

MINUTES

A. 6:00 Closed Session: Personnel-Administrative Configuration: The meeting was opened and called in to closed session at 6:04 pm. by President, Peter Aichinger. Present were: Peter Aichinger, Michele Saunders, Richard Nelson, Ken Dellinger, Tom Allcock, Lisa O'Neill, Pat Merritt, Meg Perry, Cynthia Micale and Les Immel.

1. Call to Order: Mr. Aichinger called the regular meeting to order at 6:35 pm and reported that the board had taken no action in closed session. Others present for the meeting were: Bruce Pedersen, Chris Bowman, Julene Fenenga, Carrie Padfield, Matthew Schick, Jim Downey, John Padfield, Robin Ripple, Anna Petronakis, Laurie Wright, Dane Underwood, Lindsay Suarez, Linda Burrows.

2. Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Mr. Aichinger.

3. Introductions/Recognition: Les Immel

4. (M) Approval of Agenda: A motion to approve the agenda was made by Dr. Saunders and seconded by Mr. Dellinger. The motion passed 4/0.

5. (M) Approval of Minutes: Feb 8 and Feb 22, 2010. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Dr. Saunders and seconded by Mr. Dellinger. The motion passed 4/0.

6. Public Comment: Julene Fenenga thanked the board for their support regarding the Anacapa trip. She informed the board she was not in favor of extending the instructional day until 3:00 for grades 1-3 because some teachers use that time (2:30-3:00) to provide direct re-teaching to the students who need the most help. She said if the whole class extends their instructional day, then teachers would not be able to focus on a core group of students during that time. Mrs. Bowman spoke as the representative for the K-3 teachers. She said the teachers had met on several occasions to discuss the pros and cons of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade students staying until 3:00. After analyzing the advantages and disadvantages, the teachers had voted with 1 teacher in favor and 10 against. She distributed the charts to the board for their review.

7. Correspondence: None

8. Reports:

8.1 Matthew Schick, Music, Grades 3-8

8.2 Les Immel, Administrative Configuration

Mr. Schick gave a brief presentation to the board about his music program for grades 3-8. Dane Underwood and Lindsey Suarez, both former students, spoke about how the music program at Solvang School had been a positive influence in their lives.

Les Immel reviewed his report on the administrative configuration with the board. His recommendation was to have two, full time administrators with one being housed on the upper campus. He also advised retaining part time administrative support for special education and consolidated application/categorical program requirements. Dr. Saunders said that the current configuration is very lean and it would require difficult decisions and actions on the part of the board to increase administration.

9. (M) Approval of Consent Agenda

9.1 Approval of Commercial Warrants*(2/4, 2/18, 2/25/11)

9.2 Approval of Financial Reports(*)

9.3 Enrollment Report(*)

9.4 Acceptance of New Hires: Cristina Garcia, 2nd Grade, Long Term Sub; Tova Felding, Intervention Specialist, Grades 3-5.

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Mr. Dellinger and seconded by Dr. Saunders. The motion passed 4/0.

10. Board Member Reports: Mr. Aichinger reported on CIMI and Mr. Nelson reported on attending the board member training that focused on negotiations and labor law.

11. Principal's Report: Mrs. O'Neill reported that the extended day for kindergarten had started on Monday. This week she met with the aides to establish new rules for the cafeteria. She welcomed Tova Felding and Angela McClurg as our intervention specialists. She reported on a successful start to the Piggy Bank Fund Raiser and thanked Victoria and Alex Elliott for all their help in getting the pigs ordered. She also reported on attending the PTO fund raising night at Solvang Brewing Co.

12. Superintendent's Report

12.1 Construction Update(*)

12.2 Field Trip Transportation Costs(*)

12.3 Textbook Adoption

Mr. Allcock reported that Phase 1 of the construction is complete and there is \$900,000 remaining. In addition, we will be receiving \$1.8 million in funds from the state prior to summer. He and other members of the admin team had met with Don Hertel to discuss continued modernization projects for the summer. He referred to the hand out in the packet. He told the board that the bus would only be used for educational field trips due to cost and wear and tear. Mr. Allcock said he did not want to adopt new math text books at this time in anticipation of the implementation of common core standards. He said we would be receiving \$5,000 through a grant program for new computers. He reported on the County Superintendent's meeting. Kate Adamick gave a presentation on behalf of the Orfalea Foundation regarding school nutrition. Mr. Allcock said he was committed to putting a food program in place on our campus in the fall. He reminded everyone that the Valley-wide Schools Conference was coming up on Mar 14. He also reported on the Danish students and teachers who will be visiting from Aalborg, Denmark. They will arrive on April 6.

13. Board Action Items

13.1 (M)(*) Consideration for Approval: Second Interim Budget. A motion to approve was made by Dr. Saunders and seconded by Mr. Dellinger. Dr. Saunders questioned the reserve balance and Mrs. Perry informed the board that the balance was the result of one time stimulus money that was received this year and will be used over the next three. Mrs. Perry spoke about the cuts to the revenue limit funding and reminded the board that we are pulling from our deferred maintenance funds to get by. She anticipates a loss of \$180,000 next year and \$170,000 in the following year.. The motion passed 4/0.

13.2 (M)(*) Consideration for Approval: Solvang School District 2011-12 Academic Calendar. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Dellinger and seconded by Dr. Saunders. The motion passed 4/0.

13.3 (M) Consideration for Approval: Set Date and Time of Annual Budget Hearing. A motion to set the hearing for June 14 in conjunction with the regular meeting was made by Dr. Saunders and seconded by Mr. Dellinger. In discussion Mrs. Perry requested the hearing to be later in the month to accommodate the preparation of the budget. The board members decided to re-schedule the regular meeting. Dr. Saunders revised her motion to move the regular meeting and schedule the budget hearing on June 21, 2011. Mr. Dellinger seconded the motion and it was approved 4/0.

13.4 (M)(*) Consideration for Approval: Memorandum of Understanding with Moss, Levy and Hartzheim for Audit Services. A motion to approve was made by Mr. Dellinger and seconded by Dr. Saunders. The motion passed 4/0.

13.5(M) Consideration for Approval: Solvang School Campus to be Closed at Dusk. A motion to approve was made by Dr. Saunders and seconded by Mr. Dellinger. The motion passed 4/0.

13.6 (M)(*) Consideration for Approval: 2010 Proposition 39 Funding Performance Audit Report. A motion to approve was made by Dr. Saunders and seconded by Mr. Dellinger. The motion passed 4/0.

14. Board Informational Items:

14.1(*) Board Policy 6153, School Sponsored Trips-2nd Reading. There were no revisions.

14.2(*) Certificated and Classified Evaluation Tools. There were no comments.

14.3 Discuss Date for District Vision Workshop. Workshop to be set for July. A review of board policies to begin as soon as possible.

14.4 Review of AR 6152, Class Assignment. No comments or revisions.

15. Future Agenda Items: None requested.

15. Closed Session

15.1 Negotiations

15.2 Personnel: Superintendent's Evaluation

Mr. Aichinger called the meeting in to closed session at 8:27 pm. The meeting was re-opened at 9:00 and there was nothing to report. The board took no action.

16. Adjournment: 9:00 pm.

Signed

Attest

(*) Supporting material contained within the Board packet

(M) Motion Item (R) Roll Call Item