



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

December 21, 2017

1. OPEN SESSION

Open Session

1.1 Call to Order

The clerk called the Governing Board of Trustees Closed Session to order in the Cambrian Professional Development Center at 7:03 p.m.

1.2 Public Comments for Closed Session Items

There were no comments from the public.

2. CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

Closed Session

The Board convened in Closed Session to discuss the following:

- 2.1 Potential Litigation (Govt Code 54956.9(a))-one case
- 2.2 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (Govt Code 54957)
- 2.3 Collective Bargaining Session (Govt Code 3549.1 (d)): Cambrian District Teachers Association

3. REGULAR SESSION CALL TO ORDER

Regular Session

- 3.1 The clerk called the regular meeting of the Governing Board of Trustees to order in the Cambrian Professional Development Center at 7:38 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Doron Aronson, Member
Mrs. Aletta Godden, Member
Mrs. Carol Presunka, Clerk

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Carrie Andrews, Superintendent
Ms. Carlena Grandey, Admin. Asst. to Superintendent
Mrs. Lesa Nieri, Asst. Supt., Personnel Services
Mr. Linh Nguyen, Asst. Supt., Educational Services
Mr. Mujtaba Rauf, Director of Information Technology
Mr. Jason Vann, Chief Financial Officer

- 3.2 Report out of Closed Session

No action was taken in closed session.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The clerk of the Board led the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Adoption of Agenda

On a motion by Mr. Aronson, seconded by Mrs. Godden, the Board adopted the December 21, 2017, agenda. Motion **CARRIED** 3-0

ACTION

Aronson-Yes
Godden-Yes
Presunka-Yes

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6. CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by Mrs. Godden, seconded by Mr. Aronson, the Board:

- 6.1 Adopted of Consent Agenda Items as follows:
- 6.2 Approved the Minutes of the November 2, November 6, and November 16, Board Meetings
- 6.3 Approved the Personnel Report for December 21, 2017
- 6.4 Accepted the Wells Fargo Advisors Statement for November 2017
- 6.5 Approved the Board Warrant List for November 2017
- 6.6 Approved the Change Order: Bagby Multi Use Room Project #3A totaling \$94,708 from Beals Martin, Inc.
- 6.7 Approved the Closure of Auxiliary Food Service Bank Account with Bank of the West
Motion **CARRIED** 3-0

Aronson-Yes
Godden-Yes
Presunka-Yes

Consent Agenda

ACTION

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 7.1 Mrs. Presunka shared with the Board that all school sites will be closed starting tomorrow, Friday, December 22 through Friday, January 5, 2018. Classes for students will resume on Monday, January 8, 2018.
- 7.2 Over the past two weeks, Mr. Jason Vann, Chief Financial Officer, and Superintendent Dr. Andrews attended four school site staff meetings to present the first interim budget update approved by the Board at the December 7, 2017, Board meeting. Dr. Andrews stated how important it is to ensure that all staff is kept apprised of the current budget and projected years out as means to work collaboratively to ensure we continue providing exemplar programs and being fiscally solvent. Staff had opportunities to ask questions as to the budget and revenue enhancements to support our District.

Last week, Farnham School Site hosted a Celebration of Life for Ms. Mimi Mickelson, Farnham's school secretary. Dr. Andrews shared that Ms. Mickelson was a beloved member of the Cambrian community and has worked in many capacities for District over the past 15 years. Ms. Mickelson fought hard and passed away in December. Ms. Mickelson will be remembered by many in Cambrian for her dedication our students. The family has set up a donation fund in Ms. Mickelson's honor to help students attend Farnham's 5th grade science camp.

Announcements

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Emily White, Steindorf Teacher, addressed the Board regarding the Steindorf lottery. She shared her personal situation and the efforts she has made to get her son over to Steindorf where she works this school year. Her child was 15th on the waiting list that expired October 15th. She requested to move her child over to Steindorf this year. Mrs. White encouraged the Board to make the enrollment decision.

Dan Winsor, Steindorf Teacher, Cambrian resident, and parent, shared his concern about the District's financial situation and the decisions that have lead the District to the current budget crisis. Mr. Winsor expressed that the Board needs to cut anything and everything possible that does not directly affect students. Mr. Winsor feels that the Coordinator of Marketing, Communication, and Community Engagement position does not directly affect students and should be considered for reduction or eliminated in the future to save other student programs.

Elyse Aronson-Tsfati, Price 6th parent, expressed to the Board her disappointed in regards to the recently vacated teacher position at Price Middle School and the fact that the position will not be filled at this time. She shared her thoughts about the students being farmed out to other classes for the next semester. Ms. Aronson-Tsfati asked the Board to reconsider this option so that the students who have created relationships can stay together.

Public Comments

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Samantha Haley, Fammatre Pre-school SDC Teacher, shared with the Board an update on how the year is going for her so far. She expressed how the current program as it stands is not serving students needs and the staff is overwhelmed. Mrs. Haley asked the Board to open another preschool classroom in order to serve the students' needs.

Rachel Maze-Sartorette Home and School Club President and parent, addressed Board regarding the negative impact that the midyear reductions are having on the school, staff and students. She stated that the Sartorette committee is unhappy with their discussion, the budget process and the communication around it. Ms. Maze feels that the Board needs to act with greater diligence and make decisions farther in advance so Home and School Clubs can align their budgets appropriately.

9. INFORMATION AND STUDY ITEMS

9.1 Communication Plan Update:

Mrs. Danielle Smith, Coordinator of Marketing, Communication, and Community Engagement; reviewed the District's four goals of communication. She highlighted the new ways that the District communicates with the community and projects to date. Mrs. Smith shared the plans for building allies through storytelling with technology to improve community outreach for the upcoming year.

9.2 Cambrian School District Wellness Update Part 2:

Mrs. Darlene Norman, Director of Student Services, and Mr. Linh Nguyen, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services, provided an update on the District's health support services, school climate and student engagement. Mr. Nguyen highlighted the suspension rate for each site and how the rate is now included as a measure on the California Dashboard. They shared the different aspects for student, parent, and community engagement and walked through the next steps for the coming year and sought input from the Board.

9.3 2017-18 Dashboard & Accountability Update:

Mr. Linh Nguyen, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services, and Ms. Jackie Smith, Coordinator of Educational Technology, provided an update on the new California School Dashboard and Accountability System. They shared the three main components and priorities of the Local Control Funding Formula. Mr. Nguyen walked through the State indicators and explained the performance levels.

10. COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Aronson had an opportunity to attend a parent coffee at Bagby hosted by Principal Mrs. Annie Murphy. The event was very well attended and he enjoyed the chance to meet with Principal Murphy.

11. CLOSED SESSION

No resumption of closed session.

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the December 21, 2017, regular meeting of the Governing Board of Trustees was adjourned at 10:10 p.m. on a motion by Mrs. Godden, and seconded by Mr. Aronson. Motion **CARRIED** 3-0

Aronson-Yes
Godden-Yes
Presunka-Yes

Information/Study

Communication Plan Update

District Wellness Update

Dashboard & Accountability Update

Communication

Closed Session

Adjournment

ACTION

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Respectfully submitted,

Carrie Andrews, Ph.D.
Secretary to the Governing Board

Approved and ordered entered into the
proceedings of the Cambrian School District on
February 1, 2017.

Governing Board of Trustees