



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

December 3, 2013

1. CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

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

- 1.1 Public Employee Evaluation – Superintendent (Govt Code 54957)
- 1.2 Personnel (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 7:35 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
Mrs. Jeneva Sneed, Member

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Deborah Blow, Superintendent
Mrs. Lani Potts, Asst. Supt., Educational Services
Mr. Jason Vann, Chief Financial Officer
Mrs. Wendy Corkery, Admin. Asst. to Superintendent
Mr. 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 Mrs. Brown, seconded by Mrs. Sneed and carried unanimously the Board adopted the December 3, 2013, agenda.

Adopt Agenda

5. CONSENT AGENDA

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

- 5.1 Adopt Consent Agenda items as follows:
- 5.2 Approve the minutes of the November 21, 2013, regular Board meeting
- 5.3 Accept the donation of a piano and a monetary donation in the amount of \$237.50

Consent Agenda

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements

- 6.1 Mr. Scofield informed the audience that all schools would be closed for Winter Break from Monday, Dec. 23 through Friday, Jan. 3. Classes will resume on Monday, Jan. 6.
- 6.2 Dr. Blow reported that teacher Sandy McConnell was selected as a certificated Edmodo trainer. She is part of the first cohort of trainers.

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7. RECOGNITIONS

Recognitions

- 7.1 Individuals who have gone “the extra mile” for the students of our District were recognized by the Board for their hard work and dedication. Mr. Scofield presented them with Good Apple Awards and lapel pins while Dr. Blow told the audience of their support for our district and students. The recipients were Jeff Lowery, Brian Tanger and Kirk Knudsen from Fammatre School.
- 7.2 Students of the Month were recognized for being exemplary students. Dr. Blow read commendations from each student’s teacher and Board members presented certificates to their buddy school students. The Students of the Month were:
- Megan Cubiss, Bagby School
 - Kaila Castanon, Fammatre School
 - Rich Ibarra, Farnham School
 - Lincoln Perez, Sartorette School
 - Morgan Mashburn, Price School
 - Theresa Brown, Price School

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public Comments

There were no comments from the audience.

9. INFORMATION AND STUDY ITEMS

Information/Study

9.1 Mrs. Potts stated that we are in the third year of Positive Behavior Interventions and Support (PBIS) implementation. This program is a way to make schools effective learning environments. The purpose of the program is to build solid citizens that use their hearts and minds well. Tier one is a school-wide prevention for all students; tier two is a specialized group system for students with at-risk behavior; and tier three is an individual system for students with high-risk behavior. The number of referrals and suspensions for our district are well below the national average and continue to drop at each school due in part to the success of this program. Stages of implementation were reviewed, and full implementation takes time, effort, commitment and vision.

PBIS Update

9.2 Dr. Blow has been researching various components of a Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math (STEAM) school. There are a number of things to consider for a STEAM school. -All subjects are integrated, including arts, and they should build on one another. A possible component of such a school is a STEAM lab. These labs are creative, collaborative, flexible learning environments where students develop complex solutions to simple problems. Dr. Blow will continue to bring information on this topic to the Board in the future.

STEAM Presentation

9.3 Dr. Blow worked with a committee to develop a well-structured feasibility survey. The survey is currently in progress. Our goal is to contact 400 potential voters to collect feedback on a possible bond measure.

Feasibility Study

9.4 Mr. Scofield introduced the proposed 2014 Board Calendar for comments. No comments were offered.

2014 Bd Calendar

On a motion by Mrs. Brown, seconded by Mrs. Sneed and carried unanimously, the Board approved the 2014 Board meeting calendar.

ACTION

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9.5 Mr. Scofield presented an overview of past practice and issues concerning the election of officers. He went on to say that we typically rotated our Board members through the various levels of leadership, and we varied from this practice on only a few occasions. He addressed a possible violation of the Brown Act by Board members in relation to the election of officers. The election will be delayed until the next regularly scheduled Board meeting on December 19. The Board will set up a workshop meeting to discuss the election of officers prior to the next scheduled meeting.

**Statement Regarding
Election of Officers**

Election of Board President - Tabled

9.6 Election of Board Vice President - Tabled

9.7 Election of Board Clerk – Tabled

9.8 Election of a Representative to the Santa Clara County Committee for School District Organization – Tabled

9.9 Mr. Scofield asked if anyone wanted to make a nomination for the CSBA Delegate Assembly. No nominations were offered.

10. COMMUNICATIONS

Communications

Members of the board discussed Mr. Scofield’s earlier statement regarding election of officers and the request for a workshop/study session. The intent of the study session is to rectify some issues concerning past norms, and the purpose is to come to consensus about the election process both for this and future years. The Board agreed to meet on Monday, Dec. 16 at 5 p.m. for this purpose.

11. CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session

There was no further closed session.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment

There being no further business, the December 3, 2013, regular meeting of the Governing Board of Trustees was adjourned at 9:30 p.m. on a motion by Mrs. Sneed, 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 December 19, 2013

Governing Board of Trustees