

# Sonoma Valley Unified School District Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting of October 12, 2010

## MINUTES

- TRUSTEES PRESENT:** Gary DeSmet  
Nicole Abaté Ducarroz  
Dan Gustafson  
Camerino Hawing  
Helen Marsh
- TRUSTEES ABSENT:** None
- ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT:** Louann Carlomagno, Superintendent  
Justin Frese, Deputy Superintendent  
Lynn Fitzpatrick, Director of Curriculum & Instruction  
Nanci Mathison, Director of Student Services  
Loyal Carlon, Interim Director of Human Resources
- ADMINISTRATORS ABSENT:** None
- CALL TO ORDER** The Sonoma Valley Unified School District Board of Trustees, acting as the Governing Board of the Sonoma Valley Unified School District, met in Regular Session at 5:30 p.m. at the Community Meeting Room, 177 1<sup>st</sup> Street West, Sonoma, CA. Trustee Marsh called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and invited public comment on the Closed Session items.
- CLOSED SESSION** After no public comment, the meeting was recessed to Closed Session for the Board to confer on the following topics: Public Employment, Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation, and Conference with Labor Negotiator. Closed Session was adjourned at 6:27 p.m.
- RECONVENE AND REPORT OUT** Trustee Marsh reconvened the meeting to Open Session at 6:32 p.m. There was no action taken in Closed Session.
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & ANNOUNCEMENT OF TRANSLATION SERVICES** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the announcement regarding Spanish language translation services was read.
- MINUTES** The motion to adopt the minutes of the Regular Meeting dated September 14, 2010 was made by Trustee Ducarroz, seconded by Trustee Hawing, 5 ayes.
- AGENDA** The motion to adopt the agenda of the Regular Meeting dated October 12, 2010, with the following changes: 1. Make item 2.3 information, not action and 2. Remove case number 6021011 from item 4.1 and bring to the November 9, 2010 Board meeting, was made by Trustee Ducarroz, seconded by Trustee Gustafson, 5 ayes.
- STUDENTS OF THE YEAR** Natalia Macedonia and Sydney Von Gober of Prestwood Elementary School were recognized as the Students of the Year.
- SITE REPORT** Beth Wolk, Principal of Prestwood Elementary School gave the annual site report which included: the Responsive Classroom, Academics, and Community.
- COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD/PUBLIC COMMENT** There was public comment regarding the following: nutrition
- VMTA REPORT** Valley of the Moon Teachers' Association President, Gary Griffith, reported on the Vintage Festival Parade, Three-year bargaining cycle, Measure H, and CTA teacher trainings.

- CSEA REPORT** There was no Classified School Employee Association Report.
- DELAC** The District English Language Advisory Committee President (Pilar Cruz) and Vice-President (Hector Macedonia) reported on the first meeting of the school year. Their report included the CELDT testing letter, training, and the Consolidated Application.
- STUDENT TRUSTEE REPORT** There was no Student Trustee Report.
- SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** Superintendent Carlomagno updated the Trustees on the following events and happenings around the district: District Site Leadership Team Meeting, WillMar Center's 10 anniversary event, sharing Measure H facts, district and high school staff attended schools in San Matio to study small learning communities, and the Stay Local Event promoting local business and education.  
She mentioned some donations to the district including Culinary Arts was presented with a donation from Sonoma Newcomer's Groups and Whole Foods donation to the SVHS College and Career Center.  
She thanked "10-10-10: Be the Church"- a day of the faith-based community volunteering at many district sites to improve the grounds and Eric Muller, Manger of Maintenance and Operations, for all their hard work.  
Superintendent Carlomagno closed her report by extending the district's sympathies to the Pat Kettler and Susan Fohn Families. Pat and Susan both recently passed away and were part of the SVUSD family.
- STAFF REPORTS** Deputy Superintendent Justin Frese reported on Food Service and Maintenance and Operations:
- Harvest of the Month: Kiwis
  - 400 lunches served at El Verano in one day (a district record)
  - middle school garden projects
  - District-wide phone system installation
  - 10.10.10: Faith based community workday a success
  - PG& E free offer to clean and test vents.
- TRUSTEE REPORTS** The Trustees reported on numerous community activities that included attending fieldtrips and meetings district-wide.
- 1. BOARD**
- 1.1 Boys and Girls Club of Sonoma Valley** Dave Pier, Director of the Boys and Girls Club of Sonoma Valley (B&G Club) discussed the partnership between the B&G Club and the SVUSD including the After School Education and Safety Program which will be extended to Altimira Middle School and Dunbar Elementary School with the addition of a new grant. The B&G Club's goals are to have 85% attendance, increased test scores, and increased homework completion.

**2. Curriculum**

**2.1 Public Hearing** The public hearing on the sufficiency of textbooks and instructional materials for grades K-12 was opened at 8:10pm. After no comment, the public hearing was closed at 8:11pm.

**2.2 Res. No. 11-04** The motion to approved Resolution No. 11-04: Sufficiency of Instructional Materials was made by Trustee Ducarroz, seconded, by Trustee Gustafson, 5 ayes.

**2.3 Con App – Part 1** The Consolidated Application (Con App) was brought to the Board for information and needs a few corrections to the data. The Con App will come the November 9, 2010 Board Meeting for approval on the consent calendar.

### **3. Business**

**3.1 Budget Information** Deputy Superintendent Justin Frese reported that the State Budget has been approved and he, with Business Manager John Bartolome, will attend the State's budget meeting in Sacramento, CA on October 13, 2010 for more information. At this time it is understood that the district will not face the 3.85% budget reduction. Additionally, kindergarten enrollment age requirements will be altered over the next three years, and the budget will include a one-time mandated cost to equal approximately to \$50 dollars per student.

**3.2 Res. No. 11-06** The motion to approved Resolution No. 11-06: Qualified School Construction Bond Program was made by Trustee Ducarroz, seconded by Trustee Hawing, 5 ayes. If the district's application is approved it could mean that the Federal Government will make bond interest payment for the taxpayers.

**3.3 Res No. 11-05** The motion to approve Resolution No. 11-05: National School Bus Safety Week Proclamation was made by Trustee Ducarroz, seconded by Trustee hawing, 5 ayes.

**3.5 Unaudited Actuals – Charter Schools** The Sonoma and Woodland Star Charter Schools' unaudited actual we brought to the Board as an information item.

### **4. Student Services**

**4.1 Expulsions** The motion to approve the suspended expulsion for case # 6023011 was made by Trustee Ducarroz, seconded by Trustee Gustafson, 5 ayes.  
The motion to approve the recommendation to not re-admit to Sonoma Valley Unified School District case # 6022011 was made by Trustee Ducarroz, seconded by Trustee Gustafson, 5 ayes.  
The motion to approve the suspended expulsion for case # 6024011 was made by Trustee Ducarroz, seconded by Trustee Gustafson, 5 ayes.  
The motion to approve the expulsion of case # 6025011 was made by Trustee Ducarroz, seconded by Trustee Gustafson, 5 ayes.

**CONSENT AGENDA** The motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Trustee DeSmet, seconded by Trustee Hawing, 5 ayes.

### **BUSINESS & FINANCIAL MATTERS**

**Payroll Certifications** Warrants - August 2010 and September 2010 were approved as presented.  
**Overnight Fieldtrip(s)** Payroll Certification(s) – September 2010 were approved as presented.  
**Donation(s)** Donation(s) were approved as presented.  
**Surplus Equipment** Surplus Equipment was approved as presented.  
**GANN** RESIG Self-Insurers Annual Report

### **PERSONNEL**

**Personnel Report** The monthly Certificated and Classified Personnel Reports dated October 12, 2010 as discussed in Closed Session were approved.  
**Traditional and Non-Traditionals** The Personnel Reports (Traditional and Non-Traditional) dated October 12, 2010 as discussed in Closed Session were approved.  
**Williams Quarterly** Williams Quarterly Report was approved as presented.

**CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION**

**Interdistrict Attendance** The Interdistrict Attendance Requests were approved as presented.

**ADJOURNMENT** Trustee Marsh adjourned the Open Session of the Sonoma Valley Unified School District School Board Meeting at 8:34p.m. in memory of Pat Kettler and Susan Fohn

Respectfully submitted,

Gary DeSmet, Clerk  
Board of Trustees, Sonoma Valley Unified School District

**Board of Trustee's Meeting**  
**2010-2011 School Year**  
**November 9, 2010    December 14, 2010**  
**January 11, 2011    February 8, 2011**  
**March 8, 2011    April 12, 2011**  
**May 10, 2011    June 14, 2011**