

BEAR VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF A REGULAR BOARD MEETING
HELD ON NOVEMBER 16, 2011, NORTH SHORE ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL

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

Absent: Dr. Kenneth Turney

Also Present: Mr. Kurt Madden
Mr. Walter Con
Mr. Tim Larson
Mrs. Susie Heitt
Mr. Terry Planz
Mrs. Syd Callaway
Mr. Kevin Amburgey
Mrs. Melinda Peterson
Mrs. Jeanette Haston
Mrs. Tina Fulmer
Mrs. Lisa Hahn
Mrs. Sue Reynolds
Mr. Brad Talley
Ms. Deb Baumgartner
Mrs. Andi McLinn
Mr. Jim Stinson
Mrs. Judi Bowers

President Zamoyta called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Open Session

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

President Zamoyta called for a motion to adopt the agenda.
Motion by Mrs. Grabe to adopt the agenda for this meeting. Second
by Mr. Putz. President Zamoyta called for the vote. A vote in favor of the
motion was unanimously approved.

Agenda
Adoption
M11-12-139

The Senior Citizens of Big Bear Valley were recognized by the Governing Board for their generous donations toward art related activities in the Bear Valley Unified School District. Mr. Lee Heitt, President of the Senior Citizens of Big Bear Valley was present and spoke about the Senior Thrift Store in Big Bear City and how the funds for donations are raised through this thrift store. President Zamoyta expressed appreciation on behalf of the Governing Board for these donations. President Zamoyta expressed an interest in attending a General Meeting of the Senior Citizens group to express the Board's appreciation to the entire group.

Recognition
Section

Bear Valley Unified School District Utility Workers Mr. Jack Murasko and Mr. Greg Hamilton were recognized by the Governing Board for their heroic efforts in extinguishing a brush fire just east of BJ's Sandwich Shop in Big Bear City. Mr. Walter Con presented certificates to Mr. Murasko and Mr. Hamilton.

President Zamoyta opened the Hearing Section for public comment at 6:42 p.m. Hearing no request from the public to address the Governing Board, President Zamoyta closed the Hearing Section at 6:43 p.m.

Hearing
Section

Mr. Madden introduced Mr. Amburgey. Mr. Amburgey introduced the Aquila Ensemble. The Aquila Ensemble performed a couple of numbers for the Governing Board and those in the audience. Mr. Amburgey provided an overview of the VAPA Program at North Shore Elementary School. Every child in grades K-6 receives instruction in each of the four strands. This is embedded into the other areas of teaching. Mr. Amburgey reviewed the performance opportunities that are available to students. Mr. Amburgey ran a clip of KNS Radio. The music program was also reviewed in detail as was the reason for the success of the VAPA program at North Shore. Fundraising activities offset the cost of all the music programs. Mr. Madden commented on the great work done at North Shore not only in academics but for the whole child. Kudos were extended to the entire staff at North Shore. Mr. Amburgey explained how many EL and Special Education students take part in these programs and how the arts help build academics. President Zamoyta personally thanked Mr. Amburgey for the recorder program which helps his son look forward to going to school.

Community/
Staff
Presentations

Mr. Madden asked Mr. Con to introduce the Presentation of the General Plan for the BBHS Cafeteria and Media Center Expansion. Mr. Con reviewed the Measure Q Bond and the process that followed the passing of the bond regarding construction. Mr. Con added there is 1.6 million remaining out of the initial 25 million and this 1.6 million is designated for the Big Bear High School

Cafeteria and Media Center expansion. The goal is to begin construction in April of 2012. This depends on how long the approval from DSA takes. Mr. Con introduced Mr. Jim Stinson of PSWC Architects. Mr. Stinson reviewed a diagram of BBHS and where the cafeteria expansion will be. This expansion will seat an additional 240 students. There will also be an outside patio area. Mr. Stinson also reviewed the modernization of the existing media center and two computer labs which may have transparent walls between the two. Other districts will be visited and reviewed prior to the creation of the architect drawings. We have received input from staff; not from students yet. There has been a great deal of discussion regarding the need to go to a specific room for technology. We are looking at visiting three schools near Bear Valley to see how they addressed this. We are not at a point where we are committed to any one design. Mr. Stinson would like to bring together a committee to review the ideas that come out of the district visits. The computer lab design is up for discussion. The cafeteria ideas seem fine and the direction is good. The consensus of the Governing Board is to move forward with the cafeteria structure as presented. Students present expressed their thoughts that the cafeteria is not small, however, the media center is; they do not have enough computers. The question was asked what will happen with the landscape that is where the cafeteria expansion will be. Some of it will go away, however, we will move as much as we can. There is a possibility of reproducing it in another location. Artificial turf was discussed. The final consensus of the Governing Board is to move forward with the cafeteria; delay the media center while we gather more information.

Board Member Comments:

Mrs. Grabe commented on the great program North Shore Elementary School has and thanked Mr. Amburgey for the presentation this evening.

Dr. Waner reported on his attendance at the Positive School Climate meeting at Big Bear Middle School. It was a very positive meeting. Dr. Waner also attended the CIF Volleyball game and reported being very proud to represent Big Bear. Dr. Waner recognized a few of the girls' volleyball team members who were present at the meeting. Dr. Waner spoke to the students present regarding how they represent out town and how proud the Governing Board and the town is of them. Dr. Waner recognized Coach Griffiths for the 100th win.

President Zamoyta discussed an article in the CSBA Newsletter regarding Bonds and Parcel Taxes that are being passed. President Zamoyta is interested to see what some districts are doing to pass a tax.

Information
Section

Superintendents Comments/Calendar:

Mr. Madden reviewed the Calendar that was presented on the agenda. Mr. Madden reviewed a visit on November 8, 2011 to Victor Elementary School District and showed some pictures from the visit. Also reviewed was a visit to Lucerna High School. Mr. Madden provided an overview of the District Office Retreat. The next District Office Retreat is scheduled for April 25, 2012 and will be held at the District Office. Mr. Madden reported enrollment is at 2693 which is four over projections. ADA is about 96%. Mr. Madden has been on 96 school visits and has visited 265 classrooms.

Mr. Con reported on the BBMS project and that the heating system was to be delivered on this date; it was not. Mr. Con has not heard back regarding an explanation. Mr. Con will provide an update to the Board as he receives more information. Mr. Con reviewed the State Budget and the effect on BVUSD. A history of the State Budget was provided and two handouts from CASBO were reviewed. The effect could be 1.1 million dollars to our district which has been included in the First Interim Report. We will be bringing a recommendation of a qualified budget. The final report will be presented on December 5, 2011. We should know about the triggers by December 15th. The Governor will release his proposal for next year on January 17, 2012. Regarding cash flow it will get worse and worse. Cabinet Reports

Mr. Larson reported on the shared Biology class at BBHS and stated the success has been tremendous. There is increased collaboration between the two teachers which has been very dynamic. This might be something to look into for the future in other classes. Mr. Larson also reported on his attendance at the CETPA Technology Conference and the key note speaker who is the former president of Starbucks International, Howard Bahar. The question asked was are we in the coffee business serving people or are we in the people business serving coffee. Mr. Larson will continue to share parts of Mr. Bahar's book around the district as well as in future Cabinet Reports at board meetings.

President Zamoyta called for a motion to approve items on the Consent Calendar. Consent Calendar

Motion by Dr. Waner to approve the Purchase Order Report Numbers 120483 through 120519, Payment Report Batch Numbers 0111 through 0133, and the Williams Quarterly Report. Second by Mr. Putz. President Zamoyta called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved. M11-12-140

President Zamoyta called for a motion to approve the Second Reading and Adoption of the 9000 Board Bylaws. Motion by Mrs. Grabe to approve the Second Reading and Adoption of the 9000 Board Bylaws. Second by Mr. Putz. President Zamoyta called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

Administrative Report
#11-12-009
M11-12-141

President Zamoyta called for a motion to approve the First Reading of the March, 2011 Policy Updates. Motion by Dr. Waner to approve the First Reading of the March, 2011 Policy Updates. Second by Mrs. Grabe. President Zamoyta called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M11-12-142

President Zamoyta called for Nominations for CSBA Delegate Assembly. None were offered.

President Zamoyta called for a motion to approve the Second Reading of the 2011-2012 Single Plans for Student Achievement. Motion by Mr. Putz to approve the Second Reading and Adoption of the 2011-2012 Single Plans for Student Achievement. Second by Dr. Waner. President Zamoyta called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

Curriculum/
Instruction
Report
M11-12-143

President Zamoyta called for a motion to approve an overnight field trips. Motion by Mrs. Grabe to approve an overnight field trip for BBHS Cross Country Team to attend the CIF Finals at Mt. San Antonio College on November 18-19, 2011, BBHS Cross Country Team to attend the CIF State Championships in Woodland Park, CA on November 25-26, 2011, and BLES students to attend the High Trails Outdoor Science School in Angelus Oaks, CA on April 10-13, 2012. Second by Mr. Putz. President Zamoyta called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M11-12-144

President Zamoyta called for a motion to approve the Business/Financial Report. Motion by Dr. Waner to accept donations from Mr. Frank Simpson, Senior Citizens of Big Bear Valley, and various individuals/organizations toward the 100 Mile club. Second by Mrs. Grabe. President Zamoyta called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

Business/Financial
Report #11-12-009
M11-12-145

- President Zamoyta called for motions on the Personnel Report. Personnel Report
Certificated
- Motion by Mr. Putz to create 1 FTE Special Education Teaching Position. #11-12-008
Second by Dr. Waner. Discussion followed where it was asked if this M11-12-146
item has anything to do with items 13-c and d. As we look at the
restructure, item 13-d is a \$46,000.00 savings. The positions that are
being eliminated are vacant. The position in item 13-e was reduced to
five hours per day which is a \$35,000.00 savings making this almost a
wash. President Zamoyta called for the vote. A vote in favor of the
motion was unanimously approved.
- Motion by Mr. Putz to employ Donna Dunmire and Ramona DeMarco M11-12-147
as Substitute Teachers for the 2011-2012 school year. Second by Mrs.
Grabe. President Zamoyta called for the vote. A vote in favor of the
motion was unanimously approved.
- President Zamoyta called for motions on the Classified Personnel Report. Classified
Motion by Mrs. Grabe to employ Rae Venner, Ken Watts, Jillian Stock, #11-12-009
Casey Hill, Heather Drake, Julie Shaffer, Michael, McColum, Mark M11-12-148
Garkow, and Tiffany White as Classified Substitutes for the 2011-2012
school year at the proper hourly rate of pay and in the proper qualified
positions. Second by Mr. Putz. President Zamoyta called for the vote. A
vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.
- Motion by Dr. Waner to approve Jonathan Stiles as a District Driver to M11-12-149
drive students on field trips and other school related activities for the
2011-2012 school year. Second by Mr. Putz. President Zamoyta called
for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.
- Motion by Mr. Putz to eliminate 1 FTE Custodian Position. Second by M11-12-150
Dr. Waner. President Zamoyta called for the vote. A vote in favor of
the motion was unanimously approved.
- Motion by Mr. Putz to eliminate three (3) Special Education Instructional M11-12-151
Aide positions. Second by Mrs. Grabe. President Zamoyta called for the
vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.
- Motion by Mr. Putz to employ Corinne Morin as a Special Education M11-12-152
Clerk/Technician, 5.0 hours per day, 180 days per year at the proper
salary rate of pay. Second by Mrs. Grabe. President Zamoyta called
for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Madden informed the Board of the receipt of a letter of resignation from Hollis Oberg, Special Education Instructional Aide – BBHS, effective November 28, 2011.

Suggestions for future meeting agendas (Board/Superintendent):
Dr. Waner would like a workshop scheduled regarding facilities; specifically the multi media center at BBHS. This workshop should include various representatives, parents, and students.

President Zamoyta adjourned the meeting at 8:16 p.m.

Secretary

Clerk of the Board