

CORONADO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
ADOPTED MINUTES
December 12, 2013, at 2:00 PM

Ledyard Hakes ♦ Brenda Kracht ♦ Dawn Ovrom ♦ Bruce Shepherd ♦ Maria Simon
Student Board Representative: Keelin Shaughnessy
Superintendent/Secretary: Jeffrey Felix ♦ Recording Secretary: Maria Johnson

Order of Business

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1.0 OPEN SESSION/CALL TO ORDER

President Ovrom called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM at Coronado Unified School District, 201 Sixth Street.

Roll Call

The following Board members were present: Ledyard Hakes, Brenda Kracht, Dawn Ovrom, Maria Simon, and Bruce Shepherd. Also present were Dr. Jeffrey Felix, Superintendent, Keith Butler and Richard Erhard, Assistant Superintendents. Keelin Shaughnessy, Student Board Representative was absent.

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance

1.2 Approve the Agenda

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Motion: Hakes Second: Simon Vote: 5-0

2.0 ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS

2.1 PRESIDENT

#24

Moved by Hakes, seconded Simon, Dawn Ovrom was elected as President of the Governing Board with term of office to terminate at the first regular meeting of the Board in December 2014; Vote 5-0

2.2 VICE PRESIDENT

#25

Moved by Simon, seconded Shepherd, Brenda Kracht was elected as Vice-President of the Governing Board with term of office to terminate at the first regular meeting of the Board in December 2014; Vote 5-0

2.3 CLERK

#26

Moved by Simon, seconded Shepherd, Ledyard Hakes was elected as Clerk of the Governing Board with term of office to terminate at the first regular meeting of the Board in December 2014; Vote 5-0

3.0 SELECTION OF DAY, TIME, AND PLACE OF REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS

3.1 Time and Place

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Unless otherwise posted, Regular Board Meetings will begin at 4:30 PM at the District Office, 201 Sixth Street. Special Meetings will be held as needed and be posted according to legal guidelines for notification of the public.

Board Calendar

Moved by Kracht, seconded Hakes, the Board approved the following dates of Regular Board Meetings for 2014; Vote 5-0

Thursday, January 23	Thursday, June 26
Thursday, February 20	Thursday, August 21
Tuesday, March 4	Thursday, September 11
Thursday, April 17	Thursday, October 16
Thursday, May 15	Thursday, November 20
Thursday, June 19	Thursday, December 11, Organizational Meeting and Regular Meeting

4.0 COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

None

5.0 ACTION ITEMS

5.1 Authorize District Certification of First Period Interim Budget State Report for Period Ending October 31, 2013 #28

Motion: Shepherd Second: Hakes Vote: 5-0

5.2 Adopt Resolution to Identify the Amount of Expenditure Reductions Needed in 2014-15 and 2015-16 #29

Joni Collins, CSEA Representative addressed the Board and requested that the Board not pass this Resolution because it not only hurts students but people. Ms. Collins asked the Board to please take a look at what we are spending and said that already we do not have enough staff. Again she stated cuts hurt students.

Laura Noonan, President of Association of Coronado Teachers, addressed the Board and said it is hard to imagine further cuts because of the skeleton crew we currently have. As the Board considers proposed cuts, please remain mindful that when the trigger is pulled to please cut equally with the same ratio of certificated, classified, and administrators.

Member Shepherd commented that the District needs to explore revenue so we can maintain local control, but the way sequencing and legal requirements are established, if the Board does not pass this resolution by December 15 then this District will lose local control. Mr. Shepherd said he was very sympathetic to individuals because this is their livelihood but the Board doesn't have a choice because of the sequencing. He stated he concurs with Ms. Noonan's point and will cut fairly for all sectors.

Motion: Shepherd Second: Simon Vote: 5-0

5.3 **Adopt Resolution Regarding Elimination of Classified Positions: Instructional Assistant (1) Village Elementary School; and Instructional Health Care Assistants (2) Village Elementary School and Coronado Middle School; Corresponding Layoff of Classified Employees** #30

Motion: Hakes Second: Shepherd Vote: 5-0

6.0 REPORTS

6.1 **Coronado Pathways Charter School's 2013-2014 First Interim Report**

Dr. Butler reported there was no repayment scheduled as of yet because at this moment Pathways does not have enough students to break even. So we will see in the written report that the ADA is higher. The original budget being strong but they didn't get all those students and they are down to 18.18 ADA from the first reporting period for attendance. They are now up to 27 students and Dr. Butler said he feels pretty comfortable putting in the 25 ADA for this year which lowers the exposure to this Board. Then he did put in a multiyear budget for them as well where they will start to breaking even as long as they get 100 students, 99 ADA, next year. Then 200 students, 198 ADA the following year and that would be the point where the District would start seeing some funding coming back for repayment of the loan, possibly by the 2015-16 school year. The loan, reflecting the 25 student projection, at the end of this year will be \$84,000.s

6.2 **Presentation by Timothy McClary, President of True North Research Inc. on the Results of the Community Perception and Revenue Feasibility Study**

On July 1, 2013, the State of California voted in a new State Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF). This new law changed the way schools were funded throughout the state. New supplemental money is earmarked for students who are English Language Learners and/or economically disadvantaged, of which Coronado Unified School District has a very small percentage. More money or "concentration" funding is provided to districts that have larger percentages of these students.

LCFF has significantly hurt the Coronado Unified School District financially. Our District is out of short-term options to fill the financial gap and in order to continue operating as a District the Governing Board will be tasked to make drastic cuts. These cuts will hurt our most precious programs unless the District finds another revenue source.

Foreseeing the need for drastic changes, the Superintendent employed True North Research Inc. to design, conduct, analyze, and present a voter survey for the Coronado community in order to perceive the desires and expectations of the community. The survey was also conducted to inform the community of the impending issue, increase the understanding of the severity of the issue, and improve relationships within the community via transparent communication. This survey of 252 participants was performed during the first three weeks of November 2013.

Tim McLarney, President of True North Research Inc., provided an overview of the results of the survey and answered Board questions.

7.0 ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS

7.1 Future Agenda Items

7.2 Comments from Board Members:

7.3 Regular Board Meeting is December 19, 2013, 4:30 PM, District Office Board Room

Special Board Meeting is January 7, 2014, 5:00 PM, (this will be a Budget Study Committee Meeting) at Village Elementary School in Village Hall

8.0 CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

8.1 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release for Employee 335-352, Government Code 54957

9.0 RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The Board voted unanimously to Dismiss/Release Employee 335-352

10.0 ADJOURNMENT

The Organizational Meeting was adjourned at 4:00 PM

Approved:

Jeffrey P. Felix, Ed.D. Secretary