

Cold Spring School District Board of Trustees

MINUTES - Regular Meeting Monday, May 11, 2015

Members Present

Michael Wasserman, Vice-President
Jennifer Miller, Clerk of the Board
John Murphy, Trustee
Kim Ferrarin, Trustee

Staff Present

Dr. Tricia T. Price, Superintendent/Principal
Coral Godlis, Executive Assistant
Scott Lathrop, CBO
Linda Edwards
Melissa Katzenstein
Misha Lewis
Kelly Orwig
Taiwo Madison, DFS

Guests

Greg Peterson, Dorothy Poley, Blair Whitney

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 P.M.

2. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

There was no Closed Session scheduled.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTION

There was no Closed Session scheduled.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

5.A. April 20, 2015 Regular Session

Trustee Murphy *Motioned*, Trustee Ferrarin seconded, to approve the Minutes of April 20, 2015. The Motion carried unanimously.

6. RECOGNITIONS, RECEIPT OF GIFTS, ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, AND ACCEPTANCES

6.A. Recognition of Parent Volunteers

Superintendent Price thanked all the parent's that volunteered for the school activities this spring.

7. **BOARD COMMENTS – COMMUNICATION/CORRESPONDENCE**

There were no comments or correspondence to report.

8. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments to report.

9. **CONSENT AGENDA**

9.A. FINANCE ITEMS:

1. Warrants (attachment)
2. Regular Payroll: \$241,856.51
3. Other financial items since preparation of the agenda

9.B. Applications for Use of School Facilities

9.C. Personnel

Withdrawal of layoff notice: 1 certificated
Resignation: 2 classified

Trustee Murphy *Motioned*, Vice President Wasserman seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda. The Motion carried unanimously.

10. **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

10.A. Monthly Enrollment Report, current and projected

Superintendent Price reported current enrollment for this year. The number projected for next year's Kindergarten class has grown significantly since what had been projected at the start of the year.

10.B. GATE Presentation – Linda Edwards

Linda Edwards, fourth grade teacher and GATE coordinator, presented the results of the GATE Survey given to students and parents as well as an update to the Board on the "State of GATE". The Survey reflected a drop in parent satisfaction this year. The GATE program along with Cold Spring School strives to meet the academic needs of all its students. Ms. Edwards has been working with Mr. Garfield, technology teacher, to come up with a plan for a "Coding" Elective possibly for next school year.

10.C. Superintendent Goals Update

Superintendent Price reported that the Cold Spring School Vision and Mission Statement is in the process of being updated by a Board committee to reflect the current goals of the District. The Board has given the "green light" for the completion of the Facilities Master Plan which comprises of removal of portable classrooms and an addition of a new administration building at the front of the campus. There was discussion about sending out a survey to parents to gather information about how satisfied they are with Cold Spring School. The School Satisfaction Survey will be put together by School Site Council and given to parents in the fall.

10.D. CAASPP Update – Misha Lewis

Misha Lewis, TOSA and CAASPP coordinator, reported that the CAASPP testing was running smoothly. Cold Spring School is currently in the two week summited testing period. Students are taking the test very seriously. The scores will be available in July.

10.E. Update on Upper Grade Math Instruction for 2015-16

There was discussion about the direction math will be headed in next school year. The Board along with Superintendent Price decided to hold a Math Information Meeting in June geared for 6th grade families transitioning to Santa Barbara Unified secondary schools. Dr. Ben Drati, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education from SBUSD will be one of the presenters at the Math Information Meeting to answer parents' questions and concerns.

11. BUSINESS AND FINANCE

11.A. Preliminary 2015-16 District Budget Update

CBO Lathrop gave a recap of the District's preliminary Budget. The Board will approve the Budget in June.

11.B. Review and/or approval of the 2015-16 Grant Request to the Cold Spring School Foundation

Because Trustee Murphy is the President of the Cold Spring School Foundation, he recused himself from the Motion.

Clerk of the Board Miller *Motioned*, Trustee Ferrarin seconded to approve the 2015-16 grant request to the Cold Spring School Foundation. The vote was: 3 Ayes and 1 Abstained.

11.C. Review and Discussion of Financing Options for New Construction Continuation

The District is in the process of gathering information on financing options. There was a discussion about the different options. The Board gave direction to staff to research some of these financing possibilities and report back to the Board.

12. ACTION AGENDA

12.A. Approval of Revised Beliefs/Vision/Goals

An ad hoc Board Committee is working on the revision of the Beliefs/Vision/Goals. They are using information from the LCAP, Parent Satisfaction Survey, and Superintendent Goals to help guide the revision. The Board would like to update the Cold Spring School Vision every two to three years to keep it current.

No action was taken at this time.

12.B . Approval of Proposal for Asphalt Upgrades/Repairs

Vice President Wasserman *Motioned*, Trustee Ferrarin seconded, to approve the Proposal from Ramsey Asphalt Construction for asphalt upgrades/repairs. The Motion carried unanimously.

13. CONFERENCE AGENDA

13.A. Review of the process and timeline for the evaluation of the Superintendent/Principal

The timeline has not changed.

13.B. ParentSquare – next steps

The Board discussed ParentSquare as communication platform for Cold Spring School parents. After a presentation made by Parent Square at the April Board meeting, Superintendent Price asked the Parent Club group as well as the Cold Spring School staff if they would find this a helpful way to communicate. It was discussed that an updated website would be a solution to better communication and to hold off on ParentSquare at this time. The Board directed staff to look into options for a new website.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The Regular meeting of the Cold Spring School District Board of Trustees was adjourned at 8:33 P.M.



Clerk of the Board