

HAMILTON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
September 19, 2011
Hamilton High School Library

1.0 OPENING BUSINESS

1.1 The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. and roll call was taken.

Bill Boone, President Tomas Loera, Clerk Judy Twede
 Tim Anderson Gabriel Leal

ABSENT: Gabriel Leal

OTHERS: Chuck Tracy, Superintendent; and Elizabeth Saiz, Administrative Assistant; and Isaac Martinez, ASB President.

GUESTS: Cris Oseguera, Maria Diaz, Maria Reyes, Chris DeVries, Hilary Crosby, Tom Conwell, and Nora Shippelhoue.

2.0 Closed session items were identified.

3.0 No public comment was made on closed session items.

4.0 Adjourned to closed session at 6:04 p.m. to consider qualified matters.

4.1 Government Code Section 54957, Personnel. To consider the employment/dismissal/evaluation of public employees.

4.2 Government Code Section 54957.6, Labor Negotiations. To meet with the District's labor negotiator regarding negotiations.

5.0 Public session reconvened at 6:47 p.m. The flag salute was led by Tim Anderson. No action was reported in closed session.

6.0 It was moved, seconded, and carried to adopt the agenda.

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7.0 There was no public comment made on public session items.

8.0 COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS

8.1 There were no Board member comments or reports.

8.2 Student Body President Report by Isaac Martinez. Isaac reviewed past activities including sports, FFA; and future events including homecoming and dress-up days, and the Boosters Golf Tourney.

8.3 School Reports:

1. Hamilton High by Principal Cris Oseguera. A handout was distributed.
 - API. The status of schools and district was briefly reviewed. The Kevin Clark program is helping to address issues with English

Learners. The EL drop reflected is primarily at the sophomore level.

- Professional development. EDI, ELD, Northern California Writing Project Grant.
 - Attendance.
 - TDAP. 42 students still need to bring in proof of immunization. The first day of exclusion from school is Wednesday, September 28.
 - AYP. Was not made because Math did not meet proficiency requirement. HES AYP reviewed and they met 11 criteria.
2. Hamilton Elementary by Principal Maria Diaz. Power Point presentation.
 - Activities and program update.
 - Pictures.
 - Kevin Clark program and status.
 - Staff development.
 - Transparency and accountability.
 - STAR test results reflect a gain!
 3. Ella Barkley High School by Dean of Students Maria Reyes. Handout distributed.
 - Enrollment: EBHS-18; CDS-2; HOP-2.
 - Teachers and courses.
 - Senior Trip.
 - Fundraising.
 - TDAP: Four students.
 - Off to a good start with increased attendance.

Mr. Tracy complimented the two principals and Dean of Students for their work.

8.4 Superintendent Report/Information by Chuck Tracy.

1. California Department of Education Food Service Report. Reviewed meeting with Marsha Miller regarding implementation of proper procedures and training for all food service employees. A part-time cashier was hired to assist in the HHS cafeteria.
2. ACT College Readiness Report. Annual report was reviewed. Expressed concern about decrease in students taking the ACT. Mr. Oseguera shares his concern and will address this issue.
3. Professional Learning Communities (PLC) at Work Summit: New Insights for Improving Schools. Discussed PLC impact and tools taught to empower administrators and teachers should the district choose to adopt this philosophy that gives meaning to how and why we support kids. Three-year implementation that includes all staff and uses categorical funding. Action item in October. Mr. Boone expressed concern about district's declining test scores and the need to do something different to get different results.
4. Technology Audit Prepared by Trevor Merrill. The report provides the district with a good plan for the future. Erate funds can be applied for in the next fiscal year to reimburse over 70% of the cost if District implements July 1. Immediate needs were reviewed with the most critical piece being at the

elementary school. Mr. Tracy is consulting with GCOE, BCOE, TCOE, and Erate consultants with the plan of turning the project over to Michelle Kelley.

5. Student Teachers at HHS and HES. Informational item. Expressed encouragement about this group's progress.
6. Letter from GCOE: 2011-12 Budget meets criteria and is approved with comments. Informational item.
7. Energy Cost Savings. Presently we purchase our natural gas through an alternate vendor through PG&E. In March, we would have saved an estimated \$1,799 by purchasing our natural gas through Xoom resulting in an annual savings of approximately \$21,000. Xoom would contract a fixed priced for 12 months whereas the current vendor is flexible.
8. Fiscal Report: Senate Bill 931 Dropped. Reviewed.

7.0 ACTION ITEMS

- 7.1 Public Hearing. Adjourned to public hearing at 7:53 p.m. to solicit public input regarding the sufficiency of K-12 instructional materials.
 1. Hilary Crosby asked about the possibility of online textbooks to reduce the cost of text books, and Mr. Tracy sees this as a future option.
- 7.2 Reconvened to public session at 7:55 p.m. Resolution 12-103, certification that each pupil in each school in the district has sufficient textbooks and instructional materials that are aligned to the state content standards and are consistent with the content and cycles of the curriculum framework adopted by the SBE in ELA, Math, Social Studies, and Science. Mr. Tracy reported that an audit was taken of textbooks and they are in place or will arrive prior to October 7. It was moved, seconded, and carried to adopt Resolution 12-103. (Unanimous)

(22 Twede – Loera)
- 7.3 Certification of Provision of Standards-Aligned Instructional Materials for the 2011-12 year. It was moved, seconded, and carried to approve the certification. (Unanimous)

(23 Loera – Anderson)
- 7.4 Public Hearing. Adjourned to public hearing at 7:58 p.m. to solicit public input regarding the GANN Limit. There was no public comment.
- 7.5 Reconvened to public session at 7:59 p.m. Resolution 12-104, GANN Limit. It was moved, seconded, and carried to adopt Resolution 12-104. (Unanimous)

(24 Loera – Twede)
- 7.6 Approve Unaudited Actuals Report, 2010-11 year. A handout was reviewed by Mr. Tracy. It was moved, seconded, and carried to approve the Unaudited Actuals as presented. (Unanimous)

(25 Twede - Anderson)
- 7.7 Academic Award Fund of \$6,000. To be awarded to individual students who improved their CST scores on the spring STAR test pursuant to E.C. Section 44015. \$5,000 to HHS and \$1,000 to HES. It was moved, seconded, and carried to approve award as requested. (Unanimous)

Note: As a result of discussion, the discrepancy between the allotment of funds between the two schools will be looked into for 2012-13.

(26 Loera - Anderson)

- 7.8 Two-Day Staff Development Workshop on Personnel. Approximately \$2,800 to send Superintendent and HES Principal to workshop in Dallas, TX. After discussion about public and Board concerns, it was moved, seconded, and carried to approve request.

(27 Loera - Anderson)

Noes: Twede

Ayes: Loera, Anderson, Boone

- 7.9 Request direction about pursuing energy cost savings through Xoom Energy. It was moved, seconded, and carried to direct the Superintendent to pursue energy cost savings through Xoom Energy. (Unanimous)

(28 Twede - Anderson)

- 7.10 Frontline Technologies, Aesop employee leave reporting system. One-time set-up and training fees of \$3,500 and an estimated annual investment of \$2,140. After discussion, it was moved, seconded, and carried to approve the purchase as requested. (Unanimous)

(29 Loera - Twede)

- 8.0 **CONSENT AGENDA.** It was moved, seconded, and carried to approve the Consent Agenda. (Unanimous)

(30 Twede – Loera)

- 8.1 Warrants and Expenditures.

- 8.2 Minutes of the regular Board meeting of August 15, 2011.

- 8.3 HES Single Plan for Student Achievement.

- 8.4 Hire employees/approve volunteers.

1. Blanca Ledezma, HHS Cashier (from 39-month rehire list)

2. Matt Steele, HCDS Teacher (from 39-month rehire list)

3. Alvyna Silva, HHS JV Girls Basketball Coach

4. Alberto Vargas, HHS Head Girls Soccer Coach

5. Dawn Dowdy, HHS Head Track Coach

6. Aaron Elliott, HHS JV Assistant Football Coach

7. Matt Jarvis, HHS Assistant Track Coach

8. Noah Hernandez-Gain, HHS JV Volleyball Coach

9. Lacey McLeod, HHS Volunteer Assistant Volleyball Coach

10. Mark Mendon, HHS Volunteer Assistant Football Coach

11. Tanya Bekendam, HHS Volunteer Assistant Varsity Girls Basketball Coach and Assistant Varsity Volleyball Coach

12. Ashley Beecham, HHS Volunteer Girls Assistant Soccer Coach

- 8.5 Teacher consent authorization to teach outside the teacher's credential authorization pursuant to ECS 44256.

1. Deb Sioux, Driver's Education (HHS)

2. Ellese Mello, Health (HHS)

3. Betty Mercado, Career Life Planning (HHS)

4. Guadalupe Funderburk, Health (HHS)
5. Mark Cooley, Health (HHS)
6. Alex Charlon, Study Skills (HHS)
7. Matt Steele, Multiple Subjects (HCDS)
8. Leroy Zambrano, Multiple Subjects and Independent Study (EBHS)

9.0 **DISCUSSION ITEMS.**

9.1 Initial proposal, labor negotiations, HUSD to HTA.

9.2 Initial proposal, labor negotiations, HUSD to CSEA.

10.0 **ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chuck Tracy, Superintendent

Approved and Entered into Board Records,

Tomas Loera, Clerk