

- 6.0 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Luke Zianno and the Whitney High School AFJROTC Color Guard led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 7.0 **SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS/PRESENTATIONS**
- 7.1 Trustee Lowell presented a recognition award to Sarah Nichols for being named the 2015 Carl Towley Award recipient and honored the Whitney High School Yearbook Team for the induction of Whitney High School’s Yearbook into the National Scholastic Press Association’s Hall of Fame.
- 8.0 **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, noting a three minute time limit per person. The following comments regarding non-agenda items were noted:
- Public Comment: No public comment was made.
- 9.0 **COMMENTS FROM STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE** – Student Representative Luke Zianno provided a report on events happening at elementary and secondary schools.
- 10.0 **COMMENTS FROM BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT** – Wendy Lang welcomed Kathy Pon, Deputy Superintendent Educational Services, to Rocklin Unified School District’s family of employees. Lang shared that she and Board members recently had the opportunity to attend the California School Board Association’s Educational Conference which allowed Trustees to attend trainings on items that are important to the District and strengthen passion for serving students and staff. Lang wished all a Merry Christmas and happy holidays. Greg Daley shared that the Board of Trustees are truly a collective family, stating he is thankful to serve together. Daley expressed sympathies to the Halldin family in the recent passing of Trustee Halldin’s father. Camille Maben shared her condolences regarding former Superintendent John Anderson who recently passed away. Maben stated that during Anderson’s career as Superintendent, he put into place a structure that allowed schools to be built and the District to grow and flourish. Maben also shared that she recently had the opportunity to attend two dance performances at Rocklin Elementary School where kids performed for a packed gym full of supporters. Susan Halldin thanked the Board for their support and thanked Student Board Representative Luke Zianno and the Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) for coming out to a Board meeting on a busy finals week. Todd Lowell stated that he too attended the celebration of life for past Superintendent John Anderson, who served the District from 1983 – 1995. Lowell shared that Anderson oversaw the building of 13 of the 16 schools in the District and will always be remembered for his outstanding leadership, principle and character. Superintendent Stock acknowledged the generosity of countless students and staff who continue to go above and beyond in giving, especially during the holiday season.
- 11.0 **ACTION ITEMS - CONSENT CALENDAR**
- 11.1 **APPROVE BOARD MINUTES** – Request to approve Board minutes.
11.1.1 November 18, 2015
- 11.2 **APPROVE CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL REPORT** – Request to approve personnel items included on the Certificated Personnel Report. (Colleen Slattery)
- 11.3 **APPROVE CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL REPORT** – Request to approve personnel items included on the Classified Personnel Report. (Colleen Slattery)
- 11.4 **APPROVE BILL WARRANTS** – Request to approve Bill Warrants. (Barbara Patterson)

- 11.5 **APPROVE MONTHLY ACCOUNT SUMMARIES** – Request to approve monthly account summaries. (Barbara Patterson)
- 11.6 **ACCEPT DONATIONS** – Request to accept District donations. (Barbara Patterson)
- 11.7 **APPROVE SINGLE PLANS FOR STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT (SPSA) FOR 2015-16 SCHOOL YEAR** – Request to approve Single Plans for Student Achievement (SPSA) for the 2015-16 school year. (Kathleen Pon)
- 11.8 **APPROVE CHANGE ORDER NO. 02 TO THE LEASE/LEASEBACK PROJECT WITH LANDMARK CONSTRUCTION AT ROCKLIN HIGH SCHOOL HVAC AND LIGHTING RETROFIT PROJECT AND INCLUDE ADDITION OF ONE RELOCATABLE CLASSROOM AT SUNSET RANCH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** – Request to approve Change Order No. 02 to the lease/leaseback project with Landmark Construction at Rocklin High School HVAC and Lighting Retrofit Project, and include addition of one relocatable classroom at Sunset Ranch Elementary School. (Craig Rouse)
- 11.9 **APPROVE GYM LOCKER INSTALLATION AT WHITNEY HIGH SCHOOL** – Request to approve ratification of the contract with Sierra School Equipment Company for gym locker installation at Whitney High School. (Craig Rouse)
- 11.10 **APPROVE PROPOSAL FOR WHITNEY HIGH SCHOOL ELECTRICAL LOAD REDISTRIBUTION PROJECT** – Request to approve proposal for Whitney High School electrical load redistribution project and authorization of the Superintendent or designee to sign on its behalf. (Craig Rouse)
- 11.11 **REJECT CLAIM NO. R15-04** – Request to reject Claim No. R15-04. (Barbara Patterson)
- 11.12 **REJECT CLAIM NO. R15-05** – Request to reject Claim No. R15-05. (Barbara Patterson)
- 11.13 **APPROVE REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION FROM WHITNEY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS BOOSTER ASSOCIATION FOR 2015-16.** – Request to approve request for authorization from Whitney High School Athletics Booster Association for 2015-16. (Barbara Patterson)
- 11.14 **APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 15-16-11 INTENT TO RECEIVE SEWER EASEMENT LOCATED AT LOT C AND FENWAY CIRCLE NORTH IN THE CITY OF ROCKLIN FROM JOHN MOURIER CONSTRUCTION, INC. TO THE ROCKLIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT** – Request to approve adoption of Resolution No. 15-16-11 announcing the intent to receive sewer easement located at Lot C and Fenway Circle North in the city of Rocklin, from John Mourier Construction, Inc., to the Rocklin Unified School District and setting January 20, 2016, as a public hearing date to receive input regarding the grant. (Craig Rouse)
- 11.15 **APPROVE DESIGN SERVICES FOR WHITNEY HIGH SCHOOL SYNTHETIC TURF AND TRACK REPLACEMENT PROJECT** – Request to approve design services for synthetic turf and track replacement project at Whitney High School and authorization of the Superintendent or designee to sign on its behalf. (Craig Rouse)
- 11.16 **APPROVE REPLACEMENT OF MULTIPURPOSE ROOM LIGHTING PROJECT AT PARKER WHITNEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** – Request to approve bid with Alessandro Electric, Inc. for replacement of multipurpose room lighting project at Parker Whitney Elementary School. (Craig Rouse)

- 11.17 **APPROVE ROCKLIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH CONTINUING DEVELOPMENT, INC. (CDI)** – Request to approve Rocklin Unified School District Preschool Special Education Program MOU with Continuing Development, Inc. (Tammy Forrest)

Wendy Lang noted her absence at the November 18, 2015, Board of Trustees meeting and requested removal of **Item 11.1.1** for separate action.

Following this, a **MOTION** was made by Wendy Lang and seconded by Greg Daley to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion passed by the following roll call vote: Student Representative – aye, Lang – aye, Daley – aye, Maben – aye, Halldin – aye, Lowell – aye.

A **MOTION** was then made by Susan Halldin and seconded by Camille Maben to approve **item11.1.1**, Board Minutes, November 18, 2015. Motion passed unanimously by the following roll call vote: Daley – aye, Maben – aye, Halldin – aye, Lowell – aye. Lang abstained.

12.0 **ACTION ITEMS – REGULAR AGENDA**

- 12.1 **PROPOSED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH HOSPITAL** – Fagen, Friedman, and Fulfroost, LLP prepared and presented an independent report to the RUSD Board of Trustees regarding the impact on Rocklin Unified School District of a proposed Behavioral Health Hospital by Universal Health Services (UHS).

Public Comment:

Community members (*and some non community members*) including Michelle R, John Hughes, Patrick Madison, Joe Patterson, Jeremy B., Carin Lane, William A., Austin Mattison, David Dursky, Colleen Patterson, Martella Reynoso, Donna Hughes, Shane Leverenz, Harj Chima, Jeff T., Angela R., Joanie D., and Nancy Muir shared concerns and statements regarding the proposed Behavior Health Hospital and proposed location with Trustees. The Board of Trustees were commended for allowing the comments of the community to be heard and for their support in obtaining an outside independent report regarding potential safety concerns to students and the community. Concerns were shared that the City of Rocklin had not reached out more via pre-planning meetings and/or community outreach to partner with the community regarding the proposed hospital. Also shared were safety concerns including specific concerns regarding “walk ins” to the proposed facility (especially those under the influence of alcohol/drugs) that may be turned away due to not being clean and/or the facility being full (with the chance that some may walk away on foot with no family support and/or transportation). Alleged crime facts from similar UHS mental health facilities (ie: Heritage Oaks and Sierra Vista), obtained by a community member, were listed, as were concerns regarding alleged open negligent charges and investigations against UHS. Concerns were raised regarding the safety of the community in response to patients who may leave the facility without being detected by staff (escapees/elopements) and the level of training, support and resources UHS staff may or may not have to deal with such incidents. The Board of Trustees were commended for their hard work in building a strong school district with an outstanding reputation, while concerns were raised as to what building a facility such as this so close to a school may do to the District’s reputation. Concerns regarding the possibility of additional security measures needed at school campuses were also raised. Appreciation was expressed regarding the current “openness” of RUSD campuses and accessibility to the community.

Some community members shared with Trustees that they had direct professional experience working in the mental health and law enforcement industries. They shared first hand some of their experience(s) and concerns regarding the safety of the community. Concerns included law enforcement transport of violent patients to the facility as well as well as concerns regarding

UHS staff safety protocols and training with violent/dangerous patients. Community expressed interest in more information from UHS on how they would contain, respond and keep the community safe.

Community member Connie McLennan, shared her support of the proposed Behavioral Health Facility, stating she had no affiliation with UHS. McLennan addressed the Board from a mother's perspective, stating that she and her son (who attended Whitney High School) knew many students with mental health issues (ie: depression, suicide, anxiety, etc.) and experienced the real need for mental health assistance in the community. McLennan asked Trustees to consider evidence and facts to make a recommendation that would support what is best for students and the overall community needs in regards to the lack of mental health services available.

Shawn Silva, CEO Heritage Oaks Hospital, stated that the alleged crime statistics shared earlier in the evening were not necessarily instances that all happened on the premises of a UHS health facility or connected to the hospital but could have also been reports from instances in surrounding communities. Silva stated approximately 62% of patients at Heritage Oaks enter the facility as patients who are a danger to themselves and only 2% enter as a danger to others.

Carin Lane stated that some of the alleged crime statistics shared earlier did indeed happen on the site of UHS facilities.

Board Comments:

Trustees thanked all who attended the meeting for their input and different perspectives regarding the proposed Behavioral Health Hospital. Trustees stated the Rocklin City Commission Planning Committee is scheduled for January 19, 2016 and the District is awaiting the Rocklin Police Chief's report (due mid Jan) prior the City Commission Planning Committee meeting. Board clarified that the District is not a decision making Board about whether the hospital will be built, but instead has a role in stating whether or not to support such a facility in response to student and school safety.

Lang stated that her main role as a Board member is the safety of students and staff and shared that she has many unanswered questions regarding the proposed facility. Lang stated that in the past, she has always been proud of the relationship between the District and the City of Rocklin but has recently struggled with lack of communications from the City which could have helped avoid many of the concerns that the community has. Lang stated that while there is a definite need for a facility of this type, in light of the information shared, she could not support the proposed Behavioral Health Hospital.

Daley stated his disappointment that RUSD had to spend District funds to find the answers to questions regarding the safety of the proposed Behavioral Health Hospital that, in his opinion, was research that should have been done by the City. Daley shared that he attended the recent Town Hall meeting and was disappointed in the way public statements were shared in an open forum, reminding the community of the right of all to be heard, whether right or wrong. Daley thanked those in attendance of the RUSD Board meeting, especially those that shared first hand experience working in the mental health industry. Daley stated he needed more information on specific questions regarding the facility including: admittance of sex offenders/background checks, as well as more information regarding Health Information Privacy Act (HIPA) and crime statistics. Without answers to these and other questions, and in the absence of the Rocklin Police report, Daley stated he could not make a recommendation at this time. Daley shared that the RUSD Board members are parents and grandparents who care deeply about students and want what is best for students, but does not believe it is the local school Board's job to dictate to the City a decision about the facility. Daley encouraged any community members with concerns to contact, call and/or write a letter to the City of Rocklin.

Susan Halldin shared that as a Board member she takes seriously the responsibility to protect RUSD students and staff. While Halldin acknowledged the need for a Behavioral Health Hospital in the county, she stated that she did not feel this was the right location to build, in light of the information brought forward. Halldin shared, as a result, she was not in support of the proposed Behavioral Health Hospital.

Camille Maben concurred with much of what was shared by fellow Board members, stating she was disappointed that the District had not had a chance to have more conversations and open communications with the City at all levels. Maben shared that she would have concerns with any type of health facility or hospital being built near a school and proposed that Trustees write to the Rocklin City Council/Planning Commission expressing that Trustees have strong concerns about going forward with the hospital and is not in support of the Behavioral Health Hospital.

Todd Lowell stated that he still has many concerns regarding the proposed Behavioral Health Hospital. Lowell shared that nothing he learned in his research over the past month or at the evening's Board meeting would mitigate his concerns. Lowell stated that he is interested to see what the Police Chief will provide in his pending report and supports sending a letter of concern to the City to be forwarded to the Planning Commission. Lowell stated he would not take a definitive position on the facility in the absence of complete facts regarding safety measures.

Following Board comments, a **MOTION** was made by Wendy Lang and seconded by Susan Halldin for the following action: Superintendent will prepare a letter to the City of Rocklin expressing concern and the inability to support the facility at this location due to the list of concerns available at this time. Motion passed 4 to 1.

12.2 ANNUAL ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

12.2.1 **ELECT PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES** – A **MOTION** was made by Wendy Lang and seconded by Susan Halldin to elect Greg Daley as President. Motion passed unanimously.

Comments: Greg Daley thanked Trustees for their service and thanked Todd Lowell in particular for his faithful service and countless hours serving as Board President over the last three years.

12.2.2 **ELECT VICE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES** – A **MOTION** was made by Todd Lowell and seconded by Wendy Lang to elect Camille Maben as Vice President. Motion passed unanimously.

12.2.3 **ELECT CLERK OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES** – A **MOTION** was made by Camille Maben and seconded by Wendy Lang to elect Susan Halldin as Clerk. Motion passed unanimously.

12.2.4 **APPOINT SUPERINTENDENT ROGER STOCK AS SECRETARY TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES** – A **MOTION** was made by Wendy Lang and seconded by Todd Lowell to elect Roger Stock as Secretary to the Board of Trustees. Motion passed unanimously.

12.2.5 **SELECT DATE, TIME, AND PLACE FOR 2016-17 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS** – A **MOTION** was made by Todd Lowell and seconded by Susan Halldin to hold 2016-17 Regular Board of Trustee Meetings at 6:30 p.m. on the first/or

third Wednesdays of each month at the District Office located at 2615 Sierra Meadows Drive, Rocklin, CA 95677. Motion passed unanimously.

- 12.2.6 **APPOINT REPRESENTATIVES TO THE CITY OF ROCKLIN LIAISON COMMITTEE (EDUCATION COMMITTEE)** – A **MOTION** was made by Wendy Lang and seconded by Camille Maben to appoint Todd Lowell and Susan Halldin as Representatives to the City of Rocklin Liaison Committee Education Committee. Motion passed unanimously.
- 12.2.7 **APPOINT REPRESENTATIVES TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE** – A **MOTION** was made by Todd Lowell and seconded by Camille Maben to appoint Wendy Lang and Susan Halldin as Representatives to the Audit Committee. Motion passed unanimously.
- 12.2.8 **APPOINT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY (JPA)** – A **MOTION** was made by Susan Halldin and seconded by Camille Maben to appoint Greg Daley as Representative to the Joint Powers Authority. Motion passed unanimously.
- 12.2.9 **APPOINT REPRESENTATIVES TO THE FACILITIES MASTER PLAN COMMITTEE** – A **MOTION** was made by Wendy Lang and seconded by Susan Halldin to appoint Greg Daley and Camille Maben as representatives to the Master Plan Committee. Motion passed unanimously.
- 12.2.10 **APPOINT REPRESENTATIVE TO ROCKLIN INDEPENDENT CHARTER ACADEMY (RICA)** – A **MOTION** was made by Todd Lowell and seconded by Camille Maben to appoint Susan Halldin as Representative to Rocklin Independent Charter Academy (RICA). Motion passed unanimously.
- 12.3 **APPROVE DISTRICT CERTIFICATION OF ABILITY TO MEET FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS (FIRST INTERIM REPORT)** – Barbara Patterson, Deputy Superintendent Business and Operations, presented Trustees with a report on the District’s certification/ability to meet financial obligations (First Interim Report) and requested Board approval. Patterson shared that state law and prudent business practices require all California public school districts to review, monitor and update all budget and financial information on a regular basis. The Rocklin Unified School District monitors 11 budgets on an annual basis. The budgets are grouped under designated categories commonly called funds. The primary operating budget of the school district is the General Fund, segregated by law into two separate components: 1) Unrestricted General Fund, which is used for general operating purposes; and 2) Restricted General Fund, which is used to account for categorical and grant programs such as Special Education, Title I, and Restricted Lottery. Patterson stated that of the 11 District funds, four are individual building projects and/or Mello-Roos and General Obligation Bond budgets. Thus, there are actually seven perpetual funds operated by the Rocklin Unified School District:
- General Fund
 - Charter School (RICA)
 - Deferred Maintenance
 - Cafeteria
 - Capital Facilities (Building Fees)
 - Special Reserve for Capital Outlay
 - Retiree Benefit Fund (Irrevocable Trust)

The primary components of California public school budgets and financial reports are 1) beginning balance, 2) revenues (commonly called income in the private sector), 3) expenditures and 4) ending balance. Within each of these major components there are many subsections. One

of the most critical components is the ending balance. This section contains the Reserve for Economic Uncertainty which by State Law must be, at a minimum, a stated percentage of the total general fund expenditure budget. The percentage factor varies by the student population or size of the school district. For RUSD, the statutory minimum reserve level is 3.0%. Based on the current State budget, State Department of Finance funding projections for future years and local budget assumptions detailed in the attached multi-year projection, the district will be able to meet its financial obligations for the current year and two budget years.

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

- 12.4 **APPROVE BOARD POLICIES (BP)** – Colleen Slattery, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources, presented revisions of Board Policies 4131 and 4231 on Staff Development to Trustees and requested Board approval.

12.4.1 BP 4131 Staff Development – Revised
12.4.2 BP 4231 Staff Development – Revised

A **MOTION** was made by Susan Halldin and seconded by Camille Maben to approve revision(s) to Board Policies 4131 and 4231 on Staff Development. Motion passed unanimously.

- 12.5 **APPROVE ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS (AR)** – Colleen Slattery, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources, presented revisions of Administrative Regulations 4161.8, 4261.8 and 4361.8 on Family Care and Medical Leave to Trustees and requested Board approval.

12.5.1 AR 4161.8 Family Care and Medical Leave – Revised
12.5.2 AR 4261.8 Family Care and Medical Leave – Revised
12.5.3 AR 4361.8 Family Care and Medical Leave – Revised

Board Comments: Greg Daley stated that in AR 4261.8 “teaching” is referenced and asked for clarity. Slattery responded that this is typically in reference to instructional assistants, library aides, and similar classifications.

A **MOTION** was made by Todd Lowell and seconded by Wendy Lang to approve revision(s) to Administrative Regulations 4161.8, 4261.8 and 4361.8 on Family Care and Medical Leave. Motion passed unanimously.

- 12.6 **NOMINATE REPRESENTATIVE TO CALIFORNIA SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION’S (CSBA) DELEGATE ASSEMBLY** – Superintendent Roger Stock requested considerations for Board to nominate representative to CSBA Delegate Assembly.

Comments: Greg Daley asked if any Board members were interested in serving as a representative to the CSBA Delegate Assembly. Camille Maben, who served in the role in the past, gave a brief description of the volunteer position and commitment, and shared that the main benefit to having a District representative would be to allow the District a closer connection on policy development. No interest in serving was shared by Trustees and no nomination was made.

13.0 **INFORMATION AND REPORTS**

13.1 **ENERGY CONSERVATION PROGRAM UPDATE** – Craig Rouse, Senior Director Facilities and Operations, introduced Bill Pruett, Energy Education Specialist, to Trustees who

presented an update on the District's Energy Conservation Program. Pruett stated that the District began its energy conservation program in March of 2011 and hired an Energy Education Specialist. Since that time the District has aggressively pursued energy saving opportunities through behavior modification, better equipment maintenance, and education to empower energy users to be energy savers. Since the program's inception, the District has "avoided" utility expenditures in excess of \$2.1 million dollars, based on the baseline year costs and projected usage without modifications. Starting in the fiscal year 2013-14, the California Clean Energy Jobs Act (Prop. 39) changed the corporate income tax code and allocated projected revenue to California's General Fund and the Clean Energy Job Creation Fund for five fiscal years. Under the initiative, roughly up to \$550 million annually was made available for appropriation by the Legislature for eligible projects to improve energy efficiency and expand clean energy generation in schools. Eligible local educational agencies (LEAs), including county offices of education, school districts, charter schools and state special schools, were able to request funding by submitting an energy expenditure plan application to the California Energy Commission. For year one, there was/in an option to receive part or all of a school's allocation for energy savings planning purposes. The Energy Commission approves plans and works with the California Department of Education, which subsequently distributes funds after plans have been approved.

Board Comments:

Wendy Lang asked when the HVAC units were replaced at Rocklin High School. Pruett responded that the units were periodically replaced as needed over the recent years. Camille Maben asked about the operating order of the HVAC at Rocklin Elementary School, sharing some past concerns about temperature of some classrooms. Pruett confirmed that the HVAC had been replaced at Rocklin Elementary and knew of no complaints at Rocklin Elementary. Staff is staff actively manages the situation. Todd Lowell commended Pruett for his good work and noted the noticeable drop in electric usage year after year. Superintendent Stock thanked the Board for their support of energy conservation incentives that they approved last year for schools, and as a result, contributed to the substantial savings for the District. Greg Daley asked if the District had researched or considered energy efficient exterior ceramic for buildings. Craig Rouse responded that, the District had not, but would be happy to inquire and get more information about the option.

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

15.0 **CLOSED SESSION** – Closed session convened at 9:30 P.M. regarding the following matters:

15.1 *Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated and Existing Litigation* as authorized by Government Code section 54956.9

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

15.3 *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

16.0 **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION** – President Daley reconvened the meeting to open session.

17.0 **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION** –

The Board of Trustees voted to release a Classified Probationary Employee. The vote was unanimous.

The Board of Trustees voted to approve the terms of a settlement agreement and to authorize the Superintendent to execute the agreements on behalf of the District. The vote was unanimous.

18.0 **ADJOURNMENT**– President Daley adjourned the meeting at 10:37 P.M.

Please note that additional information distributed to the Board of Trustees before or during the meeting and not included in the agenda packet can be obtained by calling the District Office at (916) 630-2230.