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**LIVERMORE VALLEY JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, August 9, 2005, 6:00 P.M.**

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**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by President, William Morrison, with Julie Orvis, Clerk, members Tom McLaughlin, Anne White, and William Dunlop present. The Board adjourned to closed session.

**CLOSED SESSION**

The Board met in closed session pursuant to Education Code Section 48918(c) regarding two expulsion hearings; pursuant to Education Code 54957 regarding public employee discipline/dismissal/release/leave, and public employee employment; pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 regarding conference with labor negotiator(s); pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 and 945.6 regarding acceptance of claim received June 1, 2005 for property damage and rejection of claim received June 9, 2005 for property damage; pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 regarding discussion of tort claims received (three); pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 regarding Conference with Legal Counsel concerning anticipated litigation. Staff in attendance included Brenda Miller, Superintendent; Bob Bronzan, Deputy Superintendent; Bob See, Director; Yolonda Holmes, Director, and Floyd Wilson, Director.

**RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

The Board reconvened in open session with Margaret Gehlert, Superintendent's Secretary, in attendance.

Morrison announced the Board took no action in closed session and reported in open session the following:

**Action: White moved, McLaughlin seconded, and motion carried 5-0** to accept the Administrative Panel's recommendation and direct, effective immediately, that Student X be expelled from the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District for violation of Education Code section 48915(a)(2), 48900(j), and 48900(k). However, the Board orders the expulsion be suspended for one calendar year through August 2006. A Rehabilitation Plan is on file at the District Office.

**Action: Orvis moved, Dunlop seconded, and motion carried 5-0** to accept the Administrative Panel's recommendation and direct, effective immediately, that Student AA be expelled from the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District for violation of Education Code section 48915(c)(2), 48915(a)(1), 48915(a)(2), 48900(a)(1), 48900(a)(2), 48900(b), and 48900(k). A Rehabilitation Plan is on file at the District Office.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Action: McLaughlin moved, Dunlop seconded, and motion carried 5-0** to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 28, 2005 and the Special Meeting of June 29, 2005.

Approved: August 23, 2005

Regular Meeting  
August 9, 2005

## CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None.

## RECOGNITIONS

Superintendent Miller introduced and welcomed three new administrators to our district. David Chamberlain, Principal of Livermore High School; Jeff Keller, Principal of Marilyn Avenue Elementary School; and Denise Nathanson, Principal of Emma C. Smith Elementary School all came forward to shake hands and receive the best wishes of each Board Member.

## EMPLOYEE ASSOCIATIONS

*Keith Pickering-Walters, LEA*, commented on how much teachers are looking forward to beginning the new school year with all its opportunities for learning and teaching. He addressed the fact that he does not always agree on things but wants to be included on activities throughout the District. We can be successful in obtaining goals if all are included. He spoke of concerns for the process of transferring teachers but continues to look toward the future.

## COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

### Correspondence

None.

### Audience

*Carol Davin and Carolyn Siegfried* spoke regarding the need for a strong, permanent administrator and a stable faculty at East Avenue Middle School.

*Susan Ze* spoke on behalf of fellow staff members at East Avenue Middle School regarding the transfer of teachers, turn over of administrators, and the processes involved. She also informed Board Members and the audience of all the wonderful programs taking place at the site.

*Judith Herr, Laurie James-Shields, Lejla Cyr, and Jelena Cyr* all spoke regarding the selection criteria and process for honors classes at our middle schools.

*Valerie Raymond* asked for information regarding the current and projected number of high school students living north of the freeway.

*Dave Curtis* discussed the need for the District to publish "Statements of Fact" regarding the Livermore Trails project. He emphasized the importance of having concise and factual information available to the public.

## STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

None.

## INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

### PUBLIC HEARING: Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District (LVJUSD) Reopeners for the Livermore Education Association (LEA) Contract for the 2005/06 School Year

Presenter: Brenda Miller, Superintendent

Public Comment: Keith Pickering-Walters

### Staff Update: Preparations for the 2005/2006 School Year

Presenters: Brenda Miller, Superintendent  
Bob Bronzan, Deputy Superintendent  
Kelly Bowers, Director of Curriculum and Special Projects  
Judy Hintz, Classified Director of Human Resources  
Susan Kinder, Director of Fiscal Services  
Bob See, Director of Student Services and Special Education  
Floyd Wilson, Director of Facilities

Public Comment: Keith Pickering-Walters

## DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

### Approval of 9-12 Course Descriptions/Instructional Materials

Presenter: Kelly Bowers, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

Public Comment: Maggie Schumacher

**Action:** White moved, McLaughlin seconded, and motion passed 5-0 to approve the 9-12 Course Descriptions/Instructional Materials.

## CONSENT ITEMS

### Consent Agenda

Public Comment: Keith Picker-Walters

**Action:** Morrison moved, McLaughlin seconded, and motion carried 5-0 to approve items X-A-1 through X-A-13. Items included resignations/retirements, employment of personnel, employment of consultants, leaves of absence, purchase order summary reports, bill and salary warrants, gifts to the District, rejection of claim, acceptance of claim, Agricultural Incentive Grant, waiver request for credential requirements, and an out-of-state conference.

### Resolutions

None.

## BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND REQUESTS

*McLaughlin* reported on his visits and conversations with staff at various sites. He thanked all those who taught summer school.

*Orvis* described her wonderful rafting trip and other family events that occurred over the summer. She is ready for the beginning of a new school year.

*White* commented on an article she read regarding the need for adequacy in Alaskan schools. She reiterated the need to pursue adequate funding for our District.

*Dunlop* continues to recruit volunteers for the *Math Counts* program and is anxious to see the program implemented at all middle schools. Dr. Dunlop attended a Secretary of Energy Advisory Board meeting held at the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory and found it to be quite interesting.

*Morrison* had a fabulous summer, full of travel and relaxation. He spoke to the importance of students' English skills as they enter college and the workforce.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

*Ms. Miller* took a little time off to recharge and is encouraged by all the preparations being made for the beginning of a new school year. She remarked on how gratifying it is to put programs back in place, thanks to the passage of Measure D.

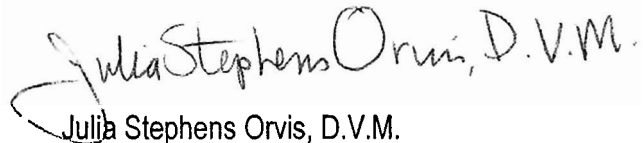
## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted



William Morrison  
Board President



Julia Stephens Orvis, D.V.M.  
Board Clerk