

**WOODLAND JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

January 7, 2016

District Office Board Room
435 Sixth Street
Woodland, CA 95695

Attendance Taken at 6:30 PM:

Present:

Sam Blanco III
Morgan Childers
Elaine Lytle
Michael Pyeatt
Cirenio Rodriguez
Tania Tafoya

Absent:

Tico Zendejas

Updated Attendance:

Cirenio Rodriguez was updated to absent at: 7:51 PM
Cirenio Rodriguez was updated to present at: 7:53 PM
Tania Tafoya was updated to absent at: 8:00 PM
Tania Tafoya was updated to present at: 8:03 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER IN OPEN SESSION - 6:30 P.M.

Minutes:

President Blanco III called the meeting to order in Open Session at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room.

A.1. Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes:

President Blanco III led the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. APPROVAL OF BOARD AGENDA - ACTION

Motion Passed: Motion was made to approve the agenda. Passed with a motion by Elaine Lytle and a second by Tania Tafoya.

Yes Sam Blanco III
Yes Morgan Childers
Yes Elaine Lytle
Yes Michael Pyeatt
Yes Cirenio Rodriguez
Yes Tania Tafoya
Absent Tico Zendejas

C. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

C.1. Class Act Scholar Award: Lee Middle School

Minutes:

Lee Middle School Principal Armando Olvera shared Lee Middle School highlights. He also presented the Class Act Scholar Award to Lee Student David Melberg. President Blanco III presented Mr. Melberg with a certificate of recognition.

C.2. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Dr. Maria Armstrong shared information regarding the following items during her report:

- She wished everyone a happy New Year.
- She recognized President Lytle for her dedicated service as Board President for 2015, and presented her with a plaque.
- She shared that January is School Board Recognition Month, and presented each Board Member with a certificate of appreciation.
- She announced that she has been attending school site staff meetings to welcome and solicit input about our facilities and working environment needs. She shared that they will use the input to develop priorities with our Maintenance, Operations, and Facilities Department.
- She thanked President Blanco III, Clerk Pyeatt, and Trustee Tafoya for attending the Latina Estrella Awards, hosted by the Sacramento Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. She shared that she was the recipient of the Inspiration Estrella Award, and she was humbled by the honor. She also expressed, that more importantly, she is grateful for all the Board Members that provide her the opportunity and privilege to serve as the Superintendent. She shared that they all inspire her.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT TO THE BOARD

Minutes:

Woodland High School Principal Karrie Sequeira and Learning Community Director Jerald Ferguson addressed the Board regarding a meeting they had with Woodland HS parents about the options for graduation. They provided a summary of the discussion, and shared that the overwhelming sentiment of the majority was to have the graduation at the Woodland HS stadium.

The following people addressed the Board regarding their support for keeping the Woodland HS graduation in their stadium: Tim Fragosa, Teri Krug, Martina Bautista, Lisa Muñoz, Anne Saunders, Staci Lytle-Gonzales, and Garrick Smigelshi.

E. REPORTS

E.1. Report from Woodland Education Association (WEA)

Minutes:

WEA President Bobby Rogers was not present at the meeting.

E.2. Report from California School Employees Association (CSEA)

Minutes:

CSEA President Wayne Harris introduced himself as the new President of CSEA. He reported that he has held meetings with Human Resources staff, as well as the Superintendent. He shared that they are all on the same page to move forward and work together as one unit, because if they can't work together, then they can't support our students. He shared that negotiations will begin on Monday.

E.3. Report from Student Board Members

Minutes:

Woodland High School Student Board Member Sarah Gatie reported that they recently held their annual art show, and over a third of the school attended. The FHA Heroes Club sang Christmas carols to the patients in the Stollwood Convalescent Hospital. Their wrestling and basketball teams have begun their regular season, and they finished their pre-season strongly. They are having a "No Tardy Party" soon, which entails all the students that were not absent or tardy last semester being recognized and rewarded for their achievement. Students on the Honor Roll will be recognized later this month. Eighth graders from Lee MS will be visiting Woodland HS to tour the campus and meet some students and faculty.

E.4. Report from Board Members

Minutes:

Trustee Rodriguez reported that:

- He shared that he is a Woodland HS grandparent, and he stated that he will do what he can to make sure that the Woodland HS students are able to graduate at Woodland HS.
- He conveyed the following information regarding innovative/creative ideas, programs, and initiatives he has seen at the school district over the past 25 years, for those that are new to the school district:
 - WJUSD was one of the first districts in the state to Implement a Dual Immersion program.
 - WJUSD has collaborated with the UCD Chicana/o Studies community arts center TANA.
 - WJUSD is one of the few school districts in the state to implement MESA at all schools (elementary and secondary).
 - WJUSD was one of the first adopters to implement Puente and AVID at the high school level.
 - WJUSD was one of the first districts to restructure secondary schools that lead to the creation of villages/families.
 - WJUSD collaborated with a Stanford Researcher to implemented a culturally relevant, critical thinking curriculum and teaching methodology FOD (Finding Out Descubrimiento and Complex Instruction), which resulted in the district beating the Davis district at the Academic Decathlon, and Chicano Latino students attended college/universities in greater numbers than any other group.
 - WJUSD created and implemented a state of the art Technology Program at Lee Middle School to serve English Learner Students and their families.

- WJUSD was one of the few districts statewide to collaborate with Mexican Consulate Books and Plaza Comunitaria.
- WJUSD implemented an ESL program for parents using computers (teaching parents how to use them).
- WJUSD is one of the few districts in the state to pass a resolution to make an Ethnic Studies graduation requirement, and the only district in the state to require a full year.
- WJUSD created and implemented a Career Path Curriculum that became a national model.
- He stated that he would like a committee to explore starting secondary schools at a later time, and have them make a recommendation.

Trustee Tafoya reported that:

- She wished everyone a happy New Year.
- She thanked the parents and student that spoke during public comment. She stated that the Board will look at the options. She expressed that graduation is important, and shared that she graduated from Woodland HS, and has children that will graduate from Woodland HS.
- She attended the Latina Estrella Awards, hosted by the Sacramento Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, which honored Superintendent Armstrong. She shared that it was extra special because it was the inaugural awards ceremony.
- She attended the morning Adult Education ESL graduation ceremony on December 17th.
- She participated in the district's float in the Christmas parade.

Trustee Pyeatt reported that:

- He congratulated Lee Student David Melberg for being awarded the Class Act Scholar Award.
- He thanked the parents and student that spoke during public comment, and shared that he is confident they will arrive to a solution.
- He attended the Pioneer HS PTA meeting the previous night. He stated that when the district provides something to one school, they hear from other schools about inequity. He shared that some of the concerns expressed at the PTA meeting were founded, but some were based on rumors. He asked parents and staff to not perpetuate rumors.
- He shared that he will be attending the Governor's Budget Workshop the following week.

Trustee Blanco III reported that:

- He stated that he did support Woodland HS students graduating in their stadium. He expressed that he wished 9-11 grade students were also present at the meeting because it also affects them. He stated that when stadium construction begins and the stadium is closed, it will affect the future.
- He attended the evening Adult Education ESL graduation ceremony on December 17th.
- He participated in the district's float in the Christmas parade.

Trustee Childers reported that:

- He wished everyone a happy New Year, and thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

- He shared that he graduated from Woodland HS, and he has children that will graduate from both WHS and PHS. He requested that the Board add the WHS graduation to the January 14th Board Meeting agenda.
- He attended the autism presentation last month at Gibson ES, and shared that the students were very engaged.
- He also attended the Pioneer HS PTA meeting the previous night.

Trustee Lytle reported that:

- She wished everyone a happy New Year.
- She stated that she supported adding a WHS graduation item to the January 14th Board Meeting agenda.
- She congratulated the new Board Officers.
- She apologized for missing the last meeting and shared that she was at a CalWORKs seminar training conference representing Yolo County homeless families. She recognized WJUSD for having a coordinator that helps homeless families.

F. INFORMATION

F.1. Business Services

F.1.a. Review Potential Purchase Order List 11-16

F.1.a.I. 161164 - Davis Joint Unified School District

Minutes:

The item 'Potential Purchase Order #161164 - Davis Joint Unified School District' was presented by Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services Isidro Carrasco.

F.1.a.II. 161165 - Parent Institute for Quality Education

Minutes:

The item 'Review Potential Purchase Order #161165 - Parent Institute for Quality Education' was presented by Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services Isidro Carrasco. Lorena Garcia, a parent that has graduated from the Parent Institute for Quality Education, shared that her experience was wonderful. She learned how to support and motivate her children to excel and reach the university level. She stated that the program helps parents attain the skills needed to help their children. She asked that the program be implemented at secondary schools also. She shared that there is a second part of the program available with additional classes, and she is very interested in attending.

F.1.a.III. 160439 - Office Depot

Minutes:

The item 'Potential Purchase Order #160439 - Office Depot' was presented.

F.1.a.IV. 161229 - Dell Financial Services

Minutes:

The item 'Potential Purchase Order #161229 - Dell Financial Services' was presented.

F.1.a.V. 160012 - Benson Fence Company

Minutes:

The item 'Potential Purchase Order #160012 - Benson Fence Company' was presented.

F.1.b. Report on Custodial Staffing

Minutes:

The item 'Report on Custodial Staffing' was presented by Director of Maintenance, Operations, and Facilities Nick Baral in a PowerPoint presentation.

F.1.c. Review Parcel Tax and General Obligation Bond Election Process

Minutes:

The item 'Review Parcel Tax and General Obligation Bond Election Process' was presented by Superintendent Dr. Maria Armstrong and Assistant Superintendent of Business Services Lewis Wiley in two PowerPoint presentations.

F.2. Educational Services

F.2.a. Review Revised Board Policy 5137.1: Bullying Prevention

Minutes:

The item 'Review Revised Board Policy 5137.1: Bullying Prevention' was presented by Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services Isidro Carrasco.

F.3. Superintendent's Office

F.3.a. Review Revised Board Policy 9324: Board Minutes

Minutes:

The item 'Review Revised Board Policy 9324: Board Minutes' was presented by Superintendent Dr. Maria Armstrong.

F.3.b. Review New Purchase Order Approval Process

Minutes:

The item 'Review New Purchase Order Approval Process' was presented by Superintendent Dr. Maria Armstrong.

G. BOARD ACTION

G.1. Business Services

G.1.a. Approve Purchases of Items/Services in Excess of \$15,000: List 10-16

Motion Passed: Motion was made to approve Purchases of Items/Services in Excess of \$15,000: List 10-16. Passed with a motion by Cirenio Rodriguez and a second by Morgan Childers.

Yes Sam Blanco III
Yes Morgan Childers
Yes Elaine Lytle
Yes Michael Pyeatt
Yes Cirenio Rodriguez
Yes Tania Tafoya
Absent Tico Zendejas

G.1.b. Approve AB1200 Disclosure of Cost of Agreement with Woodland Education Association

Motion Passed: Motion was made to approve AB1200 Disclosure of Cost of Agreement with Woodland Education Association. Passed with a motion by Michael Pyeatt and a second by Elaine Lytle.

Yes Sam Blanco III
Yes Morgan Childers
Yes Elaine Lytle
Yes Michael Pyeatt
Yes Cirenio Rodriguez
Yes Tania Tafoya
Absent Tico Zendejas

G.1.c. Resolution 24-16: Intention to Sell; Authorizing Offer of District Property for Sale to Statutory Entities; and Authorizing Public Sale of Property - Willow Spring School Site

Motion Passed: Motion was made to approve Resolution 24-16: Intention to Sell; Authorizing Offer of District Property for Sale to Statutory Entities; and Authorizing Public Sale of Property - Willow Spring School Site. Passed with a motion by Cirenio Rodriguez and a second by Morgan Childers.

Yes Sam Blanco III
Yes Morgan Childers
Yes Elaine Lytle
Yes Michael Pyeatt
Yes Cirenio Rodriguez
Yes Tania Tafoya
Absent Tico Zendejas

H. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion Passed: Motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda. Passed with a motion

by Elaine Lytle and a second by Morgan Childers.

Yes Sam Blanco III
Yes Morgan Childers
Yes Elaine Lytle
Yes Michael Pyeatt
Yes Cirenio Rodriguez
Yes Tania Tafoya
Absent Tico Zendejas

H.1. Educational Services

H.1.a. Approve Overnight Field Trips as Follows:

H.1.a.i. Lee Middle School Music Department Students to Participate in a Performance Workshop at Disneyland, Anaheim, CA, May 12-15, 2016

H.1.a.ii. Maxwell Elementary School Sixth Grade Students to Participate in an Outdoor Science Camp at the Sly Park Environmental Education Center, Sly Park, CA, March 21-25, 2016

H.2. Human Resources

H.2.a. Approve Certificated Personnel Report, 16-10

H.2.b. Approve Classified Personnel Report, 16-10

H.3. Superintendent's Office

H.3.a. Approve Board Meeting Minutes:

H.3.a.i. December 10, 2015 - Special Board Meeting

H.3.a.ii. December 10, 2015 Annual Organizational Meeting

H.3.b. Approve Resolution 23-16: Resolution to Excuse Board Member(s) Attendance at Meetings of the Board of Trustees

I. TRUSTEE COMMENTS/REQUESTS FOR FUTURE BOARD ITEMS

Minutes:

Trustee Rodriguez commented that he hoped they could sell the Willow Spring property and use the money from the sale to help fix schools.

J. DATE, TIME, AND PLACE OF NEXT SCHEDULED REGULAR BOARD MEETING:

Minutes:

January 14, 2016 - Closed Session at 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. for Open Session.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes:

The Board President adjourned the meeting at 8:13 p.m.

BOARD SECRETARY

BOARD PRESIDENT