

Item #: 12. A

GRIDLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
429 Magnolia Street
Gridley, CA 95948

MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
March 19, 2008

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Trustees of the Gridley Unified School District met in Regular Session in the District Office, Eric Waterbury, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL / QUORUM

Present: Eric Waterbury, Nicki Herrera Llerenas, Linda Wilson, Diadra Cain, Richard Harp

Absent: Doris Pettersen, Ken Olson

Administrator: Clark S. Redfield

It was established that a quorum was present and that the Board proceed with the order of business.

3. RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

The meeting was recessed into closed session at 6:02 p.m.

4. RECALL TO ORDER

Eric Waterbury recalled the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Eric Waterbury, Nicki Herrera Llerenas, Linda Wilson, Diadra Cain, Richard Harp

Absent: Doris Pettersen, Ken Olson

Administrators: Clark Redfield, Larry McWilliams, Jim Walters, Joan Zappettini, Debbie Miller, Cindy Kershaw

Confidential Personnel: Pat Heidman

Classified Management: Heather Naylor, Maria Sanchez, James Carlson

Visitors: Corina Waterbury Samantha Waterbury, Wilson School

5. Pledge of Allegiance / Order of Agenda

Eric Waterbury led the Pledge of Allegiance and established order of agenda.

6. Announcement of Action in Closed Session

Clark Redfield reported the following items from closed session:

- The Board received information relative to personnel issues. No action was taken.
- The Board provided information on an ongoing real property negotiation relative to property within the Gridley city limits.
- The Board reviewed the Stipulated Expulsions for Students K – 0708 and N – 0708. The Board would take formal action later in open session.

7. ASB Reports

Wilson Elementary School:

Samantha Waterbury, ASB President, addressed the Board with an informative report which included the following items:

- Basketball Tournament
- Math-a-thon
- Awards Rally
- Spelling Bee
- Giving Tree

Sycamore School:

Nicole Choate, ASB Secretary, addressed the Board with an informative report which included the following items:

- Spirit Days
- Lunchtime activities
- Washington D.C. trip
- Benchmark testing

Gridley High School:

Aida Vance, ASB Representative, addressed the Board with an informative report which included the following items:

- Prom Fashion Show
- Battle of the Sexes Week
- Sports update: Basketball, Softball, Baseball, Track, Wrestling
- FFA Fundraiser: Donkey Basketball
- Benchmark Testing
- Evening of Excellence on April 22, 2008

8. Comments from the Board of Trustees

Eric Waterbury addressed the Board and accorded recognition for those that were supporting the “Giving Tree” at Wilson Elementary School and those that were participating in Injury Day during spirit day activities.

9. Comments from the Audience

No comments from the audience.

10. Superintendent’s Report

Clark Redfield addressed the Board with an informative report which included the following items:

- Distributed minutes, summary and suggestions from the Budget Task Force meetings to identify areas that the district could cut expenditures to meet the state projected budget.

11. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**A. Review results of the Uniform Management Information Reporting System (UMIRS) data for 2006-07**

Cindy Kershaw addressed the Board and made comments relative to the Uniform Management Information Reporting System data for 2005-06 and 2006-07 which reflected at-risk student behaviors that could affect the safe school environment in the GUSD school sites. The report categorized student expulsion, suspension and truancy information data and also satisfied No Child Left Behind requirements related to “persistently dangerous” schools.

B. Review results of California Healthy Kids Survey

Cindy Kershaw addressed the Board and made comments relative to the results of the California Healthy Kids Survey which was administered to 5th, 7th, 9th and 11th grade students. GUSD is a recipient of the Drug-Free Communities Grant and this documentation is required for grant evaluation. Included in the report was student alcohol, tobacco, other drug usage, violence and safety, protective factors – school assets, baseline data and comparison to state and national student data. These results would be used to develop programs to assist students at-risk for alcohol, tobacco and other drug usage and to make healthier lifestyle choices.

C. Review plans for summer school for the 2007-08 school year

Clark Redfield addressed the Board and made comments relative to the summer school program for the 2007-08 school year which included:

- Grades K-8 would be taught at Wilson Elementary School, June 11 to July 10, focusing on intervention classes.
- Grades 9-12 would be taught at GHS, June 11 to July 1, focusing on core classes
- Due to budget constraints, only self-supporting classes would be offered

D. Budget update

Clark Redfield addressed the Board and discussed the compilation of statistical data relative to the General Fund in the area of unrestricted programs and positions for budget reduction.

12. ACTION ITEMS:**A. Approve Stipulated Expulsion for Student K - 0708**

Nicki Herrera Llerenas motioned to approve the Stipulated Expulsion for Student K – 0708. Second: Diadra Cain. Unanimously carried.

B. Approve Stipulated Expulsion for Student N - 0708

Linda Wilson motioned to approve the Stipulated Expulsion for Student N – 0708. Second: Nicki Herrera Llerenas. Unanimously carried.

- C. Approve a .60 certificated teaching position for GHS Technology classes

Clark Redfield addressed the Board and made comments relative to the .60 teaching position in the area of technology in which this position was a combination of two ROP sections and one general funded section.

Linda Wilson motioned to approve a .60 certificated teaching position for GHS Technology classes. Second: Nicki Herrera Llerenas. Unanimously carried.

- D. Approve change of CSEA position from Bus Driver/Maintenance to Mechanic/Bus Driver

Clark Redfield addressed the Board and made comments relative to the change of CSEA position from Bus Driver/Maintenance to Mechanic/Bus Driver and the cost effectiveness of having routine and major jobs performed by a mechanic on staff.

Nicki Herrera Llerenas motioned to approve change of CSEA position from Bus Driver/Maintenance to Mechanic/Bus Driver. Second: Diadra Cain. Unanimously carried.

- E. Approve Adult School class offerings: English 1, English 2, English 3, English 4, Algebra 1, Mathematics Electives, Earth Science, Physical Science, Life Science, General Science, Health, Geography, US History, World History, Government, Economics, Life Skills/Job Readiness, GED Test Preparation, CAHSEE Test Preparation

Clark Redfield addressed the Board and made comments relative to Board approval for these classes which would allow students in these classes to be counted as part of the ADA for Gridley Adult School and for adult and concurrent high school students who need to complete credits to meet high school graduation requirements and/or need preparation to pass the CAHSEE or the GED.

Nicki Herrera Llerenas motioned to approve Adult School class offerings: English 1, English 2, English 3, English 4, Algebra 1, Mathematics Electives, Earth Science, Physical Science, Life Science, General Science, Health, Geography, US History, World History, Government, Economics, Life Skills/Job Readiness, GED Test Preparation, CAHSEE Test Preparation. Second: Linda Wilson. Unanimously carried.

13. CONSENT AGENDA

Eric Waterbury requested that item 13. C. 1) a) be pulled from the agenda:

13. C. Personnel

1) Certificated

a) Letter of resignation for Larry McWilliams, Wilson Elementary School Principal, for the purpose of retirement, effective June 30, 2008

Diadra Cain motioned to approve the remainder of the Consent Agenda. Second: Nicki Herrera Llerenas. Unanimously carried.

Consent Agenda items as follows:

- A. Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of March 5, 2008
 Approved Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of March 5, 2008
- B. District Expenditure Warrants
 Approved District Expenditure Warrants from February 5-28, 2008.
- C. Personnel
 - 1) Certificated
 - b) Ratified employment for Stephanie Wedin, Independent Study Teacher, effective March 10, 2008 for the 2007-08 school year
- D. Donation and Gifts
 - 1) The Board and District appreciated and accepted the following donations:
 - a) 1998 Pontiac Gram AM GT from Butte College to Gridley High School
 - b) \$ 24.50 from Karina Luquin to Esperanza High School
 - c) 100.00 from ACSA Butte County Chapter to GUSD Music Council
 - d) 41.63 from Target to Wilson Elementary School
 - e) 81.41 from Target to McKinley Primary School
 - f) 1,150.00 from Kaleidoscope to GHS Music (Singing Valentines)
 - g) 246.50 from community donations to GHS Boys Basketball
 - h) 126.81 from Target to GHS
- E. Fund-Raising
 - 1) The Board approved the following fund-raising request submitted for approval:
 - a) T-shirt fundraisers for GHS track, March 20 – May 1, 2008
- F. Surplus
 - 1) The Board approved the surplus items as follows:
 - a) Discard item from Sycamore Middle School:
 Popcorn popper, serial number 000206

Eric Waterbury accorded recognition to Larry McWilliams for 14 years of dedicated administrative leadership in the Gridley Unified School District; he would be missed.

Linda Wilson motioned to approve acceptance of the letter of resignation for Larry McWilliams, Wilson Elementary School Principal, for the purpose of retirement, effective June 30, 2008. Second: Diadra Cain. Unanimously carried.

14. Adjourn

Eric Waterbury adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Approved: April 9, 2008

Board Clerk

Superintendent

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