

**VISTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF A REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Thursday, March 10, 2016
CITY OF VISTA
MORRIS VANCE COMMUNITY ROOM
200 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE
VISTA, CA 92084

Board Members Present

Rich Alderson, President
Carol Weise Herrera, Vice President
R. Elizabeth Jaka, Clerk
Jim Gibson, Member
Angela Chunka, Member

Staff Members Present

Dr. Devin Vodicka, Superintendent of Schools
Sherry Opacic, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Excellence
Donna Caperton, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Brett Killeen, Assistant Superintendent, Human Relations
Michelle Bell, Recording Secretary

Student Board Members Present

Keri Scholte, Mission Vista High School
Emma Konugres, Rancho Buena Vista High School
Matthew Marquez Molnar, Vista High School
Carlos Harvey, Major General Murray High School

Student Board Members Not Present

Lane McComb, Alta Vista High School
Katrina Swirksky, Vista Visions Academy

Item 1 CLOSED SESSION

- A. CALL TO ORDER IN OPEN SESSION at 6:32pm.
- B. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Non-Reelection/Reassignment (Government Code 54957)
- C. Labor Negotiations Update (Government Code 54957.6) Labor Negotiator(s): Brett Killeen/Elaine Alexandres
- D. Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Government Code 54957): Superintendent Evaluation –

Item 2 Open Session/Regular Meeting – ON/CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE The meeting was called to order at 7:20pm by President Alderson.

Item 3 Public Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session – Unanimously approved Certificated Employee 06201603 Non-Reelection.

Item 4 Approval of Agenda Member Herrera moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Member Jaka. All in favor. (Including Student Board Members) YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson, Gibson and Jaka) unanimously approved.

Item 5 Public Comments Former student of Rancho Buena Vista High School, Brooke Boggs, spoke in support of teacher, Mr. Vincent Romero. Parent Lori Fox, who has sons at Rancho Buena Vista High School, spoke in support of teacher Mr. Vincent Romero. Rancho Buena Vista High School student, Jackson Meuse, spoke in support of teacher Mr. Romero. He has never been his student but many of his friends have been.

Item 6 Public Hearing - None

Item 7 District Announcements

- A. Dr. Vodicka District Comments – Rancho Buena Vista High School, Vista High School and Vista Visions Academy completed WASC visits within the last two weeks. Great feedback. Congratulations to Mission Vista High School Boys Basketball. This is the first section title for Mission Vista High School in any sport. Congratulations to Laura Smith, Principal at Casita, who has been awarded Innovative Principal in San Diego. If you haven't seen information on the COW Project, he encouraged attendees to read about it.
- B. Superintendent Recognition – None

Item 8 Reports from School Related Organizations

- A. Vista Teachers Association (VTA) – Tod Critchlow presented – Attended Vista Chamber of Commerce meeting last week. Experienced the pride in the city and enthusiasm in the downtown area. Discussions led to school buildings. Things are starting to break down. We need to put effort into making the schools as much a model as the current downtown area.
- B. California School Employees Association (CSEA) – Marie Hovlyn presented. She wanted to remind everyone that we are here for the children. She read “We Are Responsible”.
- C. District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) – Sophia Ramas presented. Many people were not aware of the CDE law suit. Requested that the district communicate in more than one way.

Item 9 Staff Committee Reports to the Board

- A. STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORT: MAJOR GENERAL MURRAY HIGH SCHOOL - Presented by Carlos Harvey.
- B. STAFF REPORT: SUMMER PROGRAM PLANS – Presented by Sherry Opacic. AM-PM Program, Maryland – Healthy Living Summer Program, Jump Start Program. VAVPA – Summer Bootcamp for Kindergarten, Summer Bridge Program, Elementary Summer Program. RMMS – San Diego Math Network Summer Bridge, Math for America (Option 1), Math for America (Option 2). Vista Magnet Middle School - Extended Learning Opportunity, Rancho Buena Vista High School – Credit Recovery Program. Alta Vista High School. Extended School Year (ESY) – Special Education. QCamp – Qualcomm, Questions. Member Jaka asked if we are using the same programs that we used last year. Sherry Opacic said that they will be changed this year. Credit recovery option for Vista High School. Member Herrera asked about Summer Bridge Program at VAPA. She hopes that they have options for small groups. Member Chunka asked if the summer program is open to all students or just students at that school. Sherry will find that information and get back to her. The summer program lasts seven weeks. Dr. Vodicka said that we are re-building opportunities and growing each year. Member Alderson and Member Chunka both asked for reports to support the information provided.
- C. STAFF REPORT: STEM – Presented by Erin English. What is STEM? Elementary. 2016 Bright Idea Society Elementary School Winner is Olive Elementary. Casita and Computer Science. Defined STEM (TK-5). Middle School – Roosevelt COW Project. VIDA and Think-A-Bit Lab. High School. Six new STEM HS courses for 2016-2017. UCSD Kyoto Laureate Symposium. CTE Pathways. Projects and Initiatives. CA Next Generation Science Standards K-8 Early Implementation Initiative. Project Lead the Way (PLTW). Maker Lab. STEM Fest – March 24th. Partnerships. Computer Science. SD Math Network – UCSD CREATE. League of Innovative Schools. Questions? Dr. Vodicka mentioned that Dara Rosen, was named “PLTW Biomedical Teacher of the Year” for the state of California. Member Jaka asked what students do when the students break out into groups. Dr. Vodicka mentioned that it's a lab class. Working individually and together. Member Herrera asked what this

work is based on? Looking at engagement, contribution, what makes a student feel important? Dr. English said that we have nothing in place to measure engagement at this time but we are working on it. The more they are at school, the more they are learning. Attendance goes up when students are excited to be there. Dr. Vodicka mentioned that we are developing a new form of assessment in science. There are measures out there and each has a different driver. The COW Project has its own rubric.

Break – 8:12pm Called to Order – 8:27pm

- D. STAFF REPORT: BLUEPRINT UPDATE – STRATEGY 7 – Presented by Matt Doyle and Erin English. Framework for the Future, House of Learning, Action Plans, Action Plans Focus, Feedback from Maker-Space Professional Learning in January, Edviate Online Staff PD, Greatest Progress, Challenges and Next Steps, Blueprint as a Continuous Process of Refinement, Revision Process Flow Chart, Communication and Feedback, Blueprint/LCAP Current Feedback Themes, Blueprint/LCAP Next Steps, Blueprint Update Timeline. Questions? Member Jaka asked about the accountability process. Dr. Doyle mentioned that at the state level they are working on it right now. Dr. Vodicka added that we are in the loop and will be able to adapt to the changes quickly. Dr. Doyle said that we plan to have a work study group.
- E. STAFF REPORT: CHANGE MANAGEMENT UPDATE – Presented by Dr. Vodicka and Matt Doyle. The importance of starting from “why”. What’s inside powering you? Strengths. Interests. Values. Culture of Wellbeing, Personal Learning Pathway. Status of the Moonshot: from Aspiration to Realization. Learning Ecosystem Map, Learning Zones. The Process behind the Results. Change Management in Action 2015-2016. Expanded Partners = Expanded Vision, Needs Assessment: Heart of Change Management. 5 Change Management Themes 2016-2017. Member Jaka appreciates that we are taking our time and doing it correctly. Member Herrera asked about the 150 students at Vista High School that were mentioned. Dr. Doyle said that they are 11th graders who applied. They work with eight teachers to build an individual assessment. Member Herrera asked about personal learning academy test scores. Dr. Vodicka said that many of the students fall in the middle of the achievement bands. This is a group that tends to struggle to find a connection. Member Herrera asked if we are going to end up with students who can’t be on a personal pathway. Lack of literacy needs to be considered in this. Dr. Vodicka said that student profiles would show what their needs are. He said that we have opportunities that we can consider like bringing same level of students together regardless of grade span. Dr. Vodicka invited Board Members to join in on a Personal Learning Steering Committee meeting.
- F. STAFF REPORT: FACILITIES MASTER PLAN – Donna Caperton introduced Eric Hall from Eric Hall and Associates to present the plan. Outline of LRFMP Presentation, What is the Long Range Facilities Master Plan, Master Plan Elements, Summary, Why Educational Specifications?, Educational Specifications, Educational Specifications, Examples of Educational Specifications, Other Key Considerations – Facilities, Demographics, 10-Year VUSD Enrollment History, Enrollment – Projections, Capacity Analysis – District Standards, Capacity Analysis – District Standards, Superintendent’s Facility Advisory Committee 2013-2016, Funding Options & Considerations, Funding – Sustainability Options, Funding – Options & Opportunities, Summer Projects, Summary, Recommendations, Next Steps, Questions and Discussion. Member Alderson asked if any of our existing relocatable buildings are un-usable. Dr. Vodicka said that they are all being used. Member Gibson mentioned that we had 28,000 students at one time. He likes the idea of taking a percentage of our relocatable buildings out. He asked if we can sell them. Donna Caperton said that we can surplus them but we will not get a lot for them. Member Gibson said that it would be better than having to spend money to maintain the units. He suggested that if the Board agrees, we can look into a plan for decreasing the number of relocatable buildings. Dr. Vodicka mentioned that we would need to look at options because it will vary from site to site. Some of the schools are at capacity. Member Chunka asked about shade structure at Rancho Buena Vista High School. Donna Caperton said that she just presented it to Principal Shindler. Donna Caperton will share the information in a weekly report to the Board so that they can see what they look like.

9:54pm – Break 10:01pm – Call to Order

Item 10 Consent Calendar – With the exception of 12.A, Member Jaka moved to approve, seconded by Member Herrera. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson, Gibson and Jaka) unanimously approved.

APPROVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES: FEBRUARY 25, 2016 REGULAR BOARD MEETING AND FEBRUARY 18, 2016 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Item 11 Human Relations

- A. APPROVE THE HUMAN RELATIONS CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL REGISTER
- B. CLASSIFIED BOARD REGISTER

Item 12 Student Support Services

Teacher, Pat Emaus said that he would like to see expulsions and suspensions lowered. To give students an opportunity to find an alternative to their poor choices.

- A. STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION FOR EXPULSION OF CASES NUMBERED WS9-2015/16 AND W11-2015/16 THROUGH W13-2015/16. Member Jaka moved to approve, seconded by Member Herrera. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson, Gibson and Jaka) unanimously approved.

Item 13 Special Education - None

Item 14 Curriculum & Instruction

- A. APPROVE THE SINGLE PLAN FOR STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT PLAN AMENDMENTS
- B. APPROVE THE OUT OF DISTRICT TRAVEL REGISTER
- C. APPROVE THE FIELD TRIP OVERNIGHT REGISTER

Item 15 Business Services (Fiscal Services, Accounting, Child Nutrition Services, Purchasing and Facilities)

- A. RATIFY AND APPROVE CONTRACTS EXCEEDING \$5,000.00
- B. RATIFICATION AND APPROVAL OF WARRANT NOS. 14084214 THROUGH 14089927
- C. RATIFY AND APPROVE PURCHASE ORDERS
- D. BOARD APPROVAL AND ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS TO VISTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT TOTALLING \$236,407.72
- E. RATIFY AND APPROVE GRANTS RECEIVED FOR THE PERIOD FEBRUARY 17, 2016, THROUGH FEBRUARY 25, 2016
- F. APPROVE THE CHILD NUTRITION CASH EXPENDITURES FOR JANUARY 2016
- G. RATIFY AND APPROVE CHILD NUTRITION PURCHASE ORDERS FOR JANUARY 2016
- H. APPROVE RESOLUTION #16-31 AUTHORIZATION TO PIGGYBACK ON THE COOPERATIVE PURCHASING NETWORK CONTRACTS
- I. APPROVE TERMINATION AGREEMENT WITH CRICKET WIRELESS FOR THE REMOVAL OF THE WIRELESS TRANSMISSION EQUIPMENT

Item 16 Board Business - None

Item 17 Discussion/Action Items

Luis Llamas, Guajome School Board Member, spoke in support of the Guajome Learning Center Charter renewal. Luis Landin, Guajome School Board Member, spoke in support of the Guajome Learning Center Charter renewal. Bob Hampton, Superintendent, Guajome Park Academy mentioned that June 30th is his last day before retirement. He appreciates the relationship and partnership with Vista Unified and the Board.

- A. Approve GUAJOME LEARNING CENTER CHARTER – Presented by Matt Doyle. Member Herrera moved to approve, seconded by Member Gibson. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson, Gibson and Jaka) unanimously approved.

B. APPROVE CALIFORNIA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION (CSBA) OFFICIAL DELEGATE ASSEMBLY BALLOT FOR REGION 17 Recommendations made by Member Jaka at the request of Board Members. Member Jaka moved to approve, seconded by Member Gibson. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson, Gibson and Jaka) unanimously approved.

C. APPROVE HIGH SCHOOL CORE TEXTBOOKS: Presented by Sherry Opacic. College Preparatory Mathematics Core Connections Integrated 1 (© 2015 CPM Educational Program. All rights reserved. CPM Educational Program is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation) College Preparatory Mathematics Core Connections Integrated 2 (© 2015 CPM Educational Program. All rights reserved. CPM Educational Program is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation) College Preparatory Mathematics Core Connections Integrated 3 (© 2015 CPM Educational Program. All rights reserved. CPM Educational Program is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation) – Member Herrera moved to approve, seconded by Member Jaka. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson and Jaka). Member Gibson abstained.

D. APPROVE THE SECOND INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED JANUARY 31, 2016 – Donna Caperton presented. Member Chunka moved to approve, seconded by Member Jaka. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson, Gibson and Jaka) unanimously approved.

E. APPROVE AMENDMENT TO SUPERINTENDENT EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT – Member Jaka moved to approve, seconded by Member Herrera. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson, Gibson and Jaka) unanimously approved.

Item 18 Continuation Item 10.A. Presentation by Community Members/Public Comments (if necessary)

Item 19 Board Business/Discussion

- A. Request for Future Board Agenda Items or Other Business - None
- B. Board Members Reports or Comments – None
- C. Board Members Reflection on Board meeting – None
- D. NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING - THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 2016 at 7:00 PM CITY OF VISTA, CIVIC CENTER, 200 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE, VISTA, CA 92084

Meeting Adjourned at 10:25pm.

Secretary of the Board of Trustees

Clerk of the Board of Trustees