

ROCKLIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

2615 Sierra Meadows Drive Rocklin, CA 95677

Greg Daley, *President*
Camille Maben, *Vice President*
Susan Halldin, *Clerk*
Todd Lowell, *Member*
Wendy Lang, *Member*



MARCH 16, 2016 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES — 6:30 P.M.

1.0 **CALL TO ORDER**— President Greg Daley called the meeting of the Rocklin Unified School District Board of Trustees to order at 6:10 P.M., March 16, 2016 in the District Administration Office located at 2615 Sierra Meadows Drive, Rocklin, CA, 95677. A quorum was established.

2.0 **ROLL CALL**

Trustees Present: Greg Daley, *President*
 Camille Maben, *Vice President*
 Susan Halldin, *Clerk*
 Todd Lowell, *Member*

Trustees Absent: Wendy Lang, *Member*

Student Representative: Luke Zianno, *Rocklin High School*

Administrative Staff: Roger Stock, *Superintendent*; Kathleen Pon, *Deputy Superintendent Educational Services*; Barbara Patterson, *Deputy Superintendent Business and Operations*; Colleen Slattery, *Assistant Superintendent Human Resources*; Craig Rouse, *Senior Director Facilities and Operations*; Marty Flowers, *Director Secondary Programs and School Leadership*; Tammy Forrest, *Director of Special Education and Support Programs*; Mike Fury, *Chief Technology Officer*; Diana Capra, *Chief of Communications and Community Engagement*; Davis Stewart, *Principal Rocklin High School*; Mark Williams, *Principal Victory High School and Rocklin Independent Charter Academy*; Dorothy Sutter, *Principal Rock Creek Elementary School*; Jason Feuerbach, *Assistant Principal/Athletic Director Whitney High School*; Brenda Meadows, *Recorder*.

3.0 **CLOSED SESSION (6:10 P.M.)**— The Board adjourned to closed session regarding the following matter(s):

3.1 Public Employee Appointment as authorized by Government Code 54957
 Position: Principal, Sunset Ranch Elementary School
 Position: Principal, Rock Creek Elementary School

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION— President Daley reconvened the meeting to open session at 6:35 P.M.

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION— No action was taken in closed session.

4.0 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**— Luke Zianno and the Whitney High School AFJROTC Color Guard led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

5.0 **SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

5.1 Rocklin and Whitney High School Unified Basketball Game Planning Staff were recognized for their foresight and assistance in planning the inspirational event held on February 25, 2016. Trustees thanked staff for their outstanding service to students and congratulated them on introducing such a unifying event to the community, showcasing Rocklin Unified School District at its best.

6.0 **AUDIENCE/VISITORS PUBLIC DISCUSSION** – Greg Daley 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, noting a three minute time limit per person.

Public Comment:

Nathan Straud, Whitney High School (WHS) student, shared with Trustees information on the Architecture Construction and Engineering (ACE) program at WHS which is dedicated to creating and designing a better community.

Laura Kelly and Nathaniel Lynn, Rocklin High School (RHS) students, shared concerns with Trustees around student mental and emotional health issues, including depression, suicide and self harming. Kelly also requested that Trustees consider implementing a delayed start time for secondary schools. Trustee Greg Daley, thanked Kelly and Lynn for their heartfelt concern and comments and stated that the Board is committed to providing continued resources to staff and students to better support students experiencing mental health challenges. Daley shared that Trustees will discuss Late School Start Times at the May 18 Board of Trustees Meeting (Information Item).

7.0 **COMMENTS FROM STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE** – Student Representative Luke Zianno provided a report on events happening at elementary and secondary schools.

8.0 **COMMENTS FROM BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT** – Camille Maben thanked staff for the recent update regarding media coverage Rocklin Unified has received over the past few months highlighting and the good work happening throughout the District. Susan Halldin shared that she recently attended the Rocklin State of the City Event, reminding her of the important partnership RUSD is with the City of Rocklin. Halldin stated RUSD is fortunate to have such a strong relationship with the City. Halldin also shared that she attended a Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) competition where several RUSD students were recognized for their outstanding projects. Greg Daley thanked Steve Paul, past RUSD Board Member, for attending the meeting and for his long term impact on students and staff. Daley also shared that Trustees were heavy hearted as a result of the recent news of the passing of a Whitney High School student. Daley stated the Board is committed to its continued efforts to provide programs and support to students both emotionally and academically. Superintendent Stock expressed his condolences, on behalf of the District, on the loss of California Highway Patrol Officer Nathan Taylor (Antelope Creek Elementary School parent). Stock extended condolences to Taylor’s family and well as to the RUSD family during this time of loss. Stock also thanked the RUSD Facilities Team for their hard work during recent storms in providing a safe environment for staff and students.

9.0 **ACTION ITEMS - CONSENT CALENDAR**

9.1 **APPROVE BOARD MINUTES** – Request to approve Board minutes.
9.1.1 March 2, 2016

9.2 **APPROVE CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL REPORT** – Request to approve personnel items included on the Certificated Personnel Report. (Colleen Slattery)

9.3 **APPROVE CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL REPORT** – Request to approve personnel items included on the Classified Personnel Report. (Colleen Slattery)

- 9.4 **APPROVE 2017-18 (186 DAY) DISTRICT SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR** – Request to accept proposed 2017-18 (186 day) District detailed school year calendar. (Colleen Slattery)
- 9.5 **APPROVE WILL SERVE LETTER AT PEBBLE CREEK DRIVE AND COPPERVALE DRIVE** – Request to approve Will Serve Letter for 47 lots located at Pebble Creek Drive and Coppervale Drive. (Craig Rouse)
- 9.6 **APPROVE CONTRACT FOR GRANITE OAKS MIDDLE SCHOOL SHRUB REMOVAL PROJECT** – Request to approve contract for Granite Oaks Middle School Shrub Removal Project with Russell Fleming Construction. (Craig Rouse)
- 9.7 **REJECT CLAIM R16-01** – Request to reject Claim R16-01. (Barbara Patterson)
- 9.8 **BOARD POLICY (BP) AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS (AR)** – Request to approve the following Board Policies and Administrative Regulations. (Colleen Slattery)
- 9.8.1 BP 4030 Nondiscrimination in Employment – revised
- 9.8.2 AR 4030 Nondiscrimination in Employment – new
- 9.8.3 AR 4031 Nondiscrimination in Employment – deleted
- 9.9 **BOARD POLICY (BP) AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS (AR)** – Request to approve the following Board Policies and Administrative Regulations. (Colleen Slattery)
- 9.9.1 AR 4121 Temporary/Substitute Personnel – revised
- 9.10 **BOARD POLICY (BP) AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS (AR)** – Request to approve the following Board Policies and Administrative Regulations. (Colleen Slattery)
- 9.10.1 AR 4261.1 Personal Illness/Injury Leave – revised

A **MOTION** was made by Susan Halldin and seconded Todd Lowell to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion passed by the following roll call vote: Student Representative – aye, Lowell – aye, Maben – aye, Halldin – aye, Daley – aye.

10.0 **ACTION ITEMS – REGULAR AGENDA**

10.1 **APPOINT PRINCIPALS AT ROCK CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND SUNSET RANCH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL –**

Colleen Slattery, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, requested appointment of Mark Williams as new Principal at Rock Creek Elementary, effective July 1, 2016.

Public Comment: Steve Paul shared his support of Mark Williams and the excellence he has brought to the District, excelling in his roll as Principal at Victory High School (VHS)/Rocklin Independent charter Academy (RICA). Paul stated that thanks to the good work of retiring Principal Dorothy Sutter, Williams will take over a strong and thriving school.

A **MOTION** was made by Todd Lowell and seconded Camille Maben to approve appointment of Mark Williams as new Principal of Rock Creek Elementary School. Motion passed unanimously.

Comment: Following approval, Mark Williams thanked the Board for their support and confirmation and shared his excitement to be part of the Rock Creek team. Camille Maben congratulated Williams in his new appointment sharing this is an exciting new chapter for him. Susan Halldin congratulated Williams and shared that Trustees are always available for any support needed in his new role. Todd Lowell stated that he looks forward to watching Williams continue to excel in his new leadership role within the District. Greg Daley congratulated

Williams, stating he knows Williams will bring his talents to continue the success of the school that Principal Dorothy Sutter worked so hard to build. Superintendent Stock thanked Williams for his attitude of leadership and learning as he transitions into his new roll at Rock Creek Elementary.

Colleen Slattery, requested appointment of William “Bill” MacDonald as new Principal at Sunset Ranch Elementary, effective July 1, 2016.

A **MOTION** was made by Camille Maben and seconded Susan Halldin to approve appointment of William MacDonald as new Principal of Sunset Ranch Elementary School. Motion passed unanimously.

Comment: Following approval, Colleen Slattery read a written response from Bill MacDonald (who was unable to attend the meeting due to a prior professional commitment) thanking the Board for their approval and expressing gratitude and excitement to be part of the Rocklin Unified and Sunset Ranch Elementary team.

10.2 **APPROVE BOARD POLICY (BP) AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS (AR) ON INTERDISTRICT AND INTRADISTRICT ENROLLMENT PROCESS** – Kathy Pon, Deputy Superintendent, Educational Services, presented the Board with additional data and information and requested approval of revisions to the following Board Policies and Administrative Regulations following an enrollment update.

- 10.2.1 AR 5111.1 District Residency – revised
- 10.2.2 AR 5111.12 Residency Based on Parent/Guardian Employment – revised
- 10.2.3 BP 5116.1 Intradistrict Open Enrollment – revised
- 10.2.4 AR 5116.1 Intradistrict Open Enrollment – revised
- 10.2.5 BP 5117 Interdistrict Attendance – revised
- 10.2.6 AR 5117 Interdistrict Attendance – revised

Board Comments:

Trustees discussed Interdistrict and Intradistrict current policy and practices and gave additional direction to staff. Board did not approve revisions to policies presented and asked for adjustments to language to be brought back at the April 20, 2016 Board Meeting for action.

Interdistrict Transfer Policy for Impacted School Sites: Trustees stated that students living within the school boundary of impacted sites should receive priority over interdistrict transfer students. Trustees identified two categories within “Interdistrict Transfers” for impacted sites:

- 1) **Students of current RUSD Employees working at the school site (full time):**
 - Trustees stated that students living in school boundary would always have priority for placement with the next priority going to students who have parents working at the school site.
 - a) New RUSD employees hired at the school site would not get priority.
 - b) Siblings of RUSD employees entering the impacted school site would not get priority.
 - c) Interdistrict Policy language to include that the Interdistrict Transfer approvals can be revoked in the case of attendance, academic, or behavioral issues.
- 2) Next Priority would go to **Students of RUSD Employees (not working at the impacted site) as well as Non RUSD Employees working in the District 3+ days:**
 - a) Students/Families would be required to reapply each year.
 - b) No guarantee on specific site placement. Only guaranteed a spot in the District.

Intradistrict Transfer Policy for Impacted School Sites: Trustees stated that students living within the school boundary of impacted sites always get priority over Intradistrict Transfers.

- 1) Students who have attended 85% of the regular school year gain residency to their school of attendance.
- 2) Students attending an impacted site on an Intradistrict Transfer in the first year would not be granted residency.
- 3) Intradistrict Policy language to include that Intradistrict Transfer approvals can be revoked in the case of attendance, academic, or behavioral issues.

Residency Verification:

Trustees agreed that the practice of “residency verification” has fallen away and stated the need to audit Sunset Ranch Elementary for the 2016/17 school year (most impacted site in District). Trustees requested that the District provide Sunset Ranch Elementary the resources to complete an audit. Results from the Sunset Ranch Residency Verification Audit would allow the District to have additional conversation on whether more audits would be appropriate at additional RUSD school sites.

Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) Program at Rocklin Elementary:

Camille Maben asked about the consideration of expanding the self contained GATE program to two school sites to accommodate families. Maben shared concern that combination classes that may be created at Rocklin Elementary, due to impact of the GATE program, may not be in the best interest of the community and student base served at the school site. Additional expansion at the GATE program site may increase redirection of resident students. Stock stated the District has looked at expanding GATE to a second site and could bring back that analysis to Trustees in a memorandum.

- 10.3 **APPROVE LIVE VIDEO STREAMING /AUDIO ARCHIVING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETINGS AND REVISED BOARD BYLAW** – Request Board action on the option of live video streaming/audio archiving of Board of Trustee meetings and revision to the following Board Bylaw. (Diana Capra)
- 10.3.1 BB 9324 Minutes and Recordings – revised

Trustee Greg Daley pulled Item 10.3 and asked the Superintendent to bring back to Trustees at the April 20, 2016 Board meeting.

- 10.4 **ACCEPT 2016-17 INITIAL CONTRACT PROPOSAL FROM ROCKLIN TEACHERS PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION (RTPA) AND SET DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING** – Colleen Slattery, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, presented Trustees with the 2016-17 Initial Contract Proposal from RTPA. Slattery requested approval of the contract proposal and approval to schedule a public hearing for April 20, 2016.

Public Comment: Colleen Crowe, Bargaining Chair for RTPA, stated she and the RTPA negotiation team look forward to working with District after the public hearing which is proposed for April 20, 2016.

A **MOTION** was made by Todd Lowell and seconded Susan Halldin to approve the 2016-17 Initial Contract Proposal from RTPA and to schedule a public hearing for April 20, 2016. Motion passed unanimously.

- 10.5 **APPROVE DISTRICT CERTIFICATION OF ABILITY TO MEET FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS (SECOND INTERIM REPORT)** – Barbara Patterson, Deputy Superintendent, Business and Operations, requested approval of Second Interim Report, certifying that it will meet its financial obligations for the current and subsequent two fiscal years (Positive Certification).

A **MOTION** was made by Susan Halldin and seconded by Todd Lowell to approve Second Interim Report. Motion passed unanimously.

- 10.6 **ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 15-16-15, KINDERGARTEN THROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE PUBLIC EDUCATION FACILITIES BOND ACT OF 2016** – Craig Rouse, Senior Director Facilities and Operations, requested approval of adoption of Resolution 15-16-15, to support the Kindergarten through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016.

Comment: Todd Lowell asked if Resolution 15-16-15 was an “initiative,” to which Rouse responded “yes, this was a bond initiative to be included on the November 2016 ballot.” Trustees acknowledged the need for state funds to modernize and build new facilities.

A **MOTION** was made by Camille Maben and seconded Susan Halldin to approve adoption of Resolution 15-16-15, to support the Kindergarten through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016. Motion passed by roll call vote: Lowell – aye, Maben – aye, Halldin – aye, Daley – aye.

11.0 **INFORMATION AND REPORTS**

- 11.1 **LOCAL CONTROL ACCOUNTABILITY PLAN (LCAP)** – Kathy Pon, Deputy Superintendent, Educational Services, and Melanie Patterson, LCAP Program Specialist, presented Trustees with an informational report on the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) including recommend actions for 2016-17 RUSD LCAP and an overview analysis of stakeholder input.

Comments: Trustees thanked staff for the detailed report and hard work on LCAP. Lowell expressed how impressive it was to see the high level of participation from stakeholders. Lowell asked Pon and Patterson what areas of work might have been identified as duplicative and/or no longer needed. Pon and Patterson stated that as the District collects and refines LCAP data, the District will continue to identify and consider the elimination of any program/resources that are no longer effective and may be replaced by other resources. Camille Maben thanked the LCAP team for their work, stating that the list was very comprehensive. Maben recommended narrowing the list to allow the District a way to measure programs that are most effective (new and existing). Maben asked team to use the statement “how are children and families better off by this investment” as a benchmark in identifying which programs to keep and implement. Maben also stated the ongoing need for implementation of mental health support services at schools site, referring to a past “advisory model” of having staff assigned 10 -12 students to connect with on a regular basis. Stock thanked Trustees for recognizing the value that the LCAP position brings to the District, allowing the District the ability to gather more stakeholder input to provide Trustees with details around LCAP, making the District stronger in it’s efforts to support students and staff.

- 12.0 **PENDING AGENDA** – No items were placed on the Pending Agenda at this time.

- 13.0 **ADJOURNMENT**– President Daley adjourned the meeting at 9:35 P.M. (No Closed Session was held).