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REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2005  
TIME: 6:30 P.M.  
PLACE: COARSEGOLD ELEMENTARY

CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairperson Sue O'Connor. All present stood and Mrs. O'Connor led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Board: Sue O'Connor, Greg Schoonard, Kathy Casey, John Reynolds, and Christine Wilder

Staff: Bill McCabe, Srinivasan, Randy Haggard, Bob Rose, John McMillen, Irene Keener, Karen Fruth, Jon Corippo, Margaret King, Rick Cano, Virginia Smith, Mary Jo Brown, Becky Cano, Stephanie Smittle, and Pat Hansen-Sedor

Student Body Representative: Student Body President Taylor Veater

Audience: Jan Schoonard, Nathaniel Pierce, Wanda Pierce, C. Jones, Alex Jones, R. Potter, Sheri Potter, Leighton Potter, Tyler LeQuia, Bryan LeQuia, Taylor Cano, A.B. Pludow, Donald Dauro, Matthew Dauro, Hannah Pludow

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**A motion was made by Christine Wilder and seconded by Greg Schoonard to approve the agenda as presented.**

Additions to the agenda of 8.13 Consideration and Action to move June 15, 2005 Board Meeting and 8.14 Consideration and Action to approve 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Fund Raiser were noted.

**Christine Wilder and Greg Schoonard amended their motion to include the additions to the agenda as presented. The voice vote to approve the agenda and additions as presented was unanimous.**

GOVERNANCE NORMS

Board President Sue O'Connor reminded everyone of the Coarsegold School Board's Governance Norms.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC REPORTS

None

PRESENTATION

Coarsegold Principal Randy Haggard noted that Taylor Cano, Tyler LeQuia, Hannah Pludow and Leighton Potter were here tonight to share their Science Projects with the Board. He continued by sharing classroom photographs of high school students engaging in a chemistry science show as part of the Science Fun Day at Coarsegold. Mr. Haggard thanked all who help coordinate the day along with all the parents that participated.

Each of the students presented their Science Projects.

STUDENTS

Student Body President Taylor Veater reported on Coarsegold's sports activities, Science Fair and this week's "Bibliomania" events with the culmination being Principal Randy Haggard kissing a pig.

CERTIFICATED/CLASSIFIED STAFF

None

FACILITIES COMMITTEE

None

MANAGERS

Director of Food Services Irene Keener presented statistics for the month of January on the number of students served.

John McMillen read a letter from the Community Day School's Portrait for Success Program and noted that he wanted the board to be aware that Paula McCabe had been recognized as one of their worthy recipients.

Principal Bob Rose expressed that it was a busy time at Rivergold School, that there were two student teachers on board, thanked Christine and Kathy for being Spelling Bee Judges, that the 8<sup>th</sup> grade orientation at the high school was coming up along with a big event dance and an all school assembly with Character Ed as the theme.

Principal Randy Haggard noted there was a lot going on as well at Coarsegold, that the Spelling Bee was coming up and gave an update on the total books read by students putting him in line to kiss a pig.

Superintendent Bill McCabe reported on the Brown Action Workshop he attended. He continued to note that GAMUT for board policies was contracted and available online and he reviewed the call up process.

BOARD

Kathy Casey thanked Srini and Bill for the really large packet of board information, noted that she volunteered at the Spelling Bee, and that she attended the Voc Ed Parade at Coarsegold.

John Reynolds handed out a report from the Madera County School Boards Executive Meeting on items and issues discussed and noted to Mr. McCabe that Coarsegold had been left off of the County's public relations brochure. He reported on one of the largest concerns and discussion to protect Prop 98 of the CSBA Committee that he attended on Monday in Sacramento.

Christine Wilder expressed that it was a great Spelling Bee.

Greg Schoonard indicated that he will be chaperoning the dance this weekend and looking forward to seeing pictures of Mr. Haggard kissing the pig.

CONSENT AGENDA

**A motion was made by John Reynolds and seconded by Christine Wilder to approve Consent Agenda Items 7.1 through 7.7 as presented.**

7.1 Approve Commercial Payment Order

7.2 Approve Payroll

7.3 Approve Budget Transfers

7.4 Approve Meeting Minutes - January 19, 2005

7.5 Accept Donation to Coarsegold School Library – V.F.W

7.6 Ratify Intradistrict Transfers - 04/05 – 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221

7.7 Ratify Interdistrict Transfers - Leaving: 04/05-070, 071, 072, 073, 074, 083, 084, 085, 089 Entering: 04/05 –075, 076, 077, 078, 079, 081, 082, 086, 087, 088

**The voice vote for approval was unanimous.**

BUSINESS

BB 9000 Policy Series

**A motion was made by Christine Wilder and seconded by Greg Schoonard to open for discussion.**

It was noted that on BB 9011 a changed approved at the last meeting had not been made.

**A motion was made by Christine Wilder and seconded by Greg Schoonard to adopt the BB 9000 series with the word pecuniary to be corrected as directed. The voice vote for approval was unanimous.**

RESOLUTION 2004/2005-06

**A motion was made by Christine Wilder and seconded by Greg Schoonard to approve Resolution 2004/2005-06 Conflict of Interest Policy Update and Letter to Madera County Board of Supervisors as presented. The voice vote for approval was unanimous.**

BP/AR 1330

**A motion was made by Christine Wilder and seconded by Greg Schoonard to open for discussion.**

There was a brief discussion on which option language for facility fees to use on BP 1330.

**A motion was made by Christine Wilder and seconded by Greg Schoonard to approve BP 1330 using option 2 with options 1 & 3 removed on the board policy. The voice vote for approval was unanimous.**

**A motion was made by Christine Wilder and seconded by Greg Schoonard to bring back AR 1330 with the language option added at the next board meeting. The voice vote for approval was unanimous.**

DISCUSSION EATING & DRINKING  
ON SCHOOL BUSES

**A motion was made by Greg Schoonard and seconded by Christine Wilder to open for discussion.**

There was audience and board discussion and opinions expressed on allowing students to eat, drink or chew gum on field trips.

**It was the consensus of the Board to bring to the Board for review the policy and rules regarding food on school buses.**

FIELD TRIPS & VOLUNTEER POLICIES

There was discussion on the Field Trips and Volunteer Policies and the need to look at adding language to the policies regarding sex offenders and to bring policies back for further Board consideration.

2005/2006 SCHOOL CALENDAR

**A motion was made by Greg Schoonard and seconded by Christine Wilder to approve the 2005/2006 School Calendar as presented. The voice vote for approval was unanimous.**

PROCESS FOR HISTORY/SOCIAL  
SCIENCE TEXTBOOK ADOPTION

Mr. McCabe reviewed the upcoming series for adoption in Math and the History/Social Science textbook needs for 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grades. He further discussed the possibility of borrowing funds to complete the full adoption of textbook needs.

There was discussion on whether the textbook evaluation committee be board appointed or to instruct the superintendent to follow up on the committee set up and encourage the procedures of the committee as if it were following the Brown Act.

There was further discussion on the time frame of the textbook adoption if piloting materials were to occur.

**It was the consensus of the Board to start the adoption process and adoption cycle, to consider looking at piloting materials at the same time and to consider borrowing funds.**

NURSING & PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES

There was discussion on psychological services and on the cost savings with a private vendor

**A motion was made by Greg Schoonard and seconded by Christine Wilder to approve 25 days of Nursing Services with Madera County at \$430 a day and 35 days of Psychological Services with an independent contractor. The voice vote for approval was unanimous.**

CONSTRUCTION FINANCING RESOLUTION 2004/2005-07

Director of Business Services Srimi Vasan reviewed the final finance percent for a construction loan.

**A motion was made by Greg Schoonard and seconded by Christine Wilder to approve Resolution 2004/2005-06 Construction Financing as presented. The roll call vote was O'Connor, Schoonard, Wilder, Reynolds, and Casey – aye. Motion carried.**

SHADE STRUCTURE – COARSEGOLD

Mr. McCabe reviewed the quotes for a shade structure at Coarsegold.

**A motion was made by Greg Schoonard and seconded by Sue O'Connor to approved taking to DSA for design approval and then go to bid for a shade structure at Coarsegold.**

There was a lengthy discussion on what type of structure was being considered, the scope of the work, life expectancy of the structure and whether there was a need or benefit for students to have a structure.

**It was the consensus of the Board to move forward, but to get more information on the concerns expressed.**

**The voice vote for approval was unanimous**

BOARD SELF EVALUATION PROCESS

It was determined that a special workshop with a 2 item agenda focus, Board Self Evaluation and the Superintendent's Evaluation, be set.

The special meeting was scheduled for March 9<sup>th</sup> at Coarsegold – 6:30 p.m.

BOARD CORE VALUES

**A motion was made by John Reynolds and seconded by Christine Wilder to approve the Board Core Values as presented. The voice vote for approval was unanimous.**

BOARD WORKSHOPS

There was board discussion, information and decisions made on which board members would be attending workshops.

INFORMATION

Sunshine CTA2 Contract Proposal

**A motion was made by Christine Wilder and seconded by John Reynolds to sunshine the CTA2 contract proposal.**

Margaret King gave a brief statement to help the Board have an understanding where the proposal was coming from.

**The voice vote for approval was unanimous.**

BREAK

A break was declared at 9:04 p.m.

RECONVENE

The meeting was reconvened at 9:10 p.m.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION FOR ARCHITECTURAL FIRM

John Reynolds addressed the Conflict of Interest concerns and excused himself from the meeting.

Mr. McCabe reviewed the recommendation to hire Integrated Designs to finish the kitchen and multi-purpose building project at Coarsegold and to hire Temple, Anderson and Moore for all other current architectural projects such as the water tanks, Master Planning, infrastructure development, portable placement on both sites, field development and to consider Integrated Design for securing 3rd site funds and for modernization funding at Coarsegold only, with the option of not completing the modernization through Integrated Design.

There was board discussion on the firms interviewed and recommendation.

**A motion was made by Christine Wilder and seconded by Greg Schoonard to use Integrated Designs for the kitchen and multi-purpose building project. The voice vote for approval was unanimous.**

There was discussion on having a follow up conversation on the modernization funding with Integrated Designs and for two board members to participate.

**A motion was made by Greg Schoonard and seconded by Christine Wilder to use Temple, Anderson and Moore for the District's other existing jobs. The voice vote for approval was unanimous.**

**It was the consensus of the Board that the committee would have the power to act on modernization funds if it was determined to be beneficial to the District.**

MEETING DATE CHANGE - 6/15/2005

**A motion was made by Christine Wilder and seconded by Greg Schoonard to move the Board Meeting from June 15<sup>th</sup> to June 22<sup>nd</sup> due to graduation conflicts. The voice vote for approval was unanimous.**

It was noted that graduation at Coarsegold would be Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup> and at Rivergold would be Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup>.

8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE FUND RAISER

Mr. McCabe noted a fundraiser that was not on the fall approval list for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade at both sites to sell coupon books by local vendors for \$5 with a 100% profit needed to be approved by the Board.

**A motion was made by Greg Schoonard and seconded by Christine Wilder to approve as presented. The voice vote for approval was unanimous.**

INFORMATION

Beginning of School Enrollment	This was an information item only.
Discipline	This was an information item only
Update on Megan's Law Notification Tool	This was an information item only.
Update Developer Fee Funds/Budget	Srini Vasan expressed caution regarding the suspension of Prop 98.
Establishment of Budget Committee	This was tabled until the next board meeting
Update After School Clubs	This was an information item only. It was requested that at the next meeting the total loss for the whole program for last year be presented to the Board.
Update Construction Projects	The Board requested the projected costs for the kitchen be presented at the next meeting.

Unification Direction was given to aggressive and actively pursue to move the unification process forward.

Master Calendar This was an information item only.

CLOSED SESSION – PERSONNEL/LABOR RELATIONS/ STUDENT DISCIPLINE/LITIGATION

The meeting was adjourned to closed session at 10:27 p.m.

PERSONNEL

Ratify Short Term Sign Language Educational Interpreter

**A motion was made in closed session by Christine Wilder and seconded by John Reynolds to ratify Shannon Simonelli as a short term Sign Language Education Interpreter for 6 hours per day at \$16 per hour. The voice vote for approve was unanimous.**

Conference with District Negotiator – Classified/Certificated/Management

No action taken

OPEN SESSION

The meeting was reconvened to open session at 10:35 p.m.

ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

A request was made to have placed on the next board agenda ratifying the process for the Board President to be authorized for approving comp time requests when necessary.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next regular meeting was scheduled for March 16, 2005 at Rivergold Elementary – 6:30 p.m.

A special meeting was set for March 9, 2005 at Coarsegold Elementary – 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:37 p.m.

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Secretary/Clerk