

CALL TO ORDER	The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Harrigan at 6:15 p.m.
PRESENT	Mrs. Margot Harrigan, President; Mr. Bill Cooper, Vice-President; Mr. Mark Goines, Clerk; Ms. Tamara Logan, Member; Mr. Doug Smith, Member
ABSENT	None
ADMINISTRATION	Mr. Jeffrey Baier, Superintendent; Mrs. Alyssa Gallagher, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction; Mr. Randall Kenyon, Assistant Superintendent, Business
STAFF	Marcy Birnie, Jim Grijalva, Stephanie Tyson, Nicole Montre
PRESS	Traci Newell
OTHERS	Tom Campbell, George Tyson, Elena Shea, Steve Taglio, Margaret Yen, Kristine Bardman, Margaret Brooks, Joe Seither, Jen Denebeim
CLOSED SESSION	The meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 6:16 p.m. for anticipated litigation pursuant to Government Code §54957.
RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION	The meeting reconvened at 7:09 p.m.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	Mrs. Harrigan asked the public to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.
CLOSED SESSION REPORT	Mrs. Harrigan reported no action was taken in Closed Session.
AGENDA APPROVAL	MSC: Mr. Cooper, Mr. Smith to approve the Agenda of the meeting. Mr. Baier removed Consent Item 1.5, 2010-11 Walden West Outdoor Science School Agreement pending finalizing medical issues with the county.
	<div>AYES: 5</div> <div>NOES: 0</div> <div>ABSENT: 0</div>
CONSENT ITEMS	<p>MSC: Mr. Goines, Mr. Smith to approve Consent Items 1.1 through 1.7:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.1 Special Board Meeting Minutes, July 14, 2010</li> <li>1.2 Purchase Orders</li> <li>1.3 Resolution #10/11-01, Amendment to Joint-Use Agreement and Lease with Stepping Stones Pre-School</li> <li>1.4 Resolution #10/11-02, Withdrawing from Schools Excess Liability Program</li> <li>1.6 Denial of Interdistrict Transfer Requests #10/11-21 through #10/11-23</li> <li>1.7 Personnel Actions</li> </ul> <p><u>Certificated</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Employment - Probationary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.1 Diana Chapman, 1.000 Special Education Program Coordinator, District Office Effective: August 23, 2010</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

CONSENT ITEMS  
(continued)

- 1.7 Personnel Actions (continued)
  2. Employment - Temporary
    - 2.1 Brianna Barrett, 1.000 School Psychologist, Gardner Bullis and Santa Rita Schools  
Effective: August 23, 2010
    - 2.2 Michelle Donecho, 1.000 1st Grade Teacher, Loyola School  
Effective: August 23, 2010
    - 2.3 Alisha Ferrario, 1.000 6th Grade Teacher, Gardner Bullis School  
Effective: August 23, 2010
    - 2.4 Cynthia Meek-Prock, .300 Physical Education Teacher, District Office  
Effective: August 23, 2010

Classified

1. Employment
  - 1.1 Christine Aylesworth, 1.000 District Office Secretary, District Office  
Effective: August 5, 2010
  - 1.2 Luis Sequeira, .500 Gardner, District Office  
Effective: August 23, 2010
2. Resignation
  - 2.1 Virginia Beman, Program Specialist – Library, Egan School  
Effective: August 2, 2010
  - 2.2 Susi Campbell, Instructional Assistant – Special Education  
Effective: August 6, 2010
  - 2.3 Kathleen Cmaylo, Instructional Assistant – Special Education  
Effective: July 26, 2010
  - 2.4 Marilyn Highlander, Instructional Assistant – Special Education  
Effective: July 26, 2010
  - 2.5 Doris Keats, Instructional Assistant – Special Education  
Effective: August 6, 2010
  - 2.6 Yvonne Kunstenaar, Program Specialist – Science, Santa Rita School  
Effective: July 19, 2010
  - 2.7 Candace Smith, Program Specialist – Computers, Gardner Bullis School  
Effective: July 29, 2010

Supervisors

1. Request for leave of absence without pay
  - 1.1 Michelle Damas, 1.000 Associate Behavior Analyst, District Office  
(reducing to .600 FTE)  
Effective: August 24, 2010

Administration

1. Re-Classification
  - 1.1 Alyssa Gallagher, Principal, Santa Rita School / 1st Grade Teacher, Loyola School  
Proposed: Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction  
Effective: July 1, 2010

AYES: 5

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 0

EMPLOYEE  
REQUESTS TO  
ADDRESS THE  
BOARD

Jim Grijalva, LATA President, welcomed everyone back from the summer break.

Kris Swenson, CSEA President, was unable to attend the meeting.

COMMUNITY  
COMMENTS

George Tyson spoke on the upcoming Santa Clara County Board of Education election.

Joe Seither spoke on the Los Altos Educational Foundation Ambassador Program.

INFORMATION/  
ACTION ITEMSConsultant  
Agreement with  
TBWB Strategies

Mr. Baier reported members of KLASS interviewed two companies over the summer to assist the district with analysis, feasibility, communication and pre-election consultation for a successful parcel tax measure in the spring. From the interviews, TBWB Strategies (formerly Terris-Barnes) was selected as the firm that would best meet the needs of the district. A consulting agreement between TBWB Strategies and the district was presented for approval. This agreement will be in effect until an election is called, at which time there will be a separate agreement with KLASS.

MSC: Ms. Logan, Mr. Goines to approve the consulting agreement with TBWB Strategies as presented.

AYES: 5

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 0

Santa Clara County  
Grand Jury Findings:  
School District  
Organization

Mr. Baier reported the Santa Clara County Grand Jury has examined the organization of all school districts in the county and has proposed consolidating some districts for cost savings, suggesting it creates greater efficiency. The Grand Jury has recommended unifying Los Altos, Mountain View Whisman and Mountain View Los Altos Union High School Districts. LASD is to respond by September 27 and Mr. Baier would like board input before crafting a response.

Curriculum and  
Instruction Update

Mrs. Gallagher shared the initial findings of the 2010 STAR results. Overall the district did well. The California Standards Tests includes English-language arts, mathematics, science and history-social science. This year 92% of students in grades 2-8 scored proficient or advanced in English-language arts. The writing results showed 97% of seventh grade students scored at proficient or advanced. In comparison, only 52% of the same cohort scored proficient or advanced in writing in fourth grade. This improvement is the result of the professional development in the area of writing implemented in the district over the past few years with the assistance of LAEF. There was an expectation the math scores would dip this year due to the new math curriculum, which did not happen. The scores have remained steady over the past four years and the largest gains this year were in grades 4 and 7. The science scores are showing students in grades 5 and 8 are consistently moving into the advanced level. The upward trend in history-social science continued with 89% of eighth grade students scoring proficient or advanced.

Mrs. Gallagher will share more detailed information by specific subgroups at upcoming meetings.

Living Classroom  
Grant

Mrs. Gallagher reported the David and Lucile Packard Foundation has approved a \$30K grant for the Living Classroom Program. The Living Classroom Program consists of one paid coordinator and science docents, which are mainly comprised of parent volunteers. The coordinator cost is funded entirely by grants.

Mike Sanderson will be the Living Classroom coordinator this year as Courtney Cadwell will now be teaching at Egan. Mr. Sanderson was a science docent with the program last year.

School Preparations -  
Staffing, Enrollment,  
Facilities

Mr. Kenyon reported the facilities at all the campuses have been cleaned and inspected, the fields at Egan and Blach have had their annual renovation and all the portable moves have been completed. All the facilities will be ready for the start of school.

School Preparations -  
Staffing, Enrollment,  
Facilities (continued)

Mr. Baier reported enrollment is projected to be 50-80 students higher than last year. Staff is currently working to ensure all students are placed and a lottery will be held on August 18 for the remaining spaces in the full day kindergarten program at Gardner Bullis.

Mr. Baier reported hiring for classified positions is still on-going. A number of sections were added at Blach due to enrollment.

Jim Grijalva provided public comment.

Resolution #10/11-03,  
Allocation of Teaching  
Stations to  
Bullis Charter School

Mr. Kenyon presented a resolution expressing the district's intent to allocate teaching stations to Bullis Charter School based on the final class sizes for the upcoming year, rather than projected class sizes used in March for the final offer of facilities. This resolution would cover future years as well as the facility agreement for the 2010-11 school year. The BCS board will also need to pass a similar resolution.

Following board discussion, this item will be brought back to a future meeting.

BOARD AND  
ADMINISTRATION  
COMMENTS,  
UPDATES,  
QUESTIONS, ITEMS  
FOR FUTURE  
AGENDAS

The board members used this opportunity to share their participation in district and community events followed by comments and concerns.

Mr. Baier reported orientation for new teachers will take place on August 19.

Mrs. Gallagher reported the state has adopted common core standards in K-12 math and English-language arts. She will share additional information as it becomes available.

Mr. Kenyon reported the state has not yet adopted a budget and may not until after the election. There may be a 90-day window following the passage of the state budget before federal money is released.

Mr. Cooper would like to place on a future agenda the aligning of board elections with the city for possible cost savings to the district.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Harrigan adjourned the meeting at 9:22 p.m.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Jeffrey Baier, Secretary to the Board of Trustees

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Mark Goines, Clerk