

BEAR VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF A BOARD WORKSHOP MEETING
HELD ON FEBRUARY 23, 2022 (Continued from February 16, 2022)
IN ACCORDANCE WITH AB 361 SIGNED BY GOVERNOR NEWSOM ON SEPTEMBER
16, 2021, THIS MEETING WAS HELD VIA THE ZOOM WEBINAR PLATFORM

Present: Dr. Steve Foulkes
Mrs. Cathy Herrick
Mr. Jack Roberts
Mr. Paul Zamoyta

Absent: Ms. Sudie Smartt

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

1. Call to Order Open Session

President Zamoyta called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m., noting this meeting is being audio recorded.

2. Adoption of Agenda

M21-22-100

President Zamoyta called for a motion to adopt the agenda for the meeting as presented.

Motion by Mr. Roberts.

Second by Dr. Foulkes.

President Zamoyta called for the vote.

Said motion was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Foulkes/Herrick/Roberts/Zamoyta

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Smartt

3. Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

All present participated in a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance

4. Report of Action Taken in closed Session on February 16, 2022

a. Action taken pertaining to Student Personnel Item #21-22-017

The decision was made unanimously by the Governing Board to suspend the expulsion this semester with conditions to be met in an improvement plan.

b. Action taken pertaining to Student Personnel Item #21-22-016

The decision was made by a four to one vote to expel the student for the remainder of the current semester with conditions to be met in an improvement plan.

5. Recognition Section

a. Anti-Bullying Poster Contest Winners

Mrs. Lucinda Newton, Executive Director of TK-5 Curriculum & Instruction, announced the Anti-Bullying Poster Contest Winners. From Big Bear High School: Emma Critel, Katerina Pace, Taylor Johnson. Big Bear Middle School: Julia Jockin and Averi Newkirk. North Shore Elementary School: Lilith Dircks and Journey Cheek. Baldwin Lane Elementary School: Bentley Prieto, Sophia Guillen, Kylee Allen, and Jonah Petteruto. The Governing Board recognized the students for their outstanding artwork. Mrs. Newton also acknowledged the efforts of Taylor Sirna, Lisa Schour, Rob Benson, Lisa Efron, and Randall Newton for their contributions to the success of the poster contest. Mrs. Newton also shared information about the collaboration with the We-Tip Program.

6. Community-Staff Presentations

a. Dr. Lisa Waner, Executive Director of 6 – 12 Curriculum and Instruction, Certificated Personnel- Presentation of the 2021-2022 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Supplement

Dr. Lisa Waner presented the 2021-2022 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Supplement. She stated that a mid-year update is required due to Assembly Bill 130. Dr. Waner reviewed the five (5) prompts required to complete the LCAP Supplement, as well as the goals within the document.

7. CDPH/CDC COVID-19 Updates and Presentation of Draft Letter to Governor Newsom

Dr. Suzuki reported that there were no COVID-19 reported this week, and there has been a steady decline in cases since our numbers in early January. Dr. Suzuki shared that we are waiting for the February 28th update from the State to see if there are any changes to the public health order requiring students wear masks in schools. Families and staff will be notified as changes are made. Dr. Suzuki presented a draft letter addressing the vaccine mandate shared on social media and our website for public comment prior to this meeting.

8. Hearing Section

a. Public Comment

President Zamoyta read the Public Comment Quick Summary Abstract.

Sean Garvey – Not present.

Steve Lanctot – Read a letter regarding the termination of Coach John Stewart in support of Mr. Stewart keeping his job.

Hayley Pedroza – Not present.

Alan Lee, Big Bear Lake Councilman – Invited the Governing Board to attend the grand opening of a restaurant tomorrow at 603 Pine Knot Ave. Councilman Lee offered a \$50.00 educational grant to the Anti-Bullying Contest winners. Councilman Lee stated that he has

established an educational council to put a spotlight on local educators. He encouraged the Governing Board to transition to school without masks.

Enrique Manzanarez – Not present.

Emma Crital, Big Bear High School Student - Spoke in support of Coach John Stewart. She shared that there is a petition with 700 signatures. Many students are upset that Coach Stewart is leaving. She asked that the Governing Board reconsider the decision to release Coach Stewart.

Sean Garvey, Big Bear High School Student – Spoke in support of Coach Stewart. He stated 900 students and community members signed a petition. Mr. Garvey requested the Governing Board reconsider their decision to fire Coach Stewart.

b. Governing Board Discussion of Draft Letter to Governor Newsom and Mask Mandate

After reviewing a draft letter regarding vaccinations to Governor Newsom and an extensive discussion regarding the draft letter, the decision was made to move forward with sending the letter as it is written to the Governor. There was a discussion about the possibility of another letter regarding the mask mandate in the future. Families were encouraged to contact their legislators and have their voices heard. President Zamoyta stated that Governor Newsom will report changes to COVID protocols on Monday, February 28, 2022. The mask discussion will be revisited next week.

c. Bear Valley Unified School District (BVUSD) Proposed the 2021-22 Articles for Negotiations at the February 2, 2022, Board Meeting

President Zamoyta called for comments. Hearing none, he moved on to item 8.d.

d. California School Employees Association (CSEA) Chapter #415 2021-22 Negotiation Articles

President Zamoyta called for comments. Hearing none, he moved on to item 8.e.

e. Public Hearing and Proposed Adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Big Bear High School Stadium Sports Field

Mrs. Linda Rosado, Executive Director of Business Services and Classified Personnel, presented details for the proposed Big Bear High School Stadium Sports Field project. Mrs. Rosado discussed the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Study that was conducted. There were no significant impacts found. Kaitlyn Dodson-Hamilton, an Environmental Specialist with Tom Dodson and Associates, presented more detailed information regarding the CEQA Study. Ms. Dodson-Hamilton reviewed the process of information gathering. She stated that the issues were relatively minimal because it is on public land at the old Chautauqua Continuation High School location because it is a developed site. Some of the studies commissioned, i.e., a vehicle miles traveled study, trip generation analysis, biological resources analysis, and cultural resources analysis. There were no concerns raised beyond the pebble plain that is nearby. They have proposed using exclusionary fencing to prevent species from encroaching on the site during construction. Ms. Dodson-Hamilton shared the size of the site is seven (7) acres, and there will be about 1,000 seats with 750 seats for the home team and 250 for the visiting team. Ms. Dodson-Hamilton reviewed the reasons behind the CEQA Study is required for any discretionary action, and a Mitigated Negative Declaration is intended to provide CEQA coverage for projects that require mitigation measures. Ms. Dodson-Hamilton stated that no negative impacts were discovered during the course of their study. President Zamoyta asked if there were questions

from the Governing Board or members of the public. Hearing none, President Zamoyta moved on to agenda item 9.

9. Consent Calendar

M21-22-101

President Zamoyta asked if the Governing Board would like to remove any item from the Consent Calendar. Hearing none, President Zamoyta called for a motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

Motion by Dr. Foulkes.

- a. Employ Cafeteria Worker

Name: Lacey Bell

- b. Employ Cafeteria Worker/Delivery Driver

Name: Rachelle Barbato

- c. Employ Campus Safety Assistant - Big Bear High School

Name: Vince Hubbard

- d. Employ Custodian

Name: Brendan Stewart

- e. Employ 12 Month Custodian for Big Bear High School

Name: Kristen Vasquez

- f. Employ Night Custodian

Name: William Sweet

- g. Employ ELL/Bilingual Aide at Big Bear High School

Name: Selena Defontaine

- h. Employ Special Education Aide

Name: Elizabeth Arkin

- i. Employ Special Education Aide

Name: Johanna Dwight

- j. Retired Consultant

Name: Annette Sipes

- k. Memorandum of Understanding between Bear Valley Unified School District (BVUSD) and the California School Employee Association (CSEA) Chapter #415 -Temporary Assignment to Lead Cafeteria Worker

Name: Christina Arizmendi

- l. Rehire and Ratify Employee 2018-2019-006 - Placed on the 39-Month Rehire List in March 2019

- m. Substitute Teachers for the 2021-2022 School Year

Names: Elizabeth Hediger and Scott Waner

- n. Increase FTE for Certificated Language Speech Hearing Specialist for Bear Valley Unified School District for the Remainder of the 2021-22 School Year

Name: JoKay Rowe

- o. Updated Job Description for School Counselor/Clinical Social Worker - Chautauqua High

- p. **Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policy #4111 Recruitment and Selection**

Second by Mr. Roberts.

President Zamoyta called for the vote.

Said motion was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Foulkes/Herrick/Roberts/Zamoyta

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Smartt

10. Items Removed from the Consent Calendar

None.

11. Employee Announcements

Dr. Suzuki welcomed all employees approved on the Consent Calendar.

12. Information Section and Reports

a. Superintendent Comments/Calendar

Dr. Suzuki congratulated Mr. Brian Adams and the Big Bear High School Performing Arts Department students for their upcoming production of Lillies of the Field. Dr. Suzuki expressed her gratitude to Big Bear Mountain Resorts for teaching our third-grade students the opportunity to learn to ski for free.

b. Governing Board Member Reports

None.

13. Curriculum/Instruction Report

a. 2012-2022 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Supplement

M21-22-102

President Zamoyta called for a motion to approve the LCAP Supplement.

Motion by Mr. Roberts.

Second by Mrs. Herrick.

President Zamoyta called for the vote.

Said motion was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Foulkes/Herrick/Roberts/Zamoyta

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Smartt

14. Business/Financial Report

a. Resolution 21-22-016 to Adopt Final Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Big Bear High School Stadium

M21-22-103

President Zamoyta called for a motion to approve the resolution as presented.

Motion by Dr. Foulkes.

Second by Mr. Roberts.

President Zamoyta called for the vote.

Said motion was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Foulkes/Herrick/Roberts/Zamoyta

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Smartt

- b. **Approve Design-Build Contract between Hellas Construction, Inc. and Bear Valley Unified School District with the Mitigated Measures as required by the Final Initial Study conducted in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)** **M21-22-104**

President Zamoyta called for a motion to approve the design-build contract as presented.

Motion by Mr. Roberts.

Second by Dr. Foulkes.

President Zamoyta called for the vote.

Said motion was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Foulkes/Herrick/Roberts/Zamoyta

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Smartt

- c. **Authorization to participate in the California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS) to purchase HVAC Units for the Big Bear High School HVAC Replacement Project** **M21-22-105**

President Zamoyta called for a motion to authorize participation in CMAS as presented.

Motion by Mrs. Herrick.

Second by Dr. Foulkes.

President Zamoyta called for the vote.

Said motion was approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Foulkes/Herrick/Roberts/Zamoyta

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Smartt

15. Suggestions for future meeting agendas (Board/Superintendent)

None.

16. Meeting Adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

- a. **Next Board Meeting is scheduled for:
February 28, 2022, at 4:30 p.m. (Second Interim Report)
Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for March 2, 2022, at 5:30 p.m.**

Secretary

President of the Governing Board