

MINUTES
AMADOR COUNTY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Wednesday, January 11, 2017
Closed Session 6:00 P.M. Open Session 6:30 P.M

Meeting Location: Amador County Administration Building, 810 Court Street, Jackson, CA 95642

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	Actual Time
1.0 <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>	6:03
2.0 <u>BOARD MEMBERS</u>	
[X] Bob Laurent – Board President	
[X] Kandi Thompson – Board Clerk	
[X] Rose Oneto	
[X] Susan Ross	
[X] Janet White	
3.0 Roll taken by the Secretary to the Governing Board.	
4.0 <u>ADDITIONS/DELETIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA</u>	
5.0 <u>VISITOR COMMENT</u> on Closed Session Only No Comments	
6.0 <u>CLOSED SESSION</u> May be called for personnel matters (Government Code §54957), litigation pursuant to Government Code, Section 54956.9(d)(1), real estate negotiations/acquisitions (Government Code §54957.6) and/or hearing to Consider an Expulsion of a Student (Education Code §48918[c]) 6.0a Suspension/Expulsion 16/17-04 (Mr. Wagner) 6.0b Labor Negotiations Update on ACTA and CSEA 239 (Mr. Zearley & Mr. Vicari)	
6.1 <u>RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION</u>	
7.0 <u>OPEN SESSION</u>	6:35
Pledge of Allegiance led by Board Member Thompson.	
8.0 <u>REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION</u> Suspension/Expulsion 16/17-04: Board Member Ross motioned to approve a suspended expulsion with change of placement. Board Member Thompson seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0. Closed session will continue after the open session.	
9.0 <u>VISITOR COMMENTS</u>	6:35
<i>Anyone may address the Board regarding any item that is within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. NOTE: If you wish to address the Board please complete a speaker card and give it to the Board clerk. This part of the Board's meeting is set aside for members of the public requesting to address the Board on general items which are <u>not</u> agenda items calendared for action, which are not first readings listed in the</i>	

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agenda, and are not items previously referred to committee and not yet returned to the Board for action. A speaker is limited to three (3) minutes. This agenda item will be limited to twenty (20) minutes. Anyone whose name remains on the speakers list at the end of the allotted time will be granted time at the end of the regular meeting. The Board will not discuss or take action on an item introduced during this portion of the agenda, as this would constitute an illegal act on the part of the Board.

No visitor comments.

- 10.0 **PRESENTATION AND RECOGNITIONS** 6:40
Spotlight on Schools – Ione Elementary (Mr. Vicari)
Principal Jeni DeWalt shared highlights about school programs including “Circle of Friends” which helps students develop social skills. Student Body President Lilly De Walt shared how great the school is and was enthusiastic about the Study Body program being reinstated. Student Lilly Fawver spoke about Safety Patrol leadership program and how their teacher Mr. Huss helps them. Student Lilly Hampton discussed her appreciation for the community service program.

- 11.0 **CONSENT AGENDA** 7:00
Governing Board received under separate cover as addendum. Public copy available during regular Board meeting and on the district website

11.1 **Minutes**

11.1a Board Meeting – December 14, 2016

11.2 **Business** (Mr. Zearley)

11.2a Appointment of Secretary to the Governing Board – Superintendent Slavensky.

11.2b Payroll issued between December 2, 2016 and December 30, 2016 in the amount of \$2,306,712.16.
Warrants issued between December 2, 2016 and December 30, 2016 in the amount of 856,228.96.

11.3 **Personnel** (Mr. Vicari)

11.3a Personnel Consent Action Items

11.4 **Curriculum** (Ms. Greiten)

11.4a Williams Quarterly Report (October, November, and December)

11.5 **Donations/Gifts/Contributions** Governing Board Received under spate cover-as addendum. Public copy available during regular Board meeting and on the district website.

11.5a Sutter Creek Primary – Linda Dender of Fiddletown made a donation of school supplies.

11.5b Pioneer VAPA – Wyman & Karen Dickerson donated \$2500 to the library and technology fund.

11.5c Jackson Junior High – Amador Youth Basketball cash donation of \$1000 for Youth Basketball.

Board Member Ross motioned to approve the consent agenda. Board Member Thompson seconded the motion. **Motion Passed 5-1.**

- 12.0 **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS** 7:10

Public Comments regarding Discussion/Action Items will be addressed during the Discussion/Action Agenda Items. Anyone may address the Board regarding any item that is within the Board’s subject matter jurisdiction. NOTE: If you wish to address the Board please complete a speaker card and give it to the Board clerk. A speaker is limited to three (3) minutes.

12.1 **MOU between Amador County Public Schools and California Healthy Kids** (Ms. Greiten)

The California Department of Education (CDE) contracted with WestEd to develop and administer the California Healthy Kids Survey, the California School Staff Survey, and the California School Parent Survey. The three surveys are part of the California School Climate, Health, and Learning Survey (CAL-SCHLS) system and are approved by CDE to provide school districts with student, staff and parent data. This data will assist ACUSD to be responsive to student, staff and parent feedback by helping to create indicators for district and site-level planning. This will support the development of the district’s 2017-18 Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) and each school’s Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA). Board Member Thompson motioned to pass the MOU. Board Member Oneto seconded the motion. **Motion passed 5-0.**

12.2 **2016-2017 Education Protection Account (EPA) for Amador County Unified School District Resolution 2016-2017-08 Adoption** (Mr. Zearley)

On November 6, 2012 the voters approved Proposition 30. Pursuant to Article XIII, Section 36 of the California Constitution, ACUSD is required to determine how funds received from EPA are spent in schools. EPA funds cannot be used for salaries or benefits for administrators or any other administrative cost. This motion was sent to the board in December but resolution was not attached, so it is being re-sent for passing and signature. Board Member Ross motioned to pass EPA. Board Member Oneto seconded the motion.
Motion passed 5-0.

12.3 **Student Board Members Discussion** (Dr. Slavensky)

In an effort to (a) engage students and hear their perspectives on issues and decisions that could affect them, and (b) support student leadership and related college and career readiness, Board President Laurent requested discussion by the Board to consider involvement of high school student board members in the governance team process. Board members discussed possible processes and procedures to implement student Board members. Staff will research this and bring a recommendation to the Board with a goal of appointing student Board member(s) by this summer.

12.4 **Teacher Morale Discussion** (Dr. Slavensky)

At the December 14, 2016 Board of Trustees meeting, the Board listened to public comment from an Amador County Teachers' Association (ACTA) representative regarding teacher morale. The ACTA representative spoke about teacher morale being affected by (a) state level changes in standards, testing, instructional materials and needed professional development, (b) recent changes in leadership and leadership practices to support professional learning for principals and teachers, and (c) the overall fiscal and political climate. Dr. Slavensky discussed the importance of this issue for all employees and shared specific actions that have been taken in the past few weeks to address it. Board members stated that we are fortunate to have such talented staff and teachers. Dr. Slavensky affirmed this noting she has visited all of the schools several times and witnessed our dedicated teachers and staff in action, from pre-school through adult education.

13.0 **REPORTS**

7:30

13.1 **First Semester Highlights** (Ms. Greiten)

Ms. Greiten provided highlights of first semester activities including the opening professional learning in August 2016 which culminated with a shared Dub Smash presentation. Staff reported that this whole district gathering was a first in many years and served as a great team building experience. Other highlights included professional learning days, book studies, and collaborative development of school site plans.

13.2 **Induction/New Teacher Support** (Ms. Greiten)

Ms. Greiten provided a brief report about the new teacher induction program. New teachers have five years to clear their credentials. Formerly called BTSA, the State of California requires all new teachers to be assigned to a mentor for the first two years. Using the new teacher induction standards with a focus on data and critical thinking, new teachers receive regular support and coaching from their mentor.

13.3 **Report from Superintendent** (Dr. Slavensky)

Dr. Slavensky reported on her 90 day plan including updates about: (a) student listening circles to access student voice about what's working and what might be strengthened, (b) community outreach including meetings with law enforcement representatives, and (c) site visits with Board members. Dr. Slavensky also commended Director of Transportation Doug Green and his team for getting our students safely to and from school during the stormy weather, Director of Maintenance Joey Pachette and his team for being responsive during the very rainy season, and ACTA leaders Kelsi Himmel and Alicia Whitson for their recent support and high level of collaboration.

13.4 **Amador County Recreation Agency Report (ACRA)** (Board Member Oneto)

Board Member Oneto reported that ACRA will be having a photo class. This started January 11 and meets every Wednesday from 5:30-7:00. The cost for this class is \$75.00. For more information about this class you can call: 223-6349.

13.5 Reports and Requests from Board Members

President Laurent shared that he had met with representatives from the Amador County Behavioral Health Advisory Committee about finding more health care resources for the students in our county such as mental health first aid courses. He also expressed his concerns about some maintenance issues, the condition of the high school fields, staying with the spring timeline for the elementary English language arts textbook adoption, and having some Board of Trustees meetings at the school sites.

14.0 FUTURE MEETING ITEMS

7:45

- 14.1 Recognition – Spotlight on Schools – Sutter Creek Elementary and Primary
- 14.2 Recognition – National School Counselor Week
- 14.3 Common Core State Standards Report, Part 1
- 14.4 Facilities Update
- 14.5 Governance Handbook – Second Reading
- 14.6 Accept Audit and Bond Report
- 14.7 Communications Plan Update

Returned to closed session.

8:06

Reported out that no decision was made or discussed.

15.0 NEXT MEETING

ACUSD Regular Meeting: Wednesday, January 25, 2017, Amador County Administration Building, 810 Court Street, Jackson, CA. Closed Session at 6:00 PM. Open Session at 6:30 PM. ACOE Board Meeting immediately following.

16.0 ADJOURNMENT

9:05

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