

# November 4, 2009 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING - BUDGET 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM ADOPTED MINUTES

Ann Soldo Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room 1140 Menasco Drive Watsonville, CA 95076

### 1.0 OPENING CEREMONY – MEETING OF THE BOARD IN PUBLIC - 6:00 P.M.

President De Rose called the special Board Meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

## 1.1 Pledge of Allegiance

Trustee Yahiro led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 1.2 Welcome by Board President

Trustees, Doug Keegan, Sandra Nichols, Karen Osmundson, Kim Turley, Willie Yahiro, and President Leslie De Rose were present. Trustee Libby Wilson arrived at 6:13 pm.

### 2.0 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Trustee Nichols moved to approve the agenda. Trustee Keegan seconded the motion. The motion passed 6/0/1 (Wilson absent).

### 3.0 STUDY SESSION - BUDGET

Mary Hart, Associate Superintendent, presented a spreadsheet containing figures on income, expenditures, interfund transfers, and fund balance for the years 2008-09, 2009-10, 2010-11, and 2011-12. The focus of the study session was around the expected \$11.5 million dollar reduction. The presentation was interactive, where different, hypothetical scenarios were plugged into the worksheet to see the effect it would have on the amount that needs to be reduced. The following are the scenarios presented; some are hypothetical and some are expected revenue increases:

- QEIA funds: \$3 million expected.
- Lawsuit settlement: \$1.7 million expected, one time funds.
- Federal Stimulus Fund: \$1.5 expected, one time funds; Board to determine use of funds.
- Furlough days for all groups from 2009-10 onward: \$1.8 million negotiable item.
- 10% benefit changes for all groups from 2010-11 onward: \$1.06 million negotiable item.

Decisions on reductions have to be in place by December 16.

Board participated with questions.

## Public comment:

<u>Peter Nichols</u>, community member, commented on the board having the authority to ask and request contributions from all management, including cabinet, without having to negotiate.

<u>Bill Beecher</u>, community member, commented that classified staff may not be able to give any more and offered recommendations for meeting the required reductions.

<u>Pablo Barrick</u>, teacher, asked about restricted and unrestricted budget, recommended 4-day work weeks instead of the restructured Tuesday and saving on transportation, and said it is unethical to ask staff to take additional cuts.

<u>George Feldman</u>, teacher and parent, recommended reductions on assessments, deferring curriculum adoption, specially for primary levels, and advocated for binding arbitration.

<u>Nubia Padilla</u>, teacher, asked if the Board would agree to equal percentage of reductions as are being asked of teachers, noted that PVUSD has more administrators per students in the area, and that it ranks 3<sup>rd</sup> in revenue and 30<sup>th</sup> in salary.

Graciela Vega, teacher, spoke about reorganizing the district.

<u>Kathleen Kilpatrick</u>, school nurse, noted that the figures presented regarding nurses is inaccurate and expressed her concern for accuracy when budget figures are given to the Board.

The Board participated with comments and questions.

4.0 UPCOMING BOARD MEETINGS/REMAINING BOARD MEETINGS FOR 2009
All meetings, unless otherwise noted, take place at the District Office Boardroom, 292 Green
Valley Road, Watsonville, CA. Closed Session begins at 6:00 pm; Open Session begins at 7:00
pm.

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November	<b>18</b>	
December	<b>-</b> 2	<ul> <li>Budget Study Session</li> </ul>
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	Organization Mtg.	
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#### 5.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the study session on Budget was adjourned at 7:56 pm.

Dorma Baker, Superintendent