

ROCKLIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

2615 Sierra Meadows Drive Rocklin, CA 95677

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Steve Paul, *Vice President*
Greg Daley, *Clerk*
Camille Maben, *Member*
Wendy Lang, *Member*



NOVEMBER 5, 2014

SPECIAL RECOGNITION, EMPLOYEE YEARS OF SERVICE — 6:30 P.M. – 7:00 P.M. REGULAR MEETING MINUTES — 7:00 P.M.

EMPLOYEE YEARS OF SERVICE RECOGNITION (6:30 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.) – The District held its 18th annual Employee Recognition Years of Service Event, recognizing RUSD Secondary employees along with employees from the District Office, Nutrition Services, Maintenance and Operations and Transportation with 10, 15, 20, 25 30 and 35 years of service. Board of Trustees thanked those being recognized for their dedicated service and long term commitment to students and the community.

1.0 **CALL TO ORDER** – President Todd Lowell called the regular meeting of the Rocklin Unified School District Board of Trustees to order at 7:05 p.m., on November 5, 2014, in the District Administration Office located at 2615 Sierra Meadows Drive, Rocklin, CA 95677. A quorum was established.

2.0 **ROLL CALL**

Trustees Present: Todd Lowell, *President*
 Steve Paul, *Vice President*
 Camille Maben, *Member*
 Greg Daley, *Clerk*

Trustee(s) Absent: Wendy Lang, *Member*

Student Representative: Trevor Bohatch, *Rocklin High School*

Administrative Staff: Roger Stock, *Superintendent*; Barbara Patterson, *Deputy Superintendent*; Colleen Slattery, *Assistant Superintendent*; Sue Wesseliuss, *Senior Director*; Karen Huffines, *Director*; Marty Flowers, *Director*; Mike Fury, *Chief Technology Officer*; Melody Thorson, *Principal Ruhkala Elementary School*; Amanda Makis, *Principal Rocklin Elementary*; Jim Trimble, *Principal Sunset Ranch Elementary*; Mark Williams, *Principal Victory High School*; David Bills, *Principal Rocklin High School*; Beth Davidson, *Principal Spring View Middle School*; Brittaney Meyer, *Assistant Principal Spring View Middle School*; Jay Holmes, *Principal Granite Oaks Middle School*; Barbara Scott, *President RTPA*; Tiffany Pelkey, *President CSEA*.

3.0 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Trevor Bohatch introduced the Whitney High School AFJROTC Color Guard then led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4.0 **SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

4.1 **PATRIOT DAY CELEBRATION ART AND ESSAY CONTEST RECOGNITION:**

Skott Hutton, Coordinator for Family-Community Engagement & Strategic Planning, in partnership with Wendy Smith, Rocklin Police, and Jim Brown, Patriot Day Grant Team Leader, recognized students for their outstanding submissions in the Annual Patriot Day Celebration Art and Essay Contest. Top winners shared their inspirational essays and artwork.

Student Winners for Art Competition: First Place title was a three-way tie: Danielle Pittman; second-grader from Antelope Creek, Katelyn Vu, third-grader from Sunset

Ranch and Lillie Stevenson; third-grader from Sunset Ranch. Lillie Stevenson was also awarded Grand Champion for her submission in that category.

Student Winners for Essay Competition: First Place, Raevyn Davis, sixth-grader from Rocklin Elementary. Abby Wristen; fifth-grader from Rocklin Elementary received the Grand Champion award.

4.2 ELEMENTARY SCHOOL LIBRARY DONATION:

Jim Trimble, Sunset Ranch Elementary Principal presented RUSD Elementary Libraries with a donation check for \$2,150, raised at the 13th Annual RUSD District Golf Tournament. Present to accept the donation were Librarian, Lorraine Littlejohn and Carolyn Byers, Library Clerk. To date, the District Golf Tournament has raised over \$30,000 for elementary libraries. This year's RUSD Golf Tournament is scheduled for May 8.

- 5.0 **AUDIENCE/VISITORS PUBLIC DISCUSSION** – Todd Lowell welcomed all visitors and invited them to speak on agenda items at the conclusion of the Board's discussion. He also invited visitors to speak at this time regarding non-agenda items and announced that the public portion of the meeting would be recorded. The following comments regarding non-agenda items were noted:

Sindhuja Nirnanjan Kumar, parent of a Parker Whitney Elementary School student, expressed to the Board of Trustees that although she is a current parent classroom volunteer, she would like to spend more time observing. Due to District guidelines, she is limited to minimal time in the classroom. She asked the District to review its policies to allow her, and other parents, easier access to observe their student's classes. Trustee Todd Lowell thanked her for sharing her request and directed Elementary Director, Karen Huffines, to follow up with Ms. Nirnanjan Kumar.

CSEA President, Tiffany Pelkey, publically thanked the District for honoring the 2013-14 collective bargaining agreement by reaching out to re-open negotiations when actual revenues exceeded projections. She thanked the District for its efforts in initiating conversation, its amicable partnership, and is excited about a tentative agreement reached last week. This tentative agreement includes an additional .54% increase, for a full compensation increase of 5% in 2014-15, totaling a 9.33% increase over two years for CSEA employees. Lowell thanked Pelkey for her time to address the Board and for her strong leadership as CSEA President.

Mark Williams, Principal Victory High School (VHS), introduced Peyton Marvin, VHS Board of Trustee Student Representative, who was present at the meeting to observe. Williams shared that Ms. Marvin is an all-star student at Victory High School, on track to graduate her junior year.

- 6.0 **COMMENTS FROM STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE(S)** – Student Representative Trevor Bohatch provided a detailed report on a variety of District-wide events happening at elementary and secondary schools.

7.0 **COMMENTS FROM BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT** –

Camille Maben expressed her sympathy to Trustee member Wendy Lang for the recent passing of her Mother in Law. Maben also shared that in an election week, it was timely and appropriate to have a presentation on "patriotism" from students and thanked them for sharing their patriotic work. She also thanked Trustees Lowell and Lang for their willingness to run for re-election as RUSD Board of Trustee Members and for their dedicated service to students and families for so many years. Maben congratulated Susan Halldin on her recent election as a new Board of Trustee member and is looking forward to working with her. Maben also shared that she recently attended the Fall Carnival at Rocklin Elementary School, and that it was another successful year of fun for families.

Steve Paul congratulated Trustees Lowell, Lang and Trustee-elect Halldin for their recent success at the voting polls being selected as RUSD's newly elected Board of Trustees. They will represent the District well. Paul shared that "Toast of the Town," held Nov 1, was a success and thanked all involved for

their efforts and fund raising for kids. Paul also mentioned that recently, while at a football game between Wood Creek High School –vs- Rocklin High School, he observed injured football player, Max O'Rourke, and coach collaborating together on the sideline, a great show of teamwork. Paul also shared that it was a pleasure to celebrate Rick Morris's life at his memorial on Nov 2. Morris' contributions to the school and community will be long lasting.

Todd Lowell congratulated Susan Halldin on her decisive victory as the newest RUSD School Board member and shared that she will be a great addition to the Board. Lowell also thanked David Bills for his participation and great job facilitating at Rick Morris's memorial service.

Roger Stock extended his congratulations to re-elected Trustees Lowell and Lang and Trustee-elect Halldin on the recent election. He thanked them for taking the opportunity to lead and serve the District for the next four years. Stock shared that the Trustees will be honoring Steve Paul on Nov 19th at 6:00 p.m. for his 12 years of dedicated service. In light of recent local events, Stock acknowledged the parents in our district who work for law enforcement and thanked them for their diligent work in keeping our community safe.

8.0 **ACTION ITEMS - CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 8.1 **BOARD MINUTES** – Request to approve Board minutes.
 - 8.1.1 Sept 17, 2014 (Regular Session)
 - 8.1.2 Oct 5, 2014 (Regular Session)
- 8.2 **CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL REPORT** – Request to approve personnel items included on the Certificated Personnel Report. (Colleen Slattery)
- 8.3 **CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL REPORT** – Request to approve personnel items included on the Classified Personnel Report. (Colleen Slattery)
- 8.4 **BILL WARRANTS** – Request to approve bill warrants. (Barbara Patterson)
- 8.5 **MONTHLY ACCOUNT SUMMARIES** – Request to approve monthly account summaries. (Barbara Patterson)
- 8.6 **OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP(S)** – Request to approve the following overnight field trips. (Deborah Sigman)
 - 8.6.1 Whitney High School Varsity Basketball team to attend overnight field trip to participate in Annual “Dawg” Classic Boys Varsity Basketball Tournament at San Rafael High School in Marin County, CA (December 4 – Dec 6, 2014).
- 8.7 **DONATIONS** – Request to accept District donations. (Barbara Patterson)
- 8.8 **WILL SERVE LETTER, YANKEE HILL ESTATES, UNIT 6 (a.k.a. LIBERTY ESTATES)** – Request to approve “Will Serve” letter for Yankee Hill Estates, Unit 6 (a.k.a. Liberty Estates project). (Sue Wesselius)
- 8.9 **DISPOSING OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT – ROCKLIN HIGH SCHOOL** (Sue Wesselius)
- 8.10 **CONTRACT WITH BVD CONSULTING FOR SURPLUS PROPERTY DISPOSAL** (Sue Wesselius)
- 8.11 **SPECIAL EDUCATION MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING (MOUs)** (Deborah Sigman)
- 8.12 **REVISED NUTRITION SERVICES JOB DESCRIPTIONS** (Colleen Slattery)

Todd Lowell requested to table item 8.1.2 for the November 19th meeting for approval. Following this, a **MOTION** was made by Greg Daley and seconded by Steve Paul to approve the remainder of the Consent Calendar. Motion passed unanimously by the following roll call vote: Paul – aye, Daley – aye, Maben – aye, Lowell – aye .

9.0 **ACTION ITEMS – REGULAR AGENDA**

- 9.1 **BOARD POLICY (BP), ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION (AR) – A MOTION** was made by Camille Maben and seconded by Steve Paul to approve the following Board Policies and Administrative Regulations. Motion passed unanimously.

- 9.1.1 BP 5111 Admission Kindergarten – revised
9.1.2 AR 5111 Admission Kindergarten – revised

- 9.2 **BOARD POLICY (BP), ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION (AR) AND EXHIBITS (E) – A MOTION** was made by Greg Daley and seconded by Steve Paul to approve the following Administrative Regulations and Exhibits. Motion passed unanimously.

- 9.2.1 AR 4117.7 Employment Status Reports – revised
9.2.2 AR 4317.7 Employment Status Reports – new
9.2.3 E 4112.9 Employee Notifications – new
9.2.4 E 4212.9 Employee Notifications – new
9.2.5 E 4312.9 Employee Notifications – new

- 9.3 **LEASE-LEASEBACK ENTITY FOR WHITNEY HIGH SCHOOL CONCRETE WORK:**

Comments: President Lowell asked Sue Wesselius how much of the total \$55,000 cost was being paid for by Whitney High School? Wesselius responded with “\$10,000 for enhancements to the project.” Trustee Steve Paul questioned if the District should fund “all” of the project, although WHS has done fund raising specifically for contribution to this project. Camille Maben felt the contributions from WHS, in partnership with the District, was a “positive thing,” and a great way for sites to feel a direct part of the project and pride in the investment. Lowell asked the Facilities Department to update the Board in the future regarding funding for site campus projects such as this, for Board input. Greg Daley shared that having sites contribute “is a good thing,” promoting school involvement and contribution. Lowell recommended approving the project, allowing the project to move forward on schedule, with the understanding that the District would explore donations and come back at a future date with a funding allocation update. Student Board of Trustee asked for verification that the Board would be informed at a later date regarding funding for this project, to which Wesselius confirmed.

A MOTION was made by Greg Daley and seconded by Camille Mabel to approve the Lease-leaseback Entity for Whitney High School Concrete Work. Motion passed unanimously.

- 9.4 **RESOLUTION NO. 14-15-08, APPROVING A SITE LEASE, A DEVELOPMENT AND LEASE AGREEMENT AND GENERAL CONSTRUCTION PROVISIONS – A MOTION** was made by Steve Paul and seconded by Camille Maben to approve Resolution No. 14-15-08 approving a site lease, a development and lease agreement and general construction provision. Motion passed unanimously.

10.0 **INFORMATION AND REPORTS**

- 10.1 **ROCKLIN EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY TEAM (RETT) UPDATE** – RETT team Chairs, Mike Fury, Melody Thorson and Ryan O'Donnell presented an update to the Board of Trustees. Information included RETT's goals to align with the District's Strategic Plan, along with purpose, beliefs and efforts to better serve the need for instructional technology across the District.

Presentation Highlights:

- RUSD Comprehensive Instructional Technology Plan, including powerful tools, professional development and student digital literacy/citizenship.
- RETT alignment to the District Strategic Plan, creating student academic growth through dynamic and challenging learning experiences along with building individual and organizational capacity through resources and partnerships.

- Goals 2014-2018:
 - Create leveled learning modules related to Google Apps for Education, with equitable and consistent training for teachers.
 - Provide Schoology training and support, while continuing the development of lesson study modules.
 - Implement comprehensive K-12 digital citizenship & cyber safety plan using internal and external resources, such as Common Sense Media Digital Literacy and Citizenship Curriculum.

Board of Trustee Greg Daley thanked the RETT team on their great job educating their fellow RETT team members over the years. He thanked them for their hard work and shared that the growth in technology is apparent and encouraging throughout the District. He shared that he does have some concerns about the current capability of hardware in the District and the challenges teachers are having in effectively using it. He would like to see more research and focus in this area.

Student Board Representative, Trevor Bohatch, shared that he agrees with the RETT team, in the importance of a challenging learning environment for students when it comes to technology in the classroom. He shared that there is some frustration with students, including himself, due to the fact there are so many tools currently being offered/used by students and asked if the District would be “streamlining” tools to simplify usage. He also asked if RETT sees Google Docs and Schoology as being complimentary or separate systems in the future? Mike Fury responded that there are benefits to testing several different products/tools, acknowledging that with that, comes challenges. While they are being sensitive to the issue, RETT goals are to expose users to a variety of products in a quickly changing technical world, allowing users to have options.

Trustee Todd Lowell thanked the RETT team for their presentation and mentioned that is has been four years since the RETT team was established. He asked if the team feels confident that the current structure of the program is what the District needs to be successful. The RETT team responded affirmatively.

11.0 **PENDING AGENDA** – No items were placed on the Pending Agenda.

12.0 **CLOSED SESSION** – The Board adjourned to closed session at 8:40 regarding the following matters:

12.1 *Public employee discipline/dismissal/release pursuant to Government Code section 54957.*

12.2 *Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation as authorized by Government Code section 54956.9*

12.3 *Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation as authorized by Government Code section 54956.9 (Sacramento Court Case No. SA-CE-2562-E)*

12.4 *Conference with Labor Negotiators as authorized by Government Code Section 54957.6:*

District Representative(s): Roger Stock, Superintendent
Barbara Patterson, Deputy Superintendent, Business and Operations
Colleen Slattery, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

13.0 **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION** – President Lowell reconvened the meeting to open session.

14.0 **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION** – The Board of Trustees took action to approve the terms of the draft settlement agreements in PERB Case No. SA-CE-2562-E and RTPA and to authorize the Superintendent to execute the agreements on behalf of the District. The vote was unanimous: ayes 4/Lowell, Daley, Paul, Maben, absent 1/Lang.

15.0 **ADJOURNMENT** – President Lowell adjourned the meeting at 10:58 p.m.

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