



**CAMBRIAN SCHOOL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

January 26, 2012

1. CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

The Board convened in Closed Session at 6:34 p.m. to discuss the following:

- 1.1 Negotiations with Cambrian District Teachers' Association and California School Employees' Assoc., Local 641
- 1.2 Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Superintendent (Govt Code 54957)

Closed Session

2. REGULAR SESSION

The president called the regular meeting of the Governing Board of Trustees to order in the boardroom at the district office at 7:34 p.m. Mr. Scofield informed the audience that no action was taken in closed session.

Regular Session

CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Randy Scofield, President
Mrs. Stacey Brown, Vice President
Mr. Doron Aronson, Clerk
Ms. Sue Pyne, Member
Mr. Alan Baker, Member

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Deborah Blow, Superintendent
Lani Potts, Asst Supt, Educational Services
Don Fox, Interim Chief Business Officer
Wendy Corkery, Admin. Asst. to Superintendent
Kirby Fell, Technology Coordinator

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The president of the Board led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge of Allegiance

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

On a motion by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Mr. Aronson and carried unanimously the Board adopted the January 26, 2012, agenda.

Adopt Agenda

5. CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mrs. Brown and carried unanimously the Board shall:

- 5.1 Adopt Consent Agenda items as follows:
 - 5.2 Approve the minutes of the January 12, 2012, regular Board meeting
 - 5.3 Personnel Items:
 - Certificated*
Approve a maternity leave of absence for Tiffany Barry effective 2/27/12-6/7/12
 - Classified*
Ratify the probationary status of secretary Barbara Springett effective 1/11/12
 - Approve the resignation of special education instructional aide Sian Sanders, effective 2/1/12
 - 5.4 Accept the Wells Fargo Advisors Statement for December 2011
 - 5.5 Accept a monetary donation in the amount of \$398.11.

Consent Agenda

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6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements

Mr. Scofield stated that all schools would be closed on Friday, January 27th due to a furlough day.

Dr. Blow stated that she recently attended the Price music concert with both band and choral performances. Ms. Barry, elementary music teacher, is now conducting a 6th grade choral group. We are fortunate to have such a strong music program for our students.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public Comments

There were no comments from the audience.

8. INFORMATION AND STUDY ITEMS

Information/Study

8.1 Ahmad Gharaibeh of Vavrink, Trine, Day & Co. reviewed the Audit Report for the 2010-11 school year. The district is required to obtain an audit for state and federal compliance. He provided an overview of the various components of the report stating the we were given clean opinions in all areas. He then complimented our business staff for having tight control of the processes and for assisting the auditors with their inquiries.

2010-11 Audit Rpt

On a motion by Mrs. Pyne, seconded by Mr. Baker and carried unanimously, the Board approved the 2010-2011 Audit Report.

ACTION

8.2 Mr. Fox stated that the governor's budget proposal was not as bad as initially anticipated. Currently, revenue funding is basically flat. If revenue augmentation doesn't pass, it will be much worse. Revised projections were made using the first interim as the base. We will need to make two budgets for both best and worst case scenarios.

Gov's Budget Proposal

8.3 Dr. Blow informed the Board that the recent Governor's Budget Proposal could affect the transitional kindergarten (TK) program which is to be implemented next fall. The program changes the entry birth date for kindergarten from Dec. 2 to Nov. 1 effective 2012. Under Governor Brown's proposal districts are not required to provide TK for students whose entry dates are affected by the new legislation. At this time it is unclear whether TK will be funded if districts decided to move forward with the program. Mrs. Potts recently held two informational meetings regarding TK and both were very positive. We will follow the legislature's process to see how this unfolds, and it may become necessary to change our plans.

TK Program.

8.4 Mr. Scofield received a communication from Cambrian District Teachers' Assoc. president Alicia Williamson stating that due to the efforts of Dr. Blow visiting each site, the association supports the revisions that were made. Dr. Blow attended each site to speak with staff and there were no concerns about the policy. Concerns about the procedure pertained to the number of homework minutes at the middle school. All elementary schools liked the language and the essence of the policy especially quality over quantity. Staffs will begin work to create a homework policy for their site. A brief electronic parent survey was created, and we received over 900 responses. Overall, parents felt the amount of time students spend on homework is appropriate for their age and grade level. Dr. Blow will disaggregate the data by grade level to see if there are any trends.

Revised Pol/Proc. 6154, Homework

On a motion by Mr. Baker, seconded by Mr. Aronson and carried unanimously, the Board approved revised Board Policy and Procedure 6154, Homework.

ACTION

8.5 Mrs. Potts provided an overview of how Successmaker is being used by students and staff. This is an instructional software program that provides learners with adaptive and personalized paths for mastery of essential reading and math concepts and delivers outcome-based data to inform educational decision-making. It is highly engaging and interactive. A brief demonstration of the program was provided.

Successmaker

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8.6 Dr. Blow distributed the new Strategic Plan brochure. The Plan is a living document that is being used in many areas of planning and implementation. Each of the five goals has corresponding targets. An overview of progress on attaining the targets for each of the goal areas was provided.

Strategic Plan

10. COMMUNICATIONS

Communications

Mrs. Brown attended the music concert at Price and commended the entire music department for their support of one another. She also chaperoned a trip to NASA-AMES. Mr. Baker attended the Price Coffee where student films were shown. Mr. Aronson commended staff on the Homework Survey.

11. CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session

There was no further closed session.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment

There being no further business, the January 26, 2012, regular meeting of the Governing Board of Trustees was adjourned at 9:42 p.m. on a motion by Mrs. Pyne, seconded by Mrs. Brown and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah L. Blow, Ed.D.
Secretary to the Governing Board

Approved and ordered entered into
the proceedings of the Cambrian
School District on February 9, 2012

Governing Board of Trustees