

MINUTES
AMADOR COUNTY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Wednesday, March 8, 2017
Closed Session 6:00 P.M. Open Session 6:30 P.M

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

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1.0 **CALL TO ORDER** 6:00

2.0 **BOARD MEMBERS**

- [X] Bob Laurent – Board President
- [] Kandi Thompson – Board Clerk
- [X] Rose Oncto
- [X] Susan Ross
- [X] Janet White

3.0 Roll taken by the Secretary to the Governing Board.

4.0 **VISITOR COMMENTS** on Closed Session Only
No visitor comments on closed session.

5.0 **CLOSED SESSION**

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])

5.1 Superintendent's Evaluation (Mid-Year)

5.2 **RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

6.0 **Recess** – 10 minutes

7.0 **OPEN SESSION** 6:30

8.0 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The pledge was led by Teagan Pent from Jackson Elementary School.

9.0 **REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION**

Board President Laurent reported that the purpose of the closed session was for the Board members to hear a mid-year progress report on actions taken to date towards attainment of the Superintendent's SMART goals for the 2016-17 school year, and for the Superintendent to receive feedback and any direction from the Board. This discussion took place and the mid-year progress report was provided for the public in the Board packet.

10.0 **ADDITIONS/DELETIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Board Member Oncto moved to approve the current agenda. **Motion passed 4-0; one Board member was absent.**

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11.0 VISITOR COMMENTS

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 not agenda items calendared for action, which are not first readings listed in the 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.

The Amador High School Varsity Girls' Soccer Team spoke to the Board. They shared about how disappointed they are related to the many challenges they faced during the recent soccer season, such as excessive rains causing poor field conditions for practices and games, the relocation of several home games to stadium fields in other school districts, and the last-minute decision to relocate the final game affecting plans for Senior Night.

12.0 PRESENTATION AND RECOGNITIONS

12.1 Spotlight on Schools –Jackson Elementary School (Mr. Vicari)

This Spotlight on Schools presentation featured Jackson Elementary School with Principal Barbara Magpusao. The presentation provided an overview of the school's unique attributes and outstanding accomplishments. Principal Barbara Magpusao made several comments and introduced Mrs. Romo and the members of the Leadership Club which helps to beautify the school and engages in other projects. Students spoke about several clubs including Leadership Club, Friday Field Day, Chess Club, Stock Market Club and many more. The presentation ended with students leading the audience in the singing of the school song.

13.0 CONSENT AGENDA

The Board of Trustees received these items under separate cover as an addendum. Public copy available during regular Board meeting and on the district website at www.amadorcoe.org.

Board Member Ross moved to approve the consent agenda. Board Member Oneto seconded the motion.

Motion passed 4-0; one Board member was absent.

13.1 Minutes

13.1a Board Meeting – February 8, 2017

13.2 Business (Mr. Zearley)

13.2a Payroll issued between February 1, 2017 and February 28, 2017, \$2,366,208.40

13.2b Warrants issued between February 10, 2017 and February 17, 2017, \$600,489.81

13.2c Enrollment

13.2d Unreconciled Cash Balances as of January 31, 2017

Board Member Oneto noted that the district and county warrants were reversed in the packet. She also had a question about standard leasing. Mr. Zearley answered that this is the lease on the county busses. California Design West was questioned by Board Member Oneto and Mr. Zearley said these are architect fees.

13.3 Personnel (Mr. Vicari)

13.3a Personnel Actions

13.3b Job Sharing Agreement 2017-2018 school year

13.4 Surplus

13.4a Fellowes Paper Shredder – Broken

13.4b Damaged and Broken Guitars

13.4c Damaged and unused 40 year old band uniforms

13.5 Miscellaneous

13.5a Argonaut High School sending 3 students to Northstar Ski Resort in Truckee, CA. The dates of this trip are March 5 – March 10, 2017.

- 13.5b Argonaut High School sending 3 students to Pomona, CA for the ProStart Cup (FCCLA). The dates of this trip are March 18 – March 21, 2017.
- 13.5c Argonaut High School sending 3 students to Riverside, CA for the FCCLA State Leadership Meeting. The dates of this trip are April 6 – April 12, 2017.

14.0 DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

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.

- 14.1 **Resolution – Arts Appreciation Month (March) – Action (Ms. Greiten)**
The Council for Art Education (CFAE) administers Youth Art Month at the national level. Festivities take place annually, traditionally each March, to celebrate visual arts for grades K-12. The Youth Art Month Program emphasizes the value of art education for all children, encourages support for quality school art programs, and promotes art material safety. Ms. Greiten introduced principals Ms. Hunkins and Mr. Critchfield who introduced their art teachers. Suzanne Smith, teacher at Argonaut High School, introduced student Gaby Flores, president and creator of the Art Club, who stated that art is a big part of her life. Ms. Crain from Amador High School introduced student Katie Hershfield who talked about their art program. Board Member Ross motioned to approve the resolution. Board Member White seconded the motion. **Motion passed 4-0; one Board member absent.**
- 14.2 **Resolution – Week of the Young Child – Action (Ms. Greiten)**
Week of the Young Child is an opportunity to focus public attention on the needs of young children and their families and to recognize early childhood education programs and related services that meet those needs. Ms. Greiten introduced Ms. Julia Sierk, preschool director, who talked about an event called "Celebrate Our Children." Board Member Ross motioned to approve the resolution. Board Member White seconded the motion. **Motion passed 4-0; one Board member was absent.**
- 14.3 **MOU with Advancement via Individual Determination (AVID) – (Ms. Greiten)**
AVID is a K-16 college readiness system. It is designed for students who have potential but who would not be college-bound without support. The program targets students in the academic middle who have the desire to go to college and are willing to work hard. Typically, these students will be the first in their families to attend college, and they will come from groups traditionally underrepresented in higher education. These are students who are capable of completing rigorous curriculum but who are falling short of their potential. Ms. Greiten spoke about the great opportunities that AVID will bring to our junior high school students, if approved. Ms. Greiten introduced principals Jessica Dorris and Janet DeLeo who provided an overview of the AVID program and its benefits. Board President Laurent asked a few questions. Board Member Ross moved to approve the MOU. Board Member White seconded the motion. **Motion passed 4-0; one board member was absent.**

President Laurent called a 5 minute recess.

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- 14.4 **2016-2017 Amador County Unified School District's Second Interim Report – Action** 8:05
(Mr. Zearley) Education Code Section 35035 requires two Interim Reports each fiscal year, one for the period through October and another through January. Mr. Zearley provided an overview of the report and answered several questions from the Board. Board Member Ross motioned to approved the report and positive certification. Board Member White seconded the motion. **Motion passed 4-0; one Board member was absent.**
- 14.5 **2016-2017 Amador County Unified School District's Second Interim Budget Revisions – Action**
(Mr. Zearley) The budget revisions reflect additions and reductions for the 2016-17 budget since the First Interim Report in December. Board Member White motioned to approve the second interim budget revisions. Board Member Ross seconded the motion. **Motion passed 4-0; one Board member was absent.**

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14.6 **2017-18 Amador County Unified School District Tax Revenue Anticipation Note (TRAN) Resolution 2016/2017-21 – Action** (Mr. Zearley) A description of the California Cash Reserve Program issuance and executive summary through California School Boards Association and the required resolution are attached. For the 2016-17 fiscal year, ACUSD was authorized for \$3,980,000. Mr. Zearley reported this is procedural and guarantees us cash to meet our obligations throughout the year. Board President Laurent motioned to approve the resolution. Board Member Ross seconded the motion. **Motion passed 4-0; one Board member was absent.**

14.7 **Second Reading/Approval: Draft Governance Handbook – Action** (Dr. Slavensky)
At the October 12, 2016 governance team training workshop, the Board gave direction to form a Governance Handbook Ad Hoc Committee. The Governance Handbook Ad Hoc Committee met on October 19, 2016 and November 3, 2016. The committee developed a Draft Governance Handbook which was placed on the Board agenda as a first reading at the January 11, 2017 Board Workshop. Suggested revisions have been made based on the CSBA facilitated review process and input from President Laurent, Clerk Thompson, and Superintendent Slavensky. A first reading was declared on February 22, 2017 with minor edits which were made on pages 10 and 11 of the handbook. Board Member Ross motioned to approve the second reading and the handbook. Board Member Oneto seconded the motion. **Motion passed 4-0; one Board member was absent.**

15.0 **REPORTS**

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

Dr. Slavensky commended the many students who attended the Board meeting this evening to share information and express concerns. She stated she will be visiting Amador High School the next day to speak personally with the girls' soccer team, expressing congratulations for their perseverance and successes and offering her personal apologies. Board Member Ross suggested the Board help the student athletes by supporting their Senior Night. Dr. Slavensky shared has been speaking with Principal Critchfield who is working with staff and parent volunteers to plan a wonderful event for the students. Dr. Slavensky stated she will talk further with Principal Critchfield about how the Board might support the student athletes. Board Member Ross asked about moving soccer back to the spring season. Mr. Vicari stated this was a state level CIF decision and not one we could change.

Dr. Slavensky shared that on March 1st they had their last minimum day of the year for professional development. There was a wide range of workshops and collaboration sessions. Teachers and leaders were very engaged in the professional learning and teamwork.

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

Board Member Oneto reported it is gardening time and there are garden plots (4x12) available for \$80.00 annually. Dandelions Day is coming soon, and there will be games and booths with food.

15.3 **Reports and Requests from Board Members**

Board Member Oneto shared there is a fund raiser for the Little Red Schoolhouse on Saturday, March 11, 2017. There will be a flea market and food. Board President Laurent shared that he and Dr. Slavensky went to the CSBA Board president training and appreciated the time for team building and learning. He suggested that the next round of Board training include other Board and Cabinet members.

16.0 **FUTURE MEETING ITEMS**

- 16.1 Recognition – Spotlight on Schools – Pioneer Elementary
- 16.2 Recognition – School Bus Driver Appreciation Day
- 16.3 Williams Quarterly Report (January/February/March Quarter)
- 16.4 New Textbook Adoptions (Discussion/Action)
- 16.5 Common Core State Standards Report, Part 2

17.0 **NEXT MEETINGS**

ACUSD Regular Meeting: Wednesday, March 22, 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.

ACUSD Regular Meeting: Wednesday, April 12, 2017, Pioneer Elementary School, Pioneer, CA. Closed Session at 6:00 PM. Open Session at 6:30 PM. ACOE Board Meeting immediately following.

18.0 **ADJOURNMENT**

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