

King City Joint Union HSD Minutes

**Regular Board Meeting
May 11, 2011
Wednesday, 05:30 PM
Greenfield High School Library
225 S. El Camino Real
Greenfield, CA 93927**

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Meeting Minutes:

Members Present: Mike Foster, Brent Green, Debra McAlahney-Dodson, Raul Rodriguez

Excused Absence: Rita Tavernetti

1. OPEN SESSION 5:25 PM

Section Minutes:

Brent Green called the meeting to order at 5:25 P.M. There were not any comments from the public. The Board recessed to closed session.

2. CLOSED SESSION 5:30 PM

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3. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION 6:30 PM

4. CALL TO ORDER

Section Minutes:

Mike Foster called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

5. FLAG SALUTE

Section Minutes:

Mike Foster led in the flag salute.

6. REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTION

Section Minutes:

Mike Foster said the recommendation was to support the expulsion for student #31:10/11.

7. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Section Minutes:

Mike Foster said items 13 C and 13 E would be pulled for further discussion. The presentation from the Portola-Butler students will be pulled for the evening. They will be giving their presentation at the June Board meeting.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

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Minutes:

There were not any comments from the public.

9. REPORT FROM STATE ADMINISTRATOR

Section Minutes:

Dr. Bernard passed out a copy of the schedule of the remaining Master in Governance training to the Board members. The goal is for all board members to attend the Masters in Governance training within a year. Local control can not be returned to the Board of Trustees until this has been completed.

Dr. Bernard distributed invitations to the Board for the KCHS graduation. He also extended an invitation for the Board to attend a presentation from Central Coast Education Forum in which Tom Torlakson will be the guest speaker at the National Steinbeck Center on May 25, 2011. This will be the first time Mr. Torlakson has visited to speak in Salinas regarding general education issues.

The Board was informed flyers are being prepared to be mailed to all parents regarding the requirement of the Tdap vaccination for whooping cough. A child will not be able to attend school without verification of having the vaccination.

There was a recent article in the Californian indicating MCOE is reviewing redevelopment money which may be owed to school districts in the county. The KCJUHS D may be entitled to between \$120,000 and \$450,000. He will keep the Board and community informed as more information is known.

Next year the collaboration day will be changing to Wednesday afternoons. The schedule for this year was confusing to students, causing some students to be late for school. We will be focusing on monitoring students closely next year to ensure they are on track with required units for the appropriate grade level and to make sure they have accomplished what is needed to graduate. Students will no longer be passed on to the next grade level without the proper units.

CSBA is announcing the Annual Legislative Awards Program and suggesting a senator or assembly member be nominated for the CSBA 2011 Outstanding Legislator of the Year award. Dr. Bernard said our local representatives were just elected last Fall. The Board could make a recommendation.

At the June Board meeting there will be a special recognition for those employees who have been employed with the district for 20, 25, 30, and 35 years. We want to make this an annual event. Employees who have been employed for 5, 10 and 15 years will be recognized at their work sites.

The district will be having budget advisory committees for Technology, Budget, and Facilities. He is looking to the Board for any suggestions of community members participation. Dr. Bernard said he welcomes ideas and suggestions. Richard Benson and Janet Buttgerreit have already agreed to participate on the facilities advisory committee. There has not been a community member selected for the technology or budget advisory committees.

Mike Foster suggested an article be put in the newspaper. Dr. Bernard said he will talk to the Chamber of Commerce.

Debra McAlahney-Dodson said she likes the idea of realigning the students to assure they have passing grades. She asked when this would be going into effect. The response was the 2011-12 school year. Parents will be advised if their child is not on track, students will no longer be automatically promoted if they do not have passing grades.

10. STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORT

Section Minutes:

The student board member was not present to give a report.

11. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**Section Minutes:**

Raul Rodriguez announced tomorrow night is the scholarship banquet at GHS. Each year there is a nice dinner for parents and students who will be receiving scholarships. This is a great event and encouraged Board members and community to attend.

Mr. Rodriguez inquired about parent/teacher conferences. He knows this is something that takes place at the elementary and middle school level. He inquired if this could be explored at the high school level. He felt it is very beneficial for parents to meet teachers, and felt there would be more parent involvement and better communication. He suggested it may also improve student achievement.

Brent Green thanked Linda Grundhoffer for her assistance in ASB and the athletic funds. He also acknowledged her time and how the process is handled.

12. EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS**Section Minutes:**

There were not any comments from the employee organizations.

13. CONSENT AGENDA**a. Approval of the April 20, 2011 Board Minutes****b. Approval of Personnel Report Dated May 11, 2011****c. Approval of Department Chair Job Description****d. Approval of the Designation for California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) League Representatives for the 2011-12 School Year****e. Third Interim Report****Minutes:**

Mike Foster said items 13 C and 13 E will be pulled for further discussion.

Brent Green inquired about the Personnel Report. Dr. Moirao said the only person listed was the music teacher at GHS, who was resigning.

Dr. Bernard approved the consent agenda excluding items C and E.

14. CONSENT ITEMS REMOVED FOR COMMENTS/QUESTIONS**Section Minutes:**

Brent Green said he is not objecting about the Department Chair Job Description but feels it is geared more toward students who are not proficient and does not seem to be addressing students who are at proficient or higher. His concern is those proficient or higher students needs may not be met, there are parents in the community who feel the same as he. He encourage the district to make mention of those student and keep them in mind as well.

Dr. Bernard said in July 2009, the Board determining the district goals, increasing student proficiency was listed. He added, increasing student proficiency is one of the requirements in order for the District to start to gain local control, we need to improve the achievement gap. To his knowledge there is no evidence those students who are proficient or higher have been ignored or denied an education.

Dr. Bernard reviewed the goals which had been established with the Board.

Debra McAlahney-Dodson said overall the goal is to serve all children.

Mr. Green felt the students who were at proficient or higher had limited options.

Dr. Bernard said the intent was to service all students. The job description indicates increasing the number of students who achieve at the proficient level or higher as well as students identified under performing. Dr. Bernard said it may be time to redefine the goals.

Mr. Rodriguez said he was confused, he read the job description as enhancing student achievement, he does not see the focus as not being on all students.

Mr. Green commented, for himself and some community members, it was felt it does not seem to address the needs of the higher level students. He feels the focus is on the under achievers. He said as leaders we need to be careful how we affect all students.

Brent Green said under 14 C his concern is the cafeteria fund and the cost of food service.

Dr. Bernard said the idea of the cafeteria fund was not necessarily bring in revenues but to have it neutral. It was anticipated there may be a loss the first year. Eventually the goal is to buy equipment and increase the nutrition program.

Mr. Green said his concern was the encroachment of \$360,000. After talking to Linda Grundhoffer he now has a better understanding and is aware action is taking place to decrease the encroachment.

Linda Grundhoffer said she, Dr. Bernard and Debi Lesly met with Preferred Meals. Training is scheduled on June 20. They will learn how to organize and work more efficiently, they will also be bringing back more ideas. We have cut back on orders to Preferred Meals. One of the problems was we did not have our application approved from the state until January, therefore we lost money in the Fall. This will not be the case next year. There has also been a reduction of worker hours effective this month. We are talking more about reimbursement meals and making sure inventory is used.

Preferred Meal will have a less advance ordering process, it is changing from 4 to 2 weeks. There will be less food in our inventory.

Mike Foster asked how often the process will be reviewed. Ms. Grundhoffer responded the revenue will be reviewed on a monthly basis. They will be meeting with the company in August, September, and October.

Brent Green said he thought Preferred Meals was a third party and the economic responsibility would be on them. Dr. Bernard said the staff are our employees, the food comes prepared, we heat and serve it. Linda Grundhoffer said the district is charged for the food which is ordered.

Mike Foster commented it appears more food was ordered than what was used. Dr. Bernard added the shelf life is important. We had 8 entrees, we have now a better knowledge of what the students will eat. We are learning the consumer use and taste of the students.

Mike Foster asked if we would be solvent. Linda Grundhoffer responded the cafeteria fund will not make money but it will support itself.

Dr. Bernard approved items 13 C and E.

15. INFORMATION ITEMS

a. Girls Inc. Presentation

Minutes:

Elizabeth Contreras introduced herself as the Program Director. She said two students from GHS will be giving a quick presentation as to what has happened during the course of the year.

She said they have been providing services to the Greenfield Elementary District as well as GHS. There are a total of 115 girls participating in the program from Greenfield. She added they are not involved at King City High School yet.

Elisa Ballesteros said the program provides the girls information about schools and continued education. They had a visit to Sacramento and visited legislators. The program encourages the girls in public speaking and helps them to overcome their fears. The focus is on education, homes and the girls bond together. She said she was grateful to have the opportunity to work in the program.

Dolores Rojas said she has worked with the juniors and seniors. They visited colleges and learned about programs. The program makes the girls more aware of themselves and community. The girls become strong and bold. The program helps 900 girls in the county each year.

Ms. Contreras thanked Mr. Goddard, the administration and Ms. Brusck for their support, she added, this is critical for the success of the program.

b. Portola-Butler Continuation High School Students Presentation

Minutes:

The students presentation was postponed until the June Board Meeting.

c. Board Policies - First Reading

Minutes:

Dr. Bernard said these 18 board polices will be brought forward as a second reading at the June 8 Board meeting.

Brent Green said he had a question regarding AR 1250 which addressed visitors. There is a section which refers to outsiders who fail to register or visitors who are requested to leave the school grounds and would not be allowed to reenter the school before 7 days. The question was asked who would monitor this. He also asked if all of the gates are posted as to visitors must register, the registration location, the route to registration and penalties for violation of the registration requirement. Dr. Bernard commented if someone comes on campus and is registered, and there is a disruption, they will be directed to leave and not return before 7 days.

Mike Foster commented the policy will allow the school to request a person leave if they are causing a disruption.

16. ACTION ITEMS

a. Access to Board Agenda

Minutes:

Dr. Bernard said this was a topic at the April Board meeting. Initially FCMAT recommended an automated agenda process and now the contract we have with CSBA agenda on line is coming to a close. This program was not as user friendly as had been anticipated.

The suggestion was made to have page numbers on the board packet and have Cristina Jimenez put it on our website.

Mike Foster commented originally it was thought the CSBA Agenda on Line would make the process easier for staff and Board Members. Having used it for a year it was harder to follow because the attachments did not automatically come up.

Dr. Bernard said the board packet will be copied and made available to the Board after the end of the current school year. The packet will be scanned and made available to the public on our website.

b. Approval of Resolution No. 17:10/11 Regarding Non-Reemployment of Certificated Employees**Minutes:**

Daniel Moirao stated at the March Board meeting a resolution was passed which eliminated certificated staff due to a reduction to services. According to Ed Code, for the district to be compliant with state law, the Assistant Superintendent must submit a resolution directing final layoff notices be sent to the employees affected.

Dr. Bernard approved Resolution 17:10/11.

c. Approval of Resolution 18:10/11 Resolution to Support California's May 9-13, 2011, Week of Action**Minutes:**

Dr. Bernard stated CSBA, CTA, CSEA, ACSA, and others of the Education Coalition are asking districts to plan events and activities throughout the week of May 9-13, 2011, regarding opposition of state cuts and support a balanced budget.

Dr. Bernard approved Resolution 18:10/11.

d. Approval of Board Policies - Second Reading**Minutes:**

Dr. Bernard said these nine polices were presented at the April Board meeting. Clarification was made to AR 4118 from Board comments.

Dr. Bernard approved the second reading of the board policies.

17. SCHOOL REPORTS/UPDATES**a. Site Reports****Minutes:**

Greenfield High School

Jim Goddard said he had attended a Literacy conference today which was held in Monterey.

The CST, ATP and CAHSEE testing have either been completed or will be shortly.

Janet Sanchez-Matos said 39 students participated in the SES program. 95% of the students completed the program with all of them increasing scores on their post test from their pre test.

Mr. Goddard said the Every 15 Minutes Program is set for GHS on May 19 and 20. This will be the first time this event will take place there. He thanked the community members for stepping up and making donations of \$1,400. We are right on target with the budget designated for this event.

There will be more meetings with teachers next year to assist students who need additional support and looking to improving technology in the class room. The focus will be on the data driven information. They are working on being 100% ASB compliant. They are hoping to increase activities next year. They are working more with clubs to help support athletics. Girls Inc. and GEAR-UP have been real assets to students.

South Monterey County Charter Independent Study Program

Janet Sanchez-Matos said all of the testing has been completed. They are anticipating the WASC decision later in the month.

Their graduation ceremony will be taking place at the Greenfield High School Student Union on June 16 at 6:00 P.M.

Textbooks have been ordered. They are looking at what is being used at the middle school so when students return to their home school they will be familiar with the textbooks.

King City High School

Bruce Corbett said he is pleased with the truancy process. The number of letters have dramatically decreased. 110 first initial truancy letters were sent and only 40 second notice truancy letters were sent to parents. The last letter sent before the parents go to court has dropped to 22.

Mr. Corbett said he is very pleased with the CAHSEE results. There were 80 percent of first time test takers who passed in math and 74 percent of the students passed in English Language Arts.

Portola-Butler Continuation High School

Carolyn McCombs said their testing has been completed as well. She thanked Debra McAlahney-Dodson for the pieces of furniture which were donated to them. They are working on finalizing the online credit recover program. They received a quote from Pearson and will be piloting their program for a year. It will be in general math and algebra.

Their graduation ceremony will take place on June 15 at 5:00 P.M. and the KCHS auditorium.

18. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/MEETING DATES

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19. SIGNING OF PAPERS

Section Minutes:

Dr. Bernard signed appropriate papers.

20. ADJOURNMENT (TO CLOSED SESSION, if required)

Section Minutes:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 P.M.