

BEAR VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF A BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING  
HELD ON AUGUST 19, 2020 VIA THE ZOOM WEBINAR PLATFORM  
PURSUANT TO GOVERNOR NEWSOM'S EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20  
DATED MARCH 17, 2020

Present: Dr. Stephen Foulkes  
Mr. John Goepf  
Mrs. Cathy Herrick  
Ms. Sudie Smartt  
Mr. Paul Zamoyta

Absent: None

Also Present: Dr. Mary Suzuki  
Dr. Lisa Waner  
Mrs. Linda Rosado  
Ms. Lucinda Newton

President Herrick called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m.

President Herrick called for a motion to adopt the agenda for the meeting. Adoption of  
Motion by Mr. Goepf to adopt the agenda. Second by Mr. Zamoyta. Agenda  
President Herrick called for the vote. Said motion as approved by the following M20-21-019  
roll call vote:

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

Ms. Deborah Burton, President of B.V.E.A. was not present to provide B.V.E.A.  
comments. Comments

President Herrick called for Public Comment on the Closed Session Agenda Public  
Items. Receiving no requests to make Public Comment, President Herrick Comment  
adjourned the meeting to a Closed Session at 3:37 p.m.

Student Personnel Item #20-21-001 Closed  
Pursuant to Government Code 54957: Public Employee Performance Session  
Evaluation. Title of Position: Superintendent of Schools

President Herrick called the meeting back to Open Session at 5:30 p.m. Open Session

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

President Herrick called for action regarding Closed Session Items:  
Motion by Dr. Foulkes to expel Student Personnel Item #20-21-001 for the M20-21-020  
current semester plus one semester. Student has the option to apply for readmittance in June 2021 to attend school at Chautauqua High School for one semester of the 2021-2022 school year. To apply for readmittance, student must complete the prescribed rehabilitation plan. Second by Mr. Zamoyta. President Herrick called for the vote. Said motion was approved by the following roll call vote:

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

President Herrick opened the Hearing Section at 5:35 p.m. President Herrick noted no requests to make public comment were received. Hearing Section

President Herrick called for a motion to approve the Consent Calendar as follows: Consent Calendar  
Employ two temporary Certificated K-8 Teachers for 2020-21 at Big Bear M20-21-021  
Elementary School and Big Bear Middle School (Ileana Reed/Megan Moughan)  
Declare Student Furniture Obsolete  
2020-21 Pearson Online and Blended Learning Virtual Program Statement of Work Contract  
Governing Board Meeting Minutes from August 5, 2020.  
Second by Dr. Foulkes. President Herrick called for the vote. Said motion was approved by the following roll call vote:

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

No items were removed from the Consent Calendar.

Dr. Suzuki introduced the new employees approved under the Consent Calendar Ileana Reed and Megan Moughan.

Dr. Suzuki provided information on testing other than what insurance covers. Dr. Suzuki explained how the Department of Water and Power created a MOU with the hospital for testing; it was reported only about half of the staff were getting tested utilizing this MOU. Dr. Suzuki noted many of our employees that were identified as a close contact went for testing. Dr. Suzuki asked if the Governing Board would like a MOU to consider on a future agenda. Dr. Suzuki stated the District is not allowed to mandate testing. The State recommends testing one-third of employees at a time and spacing these testing groups out. A MOU would be a local convenience. The City of Big Bear Lake will have 900 tests to start. Dr. Suzuki stated we can put some funds aside for testing. The question was asked what percentage of teachers would volunteer to take the test; we do not know. There tends to be a little concern with the nasal test. We are hearing the local convenience would be helpful. Dr. Foulkes stated once we have students coming back into classes, we want to try to ensure their safety. To have a testing program makes sense. Dr. Foulkes would like the District to strongly encourage the testing if we cannot mandate it. Dr. Foulkes does not see a benefit for the State recommendation while we are on distance learning. Mr. Goepp agrees with Dr. Foulkes noting we almost need some type of contact tracing with the testing. Dr. Suzuki noted the District does have contact tracing right now. The District Nurse conducts this tracing. Letters are sent to close contacts right away. The Nurse sends information to the Public Health Department and they expand on the contact tracing. The doctor who gives the prescription for the testing also needs to report the results. Dr. Suzuki reviewed the protocol if students are in class and a teacher tests positive. Dr. Foulkes stated what we are doing now seems to be working; once we bring students back, that changes and we will need to have a more active program for testing teachers and staff. Dr. Foulkes would like to look into something that we have a little more control over and test on an appropriate basis. Mr. Goepp noted the money would come out of the COVID funding; maybe we need to talk about how we use this money; have it set aside but not use it until we need too. Dr. Foulkes asked what the timing is to use these funds. Dr. Foulkes also asked Dr. Suzuki if she is thinking about putting the waiver application together. Dr. Suzuki stated she will speak with Ms. Burton to see if we have the support of the association. She will also speak with parents. Mr. Goepp noted a few cases could skew the numbers; we may want to wait two to four weeks; after Labor Day to determine where the numbers are at that time. Mr. Zamoyta stated if we could have a waiver, why not do it so there is not a delay when we are ready to go back. Dr. Suzuki noted it is up to us when we implement the waiver. Dr. Foulkes stated perhaps

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we should start testing earlier to get the data. President Herrick stated for the safety of the students, we need to have all staff members tested. Dr. Foulkes stated, if a parent is uncomfortable, they have the option of the virtual academy or they can stay on distance learning. President Herrick noted the virtual academy is not perfect for every family. Dr. Suzuki stated we need to see how many parents want to continue on distance learning and also which teachers would like to continue teaching on distance learning. The Governing Board reached a consensus to gather data and move toward applying for the waiver. A draft plan for the waiver application will be presented at the September 2, 2020 board meeting.

No Board Member Reports were offered.

Board  
Member

President Herrick called for a motion to approve the Management/  
Confidential Personnel Report.

Personnel  
Report  
#20-21-001  
M20-21-022

Motion by Mr. Goepp to approve the Contract of Employment between the the BVUSD Governing Board and Superintendent of Schools. Second by Mr. Zamoyta. President Herrick called for the vote. Said motion was approved by the following roll call vote:

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

Suggestions for future meeting agendas:

LCAP and Unaudited Actuals will be presented at the September 2, 2020 board meeting.

Review of a draft plan to apply for a waiver will be reviewed at the September 2, 2020 board meeting.

Look into a MOU for Testing.

Achievement Data will be presented at the September 16, 2020 board meeting.

President Herrick adjourned the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

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Secretary

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President of the Governing Board