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REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE: WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2005
TIME: 6:30 P.M.
PLACE: RIVERGOLD ELEMENTARY

CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 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, Christine Wilder, and John Reynolds

Staff: Bill McCabe, Srinivasan, Randy Haggard, Bob Rose, Irene Keener, Julie Davenport, Kay Emmert, Meg King, Karen Fruth, John McMillen, Ginny Moody, Mickey Smith, Katy Penton, Marcia Ellis, Virginia Smith, Valerie Porter

Student Body Representative: Kyle Bohigian

Audience: Carol Holt, Priscilla Pike, Bob King, Jan Schoonard, Welliom Schoonard, Joseph Donnell, Jessica Medrano, Bridgette Russell, Kirsten Mansfield, Adam Hunter, Heather Prevel, Sheri Mansfield, Becky Bohigian, Julie Grant, Crystal Johnson, Juanita Lawhon, Dr. Karen V. Wynn, Morris Reid

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

A request was made to move 9.2 Update on Reading Lab Evaluation – Coarsegold in front of item 8.1 and add in closed session 101.5 Consideration and Action Exhaustion of Leave and Placement on 39 Month Re-employment List – Classified.

Christine Wilder and Greg Schoonard amended their motion to include agenda items as requested. The voice vote for approval was unanimous

GOVERNANCE NORMS

Board President Sue O'Connor reminded everyone of the Coarsegold School Board's Governance Norms and to keep an eye on the meeting on time as agendized.

HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Julie Grant encouraged the Coarsegold School District to have open discussion with the Chawanakee School District. She noted she was supportive of Yosemite High School, but indicated her support of the second high school that it was of interest for all the mountain area to be involved in that process.

Morris Reid indicated that there was a program through the Chukchansi Tribe to distribute Palm Pilots that didn't seem to work well and asked what should take place.

Bridget Russell agreed that before more talk about Unification all options should be reviewed with the Chawanakee School District.

Karen Wynn indicated that she was new to the area and came to introduce herself and say hello. She noted that she had 5 grandchildren either in the Coarsegold District or at Yosemite High School.

Juanita Lawhon presented a letter to the Board for discussion and direction to hopefully get her problem resolved. It was indicated that the Superintendent would be contacting her for follow up on her letter.

REPORTS

PRESENTATION

Mr. Rose briefed the Board on the 8th grade trip to Catalina Island Institute and noted how proud of all 8th graders throughout the trip he was. He introduced students Adam Hunter, Kirsten Mansfield, Heather Prevel and Kyle Bohigian who presented pictures and information about the hands on trip events from snorkeling to dissection of a squid.

STUDENTS

Student Body President Kyle Bohigian reported that the Leadership Team was finishing up the year; that \$1028.99 was raised for the Tsunami Relief Fund; that the Dance was very successful; that there was a Book Fair going on and concluded with the schedule of water day activities for grades K-3 and 4th through 8th grades.

CERTIFICATED/CLASSIFIED STAFF

Ginny Moody on behalf of CSEA read a thank you note for the afternoon at the movies and the finalizing of the CSEA Contract. She noted that Bill was so great to work with and how helpful Srimi and Marcia have been throughout the negotiation process and asked that the Board ratify the Contract.

MANAGERS

Principal Bob Rose reported on the completion of testing, the track meet held on the all weather track at the high school with over 80 students participating and thanked Kay Emmert, Terry Rich and Phil Wimer for their organizing efforts. He continued by thanking Carol Holt for taking over next year's PTA.

Principal Randy Haggard reported on Coarsegold's end of the year events, the results of the Country Fair held by the PTA and that Dorothy Wells was this year's Golden Apple recipient from Coarsegold School. He noted that he would be presenting a program proposal on social skills called "Second Step" at the next board meeting.

Director of Food Services Irene Keener reported on the results of feeding the children at the Rodeo.

MOT Director John McMillen thanked Mr. Rose and his students for the great trip to Catalina Island.

Director of Business Services Srimi Vasan shared a story with the audience on a board member's response on the way back from a trip to Sacramento.

BOARD

Christine Wilder noted that she heard the food was outstanding at the Rodeo, that she is a facilitator on the Citizens for Balanced Community Planning, and that she has received many comments about the schools and how proud she was and thanked everyone for all the hard work.

Kathy Case noted that she attended both school's Spring Performances and both were wonderful.

John Reynolds reported that he was preparing a formal report on his trip to Sacramento. He gave a brief summary on the strategies coming out of the Governor's Office, CSBA's position, the status on the May budget revise and how it might effect education.

Greg Schoonard thanked Mr. McCabe, Srimi, all the staff at both schools, parents and fellow board members because the District was heading in the right direction and his thankfulness for their considered decisions.

Sue O'Connor noted that she had been able to address State Board Members on behalf of Coarsegold.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Christine Wilder and seconded by Greg Schoonard to approve Consent Agenda Items 7.1 through 7.5 as presented.

- 7.1 Approve Commercial Payment Order
- 7.2 Approve Payroll
- 7.3 Approve Budget Transfers
- 7.4 Approve Meeting Minutes - April 13, 2005
- 7.5 Correspondence – Appreciation Letter From SISC I

The voice vote for approval was unanimous.

BUSINESS

Reading Lab Evaluation – Coarsegold

Randy Haggard shared comments about the Reading Lab and noted that the culture of the Lab created was a real testament to the staff working there.

Karen Fruth thanked the Board for the Reading Lab opportunity and expressed how honored to be part of the District who cares. She continued with a complete program review for the 2004/2005 school year.

Discussion on Accountability Report Card

Mr. McCabe noted that normally the SARC is presented in May, but due to inclusion of items and format from the Williams Settlement the SARC will be presented at the next board meeting.

Board Policies
BP/AR 1240

A motion was made by Christine Wilder and seconded by Greg Schoonard to adopt BP/AR 1240 – Volunteer Assistance as presented. The voice vote for approval was unanimous.

Transportation Safety Plan – Bus Rules

Mr. McCabe presented and reviewed the updated revision on the Transportation Safety Plan. Noting that Virginia Smith worked really hard to summarize field trips, bus rules and to address expectation issues.

A motion was made by John Reynolds and seconded by Christine Wilder to approve as a first reading the revised Transportation Safety Plan – Bus Rules as presented. The voice vote for approval was unanimous.

Resolution 2004/2005-11 to Designate Director of Business Services as an Alternate Signatory

A motion was made by Christine Wilder and seconded by Greg Schoonard to adopt resolution 2004/2005-11 to designate the Director of Business Services as an alternate signatory for the Office of Public School Construction or other State related applications. The roll call vote was Casey, Reynolds, Schoonard, O'Connor and Wilder – Aye. Motion carried.

Resolution 2004/2005-12 To Appoint Director of Food Services as the LEA Designee

A motion was made by Christine Wilder and seconded by John Reynolds to appoint the Director of Food Services as the LEA Designee for any Child Nutrition matters. The roll call vote was Casey, Reynolds, Schoonard, O'Connor and Wilder – Aye. Motion carried.

Summer School Plan/Schedule

A motion was made by Christine Wilder and seconded by Greg Schoonard to approve the summer school plan and schedule as presented.

There was a brief discussion on the length of break between the end of summer school and the start of next year and the school lunch program availability for summer school.

The voice vote for approval was unanimous.

Bus Routes/Schedules 2005/2006

A motion was made by Greg Schoonard and seconded by John Reynolds to approve the 2005/2006 Bus Routes/Schedules as presented. The voice vote for approval was unanimous.

Daily School Schedules 2005/2006

A motion was made by Christine Wilder and seconded by Greg Schoonard to table the Daily School Schedules for 2005/2006 until the next meeting. The voice vote for approval was unanimous.

Before Student Body President Kyle Bohigian left the meeting he thanked Mrs. Keener for all the new food items that were made available this year.

Board Expectation on Communications

Mr. McCabe briefed the Board on a meeting scheduled with the developer of 900 acres on the Al-Mikki Ranch in Coarsegold in the Superintendent's Office on Tuesday, May 24th at 8:30 a.m. It was determined that an agenda be posted so board members could attend.

Mr. McCabe also briefed the Board on the conversation with Chawanakee's Superintendent regarding meeting with Coarsegold's Board Members. It was noted that a meeting with two board members from each district along with superintendents was scheduled at Spring Valley School for May 24th at 7:00 p.m. It was determined that Kathy Casey and Sue O'Connor would be attending.

There was further discussion on what the specifics of the meeting might be about. Greg Schoonard expressed the need to keep our eyes on the District's vision and target. Ginny Moody expressed her support of the Unification and didn't want the community confused on other issues that may be brought up.

Mr. McCabe discussed further asking what expectations and type of communications and type of phone calls board members would like to see from administration between board meetings. It was determined that a heads up communication on major or out of the ordinary issues such as a bus involvement or injury be communicated to board members.

Board Workshops & Activities

Board information.

INFORMATION

Update Schools

Enrollment

This was an information item only.

Discipline

This was an information item only.

Update Budget/ Developer Fee Funds

Srini Vasan noted that he attended a May revise budget workshop today.

Budget Committee

Marcia Ellis noted that Joe Donnelle was the Budget Committee Chair and she was Secretary.

BREAK

A break was declared at 8:30 p.m.

RECONVENED

The meeting was reconvened at 8:45 p.m.

Update After School Clubs

This was an information item only.

Update Unification	This was an information item only.
Master Calendar	This is a place marker and information only item.
Update Construction Projects	This was an information item only.
Completion of Board Self Evaluation	Reset for the July board meeting.

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

The meeting adjourned to closed session at 9:10 p.m.

PERSONNEL

Ratify 5 Hour Lead After School Club Instructor	A motion was made in closed session by Christine Wilder and seconded by John Reynolds to ratify Laura Krucki as 5 hour Lead After School Club Instructor at Coarsegold – Setp-3; Range –8. The voice vote for approval was unanimous.
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Conference with District Negotiator – Classified/Certificated/Management	No action taken.
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Ratify CSEA #710 2004-2007 Contract	A motion was made in closed session by John Reynolds and seconded by Greg Schoonard to ratify the CSEA #720 2004-2007 Contract as modified. The voice vote for approval was unanimous.
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Completion of Superintendent’s Evaluation	Tabled to the July board meeting.
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39 Month Re-employment Placement	A motion was made in closed session to approve placement on the 39 month re-employment list for an exhausted leave classified employee. The voice vote for approval was unanimous.
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OPEN SESSION	The meeting was reconvened to open session at 9:50 p.m.
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ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA	None
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NEXT MEETING DATE	The next regular meeting was scheduled for June 22, 2005 at Coarsegold Elementary – 6:30 p.m.
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ADJOURNMENT	The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.
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Secretary/Clerk