

BEAR VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF A REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
HELD ON AUGUST 5, 2015, SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICE

Present: Dr. Stephen Foulkes  
Mrs. Beverly Grabe  
Mr. Paul Zamoyta

Absent: Mr. John Goepf  
Mrs. Cathy Herrick

Also Present: Mr. Ron Peavy  
Dr. John Niederkorn  
Dr. Lisa Waner  
Mrs. Tina Fulmer

President Grabe called the meeting to order at 5:17 p.m. at the School District Office. Open Session

President Grabe called for a motion to adopt the agenda for the meeting. Motion by Dr. Foulkes to adopt the agenda. Second by Mr. Zamoyta. President Grabe called for the vote. Said motion was approved by the following roll call vote: Adoption of Agenda M15-16-010

AYES: Foulkes/Grabe/Zamoyta  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: Goepf/Herrick

President Grabe called for Public Comment on Closed Session agenda items. Hearing no request to make public comment, President Grabe adjourned the meeting to a Closed Session at 5:19 p.m. Public Comment

Pursuant to Government Code 54957.6: Conference with Labor Negotiator. Agency Negotiator: Mrs. Tina Fulmer, Executive Director of Personnel. One Bargaining Unit: B.V.E.A. Closed Session

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

President Grabe called the meeting back into Open Session at 6:34 p.m. noting no action was taken during the closed session. Open Session

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

Mr. Peavy introduced Ms. Sierra Orr from Big Bear Lake Department of Water and Power. Ms. Orr explained the contest they have ongoing for water conservation noting the school district cut 52.82% in the month of June. Ms. Orr announced the school district has also won for the month of July. Mr. Planz was presented with drought related items as recognition of the district's accomplishment. Mr. Planz recognized his department for their efforts.

Community/  
Staff Pres.

President Grabe opened the Hearing Section for Public Comment at 6:41 p.m. Hearing no request to make public comment, President Grabe closed the Hearing Section at 6:42 p.m.

Hearing  
Section

Mr. Peavy reviewed the calendar noting the addition of a Special Board Meeting on August 12, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. A consensus was reached to cancel the meeting scheduled on October 7, 2015 due to it falling during break.

Information  
Section

#### Board Member Reports:

Board Members present provided reports on their activities since the last meeting.

#### Cabinet Reports:

Dr. Waner reported the LCAP curriculum is approved and she is waiting on financial approval which is currently at the County level. Dr. Waner explained the LCAP process will begin again at the end of August.

Mrs. Fulmer reported on current enrollment noting the number of students who have exited stating they plan to attend Hope Academy.

Dr. Niederkorn reported on visiting sites noting we had a great opening of school. The solar installation at BBMS has had its challenges; Dr. Niederkorn is very impressed with Siemens. Dr. Niederkorn reported on the status of the new phone system which was approved by the Governing Board in the spring.

President Grabe called for a motion to approve the Consent Calendar as follows: Consent Calendar  
Abolish one Teacher on Assignment Position (Dr. Waner TOA position)  
Employ in Existing Position – Elementary Teacher (Krystina McCoy)  
Employ in Existing Position High School English Teacher (Colin Schour)  
Employ in Existing Position of Counselor’s Secretary (Jenny Shelton)  
Payment of Two Days Vacation (Kurt Madden)  
Confidential Substitutes (Rhonda Wijnhamer/Lori Barney/Luann Sellards)  
Classified Substitutes (Rhonda Wijnhamer)  
Student Teaching Agreement with BVUSD and The University of Southern California (Lorie Best)  
Student Teaching Agreement with BVUSD and Redlands University (Claire Hird)  
Supervised Practice Affiliation Agreement Between The University of Southern California Davis School of Gerontology and BVUSD (Bri Goslin)  
Gold Star Foods Piggyback Bid No. 11-12-31012012-01  
Purchase Order Number 160142 – Gold Star Foods  
Williams Quarterly Report  
Minutes of a Special Board Meeting held on May 11, 2015  
2015-2016 SANDABS Membership Agreement  
CSBA Policy Update – Minor Revisions – December 2014  
First Reading of the December 2014 Board Policy Updates  
Obsolete Equipment  
Motion by Dr. Foulkes to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. M15-16-011  
Second by Mr. Zamoyta. President Grabe called for the vote. Said motion was approved by the following roll call vote:  
AYES: Foulkes/Grabe/Zamoyta  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: Goepp/Herrick

No items were removed from the Consent Calendar

Mr. Peavy explained this agenda item is the public notification of a proposal between BVUSD and B.V.E.A. and noted this proposal will be sunshined until August 19, 2015. Admin. Report #15-16-001

As in the above agenda item, this agenda item is the public notification of a proposal between B.V.E.A. and BVUSD. This proposal will also be sunshined until August 19, 2015.

Mr. Peavy reviewed the history Dr. Sanford has had with BVUSD. President Grabe called for a motion to approve the agreement for Facilitator Services. Motion by Dr. Foulkes to approve the Agreement for Facilitator Services with Dr. Sandy Sanford. Second by Mr. Zamoyta. Discussion followed where Mr. M15-16-012

Zamoyta stated when this item was tabled the first time, it was for us to have time to figure out if this resource worked for us. This topic was discussed during site visits. Mr. Zamoyta understands we have to get moving and he looks forward to continuing the process of what we are about and if these resources will help us move in that direction; looking forward to continuing site visits. The goal is to put more things in the teacher's hands making them more responsible and part of these things. We are here about educating children first. President Grabe commented to Dr. Waner that she asked her granddaughter how she felt about testing. Her granddaughter stated it was troubling. Dr. Waner stated we need a way to measure as students are moving toward Common Core State Standards. Dr. Sanford took all test items and developed benchmark tests that reflected the end of the year test. The purpose was to see if we are teaching students to be able to adapt to this type of testing. Dr. Waner believes middle and high school did not have as big of an issue as third grade. Elementary teachers wanted students to do well and be successful. This was practice for taking the test. Dr. Sanford built the test based on the standards the teachers provided. The disconnect is the test at the end is very different to what the students are used too. Dr. Waner really advocates for some mechanism of accountability that we are using to common core strategies. New test scores will be out the end of August (SBAC). There is a talking point letter to explain this to parents; part of it is educating parents, students, and teachers of this change. Mr. Zamoyta stated the reason you give a test is to see if the student is learning; the assessment needs to happen every day/weekly. How much of the SBAC is the students' knowledge of computer skills. The teacher is the best assessment about student accomplishment. Dr. Foulkes agrees; this kind of computer based test is the only way to assess. We need to develop an assessment framework that makes sense and students need to master computer skills. They may not be there yet but they need to get there. It is not clear what the district's overall assessment strategy is. We need to have some focus on these benchmark assessments but it needs to fit in some sort of package. Curriculum improvement and development is part of this. Mr. Zamoyta would love for teachers to have the choice of assessment with balance. Computer skills are important but do not mix in with academics. Teachers have the power to get things done; if you put it in the hands of the teachers and pilot a method working alongside Dr. Waner. Dr. Foulkes commented grit and resilience; it is a learning opportunity; it is not all negative. President Grabe called for the vote. Said motion was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Foulkes/Grabe/Zamoyta  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: Goepp/Herrick

Mr. Peavy informed the Governing Board of a certificated resignation from a BBHS English Teacher.

Governing Board Members suggested the following items as workshop topics:  
Strategies for Instruction  
Improvement or framework for assessments

President Grabe adjourned the meeting at 7:48 p.m.

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Secretary

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Clerk of the Board