

MINUTES

- 1. Call to Order:** 6 pm by President, Peter Aichinger. Board members present: Peter Aichinger, Michele Saunders, Ken Dellinger, Echo Molina. Not present: Peter Haws. Administration present: Tom Allcock, Supt; Lisa O'Neill, Principal; Pat Merritt, Asst Principal; Cynthia Micale, Admin Asst; Meg Perry, Business Manager. Others present: Mia Perry, Blake Boehm, Melissa DeLeon, Linda Burrows.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Mr. Aichinger.
- 3. Introductions/Recognition:** Melissa DeLeon, SSEF Board Member; Blake Boehm from The Dolinka Group.
- 4. (M) Approval of Agenda:** A motion to approve was made by Dr. Saunders and seconded by Mr. Dellinger. Mr. Aichinger announced that the agenda needed to be amended, pulling items 12.1 and 12.2 due to the change in meeting date. The hearing will be re-posted prior to the June meeting. Dr. Saunders revised her motion to approve the agenda as amended. Mrs. Molina seconded the motion and it passed 4/0.
- 5. (M) Approval of Minutes:** April 12 and April 26, 2011. A motion to approve was made by Dr. Saunders and seconded by Mrs. Molina. The motion passed 4/0.
- 6. Public Comment:** Melissa DeLeon addressed the board regarding upcoming SSEF events including the chalk festival on the upper campus, the spring music concerts and the annual fund raising appeal.
- 7. Correspondence:** None.
- 8. (M) Approval of Consent Agenda**
 - 8.1 Approval of Commercial Warrants*(4/15 and 4/22/11)
 - 8.2 Approval of Financial Reports(*)
 - 8.3 Enrollment Report(*)
 - 8.4 Letter of Resignation from Ling Wheatley for Technology Consulting ServicesA motion to approve the items on the consent agenda was made by Mrs. Molina and seconded by Mr. Dellinger. The motion passed 4/0.
- 9. Board Member Reports:** Mr. Aichinger reminded everyone of the PTO Little Italy dinner and auction on May 13.
- 10. Principal's Report:** Mrs. O'Neill reported that STAR testing was complete and make-ups were being finished this week.. She mentioned the upcoming music performances, the 7th grade trip to the Getty museum and the Math Superbowl for grades 4, 5 and 6. She said she had been giving many campus tours to people considering moving in to Solvang. She thanked Victoria Elliott for all her work on the Piggy Bank fund raiser. Pigs will go home this week. The first weigh in will be at the beginning of school next year. PTO is selling summer curriculum review books. Recent and upcoming assemblies include a Yoyo performance, a play by PCPA and Street Beat. She also mentioned the PTO Parent Mixer and Auction on May 13. Mr. Aichinger asked about the staffing plan that had been presented at the last board meeting. She said that plan is still in place and will be re-evaluated at the end of summer.
- 11. Superintendent's Report:** Mr. Allcock has been working on the staffing plan, evaluating class sizes and teaching assignments. Next year Kindergarten will have a staggered day program where some students start at 8:30 and others at 10 with the late start students being dismissed later in the day. This will provide small group instruction in the morning and afternoon. He said the budget still looks bad for next year. Regarding the transfer students from Los Olivos, we are expecting four students to return to Solvang. He will be brining the IDT agreement back to the board in the future. The Valley Superintendents are discussing the possibility of all districts having agreements with each other. He said he had spoken to Al Zonana who had agreed to facilitate a board workshop this summer.

12. Board Action Items

- 12.1 Public Hearing: The public is invited for comment and discussion regarding the General Waiver Request to waive penalties in class size standards by allowing an increase in average class sizes in grades 4-8. ITEM PULLED FROM THE AGENDA**

12.2 (M)(*) **Consideration for Approval: General Waiver Request for Penalty Waivers for Class Size Standards, Grades 4-8.** *The waiver extends until June of 2013. Superintendent recommends approval in order to allow greater flexibility in staffing due to budgetary constraints without incurring penalties for larger class sizes.* **ITEM PULLED FROM THE AGENDA**

12.3 (M)(*) **Consideration for Approval: Contract with Rancho Alegre Outdoor School for 5th Graders, Jan 31- Feb 3, 2012.** A motion to approve was made by Dr. Saunders and seconded by Mrs. Molina. The motion passed 4/0.

12.4 (M)(*) **Consideration for Approval: MOU with SBCEO for 2011-12 Santa Barbara County Co-Op Participation.** A motion to approve was made by Mrs. Molina and seconded by Dr. Saunders. In discussion the board asked about the cost of the service. Mrs. Perry reported it is approximately 6-7% of the categorical revenue we receive. The motion passed 4/0.

12.5 (M)(*) **Consideration for Approval: MOU with SBCEO for Migrant Education Program.** A motion to approve was made by Dr. Saunders and seconded by Mrs. Molina. The motion passed 4/0.

12.6 (R)(*) **Consideration for Approval: Resolution 11-08510-1 Employing the Dolinka Group as Consultants for the Termination of the Special Taxes of Community Facilities District No. 1 and the Prepayment of the 1999 Refunding Certificates of Participation.** A motion to approve was made by Dr. Saunders and seconded by Mrs. Molina. Blake Boehm reviewed the handout distributed at the meeting with the board members, outlining the options of a tax reduction vs. eliminating the debt and collapsing the certificates. The motion to approve the resolution terminating the CFD was approved in a roll call vote with 4 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent and 0 Abstaining.

13. Board Informational Items: Second Interim Budget Report Analysis and Recommendations from SBCEO

Mrs. Micale noted that "Future Agenda Items" had been inadvertently left off the agenda but since it was a regular discussion item that required no action, the board could comment. A special board meeting was scheduled for May 25, 2011 in order to approve the winning bidders on the library casework and tackable surface jobs for summer. Mr. Allcock was instructed to contact Al Zonana to set a date for the summer workshop of either June 18 or 25.

14. Closed Session

14.1 Personnel: Superintendent's Evaluation

The board adjourned in to closed session at 6:50 pm. The meeting was reopened at 7:08 pm. There was no action taken in closed session.

15. Adjournment: 7:08 pm.

Signed

Attest