

Board of Education
Minutes of Regular Board Meeting
February 23, 2016
(ADOPTED: March 8, 2016)

Open Session

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Board President Gunawan Alisantosa called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present were Board President Gunawan Alisantosa, Board Vice-President Robert Nunez, Board Clerk Dan Bobay, Board members Danny Lau and Chris Norwood and Student Board Representative Alan Pham.

Also present were Superintendent Cary Matsuoka, Deputy Superintendent Cheryl Jordan, Assistant Superintendents Matt Duffy and Wendy Zhang and Executive Assistant Charito Cabantac .

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion: Approve the agenda for the February 23, 2016 Board meeting.

M/S

Bobay/Nunez

Vote: 4-0 (Chris Norwood was late for the vote)

4. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

Closed Session

5. ADJOURN MEETING TO CLOSED SESSION

The Board moved to closed session at 6:02 p.m. to discuss/take action on the items listed on the closed session agenda.

Open Session

6. FLAG SALUTE

The Board reconvened in open session at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Alisantosa led the Flag Salute.

7. REPORT OF ACTION(S) TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION.

No action was taken in closed session.

8. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Joe Mitchner, a candidate for a seat in Region 20 CSBA Delegate Assembly, introduced himself to the Board.

Thomas Valore invited the Board to the Milpitas Chamber of Commerce Crab Feed on March 4, 20126 at Napredak Hall.

Community member Audre Jensen requested that the minutes of the Board meetings be

uploaded on the District website on a regular basis. She asked about the process for citizens like her to request the placement of an item on the agenda.

9. BOARD GROUP AGREEMENTS

The Board Group Agreements was on the agenda for easy reference for members of the Board. Board member Bobay brought to the Superintendent's attention that the Board's Group Agreements on the Board of Trustees page have not yet been updated. Superintendent Matsuoka said it will be fixed.

10. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Matsuoka shared that on February 24, the District, with the help of Weller staff, will host a field trip of college students who are located at College of the Atlantic in Maine. A robot will be placed in few of the classrooms at Weller and staff will do a Google hangout with the college students in Maine. This will be the first attempt at a virtual field trip of visitors to our district using technology.

11. REPORTS

A. PERSONALIZATION OF LEARNING

Superintendent Matsuoka talked about a pilot program at Pomeroy and Weller Schools for 6th graders and provided an overview of the model that has been implemented in 6th grade classrooms at the two schools this year.

Live examples and positive commentary about the program from teachers, students, parents, and principals of both schools were part of the presentation made to the Board.

Board members asked questions and were impressed with the pilot program at Weller and Pomeroy and looked forward for its expansion to other schools.

12. A. RESOLUTION ORDERING A BOND ELECTION IN JUNE 2016 – RESOLUTION 2016.24

Per Board request on February 9, 2016, staff have provided an updated project list with a little more detail than just the ballot resolution. The District's bond counsel has incorporated the revisions suggested at that same meeting have been incorporated in the attached ballot measure resolution.

Board President Alisantosa said that over the last two weeks, in talking with his constituents and a number of people around Milpitas, many of whom supported Measure E, he heard many express the view that it is too soon to ask voters to support another Bond measure, and they would not vote for it. Demographer Tom Williams' enrollment projections of slower enrollment growth than previously expected and the lack of positive energy in the community to support a new Bond, made Mr. Alisantosa feel that

the timing is not right to ask voters for their support.

Board member Lau somewhat agreed with Mr. Alisantosa's concerns, not so much about the timing, but the amount of money that we would be asking the voters. Mr. Lau believes that the district can still pass the bond if it were a lesser amount, as \$195 million is too much of a tax burden for voters. He believes that people knows that Milpitas is growing, but not as fast as what was once thought.

Board member Dan Bobay said that he, too, have heard a lot of comments that are not particularly favorable towards the bond. The latest enrollment report by Mr. Williams downplayed the community's expectation of the district's immediate need for \$195 million to build facilities. In the past, the Board has talked about alternative ways of delivering education to students. Mr. Bobay felt that in the next two years, the district will have more opportunities to find a baseline of what it is we are going to do with the district and move on.

Board member Norwood said he understands the voters' sentiments about the timing and cost of the bond. But he wanted his colleagues to consider that if not passed this year, the district would need double the \$195 million, if not more, to build the projects being proposed at this time. He pointed to the need to remedy the current student overcrowding at the high school, the need to update technology, and other school needs across the district. There are things that are needed now and the need won't go away if we waited for another two years.

Board member Nunez also heard many negative comments in the community that we are asking for too much and it is too soon to ask them after the last bond. He wanted the Board to take a look at the recommendations of the Asset Management Task Force and implement as many as possible, so that in two years, when we go to voters again to pass a bond, we can say to them that we have done everything that we could. The top priority for the district is to have a school in the McCandless area up and on schedule. While it is difficult to do that without new funding source, we have to look at other options.

Superintendent Matsuoka said that if there is no strong Board support for a Bond Measure in November 2016, that he just would do away with the project cost analysis work because that would go into a lot of pros and cons that stakeholders would want to weigh in on. The Board agreed and directed staff to go with Plan B.

With the remaining Bond money and developer fee income, staff will prioritize expenditures, making the McCandless elementary school site one of the top priorities. Without the Bond, Mr. Matsuoka said the new school has to be built in phases. Mr. Matsuoka will meet with the architects to come up with suggestions on how to do this and will share it with the Board.

Motion: Adopt Resolution 2016.24 ordering a Bond election in June 2016 and establishing specifications of the election order

M/S **Lau /Norwood** **Vote: 2 Ayes (Lau and Norwood)**
3 Nays (Alisantosa, Nunez, Bobay)

The motion was defeated.

B. REVISED SCHEDULE OF SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS IN 2016-17

At the last meeting, the Board approved the schedule of the Board's regular meetings in 2016-17. In booking the meeting, it was found out that the Registrar of Voters has booked the board room as an election precinct on November 8. Because of this, staff proposed to have only one meeting in November, 2016, i.e. on November 15, 2016.

The updated Board meeting schedule is therefore as follows:

2016 July 26
 August 23
 September 13 and 27
 October 11 and 25
 November 15
 December 13

2017 January 10 and 24
 February 14 and 28
 March 14 and 28
 April 18
 May 9 and 23
 June 13 and 27

Motion: Adopt the revised (final) schedule of the Board's regular meetings in the 2016-17 school year.

M/S Nunez/Norwood Vote: 5-0

13. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: Adopt the Consent Calendar with the exception of Item 13.1 (Personnel Report) thereby approving the following items:

M/S: Bobay/Lau Vote: 5-0

1. Personnel Report (pulled for discussion)
2. Purchase Order Report

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3. Resolution 2016.23 supporting the Kindergarten through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016
 4. Field trip requests from schools.

14. PERSONNEL REPORT

Mr. Nunez asked to pull the personnel report for discussion. Re Virginia Coleman, Personnel Analyst III position, Mr. Nunez asked if it is a new position. Cheryl Jordan said that this is half of the 1 FTE position approved by the Board earlier. There is another half FTE employee in that position already but is not interested in a full time position.

Re LeeShin Looa, computer graphics person hired for 12 months. Mrs. Jordan explained that this person replaced Kamal Shah, who moved to a full time Technology Services position. Ms. Looa is offered prorated benefits.

Under short-term employees, Mr. Nunez asked about Maria del Rio. Mrs. Jordan explained that Ms. Del Rio is not coming back for a full time employment but will be working only a total of 5 days to assist with teacher recruitment events. The dates 2/24/16 - 6/1/16 is just to give the district flexibility in reference checking candidates. Mr. Nunez recalled that when Tony Frascone presented the recruitment plan at the last meeting, that there was no cost presented. Mrs. Jordan stated that the cost is approximately \$9,000 and it includes the cost for hiring Mrs. Del Rio, travel costs and fees associated with different recruitment venues. Mr. Norwood and Mr. Nunez said they are interested in seeing an itemized cost of the recruitment plan that was presented to them at the last meeting.

Motion: Approve the Personnel Report

M/S

Nunez/Norwood

Vote: 5-0

15. BOARD COMMUNICATION /REQUESTS

Student Board member Alan Pham reported on student and school activities at Milpitas High School. The school is preparing for the Trojan Olympics and students are also preparing for the ASB elections.

Board member Chris Norwood attended the SCCSBA lunch at El Torito last week and noted that they are really making an effort to have school board members attend these events to keep up with what is happening at other school districts in the county. Mr. Norwood was also at Rancho Middle School launching a new mentorship program with Board member Nunez. He later watched the school's girls soccer team and girls' volleyball team.

Mr. Lau reported attending an early childhood education summit sponsored by the County . They discussed different kinds of programs on how to prepare kids from "cradle" to college and the importance of starting a child early in the education process.

Dan Bobay reported attending the MetroEd Executive Board meeting. He reported receiving a number of complaints about the high school graduation requirements which revolve around the community service hours. He stated that he had repeatedly requested information about this in the past, and requested that Board Policy 6146.1 be placed on the Board's March 8 agenda so that the Board can discuss graduation policies specifically around the 20-hr. community service hours requirement for graduation.

Board member Nunez reported attending the meeting of the Milpitas Oversight Board last Friday where there was a discussion about the sale of property located at Alder Dr. and Barber Lane and the hotel that is going to be located there. The developer will talk to us about developer fees. Another property that was discussed is 230 N. Main Street, a piece of property that the Oversight Board and the City have been dealing and want to see sold off and developed. Mr. Nunez said he heard talk specifically about the Board of Education and some negative comments about this Board's actions when it had nothing to do with that property. He shared the info with the Superintendent and asked him to take a look at it.

Board member Alisantosa announced that the Knights of Columbus is ready to present their check donation at the next meeting and asked that it be placed on the agenda. He announced that all 5 Board members got together to establish a Board of Education Scholarship for \$1,000 - \$500 for one graduating student of Milpitas High School and another \$500 for a graduating student at Cal Hills High School. Board members are still working on the details.

16. REMINDERS

Cheryl Jordan invited the Board of the Project Cornerstone Collaborative meeting on March 1, 2016 from 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm, in the Milpitas Police Community Room at the Milpitas Police Station on Milpitas Blvd.

17. DATES OF FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS/ADJOURNMENT

After reading the dates of future meetings, Board member Alisantosa adjourned the meeting at 10:00 p.m.

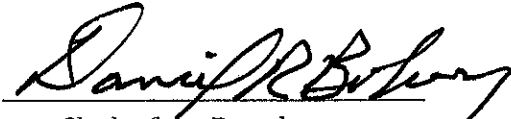
(After the meeting was adjourned, community member Aude Jensen asked to address the Board because, she said, she was not recognized to speak on Item 9 of the agenda (Board Group Agreements). She was allowed to speak by the Chair. Ms. Jensen requested clarification on 9.1 (Ask questions for their own understanding) and 9.4 (Communicate proactively with each other about topics, questions, and challenges in advance of public board meetings, in compliance with the Brown Act). Ms. Jensen said response by e-mail would be acceptable to her.)

Respectfully submitted,



Cary Matsuoka
Superintendent and Board Secretary

Attested:



Clerk of the Board

Minutes prepared by Charito Cabantac
