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

Thursday, February 25, 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
Brett Kileen, Assistant Superintendent, Human Relations
Michelle Bell, Recording Secretary

Student Board Members Present
Keri Scholte, Mission Vista High School
Emma Konugres, Rancho Buena Vista High School
Matthew Marquez Molnar, Vista High School
Katrina Swirksky, Vista Visions Academy
Lane McComb, Alta Vista High School

Student Board Members Not Present
Carlos Harvey, Major General Murray High School

OPEN SESSION/CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/ PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm by President Alderson.

CLOSED SESSION

Item 3 Public Report of Actions Taken in Closed Session: Certificated Approved Dismissal (02201602). Certificated Reassign Approved (03201602).

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

Item 5 Public Comments: Board Members agreed to move Public Comments from 9.A to 5.A for the meeting. Parent and community member Maurice Ratnadurai expressed concerns about Special Education responsiveness and communication. He would like to know what is the best way to move forward or work with the Special Ed team at Bella Mente Charter School.
Item 6 Public Hearing: None

Item 7 District Announcements
A. Dr. Vodicka District Comments - Tom Garcia representing Assemblymember Rocky Chavez, presented 100 Year Proclamation. Thanked Board for the Workshop on English Language Arts and Math last week. It shows that they are focused on student learning. Thanked Keri Scholte, Student Board Member, for attending Laurels for Leaders event with ASB Presidents. Vista’s Big Give celebration was last week. The Vista community raised over $80,000 for the Make a Wish Foundation. Attended Digital Learning Showcase at Temple Heights with Apple this week. Preparing to be host district for League of Innovative Schools in April. We will have more than 200 visitors from across the country going through our classrooms to see what we are doing in the district. Next week hosting Educator Tour which will include teams from California and Louisiana. This is in part from partnerships that we have formed like with the US Department of Education.

B. Golden Apple Awards – Awards presented by Board Member.
Nicole Bechtold - Middle School Teacher at Vista Visions
Mark Taylor - Plant Supervisor at Vista High School
Jenny Anderson - Elementary Teacher at Casita Center
Pat Moramarco - High School Teacher / Athletic Director at Vista High School
Robin Hooper - Special Ed Teacher at Hannalei Elementary
Nicole Hendricks - Administrator - Assistant Principal at Bobier Elementary

Public Comment – This was allowed due to the re-sequencing of the agenda by moving Public Comments to Item 5. Community member and parent, Alejandro Sanchez commented that he has been looking at salaries of important people. Supreme Court Judge makes $240,000. He reviewed the Superintendents salary. We need to finish previously approved projects. He mentioned the bathrooms at Rancho Buena Vista High School. Mr. Sanchez suggested that if they are going to increase salaries, everyone’s should be increased, including the Board Member’s salaries.

C. Superintendent Recognition: Sam Hasenin, Principal Engineer, City of Vista. Mr. Hasenin has demonstrated outstanding commitment to the children of Vista while serving as a community partner with Vista Unified School District in public safety.

Item 8 Reports from School Related Organizations
A. Vista Teachers Association (VTA) – Tod Critchlow presented. Happy birth year to Vista and Congrats to Golden Apple recipients. Technology is a wonderful thing. Rapid access to data makes our jobs easier. With all of this access to data, we have a tendency to overprescribe. Data is used to monitor the success and struggles of our students. Data is vital to teachers for instruction. Consider, teachers must balance instruction and assessment.

B. California School Employees Association (CSEA) – Lisa Hoffman presented. Congrats all of our Golden Apple recipients. Library Media Techs are returning to an 8 hour day. Reviewed feedback from Library Media Tech’s regarding the extra hours. We are happy to see new positions like IT Help Desk, Community Liaison and replace Custodians. Experiencing problems keeping some of our new employees because they leave to go to higher paying districts. Thank you for all you do.

C. District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) presented by Sophia Lomas. Update LCAP Focus Group Session. DELAC members were given the opportunity to break-out into focus group sessions and contribute feedback and recommendations on Strategy 1, Action Plan 3 & 4 and Strategy 4 Action Plan 5, which specifically pertained to English learner programs and services. This approach gave
DELAC members the opportunity to take a more active role in the review of the Blueprint process. We'd like to thank Dr. Doyle for his participation with DELAC. At this time DELAC has no recommendations to the board. Our next DELAC meeting will be held on Monday, February 29, 2016 at 6:00pm.

Mr. Alejandro Sanchez, community member and parent said that he served on DELAC for many years. Suggested hiring more people who speak both English and Spanish for Coordinator and Social Worker positions. He would like to see improved services for Hispanics.

**Item 9 Staff Committee Reports to the Board**

A. **STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORT: ALTA VISTA HIGH SCHOOL – Lane McComb presented report.**

Break – Returned at 8:04pm

B. **STAFF REPORT: GOVERNOR’S BUDGET PROPOSAL – Donna Caperton introduced Ron Bennett. General Fund Budget Summary, Focus on Recession, I Dream of Capital Gains, Why is the Market in Decline, Proposition 98 and the Major K-12 Proposals, What to Watch. Donna Caperton presented LCFF Funding Analysis – Vista USD, Changes/Impacts, Other Items of Impact. Member Jaka asked what the one time fund will be. Member Alderson asked about T-K. Ron Bennett clarified the new state proposal and how it will affect Pre-school and T-K. Block Grant example.**

C. **STAFF REPORT: START TIME COMMITTEE UPDATE – Presented by Donna Caperton. Explained new bell schedule time changes.**

D. **STAFF REPORT: INTERDISTRICT TRANSFERS – Presented by Steve Hargrave. Student Support Services Department Trend Data for Interdistrict Transfers, District Goal #9 “Our reputation for excellence and innovation will attract and retain students.”, Trend Data for Interdistrict Transfers, Transfers out of the District, Transfers into the District, Next Steps: Expand Academic Options, Expand Specialized Courses, Questions. Member Gibson wanted to clarify reason for transfers. We are offering things that other districts are not. Offering more of a variety and not as traditional. Member Alderson asked for number clarification for transfers coming into the district. Mr. Hargrave said mostly high school at Mission Vista High School. Member Alderson asked Student Board Members if they had any thoughts on the subject. Keri Scholte from Mission Vista High School asked how people find out about our classes. Mr. Hargrave said that it’s word of mouth. Member Gibson suggested trying to attract home school students with our special programs. Member Herrera said that she believes that people use the CST letter that is on the website. When we start getting Common Core results, it will help. Dr. Vodicka said that we do loose students to charter schools and we need to champion and promote our quality programs. Member Chunka asked about transition timeline from NCLB to ESSA. Dr. Vodicka clarified. Mr. Hargrave said that next year is a transition year.**

E. **STAFF REPORT: CHARTER SCHOOL UPDATE – Presented by Matt Doyle. Charter School Quick Facts, Charter Network Meetings, Charter School Monitoring Categories, Charter School Monitoring Current Status, Special Education Support, Bella Mente Intervention for Special Education Programs, Questions. Member Herrera asked what is in place for students who want to go to a charter school but are excluded. How are we monitoring? Dr. Doyle said that we have a process in place. Charter schools report monthly on which students have not been accepted, moved, dismissed or parents have elected to leave. It’s about access. We want to make sure that all students have access to all of the schools within our school district. Member Jaka asked for clarification of SiaTech’s association with us and how it effects reporting. Dr. Vodicka explained how it effects reporting. Member Chunka wanted to know where the students who leave the charters are
going. Dr. Doyle explained that the reporting includes this question. This reporting is fairly new and schools are getting used to reporting data. At this time, not all fields are being completed which contains some of this information. Member Alderson commended Dr. Doyle for his work on the charter schools.

F. STAFF REPORT: HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE AND EQUALITY – Team Presentation introduced by Dr. Vodicka. Matt Doyle presented Blueprint Actions Plans Aligned to Scheduling, Revision Process Feedback Flow Chart, Blueprint Feedback-Current Status. Donna Caperton presented Per Pupil Allocation at High Schools, Comparison of $1 million vs. Mission Vista 15%. Brett Killean presented Background: RBV 8 Block Waiver. Matt Steitz presented Planning Chart for High School Schedule Change – Draft. Dr. Vodicka presented Additional Considerations, Potential Equity Plans, Q & A – Member Chunka asked if we can take the athletic stipends out per student allocation at high school. Member Alderson asked if high schools will have a choice on what they want to use stipend. Dr. Vodicka said that we can provide them with more information on the stipends. We can break it down in different ways for the Board. Member Herrera asked how we are including the two continuation schools. Rich Alderson would like to know which schools are operating on Block 8 model. Member Gibson commented that we can’t operate each school the same. Per student dollars should focus on the student interests at each school. Member Jaka commented that equality is very important. Creating a unique culture at each school. Member Alderson commented that it needs to be clear about what each school pathway has.

G. STAFF REPORT: BLUEPRINT UPDATE – STRATEGY 6 – Matt Doyle presented Blueprint Update #8 Strategy 6, Framework for the Future, House of Learning. Craig Wiblemo presented Strategy 6 Action Plans 2015-16, Action Plans 1 & 2 Focus, Development of a Balanced Assessment System in VUSD, Monitoring and Feedback Collaborative, Action Plan 3 Focus, Action Plan 4 Focus, Action Plan 5 Focus. Survey and Reporting Areas, Action Plan 6 Focus, Competency-Based Education, Lindsay Unified School District Visitations, Strategy Six-Next Steps. Matt Doyle presented Blueprint as a Continuous Process of Refinement, Revision Process Flow Chart, Communication and Feedback, Blueprint/LEAP Current Feedback Themes, Blueprint Update Timeline, Questions. Member Jaka asked how we found Panorama. Dr. Vodicka was introduced to them at a conference. There are other options that are being considered. Angela asked about Lindsey participants, will they be reporting to the Board? Member Gibson wanted to know why we sent 40 people and not a smaller amount? He feels that it is excessive. Member Herrera would like a breakdown report of what Lexile is, what it means, how it is used and who developed it.

**Item 10 Consent Calendar** - Member Jaka moved to approve, seconded by Member Chunka. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson, Gibson and Jaka) unanimously approved.

10.30pm Member Jaka moved to approve extending meeting by 15 minutes, seconded by Member Gibson. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson, Gibson and Jaka) unanimously approved.

**Item 11 Human Relations**
A. APPROVE THE HUMAN RELATIONS CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL REGISTER
B. Classified Board Register

**Item 12 Student Support Services** - None

**Item 13 Special Education** - None
Item 14 Curriculum & Instruction
A. APPROVE THE SINGLE PLAN FOR STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT PLAN AMENDMENTS
B. APPROVE NEW HIGH SCHOOL COURSES FOR 2016-2017
C. APPROVE HIGH SCHOOL CORE TEXTBOOK – Horizons: Exploring the Universe (13\textsuperscript{th} Ed.)
Backman, and Seeds, M., Cengage
D. APPROVE THE OUT OF DISTRICT TRAVEL REGISTER
E. APPROVE THE FIELD TRIP OVERNIGHT REGISTER

Item 15 Business Services (Fiscal Services, Accounting, Child Nutrition Services, Purchasing and Facilities)
A. RATIFICATION AND APPROVAL OF WARRANT NOS. 14076947 THROUGH 14083850
B. APPROVE CHANGE ORDER 1 IN THE AMOUNT OF $62,697.93 FOR BID #C14150362B, RESTROOM RENOVATION AT VISTA INNOVATION AND DESIGN ACADEMY AWARDED TO SOUTHWEST GENERAL CONTRACTORS
C. APPROVE THE CHILD NUTRITION CASH EXPENDITURES FOR DECEMBER 2015
D. AUTHORIZE THE DESTRUCTION OF STUDENT INFORMATION FOR EDUCATIONAL SERVICES AND SPECIAL EDUCATION AS SPECIFIED IN ED CODE SECTION 16027
E. ACCEPT WORK AND FILING OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR BID# C151600059B/C151600060B FOR INSTALLATION OF RELOCATABLE BUILDINGS AT LAKE ELEMENTARY & FOOTHILL OAK ELEMENTARY TO G.A. DOMINGUEZ
F. ACCEPT WORK AND FILING OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR BID# C14150627 FOR NEW LUNCH SHELTER AT RANCHO BUENA VISTA HIGH SCHOOL
G. RATIFY AND APPROVE PURCHASE ORDERS
H. ACCEPT WORK AND FILING OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR BID# C14150362B FOR RESTROOM RENOVATION AT VISTA INNOVATION AND DESIGN ACADEMY TO SOUTHWEST GENERAL CONTRACTORS INC.
I. ACCEPT WORK AND FILING OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR BID# C15160031R FOR RESTROOM REMODEL AT RANCHO BUENA VISTA HIGH SCHOOL TO ICS, INC.
J. APPROVE CHANGE ORDER 1 IN THE AMOUNT OF $17,224.83 FOR BID #C15160065B/C15160060B, INSTALLATION OF RELOCATABLE BUILDINGS AT LAKE AND FOOTHILL OAK ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS TO G.A. DOMINGUEZ
K. ACCEPT WORK AND FILING OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR BID #C14150651B, PORTABLE CLASSROOM RELOCATION TO TEMPLE HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TO EVERLAST BUILDERS, INC.
L. RATIFY AND APPROVE GRANTS RECEIVED FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 12, 2016, THROUGH FEBRUARY 16, 2016
M. BOARD APPROVAL AND ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS TO VISTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT TOTALLING $224,547.78
N. RATIFY AND APPROVE CONTRACTS EXCEEDING $5,000.00
O. APPROVE YEAR 3 CONTRACT(C13140189-3) WITH SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC FOR PROPOSITION 39 PROJECTS IN THE AMOUNT OF $890,274

Item 16 Board Business

Item 17 Discussion/Action Items
A. ADOPT RESOLUTION ENDORSING FEBRUARY 2016 AS CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE) MONTH. Member Chunka moved to approve, seconded by Member Jaka. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson, Gibson and Jaka) unanimously approved. President Alderson read a portion
of the Proclamation. Proclamation certificate presented to Susie Johnson, CTE Coordinator, by Dr. Vodicka.

B. REVISED GOALS FOR 2016-2017 – Presented by Craig Wible. Member Gibson moved to approve, seconded by Member Herrera. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson, Gibson and Jaka) unanimously approved.

C. ADOPT THE EDUCATOR EFFECTIVENESS EXPENDITURE PLAN – Presented by Brett Killeen. Member Jaka moved to approve, seconded by Member Herrera. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson, Gibson and Jaka) unanimously approved.

D. APPROVE SALARY INCREASE OF 6% RETROACTIVE TO JULY 1, 2015, INCREASE BENEFITS CAP TO $11,100 EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016, AND ADD 2 DAYS TO THE WORK YEAR EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016 FOR CERTIFICATED MANAGEMENT AND ITS EQUIVALENT TO 12 MONTH CLASSIFIED MANAGEMENT. Brett Killeen presented. Member Herrera moved to approve, seconded by Member Chunka. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson, Gibson and Jaka) unanimously approved.

E. APPROVE CALIFORNIA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION (CSBA) OFFICIAL 2016 DELEGATE ASSEMBLY BALLOT FOR REGION 17. Member Jaka said that there are 10 vacancies and 10 candidates. Member Chunka moved to approve, seconded by Member Jaka. All in favor. YES (Chunka, Herrera, Alderson, Gibson and Jaka) unanimously approved.

Item 18 Continuation Item 10.A. Presentation By Community Members/Public Comments (if necessary)

Item 19 Board Business/Discussion
A. Request for Future Board Agenda Items or Other Business – None
B. Board Members Reports or Comments – Member Jaka mentioned that we have Lisa Bernheisel being honored at the Honoring Our Own Awards in April. Dr. Erin English and Gail Olson are also being recognized.
C. Board Members Reflection on Board meeting - None
D. NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING - THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 2016 at 7:00pm - CITY OF VISTA, CIVIC CENTER, 200 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE, VISTA, CA 92084

Meeting Adjourned at 10:43pm.

Secretary of the Board of Trustees

Clerk of the Board of Trustees