

BEAR VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF A REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
HELD ON APRIL 17, 2013, BIG BEAR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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

Absent: None

Also Present: Mr. Kurt Madden  
Mr. Walter Con  
Mr. Tim Larson  
Mr. Scott Waner  
Representatives from Siemens Industry, Inc.

President Waner called the meeting to order at 5:19 p.m. Open Session

President Waner called for a motion to adopt the agenda for the meeting. Adoption of  
Motion by Mr. Zamoyta to adopt the agenda for this meeting. Second by Agenda  
Dr. Turney. President Waner called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion M12-13-255  
was unanimously approved.

President Waner called for Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda Items. Public  
Hearing no request to make public comment, President Waner adjourned the Comment  
meeting to a Closed Session at 5:20 p.m.

Pursuant to Government Code 54957: Public Employee Performance Evaluation. Title of Position: Superintendent. Closed  
Session

President Waner called the meeting back to Open Session at 6:33 p.m. Open  
All present participated in a Moment of Silence and the Pledge of Allegiance. Session  
President Waner reported no action was taken during the closed session, however,  
there is a need to return to Closed Session following the Open Session.

President Waner called for a motion to approve the minutes. Minute  
Motion by Mr. Zamoyta to approve the minutes from a Special Board Meeting Approval  
held on November 14, 2012. Second by Dr. Turney. President Waner called M12-13-256  
for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was approved by four board members  
with President Waner abstaining.

Lucero Martinez, Student Representative from Big Bear High School reported on STAR testing that starts next week. Lucero also announced that Prom is scheduled for May 18<sup>th</sup>. Student Rep.

Itzel Hernandez, Student Representative from Chautauqua High School was absent from the meeting.

Mr. Madden presented Mr. Con with a certificate for the Rotary Club of Big Bear Lake for their sponsorship of the annual Dental Screening program. Mr. Con accepted the certificate on behalf of Rich Collier. Recognition Section

President Waner opened the Hearing Section at 6:40 p.m. Ms. Eleanor Beagley, alumni of Big Bear High School addressed the board with suggestions of how to make the high school better. One suggestion was to start the school day later. Hearing Section

President Waner welcomed the staff from Big Bear Elementary School who were in attendance at this meeting. Mr. Madden introduced Mr. Scott Waner, Principal of Big Bear Elementary School. Mr. Waner reviewed the Big Bear Elementary School Site Showcase presentation. Community/ Staff pres.

Mr. Madden reviewed the calendar as published in the agenda. Information Section

Mr. Zamoyta thanked Mrs. Grabe for attending NSBA. Mr. Zamoyta also reported on visiting Mr. Comlossy and Mr. Marquez's rooms. Mr. Zamoyta asked if the district has ever had anyone opt out of testing. The answer is yes. They come to school and a separate place is arranged for them to work. We are not allowed to advertise that they can opt out. We get penalized if a certain amount of people opt out. You cannot have more than 5% of the population that, for one reason or another, did not take the test. We would fall under the sanctions of PI.

Mrs. Grabe thanked the district for allowing her to attend the NSBA conference and reported on some of the sessions she attended and the people she met.

Mr. Putz reported on an article entitled Should your eight year old be coding. Typing skills are a result of programming. Mr. Putz also mentioned a website entitled the History of the World in 18 minutes. Mr. Putz appreciates comments such as Eleanor's tonight. Mr. Putz enjoyed the community breakfast this week with James Ramos singing with the students.

Dr. Turney talked about states, especially back east, where it is put to a vote and people support the schools. It is not the fact you learn to program, it is a method to teach you how to think. Dr. Turney also enjoyed the community breakfast.

President Waner stated the community breakfast was fabulous; the environment was great. Then, when the Supervisor of our County taught the students a Native American song, that was great. President Waner attended the Positive School Climate meeting at BBMS where students talked about their school and how to improve the school.

There were no Cabinet Reports offered this evening.

Cabinet  
Reports

President Waner called for approval of the Consent Calendar. Motion by Dr. Turney to approve and Interdistrict Transfer Request for one 5<sup>th</sup> grade student and one 1<sup>st</sup> grade student residing in the Redlands Unified School District to attend school in the Bear Valley Unified School District and Payment Report Batches 0224 through 0261. Second by Mr. Putz. President Waner called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

Consent  
Calendar  
M12-13-257

President Waner called for approval of the Administrative Report #12-13-013. Motion by Mrs. Grabe to approve the Second Reading and Adoption of the School Site Safety Plans. Second by Mr. Putz. President Waner called for vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

Admin.  
Report  
#12-13-013  
M12-13-258

Motion Mrs. Grabe to approve the First Reading of the 2013-2014 Board Meeting Calendar. Second by Mr. Putz. President Waner called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M12-13-259

Motion by Mr. Zamoyta to approve the Workshop Proposal – Mobile Technology in the Early Elementary Classroom – to be presented at the Annual California School Boards Association Conference in San Diego, California in December, 2013. Second by Mrs. Grabe. Discussion followed where Mr. Putz asked if there would be an opportunity for the board to preview this presentation. If CSBA accepts the proposal, we will arrange for the board to preview. President Waner called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M12-13-260

President Waner called for approval of the Curriculum/Instruction Report. Motion by Mr. Putz to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between Bear Valley Unified School District and San Diego County Superintendent of Schools. Second by Mrs. Grabe. President Waner called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

Curriculum/  
Inst. Report  
M12-13-261

Motion by Dr. Turney to approve an Overnight Field Trip for Baldwin Lane Elementary School 1<sup>st</sup> grade to travel to Serrano Camp Ground in Big Bear June 6-7, 2013. Second by Mr. Putz. Discussion followed where President Waner stated they had an overnight trip when he was teaching and he was astounded with how many students living in Big Bear had not camped. President Waner called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved. M12-13-262

President Waner called for approval of the Business/Financial Report #12-13-017. Business/  
Financial  
#12-13-017  
M12-13-263  
Motion by Mr. Zamoyta to accept a donation in the amount of \$1,000.00 from Mr. and Mrs. Towsley to Big Bear Middle School to purchase soccer uniforms and equipment and \$4,072.40 from the Lighthouse Project to implement a program at the elementary schools to train the schools Instructional Aides and Noon Duty Aides, who will utilize Peace Builders/PBIS strategies, to reduce bullying and violence and create a positive school culture. Second by Mr. Putz. President Waner called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion as unanimously approved.

Motion by Mrs. Grabe to approve the Purchase Order Report 130764 130952. Second by Mr. Putz. Discussion followed where President Waner stated it really helps to talk with Mr. Con and get questions answered. President Waner asked how much restricted funds we spent for technology; he is really impressed with this. Mr. Madden stated Mrs. Peterson has received about 90 mobile devices and computers; district wide about 275 computers which includes ROP. President Waner called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved. M12-13-264

Mr. Madden introduced Mr. Keith Weaver of Government Financial Strategies, Inc. Mr. Con provided background on Mr. Weaver. Mr. Weaver reviewed their role and fiduciary duty to the district. They provided objective advice. Also provided was a brief overview of all the projects involved. The gross project savings risks and guarantees were reviewed as was the financing terms. Mr. Weaver reviewed the parameters from the County Superintendent of Schools. Legal structure was also reviewed. The equipment serves as a guarantee for payment of the loan. All payments will be paid for out of the savings. Siemens writes a check if we do not reach the guaranteed savings amount. There is an annual measurement and verification report.

President Waner called for a break at 8:49 p.m.

President Waner called the meeting back to Open Session at 9:01 p.m.

Mr. Madden introduced Mr. Phil Henderson of Orbach, Huff, Suarez LLP. Mr. Con provided background on Mr. Henderson. Mr. Henderson is an expert in energy law. Mr. Henderson reviewed the contract process.

Motion by Mr. Zamoyta to approve Resolution Number 12-13-018 which makes the determination that Two (2) District Projects are exempt from CEQA. Second by Dr. Turney. President Waner called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved. M12-13-265

Motion by Mrs. Grabe to approve Resolution Number 12-13-020 to Execute a Lease-Purchase Agreement with PNC Equipment Finance LLC to Provide for Certain Energy Improvement Projects. Second by Dr. Turney. Discussion followed where President Waner stated he really appreciates the presentation this evening; it really clarified things. President Waner called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved. M12-13-266

President Waner opened a Public Hearing to Receive Public Input on Energy Conversation Services Contract with Siemens Industry, Inc., Pursuant to Government Code §4217.10, Et Seq., and Make Findings to Determine Best Interest of District Required by Government Code §4217.12 at 9:17 p.m. Hearing no request to provide public comment, the Public Hearing was closed at 9:18 p.m. Public Hearing

Motion by Mr. Putz to approve Resolution Number 12-13-019 for an Energy Conservation Services Contract in the Form of a Contract for Design and Construction with Siemens Industry, Inc. Second by Mr. Zamoyta. Discussion followed: M12-13-267

Mr. Putz expressed appreciation to all parties involved. He also appreciates their efforts in looking out for the best interest of the district. Mr. Putz thanked Mr. Con for all his hard work.

Mr. Zamoyta dittoed Mr. Putz's comments especially in regards to Mr. Con. We asked administration to come up with a creative idea to save money. Mr. Zamoyta is especially thankful for the due diligence and all the steps that have been taken to ensure this.

President Waner thanks everyone so much for answering all his questions. President Waner called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. Crawford of Siemens Industry, Inc. reviewed the history of the work to get to this point. Siemens plans to serve at the pleasure of the district. Ms. Crawford thanked the district for their diligent consideration. Siemens will be partnering with the district for education as well. Ms. Crawford

gave the district posters from their library to use as the district wishes. Mr. Con thanked the Siemens team that worked on this outside of the district. Mr. Con recognized Mrs. Hastain, Mr. Planz, and Mrs. Callaway. Ms. Crawford provided an update on the status of the solar project and the Power Purchase Agreement. Siemens is currently looking for a suitable lender. This is not debt to the district; the district pays for the use of the solar.

President Waner called for approval of the Certificated Personnel Report #12-13-017

Certificated  
#12-13-017

Motion by Mr. Putz to employ Joyce DeMond, Shannon Garland, and Cameo Draper as Certificated Substitutes for the 2012-2013 school year. Second by Mr. Zamoyta. President Waner called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M12-13-268

Motion by Mr. Zamoyta to approve the creation of a stipend for Teacher-in-Charge at Chautauqua High School. Second by Mrs. Grabe. Discussion followed where President Waner stated his concern is the amount. He appreciates that administration will continue to monitor this item to see if we need to increase the amount. President Waner called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M12-13-269

President Waner called for approval of the Classified Personnel Report #12-13-017.

Classified  
#12-13-017

Motion by Mrs. Grabe to employ Valerie Montenegro and Candice Dallas as Cafeteria Workers H-3, 3.75 hours per day, 180 days per year at the proper salary rate of pay. Second by Mr. Putz. President Waner called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M12-13-270

Motion by Mr. Zamoyta to approve Robin Dougherty, Joy Wright, Michael Miller, and Melanie Martinez as District Drivers to drive students on field trips and other school related activities for the 2012-13 school year. Second by Mr. Putz. President Waner called for the vote. A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M12-13-271

Mr. Madden noted no resignations or retirement notifications were received.

The following suggestions were made for future meeting agendas:

The next Board Workshop/Retreat Meeting on May 10, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. will include a discussions on a Facilities Optimization Plan and the Safety Plans.  
Common Core State Standards  
California Consulting

President Waner adjourned the meeting to a Closed Session at 9:34 p.m.

Closed  
Session

Pursuant to Government Code 54957: Public Employee Performance  
Evaluation. Title of Position: Superintendent.

Motion by Mr. Putz to extend the meeting past 10:30 p.m. was made at  
10:25 p.m. Second by Mr. Zamoyta. President Waner called for the vote.  
A vote in favor of the motion was unanimously approved.

M12-13-272

President Waner called the meeting back to Open Session at 10:56 p.m.  
and announced no action was taken in Closed Session.

Open  
Session

President Waner adjourned the meeting at 10:57 p.m.

Adjourn

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Secretary

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Clerk of the Board