

HOPE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

The monthly meeting of the Hope School District Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on August 28, 2006, in the Hope District Board Room. All members were present. The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:35 p.m. The Board reconvened in a Public Session at 7:10 p.m. The following is a brief outline of the actions and discussions addressed by the Board.

The Meeting Reconvened at 7:10 p.m.

The Board took the following unanimous actions during closed session: approved the hiring of three classroom teachers who were hired on a temporary contract for the 2006-2007 school year; accepted the retirement of the head custodian at Monte Vista; accepted the resignation of a teacher who had been on a leave of absence for the 2005-06 school year, approved a request for leave for the 2006-2007 school year for a Monte Vista teacher; discussed negotiations and will return to closed session at the adjournment of regular session to continue the discussion; discussed the superintendent's performance evaluation.

Correspondence

Trustee Elizabeth Owen reported that she had received an email from Susan Epstein, Goleta district board member, regarding the pesticide applications in the community and the concern about applications in the vicinity of schools. Ms. Owen said this brought up the question of whether our district would want to consider becoming pesticide free on our campuses.

Superintendent Fausett announced that school principals will be seated in the audience at board meetings rather than at the front table.

Public Comment

Dave Thoreson, caretaker at Monte Vista, spoke to the board regarding his plan to move from his residence in July 2007 and asked if the would consider purchasing his mobile home that is located on the Monte Vista campus.

Consent Items

The following routine consent items were presented to the Board for approval:

The Board approved (4 ayes; 0 noes; 1 abstain) the minutes of the regular board meeting of July 10, 2006; approved (3 ayes; 0

noes; 2 abstain) the minutes of the special board meeting of July 14, 2006. Copies of the Commercial Warrant register sheets listing the purchase orders and warrants were provided to members of the Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees unanimously approved the submitted purchase orders and warrant reports.

Action Item

Award of Contract for Roofing Project at Hope School

Business Manager Julie Wood requested that the Board approve the awarding of a contract to Derrick's Roofing as the lowest bidder for the roofing project at Hope School. Derrick's Roofing submitted a bid of \$137,300.00. Copies of the bid list were provided to the Trustees. The Board of Trustees unanimously approved the awarding of a contract to Derrick's Roofing as the lowest bid submitted, in the amount of \$137,300.00) for the roofing project at Hope School.

Discussion Items

First Reading of Administrative Regulation AR 1312.4 Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures

Superintendent Fausett presented AR 1312.4 Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures to the Trustees for a first reading and discussion. The superintendent explained that at the recent California Department of Education monitoring visit for the Consolidated Application Program, it was determined that the district must adopt a policy for Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures. The board discussed the proposed administrative regulation and it will be presented for a final reading and adoption at the September meeting.

First Reading of Board Policy 6163.4 Student Use of Technology

Business Manager Julie Wood presented Board Policy 6163.4 Student Use of Technology to the Trustees for a first reading and discussion. She reported that at the recent audit of the district E-Rate plan, it was determined that the district must adopt a policy for Student Use of Technology. The board discussed the proposed policy and determined that further review and discussion by staff and the district technology committee will take

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place before the policy is returned for a second reading and adoption.

First Reading of Student Wellness Policies

Superintendent Fausett presented policies related to student wellness to the board for a first reading and discussion. She reported that under federal law signed in 2004, districts participating in the National School Lunch program, School Breakfast Program or other program authorized by the federal Child Nutrition Act are mandated to adopt a "wellness policy" by the beginning of the 2006-07 school year. The Federal Child Nutrition and Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Reauthorization Act (P.L.108-265, Section 204) specifies components that must be included in the policy and requires participation of certain specified groups in the policy development process. The adoption of a student wellness policy includes adoption of new or updated policies for the Food Service/Child Nutrition Program, Free and Reduced-Price Meals, Other Food Sales, and Physical Education. After discussion and suggestions for revisions, the board determined to postpone adoption of the policy relating to Other Food Sales. The Student Wellness, Free and Reduced-Price Meals, Food Service/Child Nutrition Program, and Physical Education policies will be presented for a second reading and adoption at the September board meeting.

REPORTS

Enrollment Update

The Superintendent reported the current district enrollment numbers: Hope School 415, Monte Vista 452, and Vieja Valley 418 for a total of 1285 students on August 28th.

Monte Vista Multi-purpose Room

The Superintendent reported that a meeting is planned next week for the committee regarding the modifications to the stage in the Monte Vista multi-purpose room. The committee includes district staff, teachers and community members. The superintendent is expecting a report from the fire department inspection.

Lunch Program

The superintendent and business manager presented a demonstration of the finger scan program that will be implemented for recording purchases of school lunches. It was explained that this system does not store the actual

fingerprint but creates a digital formula for each print.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The superintendent had no further items for report at this time.

BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

There were no board members' reports at this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT OF REGULAR SESSION

The board adjourned to closed session at 9:40 p.m. to continue the discussion regarding negotiations.

No action was taken in closed session. The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Future Meeting Calendar

August 28, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

September 11, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

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