



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

April 18, 2013

**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 (Govt Code 54957.6)
- 1.2 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (Govt Code 54957)
- 1.3 Public Employee 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 7:37 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  
Mrs. Jeneva Sneed, 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, Dir., Educational 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. Aronson, seconded by Mrs. Brown and carried, the Board adopted the April 18, 2013, agenda.

**Adopt Agenda**

**5. CONSENT AGENDA**

On a motion by Mrs. Sneed, seconded by Mrs. Brown and carried, the Board shall:

- 5.1 Adopt Consent Agenda items as follows:
- 5.2 Approve the minutes of the April 4, 2013, regular Board meeting
- 5.3 Personnel Items:
  - Certificated*  
Grant a leave of absence to Karen Kuljis effective 9/13/13 - 6/6/14.
  - Classified*  
Approve the retirement resignation of instructional aide Laura Leong, effective 6/14/13
- 5.4 Accept the Board Warrant List for March 2013
- 5.5 Approve donations of technology equipment

**Consent Agenda**

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**6. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Scofield informed the audience that April 24th is designated as Day of the Employee for all Cambrian staff. We encourage you to take a few minutes to thank your school staff for the great job they do each and every day.

Dr. Blow commented that representatives from the Lucille Packard Foundation recently visited Fammatre School to observe the Transitional Kindergarten program. She commended Mrs. Potts and Mrs. Schwiebert as well as teachers Ms. Kate Moody and Ms. Kelly Amyx for their work with the program. Congratulations were given to Mr. Dan Kirwan who is a finalist for the 2013 All Star Teacher Award that is sponsored by Comcast. A student composed an essay about Mr. Kirwan, and he was recently filmed in his classroom. Dr. Blow also learned that art work from three Bagby students was selected to be showcased at the county office of education, and one will be placed in the permanent gallery.

**7. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no comments from the audience.

**8. INFORMATION AND STUDY ITEMS**

8.1 Dr. Blow stated that each of our dependent charters must renew their charter petition every five years. Mr. Nguyen took the staff through the necessary steps and obtained the required staff signatures indicating their support of the renewal. There were no major changes made to the petition as this is a renewal.

On a motion by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Mr. Aronson and carried, the Board approved the renewal Charter Petition for Farnham School.

8.2 Mr. DeLapp presented the Board with a working draft of the State of the District community report. He visited each site to determine where the parent information centers will be installed and stated that all communication materials should be consistently placed at each school. These will be completed and ready for display at Open House. He asked for guidance from the Board regarding the Conversation on Learning. Each Board member then offered suggestions.

8.3 Mrs. Potts gave an overview of the Guided Language Acquisition by Design (GLAD) Program. The key components of the program are clear practical instructional strategies which actively engage the students in their own learning. GLAD aligns to Common Core, and it integrates speaking, listening and writing. Sartorette teacher Mrs. Fordham commented that the GLAD strategies provide built-in support and help students to become experts in the subject matter. She feels that it is an amazing program and very positive. It will be seamless integrating Common Core and GLAD.

8.4 Dr. Blow contacted our demographer who is working on a new district enrollment study. The Request for Qualifications for financial and facilities groups has been released. She distributed a document displaying themes mentioned by Board members based on the number of times each theme was brought up during the previous Board discussion on this topic. We need to start looking at campaign consultants to begin initial polling of the community to determine the probability of passing a bond.

8.5 Dr. Blow presented revised Board Procedure 9270, Conflict of Interest Code for the first reading. When the Director of Educational Technology position was created, it was determined that this position fell into the mandatory filer category. Therefore, we are required to add the Director of Educational Technology position to Board Procedure 9270 as a Category 2 filer.

**Announcements**

**Public Comments**

**Information/Study**

**Farnham Charter  
Renewal**

**ACTION**

**Communication Plan**

**GLAD Update**

**Facilities, Solar, Tech**

**Proc 9270, Conflict  
of Interest-1st Reading**

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**9. COMMUNICATIONS**

**Communications**

Dr. Blow commented that employee appreciation would take place next Wednesday, April 24. Dr. Andrews has put together a little recognition treat for staff. Cabinet members will serve ice cream sundaes during lunch, and Board members were invited to join them. She also noted that the film festival will take place on May 31 at Heritage Theater. This year there will be two shows at 5 and 7 p.m. Mr. Scofield received a letter from the county office of education regarding our second interim report. We received a positive certification for this year and two subsequent years. CFO and principal interviews will take place next couple of weeks, but only two Board members can observe each interview. Board members stated which interview they wished to observe. Mrs. Brown reported that on Sat., April 20<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 to 11 a.m. State Senator Jim Beall will host a Town Hall Meeting and pancake breakfast at the Almaden Community Center. Councilmember Don Rocha has worked to get an enhanced crosswalk installed at the intersection of Potrero St. and Leigh Ave. Work on this project will begin by June 30th.

**10. CLOSED SESSION**

**Closed Session**

The Board reconvened to continue discussions of Closed Session items. The president stated that this was for information only and that no action would be taken.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, the December 6, 2013, regular meeting of the Governing Board of Trustees was adjourned at 10:10 p.m. on a motion by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Mrs. Sneed and carried.

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 May 2, 2013

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Governing Board of Trustees