

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HESPERIA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES
Board/Facilities/Retiree Recognition Meeting
May 19, 2008
Mission Crest Elementary School (Multipurpose Room)

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dr. Robert Kirk, President
Ella "Lee" Rogers, Vice President
Hardy Black, Clerk
Helen Rogers, Member

Mark McKinney, Superintendent

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bruce Minton, Member

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: David Thompson for Collette, Sultana HS
Cindy Fortin, Asst. Director, Personnel, AESC
Dick Gary, Director, M&O
Cheryl Bradley, Registrar, Mojave HS
Jean Campbell, DSA, I.T.
Roman Aguilar, TMS, Sultana HS
Dennis Eggers, DSA, I.T.
David McLaughlin, Director, I.T.
Patricia L. VanderKamp, Counselor, Mojave HS
Tracy S. Zollner, Teacher, Sultana H S
Jeanne Hamilton Brown, Retired HUSD
Lois Reaber, Principal, Joshua Circle
Kathy Miller, AP, Cottonwood
Michelle Murphy, Principal, Mission Crest
Alan Giles, Principal, Topaz
Janet Clesceri, Director, Nutritional Services
Sue Knuth, Principal, Cottonwood
Pam Borini, Retired
Patty Murbach, Secretary, D.O.
Nicole Ebert, Buyer, D.O.
Alan Cota, AP, Maple
Rich Stuelke, Principal, DTHA/HCDS
Mike Smith, Director
Karen Elgan, Principal, Maple

**OTHERS IN
ATTENDANCE:
(Continued)**

Russ Munyan, Coordinator II, AESC
Michelle Estrada, AP, Hesperia HS
Valerie Turpen, Coord. II, AESC
Jodi Consten, Coord. II, AESC
Cheryl Finch, Retired, Personnel
Chet Gilliatt, Retired, Hesperia HS
Gordon Williamson, Teacher, Maple
Jim Pace, Teacher, Hesperia JHS
Diana Gott, Director, D.O.
Teri Green, Principal, Kingston
Craig Gunter, Principal, Eucalyptus
Chris Mauger, Principal, Carmel
Candace Marquez, CLS, HJHS
Paul & JoAnne Romero, AP, Sultana HS
Linda & Tony McGuyer, Secretary & Teacher, Hesperia HS
Evelyn Puentes, Teacher, Mojave HS
Laurie Krause, Teacher, Maple
Donnie Smith, Retired, Maple
Summer Diuguid, Teacher, Maple
Ruth TerKeurst, CSEA President, D.O.
Bob & Joan Ferris, Retiree, Kingston
Sallie Meeker, Retired
Sue Yarbrough, Principal, Lime St.
Bill & Laura Smith, Attendance Specialist, MHS
Charles Roedell, Teacher, Lime St.
Vicky Graham, Secretary, Sultana HS
Nila Neat, Parent, Hesperia HS
Darrel Nickolaisen, Coord., Lang. Support
Linda & Ric Brown, Photoshop/Spouse
Mike Graham, Police Chief
Bob Schnebeck, V.P., Activities, Hesperia HS
Larry Bird, Director, D.O.
Cleone Black
Bill Pittsford, Principal, Canyon Ridge HS
Ramona Tillitson, Teacher, Rancho MS
Tracy Marsh, Principal, Sultana HS
Cynthia Ferguson, Director, Oasis Charter Academy
Cindy Costa, Principal, Rancho MS
Ryan Plescia, AP, Kingston
Chris Bentley, Parent
JoAnn Padilla, AP Secretary, Sultana HS
Laura Carevic, Director, D.O.

**OTHERS IN
ATTENDANCE:
(Continued)**

David Thomas, Teacher, Sultana HS
Robert Gore, Teacher, Topaz
Kathy Everhart, Risk Mgmt/Benefits Mgr, AESC
Suany Echevarria, Bilingual Assistant, Sultana HS
Tina Walker Simmons, Mom/Teacher, Hollyale
Vicki Fuentes, Parent
Debbie Baker, Exec. Asst., Admin Services
Cathy Gomez, Exec. Asst., Admin Services
Karen Kelly, Asst., Supt., Personnel Services
Jovy Yankaskas, Asst., Supt., Educational Services
George Landon, Asst. Supt., Business Services

CALL TO ORDER:

President Kirk called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. All Board members were present with the exception of Board Member Minton.

**HEARING FROM
THE AUDIENCE:**

President Kirk read the statement inviting the general public to address the Board on any closed session item.

The following individuals addressed the Board:

1. Chris Bentley, Resident. Topic: Closed Session Item #3 Conference with Labor Negotiator

**ADJOURNED TO
CLOSED SESSION:**

The Board adjourned to closed session at 4:05 p.m. to discuss the following: 3.1 Conference with Real Property Negotiator; 3.2 Public Employee Appointment; 3.3 Conference with Labor Negotiator; 3.4 Pupil Personnel.

**RECONVENE IN
OPEN SESSION:**

The Board reconvened in open session at 6:23 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE:**

President Kirk led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**REPORTING OUT OF
CLOSED SESSION
ACTION:**

Superintendent McKinney reported the following action taken in closed session:

On MSC (Black, L. Rogers) Vote: 3-0 (Ayes: Black, Kirk, L. Rogers; Noes: None; Abstain: H. Rogers) Personnel Report No. 2007/08-20 was approved as amended.

On MSC (L. Rogers, Black) Vote: 4-0, Pupil Personnel Report No. 2007/08-13 was approved as presented.

**APPROVAL
OF AGENDA &
CONSENT LIST:**

Consent Item #10.6.3 Award of Bid #08-111, Security, After Hours, All Sites and #10.6.6 Approval of SBCSS Special Ed Classroom Construction Agreement and Change Order to ARS for Special Ed Classroom Construction at Oak Hills High School were pulled from the agenda.

On MSC (Black, L. Rogers) Vote: 4-0, The agenda and Consent List were approved as amended.

**APPROVA OF
MINUTES:**

On MSC (L. Rogers, Black) Vote: 4-0, The Minutes of April 21, 2008 Board/Facilities meeting were approved as submitted.

SPECIAL REPORTS

**9.1
RECEPTION
HONORING THE
DISTRICT'S 2007/08
RETIREES:**

The Board recessed at 6:28 p.m. to a reception hosted by the Governing Board, CSEA, HAMS and HTA honoring the following 2007/08 District Retirees:

<i>Vicki Bires</i>	<i>Pam Borini</i>
<i>Caryn Brown</i>	<i>Mark Dieter</i>
<i>Bill Fagan</i>	<i>Joan Ferris</i>
<i>Cheryl Finch</i>	<i>James Foster</i>
<i>Chet Gilliatt</i>	<i>Etta Collette Hatfield</i>
<i>Candido Hercules</i>	<i>Shirley Kealoha</i>
<i>Jacquelyn Marsh</i>	<i>Donna Millard</i>
<i>James Porter</i>	<i>JoAnne Romero</i>
<i>Martha Roodzant</i>	<i>Sharyn Self</i>
<i>Larry Silverman</i>	<i>Alvesa Smith</i>
<i>Donnie Smith</i>	<i>Judy St. Clair</i>
<i>Lynn Strickland</i>	<i>Linda Trentham</i>

**RECONVENE TO
BOARD MEETING
SPECIAL REPORTS:**

The Board reconvened the Governing Board meeting at 7:12 p.m.

**SPECIAL REPORTS
9.2
MULTILINGUAL
RECOGNITION
PROGRAM
RECIPIENTS:**

Darrell Nickolaisen, Coordinator II, Language Support Services, recognized Lauren Cisneros, Veronica Pelayes, Teri Green, and Suany Echevarria as the District's Multilingual Recognition Program Recipients.

**9.3
SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT:**

Superintendent McKinney recognized the Sultana HS Junior ROTC unit for being selected as 1 of 328 units receiving the 2007/08 Junior Air Force ROTC Distinguished Unit Award. Tracy Marsh, Principal, Sultana HS presented a Certificate to Col. Jahnke and Sgt. Thomas.

Chief Graham administered the Oath of Office to new officers Robert Copley and William Holland. Cindy McCarter was introduced as new Sergeant.

Superintendent McKinney reported that he attended the Mesquite Trails California Distinguished Schools Awards Program in Anaheim. Congratulations to Dave Stewart, Principal and his staff.

As we look at the agenda tonight, on a personal note, there are some tough decisions on the agenda tonight, specifically; one of the items is the Photoshop. I know it's been a tough decision and a lot of dialogue has gone on about that. I don't know why all of the elements of the original Business Plan were not implemented. We don't know truly the real potential the program is, however, I have to simply look at the terms and aspect of cost. Here's a program that while it may be powerful in doing great things for kids for the district, it does have a significant impact to the General Fund. This impact comes at a time that we're making difficult budget decisions including laying people off. This is a program that does have an impact on students. How significant and just how large, we just don't know yet. Yet we are in the process of making decisions about laying off folks. Folks that have a direct impact to students. This is a tough decision. The comment that I have for the Board is in my feeling as Superintendent, any decisions ought to be looked at in terms of a direct benefit to the students of Hesperia Unified School District and should take precedence.

**9.4
BOARD MEMBER'S
REPORT:**

Board Clerk Hardy Black reported on the following:

- On 5/14 attended a party at Juniper Elementary School for students reading a certain number of AR books
- Attended Juniper Elementary 50th Anniversary the previous Friday
- Attended a piano concert put on by Dr. Chatterji on Saturday, May 10. It was truly an outstanding event.
- He presented a Cougy Award at Carmel last Thursday

**9.4
BOARD MEMBER'S
REPORT:
(Continued)**

- Was impressed with serendipity Day at Lime Street last Friday
- Attended an Eagle Court of Honor for 3 students; 2 seniors at Hesperia HS and 1 senior at Sultana HS
- Looks forward to the graduations and year end events. Appreciates all the staff for putting the time to service the children and give them encouragement to do things besides academics

Board Member Helen Rogers reported on the following:

- A Special Board Meeting was held on May 13th. It was a difficult time for all the Board members to lay off 32 teachers.
- Attended the first chat with the Superintendent meeting. Thanks to Michelle Murphy, Principal, for making her school available for this important meeting.
- Attended a Budget meeting with George Landon on May 15th
- Attended a retirement party for Jackie Marsh who retired from Mesquite Trails
- \$800,000 was awarded in scholarships at Sultana HS Senior Awards event
- On May 16, she read to four 3rd grade classes at Maple Elementary
- On May 16, she rode with Superintendent McKinney to Anaheim to recognize Mesquite Trails as a Distinguished School.
- On May 17, she attended a budget meeting with Anthony Adams at Marie Callenders.
- On Saturday night she attended the Encore Open House

Board Vice President Lee Rogers reported on the following:

- She congratulated our new school police officers. She looks forward to them taking care of our students and staff.
- Three of our schools held grand openings.
- She was pleased to also be a part of the Cougar Awards at Carmel. Special thanks to the Outback Steak House for supplying the food
- She attended the Senior Awards at Sultana HS. Over \$825,000 was awarded. It was very well organized

**9.4
BOARD MEMBER'S
REPORT:
(Continued)**

- She attended the Senior Awards at Hesperia HS. They awarded \$1,432,118 to date in scholarships
- She visited Cedar Middle School's grand opening. You need to visit the Guitar Room.
- She announced that Canyon Ridge HS was still looking for books for their library. If you would like to donate any books, please drop them by the District Office or at your school or Canyon Ridge HS

President Kirk reported on the following:

- He thanked Chief Graham and all of the officers for the above and beyond call for all their work for the last so many months that they've been short on officers
- He also attended many of the events that have been mentioned.
- He attended the Scholarship Awards Program at Mojave HS and had the honor of presenting a scholarship in the name of his mother and father
- He attended the Reading Program at Maple Elementary and read from his favorite author Dr. Seuss
- He attended the first community night with Superintendent McKinney
- He attended and presented a Cougy Award at Carmel Elementary
- He attended Serendipity Day at Lime St.
- He attended a taser demo at the Police Department
- He attended the grand openings at Cedar Middle School and had the opportunity to give a speech. Over the course of 10 days, the District celebrated the grand opening of 3 new schools (Canyon Ridge HS, Mission Crest Elementary School and Cedar Middle School). For the first time, children can attend K-8 in their neighborhood school. A total of \$61 million dollars was spent in the renovation of these schools. This is a historic time for us.

**HEARING FROM THE
AUDIENCE:**

President Kirk again read the statement inviting the general public to address the School Board regarding matters on the agenda and other matters within the jurisdiction of the Board. The following individuals addressed the Board:

1. Brad Mitzelfelt, Wrightwood. Topic: Piano teacher
2. Tina Rios, Hesperia. Topic: Piano elective

**HEARING FROM THE
AUDIENCE:
(Continued)**

3. Ellen Quinn, Hesperia. Topic: Elementary Band Program
4. Bryan Asdel, Victorville. Topic: Sultana HS Band Program
5. Tina Walker Simmons, Apple Valley. Topic: Retention of HHS Piano Program
6. Vicki Fuentes, Hesperia. Topic: HUSD Piano Program (Retention)
7. Ofelia Burbridge, Hesperia. Topic: Piano Program
8. Nina Dorado, Victorville. Topic: Piano Teacher
9. Daniel Dorado, Victorville. Topic: Piano
10. Cheryl Bradley, Hesperia. Topic: Photoshop
11. Jean Campbell, Victorville. Topic: Photoshop
12. Ruth TerKeurst. Topic: Photoshop
13. Betty Cordoba, Oak Hills. Topic: Photoshop
14. Ric Brown, Apple Valley. Topic: Photoshop
15. Chris B. Hesperia. Topic: 10.5 Photoshop
16. Ruth TerKeurst. Topic: CSEA Employee Week
17. Nila Jean Neat, Hesperia. Topic: Disciplinary Actions

ACTION:

**10.3
APPROVAL OF
TRANS CASH
RESERVE
PROGRAM FOR
2008/09:**

On MSC (L. Rogers, Black) Vote: 4-0, Approval of TRANS Cash Reserve Program for 2008/09 was tabled to the May 27, 2008 meeting.

**10.4
DISCUSSION/ACTION –
APPROVAL TO EXTEND
TIMELINE FOR
REVOCATION OF
OASIS CHARTER
ACADEMY AN
ADDITIONAL 30 DAYS:**

On MSC (H. Rogers, Black) Vote: 4-0, The additional 30 day extension for the revocation process of Oasis Charter Academy, pursuant to E.C. 47607(e) was approved as submitted.

**10.5
DISCUSSION/ACTION –
PHOTOSHOP:**

This item was requested from the May 5, 2008 Board meeting.

George Landon, Asst. Supt., Business Services, and Lance Olson, Photoshop, reviewed the Photoshop plan with the Board and audience.

10.5

**DISCUSSION/ACTION –
PHOTOSHOP:
(Continued)**

President Kirk asked that the Board consider a motion that the Photoshop be closed as quickly as possible giving employees notice as required by law, attempting to end the equipment lease as soon as practical. He would also like to include in this motion the restoring of funds for the elementary music program and the secondary program which would include 5 elementary music teachers and Dr. Chatterji and the addition of 4 classified positions.

Board Member Black made a motion that the Photoshop be closed as quickly as possible giving employees notice as required by law, attempting to end the equipment lease as soon as practical and that the restoring of funds for the elementary music program and the secondary program which would include 5 elementary music teachers and Dr. Chatterji and the addition of 4 classified positions. The motion was seconded by L. Rogers.

Tristan Pelayes, Legal Counsel, indicated that the first motion was on the agenda, however, the second motion regarding the restoring of funds for the elementary music program and secondary music program would have to be agendized for a future meeting.

On MSC (Kirk, Black) Vote: 3-1 (Ayes: Black, Kirk, L. Rogers; Noes: H. Rogers) The amended motion that the Photoshop be closed as quickly as possible giving employees notice as required by law, attempting to end the equipment lease as soon as practical and request that the elementary and secondary music program be agendized for the next meeting on May 27, 2008, was approved.

CONSENT LIST:

10.6.1

**APPROVAL OF
COUNTY SIGNATURE
LISTING CHANGES:**

On MSC (Black, L. Rogers) Vote: 4-0, County Form No. 1 Board Delegation – Certify/Attest Board Action (Add/Change Mark McKinney, Superintendent; County Form No. 2 Board Delegation-Authorized Agent Status (Mark McKinney, Superintendent; County Form No. 2 Board Delegation-Authorized Agent Status (Karen Kelly, Asst. Supt./Personnel); County Form No. 4 Board Delegation-Termination Thereof (Removing Jean Aldrete, former employee), were approved as submitted.

10.6.2

**APPROVAL OF DIRECT
CERTIFICATION
AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE SAN BERNARDINO
COUNTY SUPT. OF
SCHOOLS AND THE
HESPERIA UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT:**

On MSC (Black, L. Rogers) Vote: 4-0, The agreement between San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools and the District for a 3 year contract on Direct Certification of Free and Reduced Meal Applications Productions Cost Reimbursement, was approved as submitted.

10.6.3

**AWARD OF BID #08-111,
SECURITY, AFTER
HOURS, ALL SITES:**

Board Member Black requested that this item be pulled due to questions that he would like to ask. He noticed on Page 68 under rational states "Public Contract Code 20111 requires that any purchase of equipment/supplies or services which exceeds \$72,400 be publicly bid." He asked whether there was anything in Board Policy that specifies a bid level or is this what we go by. George Landon, Asst. Supt., Business responded that the bid limit usually increases by a cost of living increase on an annual basis. And so it's not specifically identified in a Board Policy. So, the District uses the Public Contract Code as a guideline. Board Member Black asked whether the District wished to have a lesser amount, is it permissible? Mr. Landon replied that the Board can do that if they wish, however, the only caution he would make if that if the amounts are lowered, it would cause more work for the sites or departments with purchase orders in trying to get those goods or services.

On MSC (Black, H. Rogers) Vote: 4-0, Bid #08-111: Security, After Hours-All Sites was awarded to: Infinity National Security as the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder meeting minimum bid specifications.

10.6.4

**APPROVAL OF
REVISED FIVE-YEAR
DEFERRED
MAINTENANCE PLAN:**

On MSC (Black, L. Rogers) Vote: 4-0, The Revised Five-Year Deferred Maintenance Plan for the current 2007/08 school year to include completed and additional projects, was approved as submitted.

10.6.5

**APPROVAL OF
COMMUNITY-BASED
ENGLISH TUTORING
(CBET) PROGRAM
FOR 2008-09:**

On MSC (Black, L. Rogers) Vote: 4-0, The application for funding of Community-Based English Tutoring (CBET) Program for fiscal year 2008-09, was approved as submitted.

10.6.6

**APPROVAL OF
SBCSS SPECIAL ED
CLASSROOM
CONSTRUCTION
AGREEMENT AND
CHANGE ORDER TO
ARS FOR SPECIAL ED
CLASSROOM
CONSTRUCTION AT
OAK HILLS HS:**

Board Member Black requested that this item be pulled from the agenda because he had some questions.

Ms. Gott, Director of Facilities, provided a summary overview of the Oak Hills HS, Special Education Building (County Classrooms).

On MSC (Black, H. Rogers) Vote: 4-0, The District Construction Agreement between Hesperia Unified School District and the Office of the San Bernardino Superintendent of Schools (SBCSS) for construction of two (2) special education classrooms on the Oak Hills HS campus and Change Order #1 to ARS Constructors to construct two (2) special education classrooms on the Oak Hills HS campus in the amount of \$1,181,241.00, Funding from SBCSS, was approved as submitted.

10.6.7

**APPROVAL OF
JAIBG/SCHOOL
PROBATION OFFICER
CONTRACT FOR 2008-09:**

On MSC (Black, L. Rogers) Vote: 4-0, The Service Agreement between San Bernardino County and Hesperia Unified School District to maintain a full-time probation officer for Hesperia schools for 2008-09, was approved as submitted.

10.6.8

**APPROVAL OF THE
LOCAL EDUCATION
AGENCY PLAN
ADDENDUM:**

On MSC (Black, L. Rogers) Vote: 4-0, The 2007-08 Local Education Agency Plan (LEA Plan) Addendum, was approved as submitted.

10.6.9

**APPROVAL OF
RENEWAL OF THE
MEMORANDUM OF
UNDERSTANDING AND
AGREEMENT FOR
PARTICIPATION IN
THE RIMS-BTSA
CONSORTIUM
PROFESSIONAL
TEACHER INDUCTION
PROGRAM BETWEEN
HESPERIA UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT AND
RIVERSIDE COUNTY
SUPERINTENDENT OF
SCHOOLS:**

On MSC (Black, L. Rogers) Vote: 4-0, The renewal of the Memorandum of Understanding and Agreement for Participation in the RIMS-BTSA Consortium Professional Teacher Induction Program between Hesperia Unified School District and Riverside County Superintendent of Schools for the term July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008, was approved as submitted.

**11. INFORMATION
ITEMS:**

**FIRST READING OF
REVISED BOARD
POLICY 3541 (A-B) –
BUSINESS & NON-
INSTRUCTIONAL
OPERATIONS;
TRANSPORTATION
ROUTES & SERVICES:**

The Board received for first reading Revised Board Policy 3541(a-b) – Business & Non-Instructional Operations; Transportation Routes & Services.

**FIRST READING OF
REVISED BOARD
POLICIES – SERIES
3000 – BUSINESS &
NON-INSTRUCTIONAL
OPERATIONS:**

The Board received for first reading Revised Board Policy 3300 Expenditures & Purchases: 3311 Bids and 3312 Contracts.

**ITEMS FOR FUTURE
BOARD MEETINGS:**

The Board requested the following item(s) for future Board meetings:

- Review the Budget Committee's recommendations for budget cuts (HELEN ROGERS)
- She would like to continue receiving the monthly statements from our law firm Wagner & Pelayes (HELEN ROGERS)
- Would like to see all of our law firms' monthly. I want to see the yearly report by the next report and I want to include all staff, all individuals that work for this District that have done legal work. (PRESIDENT KIRK)

NEXT MEETING DATE:

The next meeting of the Hesperia Unified School District Board of Trustees will be held on June 9, 2008 at the Hesperia Administration & Educational Support Center (AESC) Annex, 15576 Main Street, Hesperia. A Special Board Meeting will be held on May 27 at the AESC.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

APPROVED AS SUBMITTED: June 23, 2008