

**LOS ALTOS SCHOOL DISTRICT
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes
Los Altos School District Board Room
201 Covington Road, Los Altos
August 29, 2011**

CALL TO ORDER	The meeting was called to order by Mr. Cooper at 6:30 p.m.
PRESENT	Mr. Bill Cooper, President; Mr. Mark Goines, Vice-President; Mrs. Margot Harrigan, Member; Ms. Tamara Logan, Member
ABSENT	Mr. Doug Smith, Clerk
ADMINISTRATION	Mr. Jeffrey Baier, Superintendent; Mrs. Alyssa Gallagher, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction; Mr. Randall Kenyon, Assistant Superintendent, Business
STAFF	Marcy Birnie, Pat Koren, Courtney Cadwell, Jim Grijalva, Curtis Schneider, Kris Swenson, Niki Mitchell
PRESS	Traci Newell, Nicole Baldocchi
OTHERS	Joe Seither, Kristine Bardman, Vladimir Ivanovic, Tom Campbell
CLOSED SESSION	The meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 6:31 p.m. for anticipated litigation pursuant to Government Code §54956.9.
RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION	The meeting reconvened at 7:08 p.m.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	Mr. Cooper asked the public to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.
CLOSED SESSION REPORT	Mr. Cooper reported no action was taken in Closed Session.
AGENDA APPROVAL	<p>MSC: Mrs. Harrigan, Ms. Logan to approve the agenda of the meeting.</p> <p>AYES: 4 NOES: 0 ABSENT: 1</p>
STAFF AND STUDENT SUCCESSES EMPLOYEE	<p>Mr. Baier recognized Courtney Caldwell, Egan School and Math Coach, for creating math curriculum for "African Schools for Excellence." She spent two and half weeks in Ghana training teachers how to incorporate Khan Academy to maximize the effectiveness of a traditional teacher.</p> <p>Mr. Baier recognized Pat Koren, Blach School, for contributing content to the Bay Area Physical Education – Health Project Summer Institute which focused on motor learning for physical educators and sexual health and HIV/AIDS for health educators.</p> <p>Mr. Baier recognized Niki Mitchell, Gardner Bullis School, and Curtis Schneider, Egan School, for providing the Los Altos Kidz Adventure and ScholarKids summer enrichment programs, respectively. Both programs began three years ago when the district could no longer provide summer enrichment programs. The programs provide a wonderful summer experience for the students that attend them.</p>

CONSENT ITEMS

MSC: Mrs. Harrigan, Ms. Logan to approve Consent Items 1.1 through 1.4, with the noted correction to the Personnel Action in the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of August 15, 2011:

- 1.1 Regular Board Meeting Minutes, August 15, 2011
- 1.2 Purchase Orders
- 1.3 Denial of Interdistrict Transfer Request #11/12-18
- 1.4 Personnel Actions
 - Classified
 1. Employment
 - 1.1 Valerie Curtis, Program Specialist, Library, Springer School
Effective: August 17, 2011
 - 1.2 Marte Hall, Instructional Assistant, Special Education
Effective: August 29, 2011
 2. Rescind Resignation from August 15, 2011 Personnel Action
 - 2.1 Katie Butler
 - 2.2 Gail Yeaman-Sanchez
 3. Resignation
 - 3.1 David Harris, Instructional Assistant, Special Education
Effective: August 20, 2011
 - 3.2 Anila Mittal, Instructional Assistant, Special Education
Effective: August 18, 2011
 - 3.3 Nirmala Rao, Noon Duty, Loyola School
Effective: August 15, 2011

AYES: 4

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 1

EMPLOYEE
REQUESTS TO
ADDRESS THE
BOARD

Jim Grijalva, LATA President, invited the board to the association's TGIF and annual golf tournament. He will share additional information as the events get closer. The new teachers are being brought up to speed with the help from veteran teachers.

Kris Swenson, CSEA President, reported they are still in negotiations with the district. The next negotiations session will be on September 8, 2011. A large number of special education aides were reassigned this year and everyone has settled in well.

COMMUNITY
COMMENTS

Joe Seither spoke on the 2011-12 LAEF grant and fundraising efforts.

INFORMATION/
ACTION ITEMSEducational Blueprint
Goals Progress Report

Mr. Baier, Mr. Kenyon and Mrs. Gallagher highlighted the progress of the goals set at the Educational Blueprint meeting in April. All goals are either on target or have been completed, except for the following:

- The Response to Instruction and Intervention Committee will meet in mid-September to continue the work that began last school year.
- A presentation on the costs associated with a long-term location for the charter school will be made at the October 24, 2011 meeting.
- Identifying two PTA and two LAEF reps for the financial analysis on the current structural gap will be done at the first CACF meeting in early September.
- The compensation and benefits recommendation will be presented to the full CACF before it is presented to the board.
- The parent lead is working on establishing parent groups from both the district and the charter school. This is proving to be a challenge and she is preparing a report that will be shared with the board.
- Identifying a long-term location for the charter school is being done in parallel with the associated costs and will be presented at the November 7, 2011 meeting.

Date _____

Jeffrey Baier, Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Doug Smith, Clerk