

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, Kris Swenson, Marie Pinder, Niki Mitchell, CiCi Nakano, Lorena Rolland, Curtis Schneider, Susan Goforth-Mauthes, Kim Sheehan
PRESS	None
OTHERS	Sandy Kandel, Steve Taglio, Ron Haley, Laura Teksler, Margaret Brooks, Elena Shea, Stan Mok, Shobana Gubbi, Jivan Gubbi, Tom Campbell
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 7:06 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. Smith, Mr. Goines to approve the Agenda of the meeting and to remove Information/ Action Item 4.7, Resolution #10/11-03, Allocation of Teaching Stations to Bullis Charter School to review revisions to the resolution from BCS. AYES: 5 NOES: 0 ABSENT: 0
STAFF AND STUDENT SUCCESSSES	Mr. Baier recognized Blach science teacher Lorena Rolland for her summer internship with SRI International in coordination with Industry Initiatives for Science and Math (IISME). Mr. Baier reported the Loyola teachers were given summer reading on the Gradual Release of Responsibility instructional design, which will be the focus of Loyola's professional development this school year. Mrs. Attel and 15 teachers also attended training on this topic at the Santa Clara County Office of Education.

CONSENT ITEMS

MSC: Mr. Goines, Mr. Cooper to approve Consent Items 1.1 through 1.7:

- 1.1 Regular Board Meeting Minutes, August 16, 2010
- 1.2 Purchase Orders
- 1.3 Resolution #10/11-04, Single Subject Teaching Credential
- 1.4 Resolution #10/11-05, Multiple Subject Teaching Credential
- 1.5 2010-11 Walden West Outdoor Science School Agreement
- 1.6 Denial of Interdistrict Transfer Requests #10/11-24 through #10/11-28
- 1.7 Personnel Actions

Certificated

1. Employment - Probationary
 - 1.1 Michael Bourquin, 0.167 GATE Math Teacher, Springer School
Effective: August 23, 2010
 - 1.2 Bryan Nabas, 0.167 GATE Math Teacher, Covington School and 0.167 Math, Egan School
Effective: August 23, 2010
2. Employment - Temporary
 - 2.1 Christine Boucher, 0.500 5th Grade Teacher, Oak School
Effective: August 23, 2010
 - 2.2 John Sheehan, 0.333 Math Teacher, Blach School
Effective: August 23, 2010
3. Request to Increase FTE - Temporary
 - 3.1 Lorena Rolland, 0.667 Science Teacher, Blach School
Effective: August 23, 2010
4. Request for Leave of Absence Without Pay
 - 4.1 Debra Farley, 0.200 Speech Therapist
Effective: July 1, 2010
5. Resignation
 - 5.1 Gregory Davies, 1.000 Science Teacher, Egan School
Effective: August 20, 2010

Classified

1. Employment
 - 1.1 Charity Collier, Instructional Assistant – Special Education
Effective: August 24, 2010
 - 1.2 Julie Daniell, Instructional Assistant – Special Education
Effective: August 24, 2010
 - 1.3 Celia Forrest, Program Specialist, Library – Oak School
Effective: August 24, 2010
 - 1.4 Steven Garcia, Program Specialist, Behavior Therapist
Effective: August 24, 2010
 - 1.5 Tara Hackett, Instructional Assistant – Special Education
Effective: August 24, 2010
 - 1.6 Benjamin Marimon, Instructional Assistant – Readers for the Blind, Egan School
Effective: August 24, 2010
 - 1.7 Richard Racz, Instructional Assistant – Special Education
Effective: August 24, 2010
 - 1.8 Jonathan Ramos, Program Specialist – Behavior Therapist
Effective: August 24, 2010

CONSENT ITEMS
(continued)

- 1.7 Personnel Actions (continued)
 - 1.9 Bethani Semple, Instructional Assistant – Special Education
Effective: August 24, 2010
 - 1.10 Jannell Stockard, Program Specialist – Behavior Therapist
Effective: August 24, 2010
 - 1.11 Beverly Turnbaugh, Program Specialist – Library, Egan School
Effective: August 24, 2010
 - 1.12 Kendra Weldin, Program Specialist – Behavior Therapist
Effective: August 24, 2010
 - 1.13 Thomasina Wong, Instructional Assistant – Special Education
Effective: August 24, 2010
2. Re-employment
 - 2.1 Eileen Lerch, Instructional Assistant – Special Education
Effective: August 24, 2010

AYES: 5

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 0

EMPLOYEE
REQUESTS TO
ADDRESS THE
BOARD

Jim Grijalva, LATA President, reported teachers are working hard to prepare for back to school nights. He also urged the board to seek a long term solution with Bullis Charter School as it is very challenging to offer two programs on a shared site.

Kris Swenson, CSEA President, thanked Mr. Baier and the board for last week's picnic. She also read a letter from a district student who received financial support for eye glasses from the district's CSEA membership.

COMMUNITY
COMMENTS

None.

INFORMATION/
ACTION ITEMS

Summer School
Presentations

Mrs. Gallagher introduced summer school principals Marie Pinder, Niki Mitchell and Curtis Schnieder who all reported on their programs. Mrs. Pinder reported there were 266 students in the Academy program, which also included English Language Learners and Special Day Class students. All students received reading, writing and math instruction each day. Kim Sheehan reported this was the fourth year a computer component was part of the curriculum. Students in grades 1-6 received computer instruction 4-5 days per week.

Mrs. Mitchell reported over 200 students attended the Los Altos Kidz Adventure program this year, which was an increase over last year's attendance. Her program consisted mainly of enrichment classes but she did offer math and reading for those students who needed additional academic support but did not qualify for the Academy program. This year she also introduced a new program called Skills for Kindergarten to help prepare children entering kindergarten.

Mr. Schneider reported his Scholar Kids program emphasized fun classes in a non-academic environment. There were 273 registered students this year. A new class offering was Intro to Middle School and he is planning on offering it again next year. The parent survey rated the program above average or superior in every category. He will be working on different classes with different grade groupings next year to allow for more in-depth instruction for upper grade students.

Los Altos 2025	<p>Mr. Jerry Sorenson and Robin Abrams have been concerned with downtown Los Altos and assembled a group of Los Altos and Los Altos Hills citizens to create an economic model to make downtown more vibrant. There has been a 40% loss of downtown revenues since 2003. Common characteristics of vibrant districts include events, entertainment and destination retail. Events in downtown Los Altos are at capacity but entertainment and retail are not. A vibrant downtown is pedestrian centric with great streets, a tight retail core of 1/4 mile or five minute walk, no breaks greater than 50 feet, visual terminus, anchor activities, parking in tight supply and not visible. This will require zoning changes to allow for taller buildings and changing parking ratios, but the city council believes citizens do not want these changes. Downtown vibrancy could generate \$3M in revenues for both our district and the high school district, as well as \$4M for the city.</p>
Financial Update	<p>Mr. Kenyon reviewed year-end financial information shared at the last meeting in June. The unaudited actuals will be presented at the next meeting.</p> <p>The Federal Education Jobs Act was passed which will give one-time funding for jobs to public schools. California will receive the funding in a few weeks but it is still unclear how it will be distributed to each district.</p> <p>The district received \$900K in state bond monies from the renovation of Gardner Bullis and developer fees exceeded projections, resulting in the district not having to transfer \$600K from the General Fund to the capital fund. A one-time \$90K insurance rebate has been added to the special reserve fund. The unrestricted ending balance was \$570K higher than projected in June but this may be offset by an estimated decline in property tax collections of \$565K. The increase to health benefits was higher than projected, resulting in an additional cost of \$80K.</p> <p>Mr. Kenyon shared an overview of the reporting requirements for fund balances due to GASB 54.</p> <p>Ron Haley provided public comment.</p>
Open Enrollment Act	<p>Mr. Kenyon reported the Open Enrollment Act has taken effect with the 2010-11 school year. Parents with children attending one of the 1,000 schools identified as low performing must be notified by September 15, 2010 that they can apply for a transfer to another school district. There are several identified schools located close to our district. Staff feels the current interdistrict policy is sufficient to address the process and criteria of possible interdistrict transfer requests; however, once the regulations are in place the board may want legal counsel to review the policy.</p>
Board Advisory Committees	<p>Mr. Kenyon shared the current policy on board committees based on a discussion last spring on the composition of each advisory committee and its roles and responsibilities. Ms. Logan and Mr. Goines will work with staff to review this policy and bring back any revisions.</p>
Feasibility Task Force	<p>Mr. Baier reported he has been meeting with Sarah Stern of TBWB to discuss the planning and feasibility study of a parcel tax election. A draft of the scheduled events that will take place until the board officially calls an election was shared. A task force is being put together of 8-12 people representing teachers, administrators, board and community members. The task force will put together an outreach calendar to share information about the district and the needs of the district with the community. Mr. Cooper and Mr. Goines will serve on this committee.</p> <p>The board continued discussions on an election date.</p>

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 shared the possible dates for the strategic planning meeting. It was decided the meeting will be held on November 2, 2010. Mr. Baier reminded the board of the governance teamwork meeting on September 20, 2010. The meeting will begin at 5:00pm in Closed Session to discuss the superintendent's evaluation and then move to Open Session.

Ms. Logan noted the district's donation to CHAC has not increased for several years and should be looked at this year.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Harrigan adjourned the meeting at 10:18 p.m.

Date _____

Jeffrey Baier, Secretary to the Board of Trustees

Mark Goines, Clerk