

**VISTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF A REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Thursday, August 18, 2016
CITY OF VISTA
MORRIS VANCE COMMUNITY ROOM
200 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE
VISTA, CA 92084

Board Members Present

Rich Alderson, President
Carol Weise Herrera, Vice President
R. Elizabeth Jaka, Clerk
Angela Chunka, Member

Board Member Not Present

Jim Gibson, Member

Staff Members Present

Dr. Devin Vodicka, Superintendent of Schools
Elaine Alexandres, Assistant Superintendent, Human Relations
Donna Caperton, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Matt Doyle, Assistant Superintendent, Innovation
Sherry Opacic, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Excellence
Michelle Bell, Recording Secretary

Item 1 CLOSED SESSION 6:30 P.M.

- A. CALL TO ORDER IN OPEN SESSION
- B. Conference with Legal Counsel: Potential/Anticipated Litigation (Government Code 54957): 1 Case
- C. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Non-Reelection/Reassignment (Government Code 54957)

Item 2 Open Session/Regular Meeting – ON/CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by President Alderson.

Item 3 Public Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session - None

Item 4 Approval of Agenda Member Chunka moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Member Jaka. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson and Jaka) unanimously approved.

Item 5 Public Comments

Public Comments - Items not on the Agenda/Items For Future Discussion. Rosemary Smithfield, Teacher, talked about the benefits of music in school. Asked the Board to consider adding music for TK-K. Mark Solomon, parent and community member spoke about child abduction. Mr. Solomon presented President Alderson with documents and questions.

Item 6 District Announcements

- A. DR. VODICKA DISTRICT COMMENTS – Yesterday was the first day of school. Great start to the school year. Thank you to all of the staff members who worked all summer to help prepare for the school year. Thank you to Larry White and Danica Reed for organizing our Teacher Professional Development Day. Thank you to Elaine Alexandres for coordinating the Welcome Breakfast and

Orientation for new teachers. Thank you to Board Members who attended the Vista Education Foundation Moonlight event honoring Art Barter.

B. SUPERINTENDENT RECOGNITION: FAMILY & COMMUNITY LIAISONS

Item 7 Reports from School Related Organizations

- A. Vista Teachers Association (VTA) – Presented by Tod Critchlow. Congratulations to the Community Liaisons. The freshman class will be class of 2020. Kindergarten will be class of 2029. Presented Robert Faulkner list and Mr. Critchlow added his own items as well.
- B. California School Employees Association (CSEA) – Marie Hovel presented. Last meeting we asked that you listen and asked for understanding. Thank you! CSEA Chapter 389 reached an agreement with the district. Handed out candy with the theme “It’s sweet to work with VUSD”. Dr. Vodicka thanked CSEA leadership for the great job making sure that we had open lines of communications.
- C. District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) - No report

Item 8 Staff Committee Reports to the Board

- A. STAFF REPORT: ATTENDANCE/DROPOUTS/SUSPENSIONS/EXPULSIONS. Tod Critchlow, VTA President, spoke about restorative practices. He recognized Mission Meadows Elementary School saying that their entire staff was trained. Steve Hargrave introduced Michelle Walsh, who presented. 2016 Data Trend Report, Board Goal #6, Students will attend school more often and improve their behavior. Attendance Rates, Chronic Absenteeism and Drop Out Rates. Member Chunka mentioned Rancho Buena Vista High School increase and asked what programs have left. President Alderson asked about trend analysis and if we can do program analysis? Can we look at course piece from 2012 through today? Asked for more information on programs that are successful so that we can implement programs that are successful at other schools. Member Herrera asked if dropout students just leave. Is there any way we can find out why they leave school? Ms. Walsh stated that we make home visits to find out why they have left. Many leave to work so that they can support family. We offer adult education courses and encourage them to stay. Member Jaka would like to see what changes in programs were made that had impact. Member Herrera asked if we can come up with solutions. If they leave for work related reasons, not program related reasons, what can we do to keep them in school? Ms. Walsh mentioned that we have added Social Workers. Member Herrera would like to see a success report for Social Workers and Community Liaisons. Dr. Vodicka commented that the drop-out rate is down 2%. Our intervention and outreach efforts are working. Member Jaka mentioned chronic absenteeism. How many of these kids were chronically absent before? Steve Hargrave presented Suspension Trends, Expulsion Trends, Suspension Rates by Ethnicity, Suspensions & Days of Instruction Lost, Interventions, Credits. Member Herrera commended teachers and administrators for this work. Member Jaka asked about state rates. Member Herrera asked when Character Counts comes in. Mr. Hargrave stated at the elementary level. Dr. Vodicka is very happy with the PLUS program building leaders.
- B. STAFF REPORT: TEACHER ON SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT – Presented by Sherry Opacic. Elementary Resource Teachers in Educational Excellence, DC-10 Teacher Implement. Carisa Froelich presented - Promote the VUSD Blueprint Strategy 1-6. Sherry Opacic presented New Model of Elementary Resource Teachers in Educational Excellence, Purpose, Resource Teacher Job Duties, A Resource Teacher will need to have expertise, Resource Teacher Schedule, Resource Teacher Logistics & Evaluation. Carisa Froelich presented - What is Possible? Member Jaka commented that we have six schools now, asked if we are expanding? Sherry Opacic said yes, 11 schools this year. For students who have been in program, will they continue or will they be moved out of it? Member Chunka asked if it was district wide. Sherry Opacic said that they added what they could based on budget. Member Chunka asked what is new with the New Model of Elementary Resource Teachers. It looks the same as last year. Member Chunka asked who the literacy coaches will be. Dr. Vodicka stated that the resource teacher position has evolved, focusing on different models. On-site resource teachers is the elementary model now. Member Chunka asked if evaluations are completed by C&I Coordinators. Member Herrera asked if it is more of a coaching model instead of direct instruction. When teachers have good strategies in place, they know how to use them. They need a support system to help with the children who are below grade level. She feels

that they need to work with the kids daily. Less coaching needed. Carisa Froelich said that students have the confidence to perform better. Member Herrera feels that they have too much coaching and not enough support for students who are struggling. She commends group for coaching the new teachers.

Break 8:20pm-8:31pm

- C. **STAFF REPORT: WELLNESS COUNCIL UPDATE AND FARM TO SCHOOL-3 YEAR PLAN –** Presented by Amy Haessly. Why Farm to School? Core Elements of Farm to School, VUSD F2S Visioning Session, VUSD Farm to School Vision Statement, Goals for next three years. Wellness Council Update, Live Well San Diego – WellSAT Assessment of VUSD Wellness Policies, VUSD Wellness Survey, Next Steps. Member Jaka commented that it is nice to see that we are making progress and that it has expanded. Alderson experienced a cooking class related to social studies lesson. It was very well done and presented farm to table.
- D. **STAFF REPORT: 1617 BUDGET REVISIONS FROM ADOPTED –** VTA Tod Critchlow asked about gap funding on budget for STRS. He would like to see more information. Donna Caperton presented. Revised Assumptions, Changes From May Revision and Issues. President Alderson asked for clarification about gap funding percentage. Member Jaka asked about minimum wage impact.
- E. **STAFF REPORT: CHARTER SCHOOL UPDATE –** Presented by Matt Doyle. Charter School Quick Facts, Charter Network Meetings, Charter School Monitoring Categories, Monitoring Focus for 2016-17, Results 2015-2016, Special Education Support 2015-16 and 2016-17, Student Enrollment and Movement Procedure, Charter Data 2015-16, LCAP Status, School Board Goal #9. President Alderson asked if charter school is paying for our consultant. Yes, they are. Commended Dr. Doyle for report. Asked where the charter school students are coming from. Member Jaka asked if GPA reduction of students was schools choice.
- F. **STAFF REPORT: BLUEPRINT UPDATE - STRATEGY 1 –** Presented by Matt Doyle, Jacqueline Bispo, Robert Crowell and Laura Kohn. Matt Doyle - Framework for the Future, House of Learning, Strategy 1 – Action Plans, LCAP Budget Alignment to Board Goals, Communication, Early Childhood Education P3SD. Laura Kohn discussed Early Childhood Development is a Smart Investment. Jacqueline Bispo presented Family Engagement 2015-16 Impact, Lagging Measure = UCSD Survey, Leading Measure = Family Contacts, Family Engagement 2016-17. Presented by Robert Crowell Service Learning 2016-17. Matt Doyle presented Career Technical Education, Challenges and Next Steps, Blueprint Update Timeline. Member Jaka stated that within the Hispanic culture, the school teaches the kids and parents to respect teachers and not to engage. President Alderson agreed and added to point. Suggested that PTA should also engage. Commented that we are on the right track.

Item 9 Consent Calendar Member Jaka moved to approve Consent Calendar excluding 10.B, seconded by Member Chunka. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson and Jaka) unanimously approved. APPROVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES: JULY 28, 2016 REGULAR BOARD MEETING AND AUGUST 8, 2016 SPECIAL MEETING

Item 10 Human Relations

A. CLASSIFIED BOARD REGISTER

VTA President Tod Critchlow commented that within the last six months, we have had four teachers out on leave of absence for child rearing. They deserve the advantages of AB 375. It is the right thing to do. Request that we implement it now.

Member Jaka moved to approve 10.B, seconded by Member Chunka. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson and Jaka) unanimously approved.

B. APPROVE THE HUMAN RELATIONS CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL REGISTER

Item 11 Student Support Services

- A. STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION FOR READMISSION OF STUDENTS WHO HAVE APPLIED FOR READMISSION TO THE VISTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND FOR READMISSION OF STUDENT WHO HAS BEEN EXPELLED FROM ANOTHER SCHOOL DISTRICT AND NOW LIVES IN THE VISTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND HAS APPLIED FOR READMISSION TO THE VISTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Item 12 Special Education - None

Item 13 Curriculum & Instruction

- A. APPROVE THE OUT OF DISTRICT TRAVEL REGISTER
B. APPROVE THE FIELD TRIP OVERNIGHT REGISTER

Item 14 Business Services (Fiscal Services, Accounting, Child Nutrition Services, Purchasing and Facilities)

- A. REJECTION OF CLAIM #1617-03
B. ACCEPT WORK AND FILING OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR BID #C1617021-1 Fencing at Multiple Sites (BO, MD, MV)
C. ACCEPT WORK AND FILING OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR BID #C16170206 STRUCTURAL REPAIRS AT VISTA ADULT ED-SUNSET CAMPUS
D. AUTHORIZE THE DESTRUCTION OF STUDENT INFORMATION FOR EDUCATIONAL SERVICES AND CHILD NUTRITION SERVICES AS SPECIFIED IN ED CODE SECTION 16023 THROUGH 16028
E. BOARD APPROVAL OF REVOLVING CASH FUND PAYMENT
F. RATIFICATION AND APPROVAL OF WARRANT NOS. 14141479 THROUGH 14146570
G. RATIFY AND APPROVE PURCHASE ORDERS
H. ACCEPT WORK AND FILING OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR BID #C15160008 LEASE LEASEBACK AGREEMENT FOR VISTA HIGH SCHOOL STADIUM PHASE 2
I. AUTHORIZE DISPOSAL OF OBSOLETE AND/OR WORN-OUT TEXTBOOKS AND INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS
J. APPROVE AMENDMENT 3 FOR THE LEASE LEASEBACK AGREEMENT FOR VHS STADIUM MODIFICATIONS
K. APPROVE WAIVER FOR SIA TECH FOR THE 2015-16 SCHOOL YEAR
L. APPROVE CHANGE ORDER 1 INCREASING THE CONTRACT FOR CONCRETE & ASPHALT REPAIRS AT MULTIPLE SITES, PW1617037 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,676.
M. APPROVE AMENDMENT TO NEXTGEN RCS AGREEMENT REDUCING THE CONTRACT FOR INFRASTRUCTURE COSTS
N. APPROVE CHANGE ORDER 1 FOR BID #PW16170206, STRUCTURAL REPAIR AT VISTA ADULT EDUCATION DECREASING THE CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,000
O. RATIFY AND APPROVE CONTRACTS
P. RATIFY AND APPROVE GRANTS RECEIVED FOR THE PERIOD JULY 20, 2016, THROUGH AUGUST 9, 2016
Q. AWARD BID #PW16170284, PHASE 2 VIDEO SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS TO DATEL SYSTEMS, INC. IN THE BID AMOUNT OF \$558,000 WITH ALTERNATE PRICING
R. APPROVE THE CHILD NUTRITION CASH EXPENDITURES FOR JUNE 2016
S. ACCEPT WORK AND FILING OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR BID #C14150059B VIDA ENTRY MODIFICATION

Item 15 Board Business

Item 16 Discussion/Action Items

VTA President Tod Critchlow requested that VTA be considered when making these policies.

- A. 1ST READING OF BOARD POLICY 6163.2: ANIMALS AT SCHOOL. Presented by Donna Caperton.
B. ADOPTION AND SECOND READING OF BOARD POLICY 3585, ANTI-VIRUS PROTECTION; AND 3586, REMOTE ACCESS AND VIRTUAL PRIVATE NETWORKS (VPN). Presented by Donna Caperton. Policy 3585: Member Herrera moved to approve, seconded by Member Chunka. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson and Jaka) unanimously approved. Policy: 3586: Member Jaka

moved to approve, seconded by Member Herrera. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson and Jaka) unanimously approved.

- C. FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE JOINT USE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF VISTA AND VISTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (C15160446) Donna Caperton presented. Member Jaka moved to approve, seconded by Member Herrera. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson and Jaka) unanimously approved.

Item 17 Continuation Item 10.A. Presentation by Community Members/Public Comments (if necessary) None

Item 18 Public Hearing - None

Item 19 Board Business/Discussion

- A. Request for Future Board Agenda Items or Other Business - None
- B. Board Members Reports or Comments - None
- C. Board Members Reflection on Board meeting - None

- D. NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING - THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2016 at 7:00 PM CITY OF VISTA, CIVIC CENTER, 200 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE, VISTA, CA 92084

Meeting Adjourned at 10:03pm



Secretary of the Board of Trustees



Clerk of the Board of Trustees