

**APPROVED**  
**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

December 10, 2009

Members Present:

Mr. Brett McFadden, President  
Mrs. Susan Goto, Clerk  
Mrs. Krista Bernasconi  
Mr. Rene Aguilera  
Mr. Gary Miller  
Mr. Richard L. Pierucci, Superintendent

Members Absent:

None

**CALL TO ORDER**

Tr. Bernasconi called the Regular Meeting of the Roseville City School District Board of Education to order at 5:15 p.m., reported to the public on the items to be discussed in Closed Session, and recessed to Closed Session.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Tr. Bernasconi convened Closed Session for the purpose of:

- Conferencing with Labor Negotiators, Gov. Code §54957.6  
California School Employees' Association, Chapter #475  
Roseville Teachers' Association
- Student Matters/Expulsion Readmission, Educ. Codes §35146, §48918  
Student Identification #210099, Student Expulsion Matter  
Student Identification #213098, Student Expulsion Matter

**RECESS CLOSED SESSION**

Tr. Bernasconi recessed Closed Session at 5:59 p.m. (*The Organizational Meeting was held at 6:00 p.m. and Tr. McFadden was elected President of the Board and took his seat as President for the Regular Meeting.*)

**REGULAR MEETING**

Tr. McFadden reconvened the Regular Meeting at 6:15 p.m. in the George Linsley Board Room.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

This item was conducted earlier in the evening at the Organizational Meeting.

**REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN  
CLOSED SESSION/ACTION  
FROM CLOSED SESSION  
DISCUSSION**

Tr. McFadden reported that no action was taken in Closed Session.

**AGENDA APPROVAL**

A motion was made by Tr. Goto and seconded by Tr. Miller to approve the Agenda as posted. Motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

**REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS  
C.S.E.A., Chapter #475,  
President's Report**

The President of the California School Employees' Association, Chapter #475, was not in attendance.

**R.T.A. President's Report**

Mr. Mark Davis, President of the Roseville Teachers' Association, reported that RTA has a health committee and will be sending Health Committee representatives to a health care convention on January 20<sup>th</sup> through the 21<sup>st</sup>, and reported on the survey that RTA conducts every other year to find out if there are any issues or concerns that teachers have. He stated that the theme this year was centered on Professional Learning Communities (PLC), shared that a survey will be sent out in January, and responses anticipated back in February, with a report being provided to the Board some time thereafter.

**Board Appreciation/Recognition**

The Board recognized district nurses for their assistance with the H1N1 vaccination process and were presented with Certificates of Appreciation. Those recognized included: Vicki Elston, Stephanie Keenan, Kirsten Munk, Kathryn Neuburger, and Amber Price (not in attendance).

**RECOGNITION OF GUESTS  
WISHING TO ADDRESS THE  
BOARD**

Tr. McFadden asked members of the audience if they wished to address the Board on any item not appearing on the agenda.

There were none.

CONSENT AGENDA

Tr. McFadden explained that items under the Consent Agenda were routine matters to be enacted by one motion unless a member of the Board or audience requests that items be removed for further discussion.

Mr. Pierucci requested that Item 10.9, *Approve Student Expulsion of Student 210099 through June 11, 2010*; and Item 10.10, *Approve Student Expulsion of Student 213098 through June 11, 2010*, be removed from the agenda and noted they will be brought back at a future meeting.

Tr. Bernasconi requested that Item 10.5, *Authorization for Roseville City School District to Open Food Service Clearing Bank Account and District Office Clearing and Revolving Cash Fund Bank Accounts*, be removed from the agenda for a separate vote.

- 10.1 Minutes of Prior Board Meetings: Regular Meeting, November 12, 2009
- 10.2 Personnel Matters as recommended by the Assistant Superintendent of Personnel Services and as outlined in the attached agenda item sheet
- 10.3 Approve Payment of Warrants (October 18, 2009 – November 17, 2009)
- 10.4 Ratify Non-Public School/Agency Agreements (7/1/09 – 6/30/10):
  - Student 12.10.09.01, Laguna Physical Therapy, \$3,300.00
  - Student 12.10.09.02, Laguna Physical Therapy, \$3,300.00
  - Student 12.10.09.03, Laguna Physical Therapy, \$440.00
  - Student 12.10.09.04, Laguna Physical Therapy, \$3,300.00
  - Student 12.10.09.05, Laguna Physical Therapy, \$440.00
  - Student 12.10.09.06, Pacific Autism Learning Services, \$1,070.08
- 10.5 Authorization for Roseville City School District to Open Food Service Clearing Bank Account and District Office Clearing and Revolving Cash Fund Bank Accounts at Community 1<sup>st</sup> Bank
- 10.6 Accept The Placer County Treasurer's Investment Report For The Period Ending October 31, 2009
- 10.7 Accept Donations Received By Various Sites:
  - Monetary Donation in the Amount of \$1,000 to Woodbridge Elementary School – Giving Tree Program from Wal-Mart Foundation
  - Monetary Donation in the Amount of \$2,500 to Woodbridge Elementary School – Giving Tree Program from SureWest Foundation
- 10.8 Extended Field Trip to Alliance Redwoods Conference Grounds for Sixth Grade Students from Sargeant Elementary School, March 23 – 26, 2010.
- 10.9 Approve Student Expulsion of Student 210099 through June 11, 2010
- 10.10 Approve Student Expulsion of Student 213098 through June 11, 2010

Motion by Tr. Miller, seconded by Tr. Bernasconi, to approve the Consent Agenda minus Items 10.5, *Authorization for Roseville City School District to Open Food Service Clearing Bank Account and District Office Clearing and Revolving Cash Fund Bank Accounts*; 10.9, *Approve Student Expulsion of Student 210099 through June 11, 2010*; and 10.10, *Approve Student Expulsion of Student 213098 through June 11, 2010*. Motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

AYES: Trs. Aguilera, Bernasconi, Goto, McFadden, Miller  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None

Item 10.5. Authorization for Roseville City School District to Open Food Service Clearing Bank Account and District Office Clearing and Revolving Cash Fund Bank Accounts – Tr. Bernasconi indicated that she would like to have this as a separate vote from the Consent Agenda, as she intends to abstain for professional reasons.

Motion by Tr. Goto, seconded by Tr. Miller, to approve Authorization for Roseville City School District to Open Food Service Clearing Bank Account and District Office Clearing and Revolving Cash Fund Bank Accounts at Community 1<sup>st</sup> Bank. Motion carried.

AYES: Trs. Aguilera, Goto, McFadden, Miller  
NOES: None  
ABSTAIN: Tr. Bernasconi  
ABSENT: None

**CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

There were no public hearings.

**ACTION MATTERS**

Adopt Resolution 2009-10.19,  
Amend the Roseville City  
School District's 403 (b) Plan

A motion was made by Tr. Goto and seconded by Tr. Bernasconi to adopt Resolution 2009-10.19, Amend the Roseville City School District's 403 (b) Plan. Motion carried unanimously, 5-0. (Resolution attached hereto and made part of permanent minutes.)

AYES: Trs. Aguilera, Bernasconi, Goto, McFadden, Miller  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None

Adopt Resolution 2009-10.20,  
Approving Amendment to the  
F-70 Elementary School  
Agreement and Authorizing  
Acquisition of the School Site

Ms. Julie Olson, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, provided an overview of the amendment to the F-70 school agreement and pointed out the documents before the Board including the First Amendment to the F-70 Elementary School Construction, Dedication and Reimbursement Agreement; Amended Joint Escrow Instructions; Right-of-Entry and License Agreement; the Grant Deed for the land; and the Promissory Note for the second half of the cost of the land. She requested the Board adopt the resolution and approve the F-70 agreement and approve the acquisition of the school site.

A motion was made by Tr. Goto and seconded by Tr. Miller to adopt Resolution 2009-10.20, Approving the Amendment to the F-70 Elementary School Agreement and Authorizing Acquisition of the School Site. Motion carried unanimously, 5-0. (Resolution attached hereto and made part of permanent minutes.)

AYES: Trs. Aguilera, Bernasconi, Goto, McFadden, Miller  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None

California School Boards'  
Association (CSBA) Delegate  
Assembly Nominations

The Board made no nominations to the CSBA Delegate Assembly.

Accounting for Developer Fees

Ms. Olson provided a brief overview of the required annual report and shared that the district collects three types of developer fees, Level I, Level II, and mitigation fees. She pointed out that the finding on the report shows that all funds collected for the last five years have been spent, except for the amount in reserves to pay off the outstanding 1998 COPs and to complete the district warehouse facility. She also pointed out a balance of \$4.9 million in Developer Fees for future district facility needs, which includes construction of a classroom wing at Buljan School.

Motion by Tr. Miller, seconded by Tr. Bernasconi, to approve the findings set forth in the staff report and the Developer Fee Accounting & Expenditure Report. Motion carried unanimously, 5-0. (Report attached and made part of permanent minutes.)

First Interim Financial Report  
for the Period Ending October  
31, 2009

Ms. Olson provided an overview of the First Interim Financial Report for the period ending October 31, 2009. Items she reviewed included the change in the 2009-2010 ending fund balance between the adopted budget and first interim, for a projected ending fund balance of \$5,233,069, a difference of \$3,040,907 from the 2009-2010 adopted budget; changes which affected the ending fund balance; multi-year projection assumptions for revenues and expenditures; changes in fund balances for multi-year projections; and items, such as Federal Stimulus Funds and 2010-11 and 2011-12 COLAs, that are still not known at this time and will affect the budget.

Ms. Olson also reviewed concerns relative to cash flow, projected ending fund balances for other funds (i.e., cafeteria fund, deferred maintenance, mitigation fees, state school facility funds, and Foundation Trust Fund); and shared that next steps include waiting for the Governor's Budget in January to get more current projections of what the 2010-2011 budget will look like. (*Copy of presentation attached hereto and made part of permanent minutes.*)

Motion by Tr. Goto, seconded by Tr. Aguilera, to approve the First Interim Financial Report for the period ending October 31, 2009, declare a positive certification, and approve revised budget as projected year totals. Motion carried unanimously, 5-0.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Option of Closing Woodbridge  
School for the 2010-2011  
School Year

Mr. Pierucci provided an overview on how the closure of Woodbridge had been identified as one of the possible options to address the \$3.4 million potential budget shortfall for 2010-2011 and shared the steps taken to inform the employee and parent groups. He went on to point out that, as shared by Mrs. Olson during the First Interim Report, the budget shortfall now appears to be between \$1.2 and \$1.3 million instead of the \$3.4 million and added that the Board may not have to make a lot of the drastic decisions it was contemplating having to take previously; however, he wanted to provide an opportunity for anyone who would like to address the matter the opportunity to do so.

Tr. McFadden stated that the Board has some very difficult decisions to make over the next four to five months, stressed that the items are just options, and added that the Board will not be taking action on this item tonight, as it is only an informational item. He added that the Board did want to hear from those who wanted to speak on this item so the Board can weigh all the options before it in terms of programs, schools, and staffing reductions, as well as other things that have had to be done in light of the recession and the state's fiscal crisis.

The following members of the audience addressed the Board in opposition of closing Woodbridge School for the 2010-2011 school year: Christina Carr and Sara Jenson, on behalf of teachers at Woodbridge School; Caryl Gadberry, former employee in the Roseville City School District; Mollie Gelder, former parent, teacher, principal, member of the Roseville City School District Board and current daily Woodbridge volunteer; Amy Wenzel, Woodbridge parent of a special education student; Naomi Foss, Woodbridge parent; and Stephanie Kamaka, Woodbridge parent and current district employee, formerly at Woodbridge.

Reasons cited by those addressing the Board to not close Woodbridge included that the site is the oldest elementary school (1935) in Roseville and has educated several generations of Roseville citizens and leaders; the recent million dollar remodel using Measure H funds including the small auditorium which was turned into a multi-purpose room and the upgraded cafeteria; the generous contributions of Mrs. LaVeda Doyle (new playground equipment), Rotary, and the Womens' Improvement Club of Roseville; the community donations and parent fundraisers to the site's library collection, which is one of the best in the district; the small size and status as a K-3 allows for a warm and inclusive environment that focuses on the needs of young primary children and in addition makes children feel safe with its family-like culture; the fact that it is a Title I school with low-staff turn-over, which is not the norm for a Title I school; retired staff volunteer regularly; staff have strong

expertise in meeting needs of English learners due to collective years of experience working with second language students and years of staff development directly related to addressing the needs of this unique community; closure would have a negative impact on students at Kaseberg; children need and deserve a neighborhood school; the site serves as a central connection point for all the parents and parent involvement would be diminished if students are bussed outside their neighborhood school; the state-funded pre-school at the site; the site's Giving Tree Program would be lost, which this year provided 85 needy families with food and toys; the site has a very successful reading program called "Reading Mastery" which gives students self-confidence thereby eliminating improper behavior; the loss of daycare for students if they are sent to other sites (Adventure Club and ACES Program).

A parent who has a child with a disability at Woodbridge, the child's first year at a public school since attending private school, relayed her son's success at the site attributed to, among other things, the site's small family atmosphere. Another parent asked questions relative to attendance boundary issues, including the possibility of a study of boundaries; changing attendance boundaries prior to making a decision to close Woodbridge; whether redistricting for bussing was just for parents of Woodbridge students; why inter-district transfers from other cities were made to a school barely holding on and the suggestion to reconfigure those boundaries so those students have to go to their own home school; and why other areas are given preferable treatment to pick their schools (Crown Point in Sargeant School area). A comment was also made that information was shared earlier in the evening at the classified bargaining unit meeting that during a meeting between members of administration and the classified bargaining unit leadership, concerns had been raised with "discrepancies" in the budget and no real answers were provided during that meeting.

Tr. McFadden provided members of the audience the opportunity to stand to show their support in keeping Woodbridge open.

C.S.E.A., Chapter #475,  
*President's Report*

C.S.E.A. President Willie Baker arrived at 8:00 p.m. and reported that CSEA had its Christmas party and union meeting this evening which is the reason for his late arrival. He shared that members were concerned about the possibility of the Woodbridge closure, noted he was glad to see the turnout, and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy and safe holiday.

**COMMENTS FROM STAFF &  
BOARD MEMBERS**

- Mr. Peter Clark, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services, commented that teachers and support personnel give great gifts to children every day and wished everyone happy holidays.
- Ms. Olson wished a Merry Christmas and a good New Year to Board, staff, and families.
- Mr. Jorgensen dittoed the previous comments.
- Mr. Pierucci reported that one of the district's psychologist's, Kristen Baisden who works for the district on a partial basis and runs the Love and Logic classes in the district, has been contacted by Channel 10 which plans to do two thirty-minute segments with her live and online in December and January.
- Tr. Aguilera reported that he, along with the leadership program he belongs to, the National Association of Latino Elected Officials (NALEO), had visited three schools earlier in the day and had seen the Project Fit America Program at Spanger; the sixth, seventh, and eighth graders having lunch together at Cooley Middle School; and the Happy Feet presentation at Roseville High School. He also announced that Cooley Middle School will be having its Winter Concert tomorrow night and noted that Eich is scheduled for their Winter Concert on December 16<sup>th</sup>.

- Tr. Aguilera also mentioned that several members of the Board had attended the California School Board Association's Conference last week for governance and professional development.
- Tr. Aguilera also stressed the importance of having translators available when discussing the Woodbridge closure topic in the future, as many Spanish-speaking parents were in attendance and some don't understand any English.
- Tr. Bernasconi recognized fellow board members from the Roseville City School District Foundation and acknowledged Judy Kevin's efforts to lead a group of students for the Holiday Parade. She shared that she had watched the parade from the sidelines along with her 2 ½ year old twins and commented that an excellent job was done as far as ambassadors for the fundraising arm of the district. She also reported that a number of her colleagues on the Board, as well as principals, had attended the Tommy Apostolos Shopping Spree early on Saturday morning and commented she enjoyed the two students she assisted with shopping.
- Tr. Bernasconi also thanked the Superintendent's Secretary, Heidi Eller, for her efforts in going paperless this past year, congratulated the new Board Chair, Tr. McFadden, and indicated he had done an excellent job navigating through tonight's sensitive topic, and also congratulated Board Clerk Susan Goto. She also mentioned that a lot of the evening's speakers could have been talking about any one of the schools in the district with regards to the family environment and noted that Woodbridge is a very special, unique school and that doesn't go unnoticed amongst the Board and commented it is a decision that weighs heavy on everyone's minds.
- Tr. Goto reported that she had been elected to the position of the California School Boards Association (CSBA) Delegate Assembly and reported that the State President was Paula Campbell from Nevada City and noted that the new CSBA President is Frank Pugh from the Santa Rosa area. She shared Mr. Pugh's quote relative to the state's budget (*Beg for forgiveness then ask for permission*) and reminded everyone to have a conversation with our state leadership that they work for us and California students. She also reported on the State of our Schools (SOS) relative to severe budget cuts and noted everyone at the conference was asked to write to our Governor and members of the state legislature regarding cuts in our district. She added that all these comments will be presented to the Governor in January.
- Tr. Goto also reported on the CSBA luncheon session for the Delegate Assembly and shared that the guest speaker was Carol Channing and her husband, who are both advocates of Performing Arts for all students in California and nationally. She added that one of her jobs as a member of the Delegate Assembly is to promote the Educational Legal Alliance (ELA) in the eight school districts she represents and added that she is proud to announce that only one district out of eight is not a member of the Educational Legal Alliance.
- Tr. Goto went on to report on the workshops she attended at the conference including, *Surviving the School Fiscal Crash of 2009-2010*, *What Every Board Member Must Know about Special Education*, and *Art is Education* presented by the Alameda County Office of Education and noted that every child must have quality arts learning, educational equity, and cultural competency.
- Tr. Goto also shared that she had thanked the young man serving as the crossing guard at Washington and Pleasant Grove for helping our students across the intersection, wished everyone happy holidays, and congratulated President McFadden.

- Tr. Miller congratulated Mr. McFadden on his election as President of the Board and expressed confidence he will do an outstanding job. Tr. Miller also acknowledged Mr. McFadden's birthday on December 11<sup>th</sup>. He also mentioned that this meeting marks his first anniversary serving on this Board, noted how pleased he was with the professionalism of staff and with the Board, stated it is a pleasure working with his fellow Board members, and indicated he looks forward to working with everyone for at least three more years.
- Tr. Miller also reported on his attendance at the state school board conference where he attended workshops on raising test scores, special education, and how to help gay students in public schools. He reported on two major speakers, one being Soledad O'Brien, who among other items, spoke about her experiences reporting on Hurricane Katrina and the other speaker, Daniel Pink, who has been studying the changing world of work and how the kinds of work will be different in the future. He shared that one item in Mr. Pink's talk mentioned was that India will surpass the US in five years as the country with the most English speaking people and in ten years, the US will be third behind China. He commented that China is making a strong effort to teach its citizens English.
- Tr. Miller expressed his support for training for all employees including Board members. He requested an item to be placed on some future Board meeting regarding the possibility of sending one person to the national school board conference. He also thanked Ms. Eller for the paperless agendas and newsletters and noted he reads all those items online. Mr. Miller also gave a "plug" for a movie called "Precious" and noted anyone in public education should see this movie, as it is a dynamic movie on how to reach out to children who are having a lot of difficulties.
- Tr. Miller acknowledged that some in our community will celebrate Christmas, others Hanukkah, others Kwanzaa, and still others the Winter Solstice. He reminded everyone that every day is a holy day and each day is to be celebrated. He wished everyone the best during this holiday season and indicated his hope that 2010 will be a better year than 2009.
- Tr. McFadden indicated that it was an honor to serve his colleagues, staff, and students in this district in the capacity of President and noted public education is personally and professionally his calling in terms of his service to the public. He stated that he welcomes all comments or suggestions to run the meeting or to do things in a different manner and will strive to make sure fellow Board members and staff are recognized and to run meetings that are efficient and high-quality. He recognized his fellow Board members for their individual strengths, as well as the professional expertise each brings to the Board.

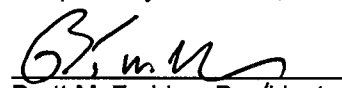
CLOSED SESSION (Continued if  
needed regarding Items under 2.0)

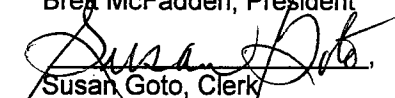
None needed.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Tr. Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 p.m. All members present voting aye.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Brett McFadden, President

  
Susan Goto, Clerk

as approved Feb 4, 2010

Recorder: Heidi Eller