



Palo Verde Unified School District

Professional Learning Communities at Work

Palo Verde Unified School District

Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

March 07, 2017 5:00 PM

To be held in the District Administrative Center

295 North First Street

Blythe, CA 92225

Closed Session 5:00 PM

Open Session 6:00 PM

Attendance Taken at 11:58 AM:

Present:

Norm Guith

Alfonso Hernandez

Jamey Mullion

John Ulmer

Absent:

Samuel Burton

A. OPEN SESSION

A.1. Call to Order

Minutes:

The Palo Verde Unified School District Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on March 7, 2017 in the District Boardroom at 295 North First Street, Blythe, California. The meeting was called to order by the Board President, Mrs. Jamey Mullion at 5:00 PM.

A.2. Roll Call

Quick Summary:

Mr. Samuel Burton, Member

Dr. Norm Guith, Member

Mr. Alfonso Hernandez, Clerk

Mrs. Jamey Mullion, President

Mr. John Ulmer, Member

Minutes:

A quorum was established with the following members of the Board of Trustees in attendance: Mrs. Jamey Mullion, Mr. Alfonso Hernandez, Dr. Norm Guith and Mr. John Ulmer. Mr. Sam Burton was absent from the meeting.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT/ HEARING SESSION

B.1. Public Comment/ Hearing Session

Quick Summary:

Session limited to comments/ hearing pertaining to agenda items at this time. See "Hearing Session" item below for guidelines.

Minutes:

There was no public comment.

C. CLOSED SESSION

Minutes:

The Board of Trustees adjourned to closed session at 5:00 PM.

C.1. Personnel Matters

Quick Summary:

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, the Board will meet to discuss and vote regarding personnel matters.

A. Personnel Report

C.2. To Consider the discipline, dismissal, release or reassignment of a Public Employee(s)

Quick Summary:

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, the Board will consider the discipline, dismissal, release or reassignment of a public employee(s).

D. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

Minutes:

The Board reconvened into open session at 6:09 PM.

E. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Minutes:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

F. MOMENT OF SILENCE

Minutes:

A "Moment of Silence" was observed.

G. REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Minutes:

Mrs. Jamey Mullion, Board President, reported there was no action taken in closed session.

H. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Minutes:

A motion was made by Mr. Ulmer and seconded by Dr. Guith to approve the agenda.

Roll call vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Mullion, Mr. Hernandez, Dr. Guith and Mr. Ulmer

Noes: 0

Abstained: 0

Absent: Mr. Burton

Motion carried unanimously

I. PROGRAMS AND PRESENTATIONS

I.1. Presentation: 2016-2017 District Spelling Bee Winners

Quick Summary:

Dale Hackney, District Spelling Bee Coordinator, will present to the Board the winners from the District Spelling Bee held December 14, 2016, and the District representative in the Riverside County Spelling Bee held February 22, 2017 in Moreno Valley, CA.

First place: Rio Albanez

Second place: Jose Cortazar

Third place: Avalyn Bonty

Minutes:

Mr. Dale Hackney, District Spelling Bee Coordinator, presented to the Board the District Spelling Bee winners. First place was Rio Albanez, second place was Jose Cortazar and third place was Avalyn Bonty.

I.2. Presentation: Budget/ Second Interim Report

Quick Summary:

Mr. Charles Bush, Superintendent, will report to the Board of Trustees regarding the PVUSD Budget and Second Interim Report.

Minutes:

Mr. Charles Bush presented to the Board of Trustees the 2nd Interim report. Mr. Bush first discussed a budget error and the effect it has had on the District's finances since the 2010-2011 school year. He stated that since the error had to be filled using general fund money and with the commitment of funding debt payments for the 17/18 and 18/19 school year the total needed from reserves is \$3,967,682 to ensure the District remains solvent. Mr. Bush discussed Resource 9010 - Once Time Money. He reviewed the unrestricted ending fund balance and the multi-year projection reserves. Mr. Bush stated that the district is currently deficit spending. Mr. Bush concluded his report by stating "Our budget is an area where we MUST change the way we do business. It is not enough to simply spend money because we have it, but instead we need to develop a set of goals and priorities, and then use our budget as a resource to support those priorities and achievement of those goals. If we truly want to make our budget work for us we need to develop an over-arching set of goals for the district with community input, use that input to prioritize actions and commit to transparency." A copy of the power point presentation is on file with the Superintendent's Office.

J. HEARING SESSION

J.1. Hearing Session

Quick Summary:

This is an opportunity for community members to address the Board on agenda and non-agenda items. Those wishing to speak are to complete the form located on the back table and present it to the secretary prior to the meeting. Speakers are limited to three minutes each and each subject to twenty minutes except by consent of the Board of Trustees.

Neither Board members nor staff members will respond during the public hearing. Speakers who ask questions will be informed by the President that responses may be referred to the Superintendent for investigation or resolution. Speaking time is limited to three minutes per speaker, twenty minutes total.

If necessary answers will be given:

- a. by telephone after research
- b. by mail after research
- c. at the next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees as an agenda item

The Board also would like to remind anyone who wishes to lodge a complaint against a District employee that there is an existing Board adopted policy in effect specifically for this purpose. This policy contains a comprehensive procedure for reviewing and investigating public complaints, which includes a right of appeal to the Board.

This process provides a much more thorough opportunity for the complainant and the employee to be heard and the merits of the complaint to be properly investigated. Anyone who wishes to receive a copy of this policy may contact the Superintendent's Office.

Minutes:

Mrs. Rosemary Marlow, representing herself, spoke in support of Mrs. Laura Mathews. She asked to the Board to reconsider their decision.

Mr. David Prieto, Mr. Andrew Harlow, Miss Hanna Browder, Miss Brianna Birmingham and Mr. Alex Guilin, representing the class of 2017, addressed the Board concerning issues they feel are taking place at Palo Verde Valley High School and frustrations they have with site administration. A copy of the speech given by the students is on file with the Superintendent's Office.

K. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

K.1. Board Member Report

Quick Summary:

The Board of Trustees will report on recent activities and items of interest.

Minutes:

Mr. Ulmer and Mr. Hernandez had nothing to report.

Dr. Guith reported that he had attended several recent junior varsity/ varsity Girls' Basketball games. He reported that he attended the PVVHS NHS induction ceremony.

Mrs. Mullion reported on a recent workshop the Board held with the CCEE. She stated that the CCEE is assisting the District by working from the top down.

K.2. Student Board Member Report

Quick Summary:

Miss Morgan Milke, Student Board Member, will report on recent activities and items of interest.

Minutes:

Before giving her report, Miss Milke stated she supports the statements made by her classmates earlier in the meeting.

Miss Morgan Milke, Student Board Member, reported on recent activities and items of interest.

K.3. Superintendent's Report

Quick Summary:

Mr. Charles Bush, Superintendent, will report on recent activities and items of interest.

Minutes:

Mr. Bush introduced Mr. Burton as the PVVHS Vice-Principal. He reported that on February 24th, an Action Learning System training was held for secondary staff. He reported that he had met with the District DELAC parents to discuss the LCAP. Mr. Bush informed the Board that he will be holding a Calendar Committee meeting tomorrow. Mr. Bush informed the Board of the dates for the upcoming LCAP Community Meetings and strongly encouraged the both the Board and audience members to attend at least one of the meetings. He discussed the LCAP development process. Mr. Bush stated he met with the City Manger and informed the Board he is working with the city to create a joint use agreement.

K.4. Reports of Associations

Quick Summary:

Representatives from local PVTA, CSEA and Teamsters 542 may make presentations on their respective organizations at this time.

Minutes:

There was no report given by Teamsters Local 542.

Ms. Mary Roberson, PVTA President, thanked Mr. Bush for his 2nd Interim report. She reported that she is attending a CCEE workshop on Friday in San Diego. She stated she plans on attending the LCAP Community Meetings.

Mrs. Diana Vibanco, CSEA President, reported that surveys have gone out to unit member in preparation for negotiations. She stated that CSEA is looking to update contract language. Mrs. Vibanco informed the Board that CSEA is sending three instructional aides to an upcoming CSEA conference. She stated she is looking forward to the LCAP Community meetings. She congratulated Ruth Brown third grade for reaching 100% accelerated reader participation.

L. CONSENT ITEMS

L.1. Minutes

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Norm Guith and a second by John Ulmer.

Absent Samuel Burton

Yes Norm Guith

Yes Alfonso Hernandez

Yes Jamey Mullion

Yes John Ulmer

Quick Summary:

The Superintendent's Office submits to the Board of Trustees for approval the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on February 21, 2017 and the Special Board Workshop Meeting held on March 1, 2017.

L.2. Personnel Report #2016-17-12

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by John Ulmer and a second by Norm Guith.

Absent Samuel Burton

Yes Norm Guith

Yes Alfonso Hernandez

Yes Jamey Mullion

Yes John Ulmer

Quick Summary:

The Personnel Services Department submits to the Board of Trustees for approval the current Personnel Report.

L.3. Sunshine Proposal: PVTa Initial Proposal to PVUSD

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by John Ulmer and a second by Alfonso Hernandez.

Absent Samuel Burton

Yes Norm Guith

Yes Alfonso Hernandez

Yes Jamey Mullion

Yes John Ulmer

Quick Summary:

The Palo Verde Teachers Association (PVTa) is submitting its initial sunshine proposal for 2017-18 collective bargaining. Pursuant to Government Code 3547, the Palo Verde Teachers Association is presenting the proposal for public comment. The initial proposal of the exclusive representation will be brought back to the Board and presented for a public hearing and final public comment. A copy of the PVTa initial proposal has been placed on the back table of the board room for public review.

L.4. Approval: Interdistrict Attendance Master Agreement

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Norm Guith and a second by John Ulmer.

Absent Samuel Burton

Yes Norm Guith

Yes Alfonso Hernandez

Yes Jamey Mullion

Yes John Ulmer

Quick Summary:

The Superintendent's Office submits to the Board of Trustees for approval an Interdistrict Attendance Master Agreement between the Governing Boards of Riverside County. The term of this agreement is July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2022. Insofar as facilities permit (space availability), each district may accept pupils from the other school district who have proper interdistrict permits for attendance from the district of residence; who are eligible to attend regular classes in elementary, middle, senior high schools, continuation classes maintained by the district of proposed attendance; and who are acceptable to the district of attendance. Inter or Intra SELP Permits for individuals with exceptional needs may apply for students requiring specialized education per the IEP team.

L.5. Ratification: Revised Winter Submission of the Consolidated Application

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Norm Guith and a second by John Ulmer.

Absent Samuel Burton

Yes Norm Guith

Yes Alfonso Hernandez

Yes Jamey Mullion

Yes John Ulmer

Quick Summary:

The Curriculum and Instruction Department submits to the Board of Trustees for ratification the revised Winter Submission of the Consolidated Application. The original application was approved at the February 21, 2017 regular meeting of the Board of Trustees, with an advisement that edits may be needed prior to submission to the California Department of Education (CDE) by the Feb. 28th deadline. The application was submitted to CDE on February 23, 2017.

M. ACTION ITEMS

M.1. Public Hearing of AB 1200 Disclosure of Collective Bargaining Agreement-California School Employees Association (CSEA)

Quick Summary:

Per AB 1200, the Palo Verde Unified School District is required to hold a Public Hearing to disclose the negotiated settled agreement between the California School Employees Association and the Palo Verde Unified School District. A copy of the Agreement is available on the table at the back of the boardroom for public review.

Minutes:

The hearing opened at 7:41 PM.

There was no public comment.

The hearing closed at 7:42 PM.

M.2. Approval of the Settlement Agreement Between PVUSD and CSEA Dated January 30, 2017

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by John Ulmer and a second by Norm Guith.

Absent Samuel Burton

Yes Norm Guith

Yes Alfonso Hernandez

Yes Jamey Mullion

Yes John Ulmer

Quick Summary:

The Personnel Services Department submits to the Board of Trustees for approval the Settlement Agreement between the Palo Verde Unified School District and CSEA. The Agreement was executed on January 30, 2017.

M.3. Approval: 16/17 Second Interim Report

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by John Ulmer and a second by Alfonso Hernandez.

Absent Samuel Burton

Yes Norm Guith

Yes Alfonso Hernandez

Yes Jamey Mullion

Yes John Ulmer

Quick Summary:

The Business Services Department submits to the Board of Trustees for approval the Second Interim Report which reflects the District's projected financial condition through January 31, 2017. The purpose of the Multi-Year Projection is to provide sufficient evidence that the District will or will not be able to meet its financial obligation and fiduciary responsibility. A copy of the report will be on display in the District Board Room located at 295 N. First Street.

M.4. Approval: Service Agreement with Sanders Inc. Architecture/ Engineering

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Norm Guith and a second by John Ulmer.

Absent Samuel Burton

Yes Norm Guith

Yes Alfonso Hernandez

Yes Jamey Mullion

Yes John Ulmer

Quick Summary:

The Facilities and Operations Department submits to the Board of Trustees a service agreement with Sanders Inc. Architecture/ Engineering to provide architecture services during modernization of school sites and other projects as directed by Palo Verde USD. Monies paid to the architect will be based on the cost of any scheduled/ approved projects. The agreement is effective March 8, 2017 through March 7, 2018.

Minutes:

A Board Member requested that language be added to the contract stating the architect should assist with Close Out reports.

M.5. Approval: Vavrinek, Trine, Day & co., LLP Contract for Auditing Services

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by John Ulmer and a second by Norm Guith.

Absent Samuel Burton

Yes Norm Guith

Yes Alfonso Hernandez

Yes Jamey Mullion

No John Ulmer

Quick Summary:

The Business Services Department submits to the Board of Trustees for approval a contract between Vavrinek, Trine, Day & CO., LLP and Palo Verde Unified School District. The purpose of this agreement is to provide audit services on behalf of the district and to provide an annual audit report. The term of this agreement is for three years; July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019. Expense 2016-2017: NTE \$20,000 Expense 2017-2018: NTE \$20,500 Expense 2018-2019: NTE \$21,000 Funding: Resource 0000 LCFF03-802-0000-0-0000-7190-5820

Minutes:

Discussion regarding the use of this auditing firm was held.

M.6. Second Reading and Approval: Updated BP 3311 Bids

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Norm Guith and a second by Alfonso Hernandez.

Absent Samuel Burton

Yes Norm Guith

Yes Alfonso Hernandez

Yes Jamey Mullion

Yes John Ulmer

Quick Summary:

The Superintendent's Office submits to the Board of Trustees for second reading and approval updated board policy 3311 Bids. Per CSBA, the policy has been updated to move some material into new BP/AR 3311.1 - Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Procedures, AR 3311.2 - Lease-Leaseback Contracts, AR 3311.3 - Design-Build Contracts, and AR 3311.4 - Procurement of Technological Equipment.

M.7. Second Reading and Approval: Updated BP 5030 Student Wellness

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Norm Guith and a second by Alfonso Hernandez.

Absent Samuel Burton

Yes Norm Guith

Yes Alfonso Hernandez

Yes Jamey Mullion

Yes John Ulmer

Quick Summary:

The Superintendent's Office submits to the Board of Trustees for second reading and approval updated board policy 5030 Student Wellness. Per CSBA, the policy has been updated to reflect new federal regulations (81 Fed. Reg. 50151) which address the content of the wellness policy, assurance of stakeholder participation in the development and updates of the policy, and periodic assessment and disclosure of compliance. The policy also reflects new state law (SB 1169, 2016) which no longer requires posting of district policy on nutrition and physical activity within cafeterias/eating areas, but does require annually informing the public of the content and implementation of the policy.

M.8. Second Reading and Approval: Updated BP 5141.21 Administering Medication and Monitoring Health Conditions

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Norm Guith and a second by Alfonso Hernandez.

Absent Samuel Burton

Yes Norm Guith

Yes Alfonso Hernandez

Yes Jamey Mullion

Yes John Ulmer

Quick Summary:

The Superintendent's Office submits to the Board of Trustees for second reading and approval updated board policy 5141.21 Administering Medication and Monitoring Health Conditions. Per CSBA, the policy is being updated to delete requirements related to the administration of medication in cases of epileptic seizures, as Education Code 49414.7 repeals by its own terms on January 1, 2017, and to clarify that districts may continue to administer such medication under the general authority in state law.

M.9. Second Reading and Approval: Adoption of BP 5116.2 Involuntary Student Transfers

Motion Passed: Passed with a motion by Norm Guith and a second by Alfonso Hernandez.

Absent Samuel Burton

Yes Norm Guith

Yes Alfonso Hernandez

Yes Jamey Mullion

Yes John Ulmer

Quick Summary:

The Superintendent's Office submits to the Board of Trustees for second reading and approval the adoption of board policy 5116.2 Involuntary Student Transfers. Per CSBA, the new policy reflects new law (SB 1343, 2016) which authorizes districts to involuntarily transfer a student who has been convicted of a specified violent felony or a misdemeanor associated with possession of a firearm, whenever the student is enrolled at the same school as the victim of the crime for which he/she was convicted. In order to exercise this authority, the

district is mandated to adopt policy with specified components and provide notice of the policy to parents/guardians as part of the annual parental notification.

N. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

N.1. Discussion: Nutrition Services

Quick Summary:

The Superintendent's Office submits to the Board of Trustees for discussion: Nutrition Services.

Minutes:

Mr. Bush discussed the "Paid Lunch Equity" rule. He informed the Board that this year our lunch program is going to go through a federal review. The District needs to show a plan that highlights how the District will bring the paid lunch price up to the current lunch reimbursement level within a few years. If a plan isn't in place, the District could lose funding for the lunch program. The Board directed the Superintendent to bring a plan back to a future meeting for review and approval.

N.2. Discussion/Information: District Networking Equipment

Quick Summary:

Ms. Lois Shaffer, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, and Steve Currier, Technology Technician, will share information with the Board on the status and direction of networking equipment for the District.

Minutes:

Mr. Steve Currier and Ms. Lois Shaffer presented to the Board regarding E-Rate funding and areas monies received from this program can be used. They stated that for the 16/17 year the remaining discounted balance is \$377,880. Ms. Shaffer asked the Board whether or not they would like a plan/ E-Rate application brought to Board for approval. The Board asked what the deadline was for the application; the response was April 1st. The Board directed that a plan/ application be brought back to the March 21st board meeting.

N.3. First Reading and Discussion: Updated BP 6146.1 High School Graduation Requirements

Quick Summary:

The Superintendent's Office submits to the Board of Trustees for first reading and discussion updated board policy 6146.1 High School Graduation Requirements. Per CSBA, the policy is being updated to reflect new law (AB 2306, 2016) which generally exempts from district-established graduation requirements any student who transfers into a district school from a juvenile court school after the second year of high school, unless it is determined that the student is reasonably able to complete the requirements in time to graduate by the end of his/her fourth year of high school.

Minutes:

No discussion was held.

N.4. First Reading and Discussion: Updated BP 6164.6 Identification and Education Under Section 504

Quick Summary:

The Superintendent's Office submits to the Board of Trustees for first reading and discussion updated board policy 6164.6 Identification and Education Under Section 504. Per CSBA, the policy has been updated to add requirement to address the needs of students with disabilities in the district's local control and accountability plan.

Minutes:

No discussion was held.

O. OTHER BUSINESS

O.1. Proposed Board Workshop Date with Dr. Carl Cohn, Executive Director CCEE

Minutes:

It was shared with the Board that Dr. Carl Cohn is available on April 12th and April 13th to hold the requested Board workshops. The Board agreed to schedule the meetings.

P. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Minutes:

1.) Report: Shade Structures

Q. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes:

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 PM.

R. CALENDAR

R.1. Next Meeting

Quick Summary:

Regular Meeting: Tuesday, March 21, 2017

5:00 PM - Closed Session/ 6:00 PM - Open Session

District Administration Center

295 North First Street, Blythe, California 92225

Clerk

Superintendent