

BEAR VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF A REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER
21, 2011, BALDWIN LANE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Present: Mr. Randall Putz
Mrs. Beverly Grabe
Dr. Kenneth Turney
Dr. Al Waner
Mr. Paul Zamoyta

Absent: Mr. Kurt Madden

Also Present: Mr. Walter Con
Mr. Tim Larson
Mrs. Bonnie South
Mrs. Melinda Peterson
Mrs. Gail Hastain
Mrs. Tanya Perry
BLES Staff
Mr. Dennis Popka

President Putz called the meeting to order at 5:22 p.m.

Open Session

President Putz called for a motion to adopt the agenda for this meeting. Motion by Mrs. Grabe to adopt the agenda for this meeting pulling item 16-b, Employ Special Education Teacher. Second by Mr. Zamoyta. President Putz called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved

Agenda Adoption
M11-12-174

Mr. Putz called for public comment on Closed Session Agenda items. Hearing no request from the public to comment, Mr. Putz adjourned the meeting to a Closed Session at 5:23 p.m. Action is expected to be taken during the closed session.

Public Comment

Pursuant to Subdivision (a) of Government Code 54956.9 Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation Case Number CV11-05996.

Closed Session

Pursuant to Government Code 54957: Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release.

President Putz called the meeting back to Open Session at 6:35 p.m.

Open Session

All present participated in a Moment of Silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Putz reported the following actions were taken during closed session:

The Board took action to approve a separation agreement with a Classified Employee. The vote was 5-0. M11-12-175

The Board took action to authorize and extend a statutory offer under the Federal Rules of Civil Proceedings in the Existing Litigation Case Number CV11-05996. The vote was 5-0. M11-12-176

President Putz opened the Hearing Section for Public Comment at 6:35 p.m. There were no requests to make Public Comment. President Putz closed the Hearing Section at 6:36 p.m. Hearing Section

Mrs. Peterson, Principal of Baldwin Lane Elementary School welcomed the Governing Board to Baldwin Lane. Mrs. Peterson reviewed information about Baldwin Lane's Show Choir and Chorus and the activities they participate in throughout the year. Chorus Grades 1-3 performed a Jingle Bell Medley. Show Choir performed the Frosty Hand Jive. Mrs. Peterson then reviewed the GATE Program at Baldwin Lane. Also presented was information regarding the Annual Art Festival. Information was provided regarding the 100 Mile Club at Baldwin Lane Elementary School. Several students shared what they like about the 100 Mile Club and how many miles that have personally run so far this year. At this point in the presentation, a Flash Mob broke out in the Multi-Purpose Room. Community/ Staff Presentation

President Putz called for a break at 7:13 p.m. Break

President Putz called the meeting back to Open Session at 7:20 p.m. Open Session

Board Member Comments: Information Section

Dr. Turney reported visiting Baldwin Lane Elementary School during the morning and stated everything was terrific in Kindergarten.

Dr. Waner stated Baldwin Lane outdid themselves with the presentation this evening. Everything was great.

Mrs. Grabe agreed with Dr. Waner. The hospitality at Baldwin Lane is awesome; the teachers and students are awesome. This evening is a testament to the Community of Bear Valley. Mrs. Grabe reported on her attendance at a fundraising activity for the Strings Program and how incredible it is the way our community supports this activity and it all starts right here at our schools.

Mrs. Grabe also attended the high school Christmas assembly and enjoyed the performance that was presented.

Mr. Zamoyta stated it is wonderful being at Baldwin Lane and the Flash Mob was great. Mr. Zamoyta reported on ideas he brought back from the CSBA Conference: Teachers being part of the decision making process, technology in classrooms, and bond measures. Mr. Zamoyta reported on Jaime Vollmer talking about what we can do to help education. Even though the expectations of performance is higher and the amount of help you are getting is less, the amount of students in class is unacceptable yet the teachers still do all of this for the students.

President Putz reported on attending the fundraiser last week for the Strings Program. This was a broad community effort and was very successful.

President Putz added that Mr. Ramos matched every donation up to \$5,000.00. There was at least \$11,600.00 raised.

Superintendents Comments/Calendar:

Mr. Con reviewed the Calendar in Mr. Madden's absence.

Mr. Larson reported on Technology focusing on ALEKS. Mr. Larson explained what the ALEKS Program is and what it does for the student. We are starting to use this throughout the district. The District is also participating in a study with the ALEKS group. This group has given the District 200 free licenses and in return, we give them data. Students can use ALEKS at school and at home. It is a very effective program and the students enjoy working on it. Something we are looking at would be to use ALEKS as a supplemental program through the district. This is one step toward online learning.

Cabinet Reports

Mr. Con provided an update on Cash Flow and the State Budget.

President Putz called for a motion to approve items on the Consent Calendar. Motion by Dr. Waner to approve the Purchase Order Report Numbers 120552 through 120582. Second by Dr. Turney. President Putz called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

Consent Calendar.
M11-12-177

President Putz called for a motion to approve the Payment Report. Motion by Mr. Zamoyta to approve the Payment Report Numbers 0151 through 0164. Second by Dr. Turney. President Putz called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M11-12-178

President Putz called for a motion to approve the Second Reading of Board Policy 3350. Motion by Dr. Waner to approve the Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policy 3350 Travel Expenses. Second by Mr. Zamoyta. Discussion followed where Dr. Waner asked if one goes over the amount for breakfast, can they still submit the expense. It is a \$50.00 maximum per day then there is a guideline per meal. President Putz called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

Administrative Report
#11-12-11
M11-12-179

President Putz called for a motion to approve Alternative Assignments for California Credentialing Compliance. Motion by President Putz to approve Alternative Assignments for California Credentialing Compliance. Second by Dr. Turney. President Putz called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

Curriculum/
Instruction
Report
M11-12-180

President Putz called for a motion to approve a Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators. Motion by Mr. Zamoyta to approve a Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators. Second by Dr. Turney. President Putz called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M11-12-181

President Putz called for a motion to approve the Second Reading and Adoption of the 2012-2013 School Calendar. Motion by Dr. Waner to approve the Second Reading and Adoption of the 2012-2013 School Calendar. Second by Mr. Zamoyta. Discussion followed where Dr. Waner asked if there was any variance from last year. Mr. Larson answered very slight; a day or two depending on weekends. President Putz called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M11-12-182

President Putz called for a motion to approve the Business/Financial Report.

Business/Financial
Report #11-12-011

Motion by Mrs. Grabe to accept the following donations:

M11-12-183

\$500.00 from Soroptimist International of Big Bear Valley to Baldwin Lane Elementary School to sponsor the enrollment fee of 50 students to the 100 Mile Club.

\$100.00 from Schools First Federal Credit Union to Bear Valley Unified School District. This donation was generated from BVUSD employees who joined the credit union.

\$300.00 from The Arts Council of Big Bear Valley, Inc. to Baldwin Lane Elementary School to supports arts in the school.

\$300.00 from the Arts Council of Big Bear Valley, Inc. to Big Bear Elementary School to purchase art supplies.

Second by Mr. Zamoyta. President Putz called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

President Putz called for a motion to approve the Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Bus Grant Award and Piggyback Bid Purchase. Motion by Mr. Zamoyta to approve the CNG Bus Grant Award and Authorization Form from South Coast Air Quality Management District for the purchase of one (1) CNG school bus, authorize the purchase of a CNG bus from A-z Bus Sales, Inc. as per piggyback bid #01/09 from Waterford Unified School District and authorize Mr. Walter J. Con, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services to sign all contracts, purchase orders and any other documentation required to complete this transaction. This piggyback bid and process is in the best interest of the district as it will save our district time and money. Second by Dr. Turney. Discussion followed where Dr. Waner stated the Governor is going to cut transportation and we will lose \$400,000.00 and we are putting more money into transportation. Mr. Con stated the cut is ongoing as the law states right now. Dr. Waner asked if it has been determined where the pump is going. Mrs. Hastain answered it will be where the temporary filling station was. The meters and everything are already in place. It is at the far east end of the lot and there will be four pumps. Mr. Con stated we could have a maximum of four buses; every time we get a new bus, there is money in the grant to add a filling station. Mrs. Hastain added we did not have any problem with the CNG bus; the test was successful. In addition, these buses will have seat belts which will make the capacity a little less. As of January 1, 2012, buses must have particulate traps or be CNG. We are 60% compliant with the fleet we have. There is no funding for diesels; we cannot buy a diesel bus unless we get a waiver from the AQMD and they are not giving waivers. In an emergency situation, other school districts could use our filling station; an emergency situation during school hours we would allow them to fuel and we would bill for that. We have already crushed Bus #1 per the terms of the grant. It is possible we will obtain this bus for \$1,000.00. We will take these buses off the hill and set up refueling at other school districts. The bus can be fueled during the event. The challenge is the funding of transportation. If we do approve this, we are saying we continue to support transportation for our students. Being rural, this becomes more critical. President Putz called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M11-12-184

President Putz called for a motion on the Print Care Managed Print Solutions & Xerox Lease Agreement. Motion by Mr. Zamoyta to approve the Print Care Managed Print Solutions & Xerox Lease Agreements including authorization for Mr. Walter J. Con, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services to sign all contracts, purchase orders, and other documents associated with this service and lease program. Second by Dr. Waner. President Putz called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M11-12-185

President Putz called for motions on the Personnel Report.
Management Classified Confidential

Personnel Report

#11-12-006

Motion by Dr. Waner to approve Resolution Number 11-12-009 to reduce the work year of a Classified Management Position. Second by Mrs. Grabe. Discussion followed where Mrs. Grabe stated this is becoming very difficult to take. Mr. Zamoyta asked how much money Healthy Start lost this year due to grant funding. Mrs. Perry answered Healthy Start was deficit spending last year and this year. The difficulty is the funds they expected to receive were not here in time to build a budget. Mrs. Perry is expecting money this year, however, it will not be in time. This year, about \$15,000.00; last year about the same. They are working on other strategies, however, that will not be seen until next year. This program has been completely self-funded since 2001. Mr. Con stated our County will not allow us to program the MAA money as a receivable; we cannot budget it until we receive it. Mr. Zamoyta asked Mrs. Perry how much grant money she has brought in to the District in the last ten years. Mrs. Perry answered over four million. President Putz stated this makes him sick to be put in this position to have people who care about students have to take a hit. It is much cheaper to help children when they are younger. Mrs. Perry stated the Family Advisors have made 80,000 contacts with students in ten years. Mrs. Perry was thanked for her continued hard work and the board is very sorry. President Putz called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M11-12-186

Certificated

#11-12-010

Motion by Dr. Waner to approve Chuck Brown and Richard Epting as Girls Basketball Coaches at BBMS for the 2011-2012 school year. Second by Mr. Zamoyta. President Putz called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M11-12-187

The employment of a Special Education Teacher was pulled from the agenda during the adoption of the agenda.

Classified

#11-12-011

Motion by Mr. Zamoyta to approve Christina Arizmendi, Jade Benart, Darceil Evans, Leah Nolden, Janice Swanson as Classified Substitutes for the 2011-2012 school year at the proper hourly rate of pay and in the proper qualified positions. Second by Dr. Turney. President Putz called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M11-12-188

Motion by Mr. Zamoyta to approve Richard Epting, Kurt Madden, Diane Begley, Kali Begley as District Drivers to drive students on field trips and other school related activities for the 2011-2012 school year. Second by Dr. Turney. President Putz called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M11-12-189

Motion by Dr. Waner to employ Jaime Kirksey (BBMS) and Julie Page (Site to be determined) as Cafeteria Workers, 3.75 hours per day, 180 days per year at the proper salary rate of pay. Second by Dr. Turney. President Putz called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M11-12-190

Motion by Mr. Zamoyta to employ Maria Campbell as a Clerk Typist in the Child Nutrition Department at 3.75 hours per day, 193 days per year at the proper salary rate of pay. Second by Dr. Waner. President Putz called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M11-12-191

Motion by Mr. Zamoyta to employ Karen Medel as an Instructional Aide at BLES for 3.75 hours per day, 180 days per year at the proper salary rate of pay. Second by Dr. Turney. President Putz called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M11-12-192

Motion by Dr. Turney to employ Jacob Sheffield as a Technology Technician for 3.75 hours per day, 236 days per year at the proper salary rate of pay. Second by Mr. Zamoyta. President Putz called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M11-12-193

Motion by Dr. Waner to approve Resolution Number 11-12-010 to Reduce the Work Year of Classified Positions. Second by Dr. Turney. President Putz called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M11-12-194

President Putz opened a Public Hearing regarding the Initial District Bargaining Proposal – CSEA Chapter #415 at 8:17 p.m. Hearing no request to make public comment, President Putz closed the Public Hearing at 8:18 p.m.

Public Hearing

President Putz acknowledged the District response to the Initial District Bargaining Proposal – CSEA Chapter #415. Negotiations may begin on December 22, 2012.

Suggestions for future meeting agendas:

- Discussion of the possibility of a bond measure or parcel tax and see if this falls within the time frame of a June election. It was requested this be agendized as a Workshop item as soon as possible. Mr. Con was directed to find out the time frame for a June election and e-mail it to the Board.

President Putz adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Secretary

Clerk of the Board