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

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, September 20, 2005, 7:00 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 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). Staff in attendance included Brenda Miller, Superintendent; Bob Bronzan, Deputy Superintendent; and Yolonda Holmes, Director.

**RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

The Board reconvened in open session with Student Board Member Representatives Clive Parkinson and Nathan Richerson present. Margaret Gehlert, Superintendent's Secretary, also in attendance.

Morrison announced the Board took no action in closed session.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Action:** Morrison moved, McLaughlin seconded, and motion carried 5-0 to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 6, 2005.

**CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

None.

**RECOGNITIONS**

Yolonda Holmes, Director of Human Resources, came forward to congratulate teachers attaining the position of "Tenured Teacher" during the 2005-2006 school year. Joining Ms. Holmes were Principals David Chamberlain, Beth McClain, Sheryl Howser, and Jeff Keller and Vice Principal, Tammy Rankin. Ms. Holmes and her colleagues spoke of the wonderful accomplishments these teachers have made. This group of over 20 teachers was called forward to receive a certificate and best wishes from the Superintendent and individual Board Members.

## EMPLOYEE ASSOCIATIONS

*Keith Pickering-Walters, LEA*, reported work has begun on the wording of their 2006-2007 contract and hopes that LEA and the District can come to an agreement on the 2005-2006 contract soon. He expressed concern for how funds are designated within the budget and how this affects funds available for salary increases.

## COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

### Correspondence

None.

### Audience

*Victoria Schellenberger* acknowledged and praised Ms. Shelly Kacinski, 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Advisor at Livermore High School, for her hard work and dedication to LHS students, particularly those with scheduling conflicts.

*Arlina Mele and Chelsea Ransome, Co-captains of the GHS Dance Team*, presented an update on many wonderful activities at Granada High School.

*Clarence Hoenig, Bob Baltzer, Roger Lake, Susan Steinberg, Michael Gregg, Marjorie Leider, and Jean King* all addressed concern for the "Fact Sheet" recently released on the District's webpage. They put forth concerns for its name, accuracy of its numbers, value of the land being offered, and the process involved in its creation. Also discussed was the location of a new high school if one was to be built.

*William Dunlop* stated his concern for the process and time taken in creating the Fact Sheet. He also raised the question of whether or not enough public input was gathered before publishing the document.

*Kathy Coyle, Sheila Cooper, Kate Runyon, Dave Curtis, and Valerie Raymond* each voiced support of the Fact Sheet and agree with its statements concerning the need for a third high school and the validity of its figures.

## STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Clive Parkinson reported on preparations for homecoming events and the ongoing effort to raise money for hurricane disaster relief.

Nathan Richerson described efforts at LHS to help hurricane victims and announced their football team had won two games.

## INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

### 2005 Opening Enrollment Update 2005-2006

Presenters: Bob Bronzan, Deputy Superintendent

Public Comment: None

## K-12 Summer School

Presenter: Kelly Bowers, Director of Curriculum and Special Projects  
Chris VanSchaack, Principal of Granada High School

Public Comment: None

## **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

### 2004-2005 Unaudited Actual Financial Reports and 2005-2006 Budget Update

Presenter: Bob Bronzan, Deputy Superintendent  
Susan Kinder, Director of Fiscal Services

Public Comment: Dave Curtis and Keith Pickering-Walters

**Action: McLaughlin moved, Morrison seconded, and motion passed 5-0** to extend the meeting past 10:00 P.M.

**Action: White moved, Dunlop seconded, and motion passed 5-0** to approve the 2004-2005 Unaudited Financial Reports.

## **CONSENT ITEMS**

### Consent Agenda

**Action: McLaughlin moved, Dunlop seconded, and motion carried 5-0** to approve items X-A-1 through X-A-9, with a change in wording for item X-A-7. Items included approval of resignations/retirements, employment of personnel, employment of extracurricular coaches, employment of consultants, leaves of absence, purchase order summary report, revision of Algebra II A/B course prerequisite, 9-12 History/Social Science instructional materials, and "Passive" consent for Healthy Kids survey for grades 7-12. The wording for item X-A-7 changed from *"a grade of "C" or better in Algebra I and/or Geometry"* to *"a grade of "C" or better in Algebra I."*

### Resolutions

Public Comment: Keith Pickering-Walters

**Action: Morrison moved, Orvis seconded, and motion carried by a roll call vote.**  
Resolution No. 122-05/06, Acceptance of the Reroofing at Christensen and Junction Avenue Middle Schools, Livermore High School, and the Education Center  
Resolution No. 123-05/06, Establish a Special Reserve Fund for Post-Employment Benefits, Fund 20

Ayes: Dunlop, White, Morrison, Orvis, and McLaughlin Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None

## BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND REQUESTS

*Dunlop* had a very enjoyable time during various Back-to-School Night site visits and was glad to see them so well attended. He toured Croce Elementary with Floyd Wilson and was pleased with the condition of the site.

*White* attended the California School Board Association's back-to-school conference where possible solutions for closing the achievement gap and tools available to Trustees to do their jobs well were discussed.

*McLaughlin* attended Back-to-School Nights and met with new Science teachers at the Edward Teller Education Center.

*Morrison* had a wonderful time visiting schools and thanked Floyd Wilson for his work in getting the playground at Jackson Avenue Elementary School back together. Mr. Morrison also enjoyed Back-to-School Nights at various sites.

*Orvis* will attend a Policy Committee meeting and participate in a discussion about graduation requirements and the use of certificates of achievement. She joined parents and staff members at Livermore High School's Back-to-School Night and reported it was very well attended. Dr. Orvis reported the Tri-Valley Educational Collaborative is focusing on networking, staff development, and credit equivalents. She suggested the use of a common parking pass able to be used at multiple sites.

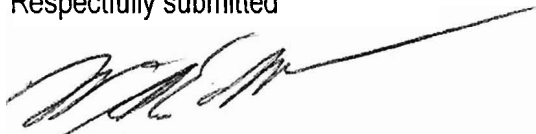
## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

*Ms. Miller* reported on efforts to hire a CBO for the district. A national search is underway but other districts in the area are also attempting to hire a CBO. Ms. Miller met with the two high school principals to discuss how the lunchtime closed campuses are working out. She happily announced a very positive increase in our District's API scores and noted the high schools made some of the greatest gains in the state. At the Parent Club Information Council meeting it was reported that some sites have enrolled students who are victims of hurricane Katrina.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted



William Morrison  
Board President



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