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

Thursday, July 28, 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
Jim Gibson, Member
Angela Chunka, Member

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

Item 1 CLOSED SESSION 6:00 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)
D. Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Government Code 54957): Superintendent

Item 2 Open Session/Regular Meeting – ON/CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The meeting was called to order at 7:03pm by President Alderson.

Item 3 Public Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session – Action taken on two items.
1. By unanimous vote, the Board took action to approve notice of unprofessional conduct and approve suspension agreement of certificated employee 07201607.
2. Provided Superintendent satisfactory evaluation for his performance in the past year.

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

Item 5 Public Comments
A. Public Comments - Items Not On the Agenda/Items for Future Discussion. Frank Sloat, Vista resident and former teacher has concerns about Rancho Minerva students walking towards Santa Fe. We need to get the kids to school safely. Make sure that we ensure safety for all students. Community Member and parent Maurice Ratnadoral expressed concerns about the parent portal. He also commented on the quality and timeliness of responses from high schools. Community member Mark Solomon expressed concern about student release emergency contact info and Ranch Buena Vista High School. Community Member Joline Solomon spoke about her daughter.

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Item 6 District Announcements
A. DR. VODICKA DISTRICT COMMENTS – Introduced new Director of Human Relations Kyle Ruggles. Welcome! Completed Leadership Advance – Pathways to Excellence. Students will be returning on August 17, 2016. Center for Digital Education has recognized the district with a Digital Content Award. Vista High School submitted for XQ Superschool Challenge, they are down to final 50. Early August we will know if we are one of the 5 finalists. If we are selected, we will be awarded 10 million dollars to support learning at Vista High School. This year, we celebrate the 100 year anniversary of Vista Unified School District. We are planning an October 5th Celebration we are also raising scholarship funds for seniors.

B. SUPERINTENDENT RECOGNITION – Value: Collaboration - Phil Simon

Item 7 Reports from School Related Organizations
A. Vista Teachers Association (VTA) – Tod Critchlow presented. Summer is almost over. We are all working together. When we have events, please invite VTA and include us in celebrations of the district. Please activate AB 375 before it’s required.
B. California School Employees Association (CSEA) – Presented by Marie Hoveln. Asked Board to support all Classified employees. Make sure that they have training and have proper equipment. Show them respect and dignity that they deserve.
C. District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) – No report.

Item 8 Staff Committee Reports to the Board
A. STAFF REPORT: FACILITY FUNDING UPDATE:
   Mr. E. Dennis, Vista property owner, expressed concern about bond measure. Still upset about Prop 39. Requested that we slow the process down. Bonnie Benally, resident of Vista for 21 years stated that they were around for the first bond measure. Concerned that many people do not understand what a bond is. Asked when the first bond from 2002 matures. Requested that we make sure that the proper information is in the ballot measure. Frank Parks, property owner in Vista, feels that it is a little late to ask for this now. He requested that more information be included in the brochure. Peter Serdyukos, resident of Vista, expressed concern about money being spent vs. quality of learning.

Break from 7:49pm-7:55pm.


Bond Feasibility & Information Update presented by Donna Caperton and Dr. Vodicka. Outline of Tonight’s Presentation, Responses to Board Questions and Concerns: We have too many seats and too many portables, Plan to Address Portable Classrooms, Aging of Portable Structures, Criteria to Consider in Reducing # of Portables, Capacity vs. Enrollment, Capacity vs. Enrollment by Grade Levels, Portable Classrooms Cost Too Much To Maintain, State Policy vs. Portables, Decisions Need to be Made Locally, Matching Money from State, 700 & 800 Buildings at Rancho Buena Vista High School need to be repaired. Identifying the Sources of Funds within the LRFMP, Key Events & Milestones, Are we going to use “tilt-up” construction? Can we get everything done by August 11th? Plans to obtain SFP Funding? Hardship Funding, need the community to understand LRFMP and underlying strategy. LRFMP Summary of Identified Needs, Cost Estimates, Combined Needs for all Schools. Major Categories: Elementary Schools – Need for Elementary Schools. Major Categories: Middle Schools – Need for Middle Schools. Major Categories: High Schools – Need for High Schools. Needs for K-12 and Support Services. LRFMP Summary of Identified Needs, Financing Considerations. Sample 2016 Election Bond Program, General Obligation Bond Projected Tax Rates, Questions and Discussion.
President Alderson stated that need is greater than the bond. Donna Caperton stated that the facility advisory committee will assist us in prioritizing. Member Chunka asked who makes up the committee. It will be made up of community and school organizations. Member Chunka asked who will facilitate. She was told that we are undecided at this time. We will have a website for the public to review. Member Chunka asked about issuance dates. Donna Caperton said that we need to properly plan. Member Chunka wanted to confirm that money is given at time of issuance. Member Jaka served on local facilities finance committee for the last bond. Member Gibson asked if we have considered impact that the tax will have on the parents and families? Our budget has increased every year. Have we considered what the families will pay and the impact on the community? Budgets reveal priorities. He feels that the survey brochure was not put out to inform people but to persuade people. $25,000 spent on this could have helped pay teacher and classroom expenses. Consider how much it is going to impact the community. Member Gibson stated that he will not be voting for this and he will be writing the rebuttal in the voter guide. Member Chunka commented that we need to get rid of the portable units at Rancho Buena Vista High School. She stated that she needs more information in order to vote on the bond. We need to build permanent structures. We need to make the schools safe for the students. Member Gibson asked isn’t it a priority to make schools safe within the budget we have. Member Jaka commented that we have just gotten back to where we were since budget cuts in 2008. She knows that we need this but is not sure that we have gone about this the right way. Do we have a ballpark figure to move a portable? Donna Caperton stated that it cost $133,000 to move from one school to another. Member Jaka asked for a cost estimate to destroy them. Member Gibson stated that we need to set priorities. Dr. Vodicka stated that the School Board is the best example of democracy. Staff has yet to make a recommendation. A vote will express this will of the community.


Member Herrera stated that she was part of the last bond. We were able to build approximately 80% of what we intended to build. This is a community that is committed to the education of children. She requested more information. When we passed that last bond, what we set to build, we built well. Member Gibson commented that it takes hard work to learn and teach. Member Jaka does recognize that the condition of the classrooms does affect the learning of our students. She is concerned about how we have gone about this. Requested that we show what we did with the money from the last bond.

Break: 9:12pm-9:22pm

Member Herrera asked if we can have three or four community forums over the next two weeks to get a better representation of the community. Dr. Vodicka said that when we reach the agenda item regarding scheduling a Special Meeting, we can discuss that at that time.

B. STAFF REPORT: REVIEW OF POTENTIAL VUSD BOND MEASURE RESOLUTION – Discussion Draft presented by Dr. Vodicka. There is no action being taken. Presenting this early for review prior to the potential Special Meeting. Member Jaka mentioned that we have refinanced the fund to reduce the long term debt. The problem with breaking it into smaller bonds is that there is more cost associated with it. Mr. Gibson asked for a count of interdistrict transfers. What is average daily attendance revenue received per student?


Member Gibson asked what if we teaching prenatal in womb. Dr. Doyle commented that we are not teaching them. We are working with community to prepare parents to support child during formative years. Member Jaka asked if we are accessing First Five funding? Dr. Doyle said that we have been accessing First Five on a yearly basis since we have had our preschool programs.
D. STAFF REPORT: BLUEPRINT UPDATE - STRATEGY 1 – Presented by Matt Doyle. Framework for the Future, House of Learning, Blueprint as a Continuous Process of Refinement. Member Jaka asked if we anticipate that the state will provide information earlier. Dr. Doyle believes that we can accelerate the process. Dr. Vodicka commented that we are hoping to present a plan early and make adjustments as needed. Dr. Doyle presented - Revision Process Flow Chart, CDE Revision to LCAP Template and Process, Blueprint Refinement Monitoring Results, LCAP Budget Alignment to Board Goals, Blueprint Update Timeline, Blueprint/LCAP Revision 2017-18 Next Steps, Questions. Member Chunka is happy to hear that they will be receiving updates. Dr. Vodicka said that the ultimate goal is to create a dashboard on our website for immediate updates.

Item 9 Consent Calendar Member Jaka moved to approve, seconded by Member Chunka. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson, Gibson and Jaka).

A. APPROVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES: JUNE 23, 2016 REGULAR BOARD MEETING.

Item 10 Human Relations
A. CLASSIFIED BOARD REGISTER
B. APPROVE THE HUMAN RELATIONS CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL REGISTER

Item 11 Student Support Services
A. INTERDISTRICT ATTENDANCE AGREEMENT FOR THE 2016-2021 SCHOOL YEARS

Item 12 Special Education - None

Item 13 Curriculum & Instruction
A. APPROVE THE 2016-2017 APPLICATION FOR FUNDING OF THE DISTRICT’S CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION
B. 2016-2017 APPLICATION FOR FUNDING OF THE DISTRICT’S CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION
C. APPROVE THE OUT OF DISTRICT TRAVEL REGISTER
D. APPROVE THE FIELD TRIP OVERNIGHT REGISTER

Item 14 Business Services (Fiscal Services, Accounting, Child Nutrition Services, Purchasing and Facilities)
A. ACCEPT QUARTERLY REPORT, ENDING JUNE 30, 2016, TO SAN DIEGO COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION AS REQUIRED BY THE WILLIAMS SETTLEMENT
B. REJECTION OF CLAIM #1617-01
C. RATIFICATION AND APPROVAL OF WARRANT NOS. 14123880 THROUGH 14140630
D. RATIFY AND APPROVE PURCHASE ORDERS
E. APPROVE THE CHILD NUTRITION CASH EXPENDITURES FOR MAY 2016
F. ACCEPT WORK AND FILING OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR BID# C1617019 FOR FENCING PRIVACY SLATS AT MULTIPLE SITES TO HARRIS STEEL FENCE CO., INC.
G. ACCEPT WORK AND FILING OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR BID# C15160065 FOR SECURITY CAMERA INSTALLATION AT MULTIPLE SITES TO DATEL SYSTEMS INC.
H. AUTHORIZE DISPOSAL OF OBSOLETE AND/OR WORN-OUT TEXTBOOKS AND INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS
I. RATIFY AWARD OF THE CONTRACT FOR NEW RUNNING TRACK AT ALAMOSA PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, BID #C1617007B
J. RATIFY AWARD OF THE CONTRACT FOR STRUCTURAL REPAIRS AT VISTA ADULT EDUCATION - SUNSET CAMPUS, BID #C16170206
K. RATIFY AWARD OF THE CONTRACT FOR SHADE STRUCTURES AT MULTIPLE SITES, BID #C1617008
L. RATIFY AWARD OF THE CONTRACT FOR MODULAR RESTROOM BUILDING AT RANCHO BUENA VISTA HIGH SCHOOL, BID #PW14150460B
M. RATIFY REJECTION OF BID #C16170019, IRRIGATION CONTROL WIRE REPLACEMENT AT FOOTHILL OAK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
N. REJECTION OF CLAIM #1617-02
O. APPROVE CHANGE ORDER 1 DECREASING THE CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF ($13,133.60) FOR BID #C15160065, SECURITY CAMERA INSTALLATION AT MULTIPLE SITES
P. RATIFY AND APPROVE GRANTS RECEIVED FOR THE PERIOD JUNE 10, 2016, THROUGH JULY 19, 2016
Q. BOARD APPROVAL AND ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS TO VISTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT TOTALLING $41,404.90
R. RATIFY AND APPROVE CONTRACTS EXCEEDING $5,000.00

Item 15 Board Business

Item 16 Discussion/Action Items
A. ADOPT RESOLUTION #16-46 REGARDING SAN DIEGO COUNTY TAXPAYERS' ASSOCIATION CRITERIA. Presented by Dr. Vodicka. Member Gibson motioned to table this item. No second. Motion denied. Member Jaka moved to approve, seconded by Member Herrera. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson, Gibson and Jaka).

B. GOVERNANCE CALENDAR – Presented by Dr. Vodicka. Member Herrera moved to approve, seconded by Member Chunka. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson, Gibson and Jaka).

Request to extend meeting to 10:45pm. Member Jaka moved to approve, seconded by Member Herrera. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson, Gibson and Jaka).

C. APPROVE 2015-16 ANNUAL STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PROGRESS PLAN. Presented by Donna Caperton. Member Gibson moved to approve, seconded by Member Herrera. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson, Gibson and Jaka). Member Herrera commented that this would be a wonderful project for STEM in our schools.

Item 17 Continuation Item 10.A. Presentation by Community Members/Public Comments (if necessary)

President Alderson closed Regular Board Meeting and opened VUSD Improvement Corporation Meeting.

Item 18 Public
A. NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF VUSD IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION.

B. ANNUAL MEETING OF VISTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION, CALL TO ORDER ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS, OPEN ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE VISTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION

C. APPOINTMENT OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF VUSD IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION. Motion to initiate officers from the December 2015 Board Meeting. Member Jaka moved to approve, seconded by Member Gibson. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson, Gibson and Jaka).

D. ADJOURNMENT OF VUSD IMPROVEMENT CORPORATION MEETING/RECONVENE TO REGULAR MEETING OF THE VUSD BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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**Item 19 Board Business/Discussion**
A. Potential Special Session Dates for Action on Facilities Bond – Board Members agreed to hold Special Meeting August 8, 2016 at 6:00pm.
B. Request for Future Board Agenda Items or Other Business - None
C. Board Members Reports or Comments – Member Gibson said that we should have a new sign in front of Mission Vista High School. President Alderson said that ASB needs to pay for it.
D. Board Members Reflection on Board meeting - None
E. NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING - THURSDAY, AUGUST 18, 2016 at 7:00 PM CITY OF VISTA, CIVIC CENTER, 200 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE, VISTA, CA 92084

Meeting Adjourned at 10:38pm.

Secretary of the Board of Trustees

Clerk of the Board of Trustees