

**NORTH COUNTY JOINT UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

January 16, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board President Cindy King

Members present: Cindy King, Board President; Rodney Bianchi, Trustee; Renée Faight, Trustee; Frank O'Connell, Clerk; Stan Pura, Trustee

1. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Cindy King, Board President

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Frank O'Connell, seconded by Rodney Bianchi, to approve agenda, as presented

Vote:

Cindy King	Aye	Renée Faight	Aye
Frank O'Connell	Aye	Stan Pura	Aye
Rodney Bianchi	Aye		

3. Recognition of Visitors

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

REPORTS/INFORMATION

1. ASB Student Report

Catherine Nordstrom, ASB President reported ASB has been very busy. The Winter Program went well. Upcoming spirit wear is Green Day, Crazy Hat Day, Camouflage Day and Jersey Day. Candy grams will be sold from the end of January until Valentine's Day. Publicity will make posters for Candy Grams and The Poetry Festival. ASB officers meet with Mrs. Pacheco each week to plan upcoming events. Mrs. Andrade's class won the door decorating contest.

2. Wonder Woofs

Sean and Janelle Haggett, owners/trainers of Wonder Woofs Certified K-9 Narcotic Search and Detection Unit along with their golden retrievers Sparks and Ranger attended the Board meeting. The Golden Retrievers participated in a demonstration showing how they detect drugs that could possibly be on a school campus. The dogs are trained on all narcotics including over the counter medication and alcohol. Very soon the dogs will also be able to detect gun powder. Typically the dogs search school perimeters, lockers, cars, bicycles and backpacks. The dogs indicate drugs are present by pawing or sitting by a backpack or bag containing the substance. Wonder Woofs also provides educational demonstrations at assemblies which are geared towards specific grade levels. The Wonder Woof program provides an opportunity for schools to be proactive in safety by creating a safe environment for students and staff. Wonder Woofs currently provides services to several schools in San Benito County.

3. 2013/2014 and 2014/2015 Common Core Funding Plan

Jennifer Bernosky, Superintendent reported the District will receive funding in the amount of \$156,000 to implement the Common Core State Standards (CCSS). The funding can be spent in three specific areas – professional development, instructional materials and

technology. Requirements to receive the funding includes forming a task force to develop a plan which must then be adopted by the Board of Trustees. The District task force, which includes management, certificated and classified employees has met 4 times since September. Common Core State Standards must be in place by the beginning of the 2013/2014 school year and the funds must be spent by the end of the 2014/2015 school year. The District plans to spend approximately half of the funds on professional development with the other half of the funds split between instructional materials and technology. Once the plan has been adopted it cannot be changed. The plan designating how funds shall be spent will come back to the Board for adoption at the February 13th Regular Board meeting.

4. **2012/2013 Audit Report**
Shannon Hansen, Director Fiscal Services & Operations provided the Board with the 2012/2013 Audit Report prepared by Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co. The report indicates the District is in a good financial position with a positive ending fund balance. There were no Federal findings. There was a State finding, however the District has been notified that the error was due to a problem with reporting software. If the error is not corrected the District will seek a waiver.
5. **2013/2014 Principal Apportionment Attendance Revenue (P-1)**
Shannon Hansen, Director Fiscal Services & Operations provided the Board with the Principal Apportionment Attendance Revenue Report (P-1). The report reflects the District is in declining enrollment with an ADA of 743.69. The District is funded at 762.
6. **Review 2013/2014 Goals & Objectives**
Jennifer Bernosky, Superintendent provided the Board with the working copy of the 2013/2014 Goals and Objectives. The document includes the objective as well as the progress of the goals to this date. She discussed each goal and the progress that has been made. After reviewing the progress of the goals she determined the biggest challenge and struggle is the ability to assess due to the fact that there will not be STAR testing this year. Staff will need training in this area. Mrs. Bernosky and Mr. Parra are discussing the need to have a way to measure strengths and weaknesses by the end of the year. The focus on learning and sharing data will continue. Progress on all other goals continues to move forward.
7. **Williams Settlement Complaint Summary 10/13 – 12/13**
Jennifer Bernosky, Superintendent reported there were no complaints relating to the Williams Uniform Complaint Process Settlement during the period October 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013.
8. **Monthly Attendance Report**
Shannon Hansen, Director Fiscal Services & Operations reported after four full months of school, student enrollment is at 763. Enrollment today is 755. The District is declining in enrollment due to students moving out of the area. ADA is at 97.2% of attendance to enrollment.
9. **Director Fiscal Services & Operations**
Shannon Hansen, Director Fiscal Services & Operations reported the following
Budget – Ms. Hansen will attend the governor’s workshop tomorrow

morning. She hopes to bring back more information as it relates to the 2014/2015 proposed budget. All postings have been completed and are up to date at the County Office of Education. They are making progress in getting the District's cash revenue postings done in a more timely fashion.

Building/Facility –

Traffic Analysis - Mrs. Hansen along with Superintendent Jennifer Bernosky and Trustees Rodney Bianchi and Stan Pura, discussed possible options relating to the pickup/drop-off traffic situation. It was determined the current configuration seems best for now. After close out of the construction project it may be possible to make some changes in the big parking lot.

Modular Building Project – Ms. Hansen referred the Board to the summer modular building project manual which included all specifications of the project. All bidders received this manual. There was an allowance within the specifications stating the bidders could include \$5000 in their base bid so that if it was difficult to identify where the water and sewer lines were, they could contact the architect and the architect would then authorize an additional \$5,000 for unforeseen. However the \$5,000 had to be part of the base bid. The project contractor has come to the District attempting to collect the \$5,000. However, the \$5,000 was not included in their base bid as per specifications. The contractor has shared that the foreman spent a lot of time surveying prior to start of the project trying to find the water/sewer lines. Ms. Hansen and Luis Vargas, the District Architect agreed with this statement. Ms. Hansen and the District Architect have scheduled to meet with the contractor next week to discuss this matter. Stan Pura, Trustee will attend the meeting as well.

Kitchen Renovation – Ms. Hansen reviewed the District's option to enter into a lease/leaseback option for the kitchen renovation. The district previously entered into lease/leaseback options with the Modernization Project and the Measure M Project. After explaining the pros and cons of this option the Board gave direction to have Luis Vargas, Architect, Kasavan Architects attend the February with more information relating to the lease/leaseback option.

10. Assistant Principal Report

Andrew Parra, Assistant Principal reported the following:

SARC – It is the District's responsibility to annually provide information about the District to the community the school with the School Accountability Report Card (SARC). The information in the report relates to 2012/2013 school year. Some highlights from the SARC are

- The school grew by 20 students compared to 2011/2012
- Compared to similar schools in the state, Spring Grove students are above average for student achievement
- Spring Grove's physical education is superior in the county and one of the most elite programs in the state
- All Spring Grove Teachers are highly qualified
- The school has sufficient textbooks and materials

The SARC must be adopted by the Board and be posted to the District Website by February 1st.

11. Principal Report

Jenny Bernosky, Principal reported the following:

Student Activities – There will be an assembly tomorrow for perfect attendance, honor roll, perfect STAR test results and re designated students. Students are currently working on the poetry contest that will be held at the end of January in their classrooms.

Student Academics – The new semester has begun. There is an ineligible list of 26 students which is down from 45 students in the past. Mrs. Bernosky feels the study hall at lunch time is helping. Teachers continue to work on CCSS in preparation for the field test in April. The 2nd round of BPST's will be administered in early February.

PLC – Teachers continue to meet each week. Mrs. Bernosky and Mr. Parra visit the meetings and noted there are great discussions taking place. Teachers have been introduced to the practice test for the Smarter Balance Assessment. This will help teachers match what the expectations will be in 2014/2015.

Discipline/Suspension – There have been 8 suspensions since the beginning of the school year. This is very similar to suspensions at this time last year.

12. Board Member Report

None

13. Area Trustee Report

None

14. Modernization Building Project
Closeout and up date

Shannon Hansen, Director Fiscal Services and Operations reported information has not changed based on what is in the Board Packet.

15. Superintendent Report

Jennifer Bernosky, Superintendent reported the following:

Mrs. Bernosky thanked Mrs. DeWitt and her 5th grade class for the research projects about Hollister and San Benito County which are posted on the bulletin boards.

Kindergarten, Transitional Kindergarten and Pre K registration will begin on February 3rd.

Professional Development – Gabriella Armenta, 5th grade teacher is doing math professional development with Spring Grove teachers primarily Kindergarten through 4th grade. She did a great job and teachers picked up a great amount of information. Another training will be held this month for K – 2nd and 3rd & 4th grade. A 2nd round of common core writing implementation with West Ed is also being offered to teachers by the County. This will take place in January, February and March.

Parent Education – A social media night will be held on January 30. Krystal Lomanto, San Benito High School Principal will help Mrs. Bernosky facilitate. Child care will be offered. On February 26th Mrs. Bernosky along with Gabriella Armenta, 5th grade teacher will host a parent math night geared toward 4/5 math standards. Mr. Parra met with Migrant Parents club and invited them to come. Mrs. Bernosky is hoping for a good turnout.

Board Workshop – Mrs. Bernosky would like to have a Board Workshop in February for LCAP direction. It was decided to hold the workshop at 6:00 pm on Monday February 24th. Mrs. Bernosky provided a handout with more information on the LCAP which must be adopted prior to budget adoption.

Supplemental Education Services (SES) – The District must provide SES because The District is currently in Program Improvement (PI). Ms. Bernosky has received information from agencies that can accommodate the District by providing services. The District will offer services to as many students as possible but will target 3rd – 5th grade. She will prepare letters to be sent to parents and offer services which can be provided here at the District or online. The SES program should start mid February.

Board Policies – The Draft Board Policy Manual has been received by the District. Originally the plan was to adopt the entire manual without reviewing a second time. Mrs. Bernosky would like to have the Board review all policies within the next 5 months and adopt all policies at the June 25th Board meeting. Mrs. Bernosky, Mrs. Souza and Ms. Hansen will review the groups of policies to make any corrections prior to giving to the Board to review. The Board will be provided with the first round of policies by February 1st. Mrs. Bernosky provided the Board with a timeline for reviewing the policies.

Yesterday Mrs. Bernosky received the Math Adoptions. She said she is familiar with the textbook companies but not the curriculum. The District will be receiving samples. A curriculum committee will need to be established. The math adoption samples will need to be reviewed by School Site Council as well as teachers. The District may also wish to pilot some of the samples. She would love to have the adoption in place by the beginning of next year however that may not be realistic. Realistically it may be a year from now before the Math Adoptions are in place.

CONSENT ITEMS

In a motion by Reneé Faight, seconded by Stan Pura, the board approved Consent Items #1 & 2, as presented.

Vote:

Cindy King	Aye	Reneé Faight	Aye
Frank O'Connell	Aye	Stan Pura	Aye
Rodney Bianchi	Aye		

ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. School Accountability Report Card (SARC)

In a motion by Rodney Bianchi, seconded by Frank O'Connell the Board approved the School Accountability Report, as presented

Vote:

Cindy King	Aye	Reneé Faight	Aye
Frank O'Connell	Aye	Stan Pura	Aye
Rodney Bianchi	Aye		

2. Resolution #13/14-05 Budget Appropriation Transfer

In a motion by Rodney Bianchi, seconded by Stan Pura, the Board adopted Resolution # 13/14-05 Budget Appropriation Transfer, as presented

Vote:

Cindy King	Aye	Reneé Faight	Aye
Frank O'Connell	Aye	Stan Pura	Aye
Rodney Bianchi	Aye		

3. Resolution #13/14-06 Criteria for determining FDOPS

In a motion by Frank O'Connell, seconded by Rodney Bianchi the board approved Resolution #13/14-06, Criteria for Determining Order of Seniority for Those Employees With the Same Date of First Paid Service, as presented

Vote:

Cindy King	Aye	Reneé Faight	Aye
Frank O'Connell	Aye	Stan Pura	Aye
Rodney Bianchi	Aye		

TRUSTEES FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Confirmation of Wonder Woofs
- Samples of test

2013/2014 SCHEDULED MEETINGS

- Thursday, February 13, 2014, Regular Board Meeting
- Monday, February 24, 2014, Board Work Shop
- Thursday, March 13, 2014, Regular Board Meeting
- Thursday, April 10, 2014, Regular Board Meeting
- Thursday, May 8, 2014, Regular Board Meeting
- Wednesday, May 28, 2014, Regular Board Meeting
- Wednesday, June 25, 2014, Regular Board Meeting

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION AGENDA ITEMS

None

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

In a motion by Stan Pura, seconded by Reneé Faight, the Board convened to closed session at 8:15 p.m.

Vote:

Cindy King	Aye	Reneé Faight	Aye
Frank O'Connell	Aye	Stan Pura	Aye
Rodney Bianchi	Aye		

RECONVENE TO OPEN MEETING AND REPORT ACTION TAKEN

In a motion by Frank O'Connell, seconded by Stan Pura, the Board re-convened to open session at 9:45 p.m.

Action Taken: The Board voted not to reinstate Interdistrict Transfer Student #13/14-1

Vote:

Cindy King	Aye	Reneé Faight	Aye
Frank O'Connell	Aye	Stan Pura	Aye
Rodney Bianchi	Aye		

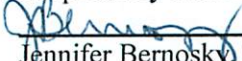
ADJOURNMENT

In a motion by Rodney Bianchi, seconded by Cindy King, the Board adjourned at 9:46 p.m.

Vote:

Cindy King	Aye	Reneé Faight	Aye
Frank O'Connell	Aye	Stan Pura	Aye
Rodney Bianchi	Aye		

Respectfully Submitted,



 Jennifer Bernosky, Secretary
 North County Board of Trustees