

MINUTES
AMADOR COUNTY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Wednesday, January 25, 2017
Closed Session 6:00 P.M. Open Session 6:30 P.M

Meeting Location: Amador County Administration Building, 810 Court Street, Jackson, CA 95642

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- 1.0 **CALL TO ORDER** 6:00 pm
- 2.0 **BOARD MEMBERS**
- [X] Bob Laurent – Board President
 - [X] Kandi Thompson – Board Clerk
 - [X] Rose Oneto
 - [X] Susan Ross
 - [X] Janet White
- 3.0 Roll taken by the Secretary to the Governing Board.
- 4.0 **VISITOR COMMENT** on Closed Session Only
None

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| 5.0 <u>CLOSED SESSION</u>
May be called for personnel matters (Government Code §54957), litigation pursuant to Government Code, Section 54956.9(d)(1), real estate negotiations/acquisitions (Government Code §54957.6) and/or hearing to Consider an Expulsion of a Student (Education Code §48918[c])
6.0a Labor Negotiations Update on ACTA and CSEA 239 (Mr. Zearley & Mr. Vicari) |
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- 5.1 **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

- 6.0 **OPEN SESSION** 7:00 pm
- 7.0 **ADDITIONS/DELETIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA**
Superintendent Slavensky requested to move items 13.1 and 13.2 to immediately follow the consent items. Board Member Ross moved to approve the moving of these two items. Board Member Thompson seconded the motion. **Motion passed 5-0.**

- 8.0 **REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION**
No action in closed session, will receive more information.

- 9.0 **VISITOR COMMENTS**
Anyone may address the Board regarding any item that is within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. NOTE: If you wish to address the Board please complete a speaker card and give it to the Board clerk. This part of the Board's meeting is set aside for members of the public requesting to address the Board on general items which are not agenda items calendared for action, which are not first readings listed in the agenda, and are not items previously referred to committee and not yet returned to the Board for action. A speaker is limited to three (3) minutes. This agenda item will be limited to twenty (20) minutes. Anyone whose name remains on the speakers list at the end of the allotted time will be granted time at the end of the regular meeting. The Board will not discuss or take action on an item introduced during this portion of the agenda, as this would constitute an illegal act on the part of the Board.

Michael Delaney reported on Capital Service Center and School Board CTA Training. He invited the Board members to a dinner on February 6, 2017 from 6:00 – 8:00 PM at Pioneer Elementary School. Registration is due by Tuesday, January 31, 2017. Various community members spoke to the Board about the high school swimming program, the need for a coach, and their desire to have Mrs. Julia Sierk return as their coach. Speakers included Daniel Howe (student at Argonaut High School), Dr. Ron Hood, Jacob Crocker (student at Amador High School), Lisa Howe, and Shannon Rocha (student at Argonaut High School).

10.0 **PRESENTATION AND RECOGNITIONS**

10.1 Pledge of Allegiance Sutter Creek Elementary School Student Luke Hermanson

10.2 Spotlight on Schools –Sutter Creek Elementary/Sutter Creek Primary (Mr. Vicari)
Sean Snider, principal, spoke about the school’s strong focus on academics. Lottie Tone, teacher and Student Council advisor introduced President Luke Hermanson, Vice President Caleb Thompson, Co-Secretary Alaina Kiekhaefer, Co-Secretary Felix Somary, and Treasurer Kelsey Patterson who shared various updates about school programs and activities. Student Kyleigh Casagrande reported on the school’s Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS) program. Student Ryan Hollingsworth shared about the writing club and school newspaper.

11.0 **CONSENT AGENDA**

7:11 pm

Governing Board Received under separate cover as addendum. Public copy available during regular Board meeting and on the district website.

Board Member Thompson motioned to approve the consent items. Board Member Oneto seconded the motion.

Motion passed 5-0.

11.1 **Minutes**

11.1a Board Meeting – January 11, 2017

11.1b Governance Team Workshop – January 11, 2017

11.2 **Business** (Mr. Zearley)

11.2a Warrants issued between January 1, 2017 and January 18, 2017 in the amount of \$1,615,789.86.

11.3 **Personnel** (Mr. Vicari)

11.5 **Donations/Gifts/Contributions** Governing Board Received under spate cover-as addendum. Public copy available during regular Board meeting and on the district website.

11.5a Sutter Creek Primary – \$856.89 PE donation money from Motivate Personal Fitness Academy

11.6 **Surplus** Governing Board Received under spate cover-as addendum. Public copy available during regular Board meeting and on the district website.

11.6a Ione Elementary – Shelf, weather station pole, rubber bands & clips, metal compost lid, 20 desks, Carts, rolling chair, tables, trapezoid table, table top, TV stand, bookshelf, 3 file cabinets, 1 cabinet
Plymouth – Smart board display board, Neos (48 units), Polaroid camera, discovery camera and film,
Northern telecom phone, old VCR, Gateway computer, Panasonic DVD/VCR, Panasonic universal remote, 3 Gateway computers
District Office – Overhead projector, Sharp TV, Panasonic Recorder, Magnitude SR3200 Satellite Receiver, Chaparral Video cipher
Sutter Creek Elementary – Smart board light, Dell Inspiron Laptop, Monitor

11.7 **Conflict of Interest Code for the Year 2016, Board Bylaw 9270**

The Amador County Unified School District Board Bylaw 9270 addresses procedures, issues and potential actions related to conflict of interest. The bylaw states, “The Board shall review the appropriate district conflict of interest code in even-numbered years and send the code reviewing body either an amended code or, by October 1 of that year, a statement to the effect that no change is necessary. (Government 87306.5)

13.0 REPORTS

13.1 **Facilities Update (Mr. Zearley)**

The Governing Board has previously been given information regarding specific facility improvement projects. There is new information since the last update and some of the planned projects are still awaiting state funding and state approval. Mr. Zearley provided an update and answered questions. For example, the gymnasium bleachers at the high schools will be replaced with new ones that are ADA compliant (i.e., hand rails and walkways for handicapped individuals). Board President Laurent asked if the new classrooms were going to be portables. Mr. Zearley said they will be and they will be permanent.

13.2 **Communications Update (Mr. Vicari)**

On March 9, 2016, the District contracted with Trinette Marquis Hobbs of Syntic Communications to audit existing communication systems, support the improvement of our communication and messaging systems, and provide training for staff. The report included a review of the 2016 communication audit recommendations, updates on efforts in each recommendation area, and a discussion of current efforts and future plans for communication at the district and school levels.

12.0 DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

7:11 pm

Public Comments regarding Discussion/Action Items will be addressed during the Discussion/Action Agenda Items. Anyone may address the Board regarding any item that is within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. NOTE: If you wish to address the Board please complete a speaker card and give it to the Board clerk. A speaker is limited to three (3) minutes.

12.1 **Resolution 2016/2017-016 – Week of the School Counselor, February 6-10, 2017 (Ms. Greiten)**

National School Counseling Week is celebrated each February to focus public attention on the unique contribution of professional school counselors within United States school systems. National School Counseling Week, sponsored by the American School Counselor Association (ASCA), highlights the tremendous impact school counselors have in helping student achieve school success and plan for a career. Counselors were recognized and commended by the high school principals. Jared Critchfield, principal at Amador High School, spoke about Lara Eichman and Kelli Thompson. Kelly Hunkins, principal at Argonaut High School spoke about Clarissa Bellotti and Susan Zaffarano. Butch Wagner, principal at Independence High School, spoke about Lori Martinez. Board Member Ross motioned to approve the resolution. Board Member Thompson seconded the motion. **Motion passed 5-0.**

12.2 **Governance Handbook – First Reading (Dr. Slavensky)**

At the October 12, 2016 ACUSD Governance Board Workshop the Board gave direction to form a Governance Handbook Ad Hoc Committee. The ACUSD Governance Handbook Ad Hoc Committee met on October 19, 2016 and November 3, 2016. The Ad Hoc Committee gave input and direction on a Draft Governance Handbook. The Draft Governance Handbook was placed on the Board agenda as a first reading at the Board workshop held on January 11, 2017. Board President Laurent requested that a first reading be held again at the January 25, 2017 regularly scheduled Board meeting to address any further considerations to the Draft Governance Handbook after the CSBA Board Policy Audit Workshop held January 18, 19, & 20, 2017. After some discussion, Dr. Slavensky recommended bringing the handbook back to the Board for another first reading with all revisions compiled and highlighted. Board Member Thompson motioned to have another first reading. Board Member Ross seconded the motion. **Motion passed 5-0**

12.3 **Enterprise Fleet Management Lease for District Vehicles – Action (Mr. Zearley)**

The district operates a fleet of vehicles for various operational needs. The oldest vehicle in the fleet is 40 years old, and another vehicle has an excess of 860,000 miles. It is time to consider replacing some of the fleet, due to age, annual demand, and operational needs. After some discussion including a recommendation from President Laurent to purchase two 4x4 vehicles and a question from Member White requesting to know why they are leasing instead of purchasing, Member Thompson motioned to have staff bring a new lease agreement to the Board and approve item 12.5. Member White seconded the motion. **Motion passed 5-0.**

- 12.4 **Professional Learning – Curriculum and Instruction – Discussion/Action (Ms. Greiten)**
Ms. Greiten asked the Board to consider and approve two independent contract service agreements for professional development related to the California Common Core State Standards (CCSS) and the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS). Member Ross motioned to approve. Member White seconded the motion. **Motion passed 5-0.**
- 12.5 **Marketing Video Project Proposal: B43 Productions –Action (Dr. Slavensky)**
In the spring of 2016, the District contracted with Trinette Marquis Hobbs of Syntric Communications to audit existing communication systems, support the improvement of our communication and messaging systems, and provide training for staff. This proposal will support and deepen this work with an emphasis on positive public relations. After some discussion and questions about less expensive options, the Board agreed to re-visit this item after more research has been completed and presented to the Board at a future meeting.
- 12.6 **Independent Contract with Nina Mancina, Strategic Planning Consultant – Action (Dr. Slavensky)**
During the fall/winter of the current year, the District contracted with Leadership Associates to provide governance team training workshops for the Board of Trustees and the Superintendent. Enhanced communication opened questions about the mission and goals of the District. During the governance team training workshops, the Board discussed the importance of their role to set the vision, mission, and goals of the District. Recent planning for the 2017-18 Local Control Plan (LCAP) has reinforced this need. This proposal will support and deepen this work. Member Ross motioned to approve the contract. Member White seconded the motion. **Motion passed 5-0.**

13.0 **REPORTS**

- 13.1 **Facilities Update (Mr. Zearley)** Moved to earlier on the agenda
- 13.2 **Communications Update (Mr. Vicari)** Moved to earlier on the agenda
- 13.3 **Report from Superintendent (Dr. Slavensky)**
Dr. Slavensky updated the Board about LCAP stakeholder meetings scheduled and in progress at each school and the successful professional development on January 25, 2017. She also reassured the Board that she and Mr. Vicari are working to resolve the swim coach concern.
- 13.4 **Amador County Recreation Agency Report (ACRA) (Board Member Oneto)**
Nothing to report.
- 13.5 **Reports and Requests from Board Members**
Member Ross attended the Amador Arts Council's special event Poetry Spoken Out Loud, along with Dr. Slavensky, and enjoyed seeing our high school students perform and be recognized. She also attended the January 25th professional development sessions and enjoyed interacting with the teachers and presenters. . She asked if the website could be used to promote the importance of public education. Member White stated she appreciates all the patience and support while she is dealing with a personal issue. Member Oneto shared that she attended and enjoyed the January 25th professional development sessions. Board Clerk Thompson commented about the CSBA audit workshop and how helpful it was to review the Board Bylaws. Board President Laurent expressed that the CSBA audit was a great team building exercise and informational.

14.0 **FUTURE MEETING ITEMS**

- 14.1 Common Core State Standards Report
- 14.2 Recognition – Spotlight on Schools – Jackson Junior High School
- 14.3 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Mid-year Report
- 14.4 Adult Education/Career Technical Education Update
- 14.5 Student Board Members
- 14.6 CSM E-Rate Compliance Service Contract
- 14.7 Recommendation for Reduction in Particular Kinds of Service/Tie Break Criteria
- 14.8 Single Plans for Student Achievement

- 14.9 School Accountability Report Cards
- 14.10 California School Boards – A Delegate Assembly Election
- 14.11 Accept Audit and Bond Report

15.0 **NEXT MEETING**

ACUSD Regular Meeting: Wednesday, February 8, 2017, Amador County Administration Building, 810 Court Street, Jackson, CA. Closed Session at 6:00 PM. Open Session at 6:30 PM. ACOE Board Meeting immediately following.

16.0 **ADJOURNMENT**

8:52 pm

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