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

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, January 10, 5:30 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

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

CLOSED SESSION

The Board met in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 regarding Conference with Real Negotiator; pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 and 945.6 regarding rejection of claim received December 8, 2005, for personal injuries; 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). Staff in attendance included Brenda Miller, Superintendent; Bob Bronzan, Deputy Superintendent; Yolonda Holmes, Director; Bob See, Director; Floyd Wilson, Director, and Bob Thurbon, Legal Counsel.

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.

Orvis announced the Board took no action in closed session.

Action: White moved, McLaughlin seconded, and motion carried 5-0 to accept the Administrative Panel's recommendation and direct, effective immediately, that Student L be expelled from the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District for violation of Education Code sections 48915(c)(3), 48915(a)(3), 48900(c), and 48900(k). A Rehabilitation Plan is on file at the District Office.

Action: Dunlop moved, McLaughlin seconded, and motion carried 5-0 to accept the Administrative Panel's recommendation and direct, effective immediately, that Student O be expelled from the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District for violation of Education Code sections 48900(a)(1), 48900(a)(2), 48900(e), and 48900(k). However, the Board orders the expulsion be suspended for one calendar year through January 2007. A Rehabilitation Plan is on file at the District Office.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action: McLaughlin moved, Morrison seconded, and motion carried 5-0 to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 13, 2005.

Approved: January 24, 2006

Regular Meeting
January 10, 2006

Action: White moved, Dunlop seconded, and motion carried 5-0 to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of December 19, 2005.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None.

RECOGNITIONS

Ms. Miller invited Croce Elementary School Principal Beth McClain forward to acknowledge Tom Anderson, teacher at Croce Elementary, winner of the Herb Turnbull Computer Learning Award. Joining Mrs. McClain to congratulate Mr. Anderson were Priya Sri-Tharan, a fourth grade student at Croce and PTA President Susan Filyau. Priya described Mr. Anderson's 11 years with the District and how much he is appreciated at her school. She said he is a "spectacular teacher." All three ladies were happy to join Mr. Anderson and to honor him. Mr. Anderson came forward to receive a certificate and praise from the Superintendent and individual Board Members.

EMPLOYEE ASSOCIATIONS

Keith Pickering-Walters, LEA, commented on the successful California Teacher's Association (CTA) School Board Breakfast and thanked those who attended. He emphasized the importance of watching the process of the Governor's budget proposals. Mr. Pickering-Walters stated he is looking forward to the upcoming negotiations and is hoping for good results.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Correspondence

The Granada High School Dance Team sent a very nice note thanking the Board for the opportunity to be recognized at the last meeting.

Audience

Ashley Shilling and Michelle Aldrich, requested the Board consider allowing juniors at Livermore High School to go off campus at lunch time.

Samantha Vāvak and Sonja Ibsen of the GHS Dance Team, presented an update on many wonderful activities at Granada High School.

STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Clive Parkinson described the "Meet Your Match" fundraiser survey that many students completed. They are also beginning a "Big Brother/Big Sister" program that will match seniors with incoming freshman in hopes of building lasting relationships and building school spirit.

Nathan Richerson reported Livermore High School's soccer team is doing very well. He also stated that it is nice to see fellow students come to Board Meetings to address the Board.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND REQUESTS

McLaughlin visited a number of school sites, speaking with principals, staff, and construction workers.

Dunlop announced this coming Saturday's *Math Counts* competition to be held at the Robert Livermore Community center from 9 A.M. to 12 P.M. He reminded the audience that *Math Counts* volunteers are still needed at all four middle schools.

White thanked Keith Pickering-Walters for inviting Board Members to the CTA Board Breakfast. She stated she is preparing for the Tech Committee meeting by reviewing national tech plans and the plan from Poway Unified School District. Mrs. White commented on how programs and support lost during budget cuts take away much of our ability to provide services.

Morrison attended the CTA Board Breakfast where there was a presentation on school funding. California is 47th in nation when it comes to per pupil spending. Mr. Morrison attended a Facilities Committee meeting to begin looking at high school issues such as space needed and use of our current facilities. At the meeting it was said that "form follows function" and that we need to know what we want in terms of programs, etc.

Orvis discussed high school graduation requirements and the State Superintendent's recommendations at a Policy Committee meeting. She stated that the committee will soon bring up the subjects of middle school honors classes and inter-district transfers. Dr. Orvis announced the Health and Wellness Committee will be gearing up soon. She attended interviews of architecture firms interested in working for the District.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Ms. Miller reported that the Governor's budget shows some hope for education spending and work towards equalization among districts. She announced that Alison Morgan and David Kratchvil from Mendenhall Middle School have been selected to be in the 2006 California All-State Honor Band. Ms. Miller stated that both high schools are working on reform and that the charter school has submitted a request for facilities for 2006-2007. While visiting Sunset School she noticed how remarkably well the staff and students have adjusted to their temporary home.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Measure D: High School Counselors 2005/2006

Presenter: Kelly Bowers, Director of Curriculum and Special Projects

Public Comment: None

Review of Sunset Elementary School Modernization Project

Presenter: Floyd Wilson, Director of Facilities

Public Comment: None

Superintendent Committees and Board of Education Committee Assignments

Presenter: Julie Orvis, Board President

Public Comment: None

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

Board Policies

Presenter: Bob See, Director of Student Services and Special Education

Public Comment: None

Action: Morrison moved, McLaughlin seconded, and motion passed 5-0 to approve for posting prior to the second and final reading, pending legal advice, proposed Board Policy and Regulation 5147 Student Permission to Leave School Grounds for Lunch with one correction.

CONSENT ITEMS

Consent Agenda

Action: McLaughlin moved, Morrison seconded, and motion carried 5-0 to approve items X-A-1 through X-A-10. Items included resignations/retirements, leaves of absence, employment of personnel, employment of extracurricular coaches, employment of consultants, purchase order summary report, bill and salary warrants, gifts to the District, Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures Quarterly District Report, and rejection of claim.

Resolutions

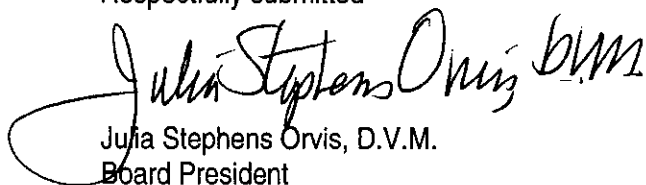
Action: Morrison moved, McLaughlin seconded, and motion carried by a roll call vote.
Resolution No. 132-05/06, Accepting Bid and Awarding the Contract for the Site Work Portion of the Modernization of Sunset Elementary School
Resolution No. 133-05/06, Approving the ABAG Report "Taming Natural Disasters" as the Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District Mitigation Plan

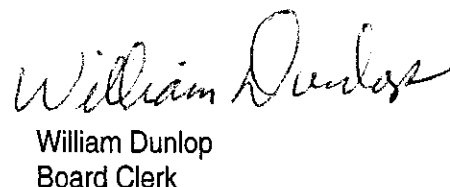
Ayes: McLaughlin, Dunlop, Orvis, White, and Morrison Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted


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


William Dunlop
Board Clerk