



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

October 27, 2011

1. CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

The Board convened in Closed Session at 6:30 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 Discipline/Dismissal/Release (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 7:37 p.m. Mr. Baker informed the audience that no action was taken in closed session.

Regular Session

CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Alan Baker, President
Ms. Sue Pyne, Vice President
Mr. Randy Scofield, Clerk
Ms. Stacey Brown, Member
Mr. Doron Aronson, 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. Pyne, seconded by Mr. Aronson and carried unanimously the Board adopted the October 27, 2011, agenda.

Adopt Agenda

5. CONSENT AGENDA

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

- 5.1 Adopt Consent Agenda items as follows:
- 5.2 Approve the minutes of the October 13, 2011, regular Board meeting
- 5.3 Personnel Items:

Other

- 5.4 Ratify the limited term status of Paula Ford effective, 10/3/11-6/7/12; Claudia Garland effective 9/29/11-4/26/12; and Fredrick Sankus effective 9/14/11-6/7/12
- 5.4 Accept Board Warrant Approval List for September 2011
- 5.5 Accept the Wells Fargo Advisors Statement for September 2011
- 5.6 Accept a monetary donation in the amount of \$300.

Consent Agenda

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Baker announced that parent/teacher conferences would be held from Nov. 9 through Nov. 18. All schools will be closed on Nov. 11 for Veterans' Day.

Announcements

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Dr. Blow stated that she attended the Price Rock the Night event and all the four elementary schools' Halloween events. She had a wonderful time, and all the hard work that parents and others put into these was evident. She was pleased to announce that Rachelle Fordham and Mele Kent received a grant from Silicon Valley Education Foundation for science and reading. The recent district professional development day was led by our own science leadership team. Some students stayed late for a demonstration lesson and then the science leadership team debriefed with teachers. The leadership team did a great job.

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the audience.

Public Comments

8. INFORMATION AND STUDY ITEMS

Information/Study

8.1 Mr. Baker opened the Public Hearing for the Cambrian District Teachers' Association (CDTA) Sunshine Statement with the District. Mrs. Hinde-Williamson, president of CDTA, addressed the Board regarding the upcoming negotiations. No further comments were made. The hearing was closed.

CDTA Sunshine Stmt. Public Hearing

8.2 Mr. Baker then presented the Cambrian District Teachers' Association' Sunshine Statement to the Board.

CDTA Sunshine Stmt

On a motion by Mrs. Pyne, seconded by Mr. Aronson and carried unanimously, the Board approved the Cambrian District Teachers' Association's Sunshine Statement with the District.

ACTION

8.3 Mr. Baker opened the Public Hearing for the District's Sunshine Statement with the Cambrian District Teachers' Assoc. No comments were made. The hearing was closed.

District Sunshine Stmt. Public Hearing

8.4 Mr. Baker presented the District's Sunshine Statement with Cambrian District Teachers' Assoc.

District Sunshine Stmt

On a motion by Mrs. Pyne, seconded by Mrs. Brown and carried unanimously, the Board approved the District's Sunshine Statement with Cambrian District Teachers' Assoc.

ACTION

8.5 Dr. Blow commented that the Kindergarten Readiness Act of 2010 (SB1831) amends the birth date for admission to kindergarten which is a significant educational reform. Mrs. Potts stated that this basically creates a two-year voluntary program that includes a one year transitional kindergarten (TK) and one year in kindergarten (K). Districts may implement the new transitional program over a three-year period or all at once. There are many young children currently attending kindergarten, and this is an opportunity for them to be better prepared socially, emotionally, and academically for K and beyond. The curriculum as well as district and site components were reviewed. The Board was asked to make decisions on class configuration and the implementation timeline.

Transitional K

The Board gave direction to move forward with a full implementation for the next school year. They will hold off on direction for TK versus TK and K combination classes until more information is collected.

8.6 Mrs. Potts provided an update on the 4th/5th grade PE Sports, Play, Active Recreation for Kids (SPARK) program. It is a practical, hands-on approach designed for continuous movement and to be inclusive, active and fun. The program is used in different degrees in every 4th and 5th grade in the district either collaboratively and independently. The use of parent help has been very successful. Our instructional SPARK trainer will return to train new teachers at these grade levels and all K through 3rd grade teachers.

PE SPARK Prgm

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8.7	Mr. Fox presented the Annual Developer Fees Report, FY 2010-11 stating that we are required to compile this report each year funds are collected, and make it available to the public. The report lays out our collections, beginning balance, interest, and ending balance for last year.	Developer Fees
	On a motion by Mrs. Pyne, seconded by Mr. Scofield and carried unanimously, the Board approve the Annual Developer Fees Report, FY 2010-2011.	ACTION
8.8	Dr. Blow informed the Board that the proposal before the Board is a strategic plan target. Total School Solutions was recommended to address the Board's desire to know more about our leased properties relating to rent and facility needs/upgrades. We are requesting a thorough analysis of our properties to help us increase rental income. They will also look at opportunities for energy and solar savings. The completion date could be 6 to 8 weeks after Board approval.	Financial Opps
8.9	Dr. Blow stated that the proposed job descriptions for Maintenance I and II are needed because it has been many years since they were updated. They were also combined and are now broken out. It was recommended that a Health and Safety component be included.	Maintenance I & II Job Descriptions
8.10	Dr. Blow explained that changes to revised Board Policy and Procedure 7111.1, Energy Conservation (Resource Management) were based on GAMUT recommendations and Oakland USD's policy.	Pol/Proc 7111.1 Resource Mgmt
	On a motion by Mr. Scofield, seconded by Mrs. Brown and carried unanimously, the Board approved Policy and Procedure 7111.1, Resource Management with minor modifications.	ACTION
8.11	Mr. Aronson recommended having a Town Hall Meeting for many reasons. He feels that there is an awareness gap without a communication plan. It would be an opportunity to disseminate good news in relation to the five-year strategic plan and the great, innovative things that take place in our schools. Other Board members agree that we should look for ways to effectively encourage those outside of the schools to get actively involved. We may need to look at an outside firm to help us reach out beyond our parent groups and asked that we research companies that work with educational institutions. Mrs. Masegian addressed the Board regarding communicating with the community.	Town Hall Meeting
9.	COMMUNICATIONS	Communications
	Mrs. Brown attended her last Monster Boogie Bash as a parent. She also visited Sartorette's Harvest Festival and said that there was tremendous community effort at both events. Mr. Baker attended the Halloween Fun Night at Bagby School and said it was a lot of fun.	
10.	CLOSED SESSION	Closed Session
	There was no further closed session.	

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11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the October 27, 2011, regular meeting of the Governing Board of Trustees was adjourned at 10:35 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Scofield, seconded by Mrs. Pyne 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 November 10, 2011

Governing Board of Trustees

Adjournment