



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

October 18, 2012

**1. CLOSED SESSION AGENDA**

The Board convened in Closed Session at 6:35p.m. to discuss the following:

- 1.1 Negotiations with Cambrian District Teachers' Association and California School Employees' Assoc., Local 641

**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 7:42 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  
Mr. Alan Baker, Member  
Mr. Jarod Middleton, 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  
Jamie Morse, Director of Technology

**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 Mr. Baker, seconded by Mr. Aronson and carried unanimously the Board adopted the October 18, 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 October 4, 2012, regular Board meeting
- 5.3 Personnel Items:

*Certificated*

Grant tenure to Dawn Pelham, Celene Fairfield and Cheryl Hibner effective the 2012-13 school year.

*Classified*

Approve the probationary status of Amanda Barefield effective 10/8/12

*Other*

Ratify the limited term status to Rhonda McCarthy and Debbie Judge effective 8/21/12;  
Patricia Rodriguez, Kristen Zawacki, Claudia Garland, Rosalind Carey, Rochebelle

**Consent Agenda**

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Miller and Corene Reed effective 10/1/12; Susan Haas, Paula Ford and Kathleen Robb, effective 10/2/12; and Alethia Poso effective 10/3/12.

Approve Laura Evans as a noon duty supervisor effective 10/8/12

- 5.4 Accept the Board Warrant List for September 2012
- 5.5 Approve a monetary donation in the amount of \$977.29 to Farnham School
- 5.6 Approve revised Board Policy and Procedure 1330, Community Use of School Facilities
- 5.7 Accept the Annual Developer Fees Report, FY 2011-12

**6. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Announcements**

Mr. Scofield informed the audience that Friday, October 19 was a teacher inservice day and a student holiday.

Dr. Blow visited classrooms at Sartorette, Fammatre and Price Schools. We launched the second Digital Academy this past weekend. The Friday night event was held at the Apple facility and we hosted the Saturday's event. This year Moreland School District oined the academy.

**7. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Public Comments**

There were no comments from the audience.

**8. INFORMATION AND STUDY ITEMS**

**Information/Study**

8.1 Mr. Kramer of Kramer Project Development provided a presentation of potential energy and solar projects the district may want to consider. He stated that energy conservation projects will save dollars that can be used elsewhere in the district. He believes the best way to finance energy projects is through a general obligation bond measure, but there are other options which also were reviewed. He presented a case study of Mountain View-Los Altos High School District's conversion to solar. He stated that future energy projects to consider are window replacement, mechanical system economizers, energy management system, classroom day lighting, improved insulation and weather proofing, and photovoltaics. The Board requested preliminary research and asked that Mr. Kramer also check on the availability of state funding. He hopes to provide a high level analysis by the end of November.

**Alternative Energy Solar**

8.2 Mrs. Potts provided an overview of the district's performance on API and AYP. The Academic Performance Index (API) is a state growth model that gives credit for growth of all levels. All district subgroups had a range of improvement from 8-28% and the targeted groups improved the most. District and site scores from 2008 to present were reviewed. Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) is a federal performance model that measures the percent of students performing at proficient or above. Subgroups at all schools that met AYP criteria were reviewed for both ELA and math. Program Improvement (PI) is a formal designation of Title I funded schools that do not make AYP criteria for any numerically significant subgroups according to the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB).

**API/AYP Presentation**

8.3 Ms. Maiwald provided the annual report of the Student Services Department. The law requires that schools provide a free and appropriate education (FAPE) in the least restrictive environment (LRE) for students with special needs. We are currently serving over 440 students with special needs. We provide classes for autism and global developmental delays, language and learning handicaps, ADHD, autism spectrum and related social impairments and social thinking. A variety of other services covered by the Student Services Dept. were also reviewed.

**Student Serv Update**

8.4 Dr. Blow remarked that calling systems have been around in other districts for some time now. Two of our schools made the choice to purchase their own systems. A district wide calling system would be very helpful in emergency situations. During the recent

**Emergency Calling System**

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lockdown at Fammatre it would have been helpful to notify parents of the nearby armed robbery and that the school was on lockdown. Mr. Morse stated that the School Reach system is being considered for recommendation because of its superior features and capability to interface with PowerSchool but added research of this product is still needed. The Board requested that guidelines be added to our existing communication policy. They would also like to see the features of the final product as well as a plan to purchase and roll the system out.

- 8.5 Dr. Blow has been working with Mr. Fell and Mr. DeLapp to incorporate suggestions from the Board into our website. These updates are still a work in progress. The banner will be changed to include seven keys items, and the calendar of events has been changed to a date list. A number of other changes and additions were also reviewed. Staff is moving as quickly as possible to make changes.

**Website Update**

**9. COMMUNICATIONS**

**Communications**

Mr. Aronson observed a number of classes at Fammatre School with Mrs. Schwiebert and Mrs. Potts. He was very impressed with the RtI Program. He also informed the Board that State Senator Simitian and Assemblyman Gordon will hold another Education Update on Sat., Nov. 7 at 10 a.m. at Palo Alto Unified School District. Mrs. Brown received an email from Councilmember Rocha regarding the use of the community center. Mr. Middleton conducted a number of fire safety sessions at Bagby School recently and will do the same at Sartorette School at 1:50 p.m. on Nov. 25.

**11. CLOSED SESSION**

**Closed Session**

There was no further closed session.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the October 18, 2012, regular meeting of the Governing Board of Trustees was adjourned at 11:00 p.m. on a motion by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Mr. Aronson and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Approved and ordered entered into  
the proceedings of the Cambrian  
School District on November 1, 2012

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Governing Board of Trustees