



APRIL 3, 2008
BOARD STUDY SESSION
BUDGET
ADOPTED MINUTES
District Office
Office of the Superintendent
292 Green Valley Road
Watsonville, CA 95076

1.0 OPENING CEREMONY – SPECIAL BOARD MEETING – 6:00 PM

1.1 Call to Order

President Turley called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m. at 292 Green Valley Road, Watsonville, CA.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

Trustee De Rose led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.3 Welcome by Board President

Trustees Leslie De Rose, Doug Keegan, Sandra Nichols, Libby Wilson, Willie Yahiro, and President Kim Turley. (Trustee Osmundson absent).

2.0 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Trustee Yahiro moved to approve the agenda. Trustee Keegan seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0-1 (Osmundson absent).

Trustee Osmundson arrived at the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

3.0 VISITOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Manuel Rubi, John Lopez, and Reggie Roberts PE teachers and coaches, all spoke in support of not cutting school athletic program funding. They also discussed the advantages to students academically as well as physically who are involved in school athletics.

Peter Hatch, substitute teacher, asked the Board to not cut Class Size Reduction and to keep class size small for student learning.

Bobby Salazar, CSEA President, wished the Board well in the tough decisions they are going to make and asked the board to try to keep as many jobs as possible.

Alethea Zumarán, parent of a GATE student, asked the Board to look at the district Mission Statement and support all programs in the district by making cuts as far away from students as possible.

Jane Barr, community member, suggested the Board look into reducing the district's cost of health care benefits. The savings could be used to increase salaries and save jobs.

Janet Pence, math teacher, spoke to preserving small class size and school athletics as they both provide academic advantages for students.

4.0 BUDGET STUDY SESSION

The PVUSD needs to cut \$9.4 million dollars from the general fund budget and \$3 million dollars from categorical budgets. A committee, the Budget Advisory Committee, has been formed and has met to make recommendations for reductions. The Cabinet has also made a list of recommended reductions.

Trustee Turley stated that this meeting was a study session and that decisions would not be made at this meeting.

The Board had questions and discussions with the Cabinet about budget items recommended for reductions/cuts on the Cabinet and Budget Advisory Committee lists.

The Board requested more information on the following items:

1. A detail of the Solano Summit Academy budget with personnel, supplies, rent and any expenses that the Academy incurs.
2. A list of teachers on special assignment, what they do and how they are funded.
3. What are the costs of conferences and memberships for Board members and how can we save in these areas.

The trustees stated that they would review the list from the Cabinet and the list from the Budget Advisory Committee and prioritize the list of reductions/cuts for the May 7, 2008 Board Meeting where voting will take place.

5.0 UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS

April	▪ 9 ▪ 11-13 ▪ 23	▪ Superintendent Interviews Closed Session
May	▪ 7 ▪ 28	▪ Changed from 5-14-08
June	▪ 11 ▪ 25	▪ 07-08 Budget Adoption
July	▪ 23	
August	▪ 13 ▪ 27	
September	▪ 10 ▪ 24	▪ Unaudited Actuals
October	▪ 8 ▪ 22	
November	▪ 12	
December	▪ 10 Annual Organization Mtg.	▪ Approve 1st Interim Report

6.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Secretary