25-27, 2014)
- 8.3 **APPROVE CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL REPORT** – Request to approve personnel items included on the Certificated Personnel Report. (Michael S. Garrison)
- 8.4 **APPROVE CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL REPORT** – Request to approve personnel items included on the Classified Personnel Report. (Michael S. Garrison)
- 8.5 **APPROVE CONTRACT WITH THE CAMBRIAN GROUP** – Request to approve a contract with Cambrian Group. (Barbara Patterson)
- 8.6 **APPROVE RESOLUTION 13-14-10 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF TEMPORARY CERTIFICATED EMPLOYEES PURSUANT TO EDUCATION CODE 44954** – Request to approve a resolution authorizing the release of eight (8) temporary certificated employees pursuant to Education Code Section 44954. (Michael S. Garrison)
- 8.7 **APPROVE TEACHER ON SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT (TOSA) JOB DESCRIPTION** – Request to approve a new job description for TOSA. (Michael S. Garrison)

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

9.0 **ACTION ITEMS – REGULAR AGENDA**

- 9.1 **ELEMENTARY SUMMER SCHOOL PRINCIPAL** – A **MOTION** was made by Wendy Lang and seconded by Steve Paul to approve Jennifer Kaiser as the 2014 Elementary Summer School Principal. Motion passed unanimously.
- 9.2 **SECONDARY SUMMER SCHOOL PRINCIPAL** – A **MOTION** was made by Greg Daley and seconded by Wendy Lang to approve Kym Milisci as the 2014 Secondary Summer School Principal. Motion passed unanimously.

10.0 INFORMATION AND REPORTS

10.1 **RUSD TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM** – Karen Huffines and teachers Holly Snyder and Lindsey Bettleyon provided an overview of Transitional Kindergarten (TK). TK is voluntary for children who have their 5th birthday between October 2 and December 2 in the 2013-14 school year and September 2 and December 2 in the 2014-15 school year. It is mandatory that Districts offer TK to all age-eligible children. TK offers a modified kindergarten curriculum that is age and developmentally appropriate and is taught by teachers who have the same credentials as kindergarten teachers. Lessons and activities are differentiated depending on students' levels and needs. TK students continue on the traditional kindergarten (as it is not a "replacement for kindergarten). For the 2014-15 school year, the District will be offering 2 half-day sessions at Rock Creek, 2 extended day sessions at Antelope creek, and 1 extended day session at Parker Whitney. The District will use Title I funds to provide transportation from Title I schools for TK students who do not have a program offered at their home school.

10.2 **2015-16 DRAFT SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR** – Michael S. Garrison presented the draft 2015-16 School Year Calendar. The calendar has been reviewed by Secondary Leadership Team, Elementary Leadership Team, and Cabinet. The calendar will be presented for approval at the next Board of Trustees meeting.

10.3 **FRATERNIZATION POLICY** – At the February 19 Board of Trustees Meeting, Michael Garrison had presented the initial draft of the RUSD Fraternization policy. Based on feedback and input from the Board and audience, a revised version was presented and a discussion was held. It was decided that Trustees Steve Paul and Todd Lowell would form a Board sub-committee to work with District staff to edit the policy which will then be presented at a future Board meeting.

11.0 **PENDING AGENDA** – Trustees discussed the following changes to the 2013-14 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting schedule: add April 23, 2014, June 11, 2014, June 25, 2014 and cancel June 18, 2014. These changes will be presented for approval at the March 19, 2014 Regular Meeting.

12.0 **CLOSED SESSION** – Closed session convened at 9:10 p.m. regarding the following matter(s):

12.1 *Conference with Labor Negotiators* as authorized by Government Code Section 54957.6:

District Representative(s):	Roger Stock, Superintendent Michael S. Garrison, Assistant Supt. of Human Resources Barbara Patterson, Associate Supt. of Business Services
Employee Organization(s):	Rocklin Teachers Professional Association (RTPA) Classified School Employees Association (CSEA) Rocklin Administrators Professional Association (RAPA)

13.0 **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION** – President Lowell reconvened the meeting to open session

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 10:05 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 (916) 630-2230.