

CORONADO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
ADOPTED MINUTES
March 26, 2015

Ledyard Hakes ♦ Dawn Ovrom ♦ Lee Pontes ♦ Maria Simon ♦ Lou Smith
Student Board Representative: Lauren McBride
Superintendent/Secretary: Jeffrey Felix ♦ Recording Secretary: Maria Johnson

Order of Business

1.0 CALL TO ORDER OPEN SESSION

President Ovrom called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM at Coronado Unified School District, 201 Sixth Street, Coronado, CA.

Roll Call

The following Board members were present: Ledyard Hakes, Dawn Ovrom, Maria Simon, Lou Smith, and Lee Pontes. Also present was Jeffrey Felix, Superintendent.

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance

1.2 **Approve the Agenda**

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Motion: Hakes Second: Smith Vote: 5-0.

2.0 COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Katie Leverich addressed the Board regarding teacher attrition and thanked them for placing this item on the agenda tonight. She said we are losing excellent teachers that have become part of the Coronado family and it is deeply emotional.

3.0 ACTION

3.1 Review, Revise, Reaffirm Board Policy 3050

On June 20, 2013, the Board created and adopted local policy BP 3050 “Financial Philosophy” in order to clearly communicate its principles for the use of all funds, especially the use and accumulation of reserve funds. This policy was put in place in order to guide the Superintendent in building the budget. Recently the Board asked to bring this policy back for comment and/or revision. The amendments and/or revisions are italicized and are as follows:

A. The Board recognizes that the most prudent Financial Philosophy for this district is one that will function effectively for approximately ten years as a “Bridge to Basic Aid.” To that end, the Board will enhance General Fund revenue by authorizing the allocation of *the net 2% PT funds after the COPS payment to offset general fund liabilities with Board guidance.*

➤ *The Board instructs the Superintendent to develop a budget that eliminates the structural deficit by the 2018-19 fiscal year.*

Member Hakes Moved to take the pass through money and put that money into the reserve instead of fund 40. There was not second on this Motion and the Motion failed.

Motion: Simon Second: Smith Vote: 5-0

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B. *The District will operate at a positive certification by keeping at least 3% of the operating budget in a Reserve for Economic Uncertainty and increasing that reserve by up to .5% of the general fund expenditure budget each year thereafter.*

Motion: Simon Second: Smith Vote: 3-2, Member Ovrom, Simon, and Smith voted yes. Members Hakes and Pontes voted no. Motion passed.

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- C. The District will strive to attain a total compensation package that is at or above the average for selected school districts in the region.

Motion: Hakes Second: Simon Vote: 4-1, Members Ovrom, Simon, Smith, and Hakes voted yes. Member Pontes voted no. Member Pontes supports the concept but would have preferred it contain stronger commitment to maintaining at or above average salaries and a corrective course of action for failing to do so. #59

- D. The District will build a budget which maintains class sizes and student days appropriate to achieve the goal of preeminent education.

Motion: Pontes Second: Simon Vote: 5-0, the Board voted to revise: #60

- E. The District will utilize its Facilities Management Plan (created in 2014) to prioritize capital expenditures and maintenance, reflecting funds available in Fund 40 until the district achieves Basic Aid.

Motion: Hakes Second: Smith Vote: 5-0, the Board voted to revise: #61

- F. The Board recognizes that statements made in this policy deliberately prioritize student achievement, academic excellence, and workplace quality over scheduled long-term facility maintenance.

Motion: Simon Second: Hakes Vote: 4-1, Members Simon, Ovrom, Pontes, and Smith voted yes. Member Hakes voted no. Motion passed. #62

4.0 GOVERNING BOARD WORKSHOP

Motion: Ovrom Second: Smith Vote: 5-0, to TABLE 4.1 and 4.2 and to bring back on the April 9, 2015, Special Board Meeting. #63

4.1 Teacher Retention Trend Report

4.2 Board Reports on Governance Calendar, Protocols, and Evaluation Tools

5.0 ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS

5.1 Future Agenda Items/Additional Comments

5.2 Upcoming Board Meetings:

➤ Special Board Meeting, April 9, 2015, 3:30 PM

➤ Regular Board Meeting, April 16, 2015, Time Change to 6:30 PM

6.0 CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

The Board convened to Closed Session at 5:49 PM

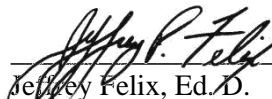
7.0 RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 7:05 PM. No action was reported out.

8.0 ADJOURN

The Meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM.

Approved:



Jeffrey Felix, Ed. D.

Secretary to the Board of Education