



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

April 17, 2014

1. CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

The Board convened in Closed Session at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the following:

- 1.1 Public Employee Evaluation – Superintendent (Govt Code 54957)
- 1.2 Negotiations with Cambrian District Teachers’ Association (Govt Code 54957.6)

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 7:33 p.m. Mrs. Brown informed the audience that no action was taken in closed session.

Regular Session

CALL TO ORDER

Call to Order

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Stacey Brown, President
Mr. Alan Baker, Vice President
Mrs. Jeneva Sneed, Clerk
Mr. Doron Aronson, Member
Mr. Randy Scofield, Member

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Deborah Blow, Superintendent
Dr. Carrie Andrews, Asst. Supt., Personnel Services
Mrs. Wendy Corkery, Admin. Asst. to Superintendent
Mr. Kirby Fell, Dir., Educational Technology
Mrs. Lani Potts, Asst. Supt., Educational Services
Mr. Jason Vann, Chief Financial Officer

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. Sneed, seconded by Mr. Aronson and carried unanimously the Board adopted the April 17, 2014, agenda.

Adopt Agenda

5. CONSENT AGENDA

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

- 5.1 Adopted Consent Agenda items as follows:
- 5.2 Approved the minutes of the April 3, 2014, regular Board meeting
- 5.3 Accepted the Wells Fargo Statement for March 2014
- 5.4 Accepted the donation of technology equipment

Consent Agenda

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements

- 6.1 Mrs. Brown informed the audience that Wednesday, April 23 is designated as Cambrian's Day of the Employee. The Board will honor all staff for the outstanding work they do for the children of the district.
- 6.2 Dr. Blow received an email from Mr. Thom Stevens regarding an article detailing his work on integrating science into an annual trip to Washington, DC with Price students. This speaks a lot about what he has done and his approach to teaching science to middle school students.

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7. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

8. INFORMATION AND STUDY ITEMS

8.1 Mrs. Potts provided an update on the science program. There is increased elementary and middle school articulation, and we recently conducted our fourth annual Science Night which was attended by over three hundred students and their families. The Next Generation Science Standards were adopted by the state in 2013. They are rich in content, critical thinking skills, and experiential learning. New instructional materials aren't expected to be adopted by the State Board of Education until 2018. We will move forward with a thoughtful implementation.

8.2 Mrs. Potts stated that the three main elements of the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) process are 1) Stakeholder Engagement; 2) Goals and Progress Indicators; and 3) Actions, Services and Expenditures. Community involvement in the process so far has included information gathered from teachers, principals, administrators, other school personnel, local bargaining units, parents, and pupils. A survey has also been published on our website to allow for additional input. The Board provided input on each of the three main elements.

8.3 Mrs. Brown remarked that Resolution 13-14-09, Request for and Consent to Consolidation of Elections and the Specifications of the Election Order requires approval every two years for Board member elections. Board members serve four-year terms, and this year three positions are up for re-election. This resolution is required by the County of Santa Clara Registrar of Voters to place the election on the November ballot.

On a motion by Mr. Scofield, seconded by Mrs. Sneed and carried unanimously, the Board approved Resolution 13-14-09, Request for and Consent to Consolidation of Elections and the Specifications of the Election Order.

8.4 Dr. Loos introduced new Board Policy and Procedure 5141.52, Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Promotion for a first reading. These documents were developed using the CSBA template, and reflect the work that is already being done in this area and ensure that our students will have someone to be connected to and who will help them feel safe and supported. Prevention is always our goal, first and foremost.

8.5 Mr. Kramer provided an update on four projects, which include; adding classrooms at Fammatre, solar installation, security fencing and the Steindorf School Project. Construction at Fammatre is on schedule. The solar proposals are out and the RFP was issued on Apr 4. Security fencing plans have been submitted to DSA for approval. Neighbors have expressed concerns about the esthetics of the project and their ability to directly access school property. Some things can be done to help mitigate these concerns without compromising safety. These include reducing the height of the fence or using black vinyl coating to reduce the visibility of the fence. Work on the Steindorf project will begin immediately after the bond election. Mr. Finney, of Sugimura Finney Architects presented updated schematic designs of the school, and Ms. Martinez expanded on the details. The plans call for adding one new building, a new classroom to an existing wing, a new administrative office, reconfiguring the parking lot, and renovating existing buildings without modifying the structures.

Comments regarding modifications and/or objections to and in support of the security fencing project were offered by Susa Landry, Dan Seoane, Gail Easton, Celia Stahr, John Saxton, and Robert Adams.

Information/Study

Science Update

LCAP Process

**Res. 13-14-09
Consolidate Elections**

ACTION

**New Pol/Proc 5141.52
Suicide Prevention &
/Mental Health Promotion**

Facilities

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Mr. Kramer stated that we put two packages out for bid, one for underground electrical and one for low voltage/electrical work. Both projects are at Fammatre School. He then recommended awarding contracts to Preston Pipelines for Underground Utilities in the amount of \$45,000 and to General Lighting Services in the amount of \$159,500 for electrical/low voltage work.

On a motion by Mr. Scofield, seconded by Mr. Aronson and carried unanimously, the Board awarded contracts to Preston Pipelines for Underground Utilities in the amount of \$45,000 and to General Lighting Services in the amount of \$159,500 for electrical/low voltage work.

ACTION

- 8.6 Dr. Blow stated that an error was made at the last meeting in approving the contract with Kramer Project Development Co., Inc. The correct amount was stated in the contract, but a partial amount of \$182,050 was incorrectly stated in the recommendation, and this is the amount that was subsequently approved by the board. The contract total is \$242,050. The error was not caught until after action was taken. The Board was asked to take action to reflect the correct contract amount.

**Correction to
Kramer Contract**

On a motion by Mrs. Sneed, seconded by Mr. Scofield and carried unanimously, the Board approved the contract for Kramer Project Development Co. in the amount of \$242,050.

ACTION

9. COMMUNICATIONS

Communications

Dr. Blow distributed a Save the Date notice to Board members for the Educational Media Innovation (EMI) Awards on May 29. Mrs. Brown remarked that the Board received a letter from councilmember Don Rocha regarding inquiries concerning the security fencing.

10. CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session

There was no further closed session.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment

There being no further business, the April 17, 2014, regular meeting of the Governing Board of Trustees was adjourned at 11 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Scofield, seconded by Mrs. Sneed 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 May 1, 2014

Governing Board of Trustees