

MINUTES**CERES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT****MEETING – BOARD OF TRUSTEES****June 29, 2017, 7:00 PM – District Office Board Room****2503 Lawrence Street – Ceres, California****REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING**

Present for the regular scheduled meeting were: President Teresa Guerrero, Trustees Betty Davis, Jim Kinard, Faye Lane, Lourdes Perez, Mike Welsh and Valli Wigt. Others present: Dr. Scott Siegel, Superintendent; Dr. Denise Wickham, Deputy Superintendent of Personnel Services; Dr. Amy Peterman, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services; Jay Simmonds, Assistant Superintendent of Student Support Services; and Dan Pangrazio, Principal of Central Valley High School.

1. OPEN SESSION – 5:30 PM – District Office – Conference Room C**a. Public Comment**

President Guerrero opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m. for public comment. There was no one wishing to address the Board.

b. Study Session – Lease-Leaseback Process Update**c. Adjourn to Closed Session****2. CLOSED SESSION – Conference Room C****a. Public Employee – Discipline/Dismissal/Release (Government Code Section 54947)****b. Conference With Labor Negotiator (Government Code Section 54957.6)**

- Agency Designated Representatives: Scott Siegel, Denise Wickham and David Viss
Employee Organizations: CUTA and CSEA

c. Student Discipline/Expulsions (Education Code 35146)**d. Reconvene to Open Session****3. PUBLIC MEETING – 7:00 PM – Board Room**

The meeting was convened to Open Session, where President Guerrero called the Public Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum present. The salute to the flag was given and community member Alfred Montalvo gave the invocation.

4. COMMENDATION/SCHOOL PRESENTATION SECTION

- a. None at this meeting.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**a. Opportunity for the Board and Administration to Adjust the Published Agenda**

President Guerrero offered the opportunity to make adjustments to the published Agenda. No adjustments were requested.

6. HEARING SECTION**a. Public Hearing on CSEA Sunshine Proposal**

Deputy Superintendent of Personnel Services Dr. Denise Wickham reported that, at the June 15, 2017, Board of Trustees meetings, California School Employees Association, Chapter 140 (CSEA), sunshined an Initial Proposal for 2017-2018 re-opener negotiations. The proposal includes the following four articles: Article VI - Pay and Allowances, Article VIII -

Health and Welfare Benefits, Article IX - Vacations and Holidays, and Article XXI - Transportation.

In accordance with SB 160, President Guerrero opened a public hearing on CSEA’s sunshine proposal. With no one wishing to address the Board, the public hearing was closed.

c. **Opportunity for Citizens to Address Items Not on the Agenda**

President Guerrero opened a public hearing for those wishing to address an item not on the Agenda and Trustee Lane read aloud the guidelines relevant to public presentations to the Board. With no one wishing to address the Board, the public hearing was closed.

7. **REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

Trustee Lane reported that no action was taken during Closed Session.

8. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Minutes of the Regular Governing Board Meeting of June 15, 2017
- b. Ratification of Warrants
- c. Ratification of Employment
- d. Disposal of District Property
- e. 2017-2018 Regional Head Start Budget with COLA

Trustee Kinard moved and Trustee Wigt seconded to approve Consent Agenda items a-e. Ayes: Lourdes Perez, Valli Wigt, Betty Davis, Mike Welsh, Jim Kinard, Faye Lane and Teresa Guerrero. Motion carried.

9. **ACTION SECTION**

a. **Consideration of Student Expulsions**

Trustee Davis moved, and Trustee Welsh seconded to approve the Administrative Panel’s recommendation regarding Student Expulsion Case Number EX051-16/17. Ayes: Lourdes Perez, Valli Wigt, Betty Davis, Mike Welsh, Jim Kinard, Faye Lane and Teresa Guerrero. Motion carried.

b. **Local Control Accountability Plans**

Assistant Superintendent of Business Services (and incoming Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services) Dr. Amy Peterman reported that the Local Control Accountability Plans (LCAPs) for Ceres Unified School District, Whitmore Charter High School, Whitmore Charter School of Arts and Technology, and Whitmore Charter School of Personalized Learning have been developed in consultation and with input of parents, students, members of the community, as well as classified, certificated, and administrative staffs. The LCAPs were presented at a public hearing and for Information and Study on June 15, 2017. Dr. Peterman presented the LCAPs for action by the Board of Trustees.

Trustee Perez moved, and Trustee Lane seconded to approve the Local Control Accountability Plans for the Ceres Unified School District, Whitmore Charter High School, Whitmore Charter School of Arts and Technology, and Whitmore Charter School of Personalized Learning. Ayes: Lourdes Perez, Valli Wigt, Betty Davis, Mike Welsh, Jim Kinard, Faye Lane and Teresa Guerrero. Motion carried.

c. **2017-2018 District Budget and 2017-2018 Criteria and Standards**

Central Valley High School Principal (and incoming Assistant Superintendent of Business Services) Dan Pangrazio reported that the proposed 2017-2018 District Budget was presented for review at the June 15, 2017, Board meeting, and is being presented for action

at this meeting. Mr. Pangrazio also presented the Criteria and Standards for the 2017-2018 District Budget, with explanations provided in the document for those items where the standards were not met, and a chart of revenues, expenditures and fund balance reserves for the General Fund comparing estimates for 2016-2017 with adopted budget numbers for 2017-2018.

Trustee Kinard moved and Trustee Welsh seconded to adopt the 2017-2018 District Budget and the 2017-2018 Budget Criteria and Standards. Ayes: Lourdes Perez, Valli Wigt, Betty Davis, Mike Welsh, Jim Kinard, Faye Lane and Teresa Guerrero. Motion carried.

d. Consolidated Application Spring Submission for State/Federal Funds, 2017-2018

Dr. Peterman reported that Board approval is required of the annual application for 2017-2018 State and Federal funds (Consolidated Application for funding Categorical Aid Programs, Spring Submission). This authorization will allow for the approval by the State Board of Education so that funds may legally be expended until June 30, 2018.

Dr. Peterman reported that approval of the Consolidated Application, Spring Submission, indicates that the District will adhere to the legal assurances required by the California Department of Education. The District Advisory Committee (DAC) and District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) reviewed the application at their May 24, 2017 meeting, and minutes from the meeting are on file verifying that the committees have been given the opportunity to provide advice on the document.

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Wigt seconded to approve authorization to submit the 2017-2018 Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Aid Programs Spring Submission. Ayes: Lourdes Perez, Valli Wigt, Betty Davis, Mike Welsh, Jim Kinard, Faye Lane and Teresa Guerrero. Motion carried.

e. Resolution Regarding Board Remuneration for Allowed Absence (May 2017)

Dr. Siegel reported that Board Bylaw 9250 and Education Code 35120 establish the following with regard to Board member remuneration for attendance at regular meetings: Any member who does not attend all Board meetings during the month is eligible to receive only a percentage of the monthly compensation equal to the percentage of meetings he or she attended, unless otherwise authorized by the Board in accordance with law. A member may be compensated for meetings he or she missed when the Board, by resolution, finds that the Board member was performing designated services for the district at the time of the meeting or was absent because of illness, jury duty, or a hardship deemed acceptable by the Board.

Dr. Siegel reported that Trustee Teresa Guerrero left after Closed Session and was not present at the regular meeting of May 25, 2017, due to illness. Dr. Siegel presented a resolution providing for Mrs. Guerrero's full compensation for the month of May, as allowable by law.

Trustee Davis moved and Trustee Wigt seconded to adopt as presented Resolution No. 19-16/17. Ayes: Lourdes Perez, Valli Wigt, Betty Davis, Mike Welsh, Jim Kinard and Faye Lane. Abstained: Teresa Guerrero. Motion carried.

f. Resolution Regarding Board Remuneration for Allowed Absence (June 2017)

Dr. Siegel reported that Trustee Jim Kinard was not present at the regular meeting of June 15, 2017, due to the hospitalization of an immediate family member. Dr. Siegel presented a resolution providing for Mr. Kinard's full compensation for the month of June, as allowable by law as outlined above.

Trustee Lane moved and Trustee Davis seconded to adopt as presented Resolution No. 20-16/17. Ayes: Lourdes Perez, Valli Wigt, Betty Davis, Mike Welsh, Faye Lane and Teresa Guerrero. Abstained: Jim Kinard. Motion carried.

10. INFORMATION & STUDY**a. Superintendent’s Report**

Dr. Siegel reported that, due to fiscal services deadlines, a special meeting will be necessary on September 13 to take action on two items: unaudited actuals and the Gann Limit.

b. Board Report

President Guerrero thanked Trustee Lane for conducting the June 15 meeting in Trustee Guerrero’s absence.

c. Association Report

JoDee Bonales, President of the Ceres Unified Teachers Association, was not present to report.

Karie Dias, President of California School Employees Association, Chapter 140 (CSEA), had nothing to report.

d. District Sunshine Proposal - CUSD

Dr. Wickham presented for review the District’s sunshine proposal for negotiations between the District and Ceres Unified Teachers Association (CUTA) for the 2017-2018 school year. Dr. Wickham reported that CUTA presented its sunshine proposal on May 25, 2017, and the public hearing was held on June 15, 2017. The District will present its proposal for public hearing on August 10, 2017.

e. Facility Projects Update

Director of Maintenance Ken Hines provided an update on the status of construction projects around the District, including Prop 39 energy conservation projects, a six-classroom addition at Ceres High School, grinding/polishing of floors in the Hidahl kitchen and cafeteria, replacement of the District Office roof, concrete replacement at Blaker-Kinser Junior High School, patching and a new crushed granite running surface for the track at Hensley Junior High School, gym floor painting at Central Valley High School, asphalt repairs and seal-coating of parking lots/playgrounds at various sites, and a new swine barn at the District Ag Center.

Mr. Hines reported on upcoming projects including fencing at White Elementary School, fencing and concrete work at Westport Elementary, fencing between Hidahl Elementary School and the District Ag Center, stadium lighting at Central Valley High School, replacement of the Hensley Junior High School logo on multiple surfaces, library reconfiguration at Hensley Junior High School, and a transition to a new alarm system provider. Mr. Hines reported that a Prop 39 project for stadium lighting at Ceres High School, as well as replacement of playground equipment at Vaughn Elementary School due to a fire, are both out to bid.

Mr. Pangrazio reported that a six-classroom addition at Central Valley High School is in the approval process at the Division of the State Architect. This lease-leaseback project has a targeted occupancy date of August 2018. Projects in the design process with the District architect include modernization of the freshman hall, small gym, and locker rooms at Ceres High School, classroom additions at Caswell Elementary School, replacement of portables at Fowler Elementary, an eight-classroom addition at Central Valley High School, and two five-classroom additions at Vaughn Elementary.

Mr. Pangrazio reported on a change in the state process used to determine eligibility for construction matching funds, which will now be calculated based on the date the state begins processing an application rather than the date the application is received. Dr. Siegel reported

that this could have a significant impact on districts, which could lose eligibility should enrollment decline in the period between application and processing.

Mr. Hines reported on several projects in initial planning stages, including shade structures at elementary schools, new marquees at Caswell Elementary and Hensley Junior High Schools, and a large-animal barn at the District Ag Center. A lease-leaseback contingency for the Ceres High School classroom addition has been used for a new gas line.

Mr. Pangrazio thanked Mr. Hines, and reported that the next facility projects update will take place on September 21, 2017.

f. **Board Policy May 2017 Revisions - First Reading (Draft)**

Dr. Siegel reported that, in the process of maintaining and updating our Board Policies and Administrative Regulations to comply with current law and California School Board Association recommendations, a draft copy of the May 2017 Updates and Proposed Revisions is available for review at the June 29, 2017 meeting. An edited copy of the proposed changes will be presented for a second reading at an upcoming meeting.

11. RESEARCH

“Advocates of 3-year teacher tenure face big decision,” *EdSource*, June 8, 2017

12. ADJOURNMENT

President Guerrero adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Siegel, Ed.D.
Secretary to the Board of Trustees