

PIEDMONT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Council Chambers, City Hall
120 Vista Avenue
Piedmont, California 94611

MINUTES OF
Regular Meeting of the Governing Board

July 14, 2010

CALL TO ORDER	Board President Ray Gadbois called the meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6:33 p.m.
ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM	Board Members Ray Gadbois, June Monach, Martha Jones, Rick Raushenbush
ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION	The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 6:34 p.m. to discuss: A. Confidential Student Matter: One (1) Case Case #02-20009-10 (Education Code Section 35146)
ABSENT FROM CLOSED SESSION	Vice President Roy Tolles (excused) Assistant Superintendent David Roth, Ph.D. Assistant Superintendent Michael Brady
OTHERS PRESENT FOR CLOSED SESSION	Constance Hubbard, Superintendent Randall Booker, Principal, Piedmont High School
RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION	President Gadbois called the Regular Session of the Board of Education to order at 7:05 p.m. and led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
OTHERS PRESENT AT REGULAR OPEN SESSION	Constance Hubbard, Superintendent Michael Brady, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
ABSENT FROM REGULAR SESSION	Vice President Roy Tolles (excused) David Roth, Ph.D., Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION	None
AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS	Superintendent Hubbard advised that a Supplemental Personnel Action Report has been included for approval with the Consent Calendar.
COMMUNICATIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS	
Association of Piedmont Teachers (APT)	Superintendent Hubbard received an email from APT President Harlan Mohagen stating that she would be unable to attend tonight's Board meeting. The Superintendent added that Harlan and she have been meeting on a regular basis.
California School Employees Association (CSEA)	None
Associated Parent Clubs of Piedmont	None
	None

PERSONS REQUESTING TO SPEAK ON
ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Superintendent Announcements None

Board President Announcements President Gadbois advised that Sunday, August 29 will be the opening celebration of the new Havens Elementary School, sponsored by the Piedmont Educational Foundation and the Havens Parents' Club. The entire community is invited to attend.

On the following day, an open house for Havens' parents will be held.

REVIEW & DISCUSSION ITEMS

Seismic Safety Bond Program:
1. Construction Update

Michael Brady, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, reviewed the current 2009-10 project list:

- The Piedmont High School project is moving along; the Quad building was completed in March; the Student Center is being worked on as well as site work around the Alan Harvey Theater and the Adult Education facility. There was a minor setback when it was discovered that a cement slab of the Student Center had an elevated level of moisture. It will be treated with a barrier in order to preserve the warranty for the new flooring going in. The total project will be completed before the beginning of the 2010-11 school year.
- At Havens, the punchlist on the one and two-story buildings was reviewed yesterday. Havens is still scheduled to open on August 5th. The official move of Wildwood to Emeryville and Havens Jr. to the new Havens will be the first week of August.

A voluntary environmental assessment report is nearly completed on the soil at the new Havens school site. In July 2009, while installing the new electrical service, PG&E discovered an abandoned and concrete-filled 1500-gallon oil underground storage tank at the Havens site near Bonita Avenue. The Project Team removed the tank according to Alameda County Department of Environmental Health (ACDEH) requirements and a report was submitted to the ACDEH, Hazardous Material Division. A representative of the Alameda County Health Department was on site to observe the removal, as well as a project hygienist to take soil samples from under the tank. A peer reviewer was selected to analyze results, and a design to mitigate any transfer of vapors that might have been coming from the soil onto the site was made. Low risk at the site and no further work required is the outcome. The staff report on the soil contamination remediation will be placed on the District web site and bond program web site. There was no evidence of soil or ground water contamination outside the tank. The portion of the site where the tank was located has been covered with cement-treated soil, effectively sealing the area from human contact. An official final report will be brought forth at the next Board meeting.

- The target date for getting approved construction documents on Wildwood from the Division of the State Architect (DSA) was originally anticipated for the end of May; then it was moved to the beginning of June and then July 1. Now the District is looking at around July 20th. Staff anticipates that the bid documents for advertising for abatement will be presented at the next Board meeting. A large part of the problem is that DSA engineers (who are not the same group of engineers who worked on the Havens and High School projects) are not familiar with the ASCE 41 code, which are the standards being used to decide how far to do the upgrades. It is a new standard. Therefore, our consultants are spending a lot of engineer time explaining what everything means.
- No State monies have been received as of this date; the District has requested priority funding and is still investigating QSCBs. The State has advised that December is when funding allocations will be made. At the next Board meeting, the Board will be asked to approve a contract for the abatement at the Wildwood Project to move the project along so completion can be accomplished in a year. This will be a separate contract.

Superintendent Hubbard commended Pete Palmer of Vila Construction for his incredible job of keeping the District's interests in the areas of work, timeline and money – he is on top of all of it and has attended to every detail.

Review of Tentative Board Committee Assignments for 2010-11

Board President Gadbois realized, in trying to work on the Board Committee Assignments, that the matter cannot proceed without knowing who is going to be the President and Vice President. Therefore, when the Board reorganizes at the first meeting in the fall (September), the assignments can be reviewed and then a final vote taken at the second Board meeting in September. Because of this, the Board Committee Assignments will not be ready for the Student Directory. He suggested that when the assignments are completed and approved by the Board, the list of assignments can be placed on the District web site. In the directory, the District web site will be referred to for the information. The Board liaison for each Support Club will be omitted from the Student Directory. The Piedmont Educational Foundation will be advised, also.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

BOARD REPORTS

Board Member Jones, as Board liaison, attended the Citizens' Advisory Committee to the Parcel Tax Program on July 8th. They are moving forward on their work about how to choose districts that are comparable. They are looking at some of the "Race to the Top" applications and summarizing some of the applications from the State. They are looking at different kinds of health benefits and making a list of different ways to think about relating to health benefits and other related issues they are aware of being done in other districts.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Board President Gadbois reminded the Board that a Supplemental Personnel Action Report is being added to the Consent Calendar.

UNADOPTED

He then acknowledged the following donations received by the District:

- ◆ Donation by **Lalgudi and Vasantha Ramnarayan** in the amount of \$500 to the District General Fund
- ◆ Anonymous donation in the amount of \$65,000, with requested use for the Piedmont High School/Millennium High School Language Arts Program
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- ◆ Donation by **David Staley** in the amount of \$500, with requested use for the Piedmont High School Drama Program
- ◆ Donation by **Carter and Linda Elliott from the Piedmont High School Class of 1949** in the amount of \$100, with requested use for Piedmont High School Student Center Technology (funds will be deposited to Building Fund 21 – the Seismic Safety Bond Program)
- ◆ Donation by **Mark and Cathy Glazier** in the amount of \$1,160 (two checks), with requested use for Piedmont High School Student Center Technology (funds will be deposited to Building Fund 21 – the Seismic Safety Bond Program)
- ◆ Donation by **Elizabeth Sibson-Tuan and Bertrand Tuan** in the amount of \$1,000, with requested use for Piedmont High School Student Center Technology (funds will be deposited to Building Fund 21 – the Seismic Safety Bond Program)
- ◆ Donation by **CHIME** in the amount of \$500, with requested use for Piedmont High School Student Center Technology (funds will be deposited to Building Fund 21 – the Seismic Safety Bond Program)
- ◆ Donation by **Brian Fraser and Karen Dempsey** in the amount of \$500, with requested use for Piedmont High School Student Center Technology (funds will be deposited to Building Fund 21 – the Seismic Safety Bond Program)
- ◆ Donation by **Allen Matthews and Deborah Wandell** in the amount of \$100, with requested use for Piedmont High School Student Center Technology (funds will be deposited to Building Fund 21 – the Seismic Safety Bond Program)
- ◆ Donation by **Justin and Dianne Roach** in the amount of \$500, with requested use for Piedmont High School Student Center Technology (funds will be deposited to Building Fund 21 – the Seismic Safety Bond Program)
- ◆ Donation by **Brian and Katherine Kelleher** in the amount of \$500, with requested use for Piedmont High School Student Center Technology (funds will be deposited to Building Fund 21 – the Seismic Safety Bond Program)
- ◆ Donation by **John and Diana Dotson** in the amount of \$100, with requested use for Piedmont High School Student Center Technology (funds will be deposited to Building Fund 21 – the Seismic Safety Bond Program)
- ◆ Donation by **Barbee Rubenstein** in the amount of \$500, with requested use for Piedmont High School Student Center Technology (funds will be deposited to Building Fund 21 – the Seismic Safety Bond Program)

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- ◆ Donation by **Anne Brandon** in the amount of \$500, with requested use for Piedmont High School Student Center Technology (funds will be deposited to Building Fund 21 – the Seismic Safety Bond Program)
- ◆ Donation by **P. J. Moscone** in the amount of \$1,000, with requested use for Piedmont High School Student Center Technology (funds will be deposited to Building Fund 21 – the Seismic Safety Bond Program)
- ◆ Donation by **Joseph and Martha Linhares** in the amount of \$1,000, with requested use for Piedmont High School Student Center Technology (funds will be deposited to Building Fund 21 – the Seismic Safety Bond Program)
- ◆ Donation by **Douglas and Mary Ireland** in the amount of \$1,000, with requested use for Piedmont High School Student Center Technology (funds will be deposited to Building Fund 21 – the Seismic Safety Bond Program)
- ◆ Donation by **Bruce and Dana Copeland** in the amount of \$500, with requested use for Piedmont High School Student Center Technology (funds will be deposited to Building Fund 21 – the Seismic Safety Bond Program)
- ◆ Donation by **Carol and Lynne Hosler** in the amount of \$1,000, with requested use for Piedmont High School Student Center Technology (funds will be deposited to Building Fund 21 – the Seismic Safety Bond Program)
- ◆ Donation by **Adam and Janice Thacher** in the amount of \$500, with requested use for Piedmont High School Student Center Technology (funds will be deposited to Building Fund 21 – the Seismic Safety Bond Program)
- ◆ Donation by **Serra Apaydin** in the amount of \$500, with requested use for Piedmont High School Student Center Technology (funds will be deposited to Building Fund 21 – the Seismic Safety Bond Program)
- ◆ Donation by **PAINTS, Inc.** in the amount of \$4,250 (two checks), with requested use for Piedmont High School Student Center Technology (funds will be deposited to Building Fund 21 – the Seismic Safety Bond Program)

It was moved by Board Member Monach and seconded by Board Member Raushenbush to adopt the revised Consent Calendar as follows:

- A. Accept Donations (as noted above)
- B. Adopt Regular Board Meeting Minutes of June 23, 2010
- C. Approve Personnel Action Report
- D. Approve Quarterly Report of Complaints received under the Williams Settlement Agreement (Apr-May-Jun 2010)
- E. Approve the following 2010-11 Budgetary Management Agreements Between the District and the Contra Costa County Office of Education/Regional Occupation Program
The agreements are for payment for ROP teachers for the following programs. The CCCOE provides the instructional materials, textbooks, software, and technology for classroom instruction as follows:
 - a. Journalism, PHS \$15,870
 - b. Biotechnology & Lab, PHS \$18,957
 - c. Sports Medicine, PHS \$37,838
 - d. AP Environmental Science, PHS \$39,877

\$112,542

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- F. Approve Contract between the District and Luis Sanchez Landscaping Services for the Witter Field Complex, effective July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011, at a total cost not to exceed \$42,496.32. Funding Source: General Fund
- G. Approve Student Teacher Placement Agreement between the District and St. Mary's College of California, effective July 15, 2010 through August 15, 2011.

The motion passed as follows:

AYES: Gadbois, Jones, Raushenbush, Monach
 NOES: None
 ABSTAIN: None
 ABSENT: Tolles

FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS

Future Board Agenda items are as follows, and are subject to change:

← **SUBJECT TO CHANGE** →

- Board Workshop-Closed Session Re: Negotiations, Thursday, July 22, 2010, 4-7 p.m., District Admin Office
- First Reading of Special Education-Related Board Policies
- English Learner Master Plan
- Approve Notice of Completion for Interim Housing at Havens
- Adopt Board Committee Assignments
- Reorganization of the Board
- STAR Test Results
- Report on Web-Based Online Registration at Schools
- Review of Accountability Progress Report (APR):
 - Academic Performance Index (API) and
 - Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP)
- Professional Development Activities
- Conduct Public Hearing on Unaudited Actuals Financial Report
- Annual Review of Specific Board Policies
- Conduct Public Hearing and Adopt Resolution on Sufficiency of Textbooks and Instructional Materials
- Adopt Resolution on Gann Limit
- Adopt Resolution re: Authorization for Assignment Out of Credentialed Area (if needed)
- Update on Action Plan from Administrative Team
- Board Workshop on Budget
- Board Workshop on Interdistrict Transfers
- Review of Board Bylaws (Section 9000)

President Gadbois added that a Closed Session Board Workshop to discuss negotiations will be held on Thursday, July 22 from 4-7 p.m. in the District office.

Board Member Raushenbush requested that an item be added to future items which is an update on the status of negotiations with the City regarding funding for replacement of athletic facilities, using September as a time for possible status update.

Board Member Monach requested that the next update on the status of parcel tax research by the Citizens' Oversight Committee be added for September/October.

Board Member Jones requested that the reorganization of the Board be moved to September.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, and with no objections by the Board, Board President Gadbois adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

RAY GADBOIS, Board President
Piedmont Unified School District
Board of Education

CONSTANCE HUBBARD
Secretary, Piedmont Unified School District
Board of Education