

PIEDMONT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
District Offices  
560 Magnolia Ave.  
Piedmont, California 94611

MINUTES OF  
Regular Meeting of the Governing Board

July 1, 2014

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CALL TO ORDER	Board Vice President Andrea Swenson called the meeting of the Board of Education to order at 10:03 a.m.
ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM	Vice President Andrea Swenson; and Board Members Amal Smith, and Doug Ireland were present. President Richard Raushenbush and Board Member Sarah Pearson were unable to attend.
Others Present at Regular Session	Superintendent Constance Hubbard Michael Brady, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services Randall Booker, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
Regular Session	Vice President Swenson led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
Communications/Announcements	None
Reorganization of Governing Board	<p>Superintendent Hubbard opened the floor for nominations for President of the Board to serve from July 2014 to July 2015. If there is a change in the date of Board of Education elections, the term could be extended until November 2015.</p> <p>It was moved by Board Member Smith and seconded by Board Member Ireland to nominate Vice President Swenson as President of the Board to serve until July 2015 or November 2015 if the date of Board elections is changed. The motion was approved by Board Members Swenson, Smith and Ireland.</p> <p>President Swenson opened the floor for nominations for Vice President of the Board.</p> <p>It was moved by Mr. Ireland and seconded by Ms. Smith to nominate Board Member Pearson as Vice President of the Board to serve from July 2014 or November 2015 if the election date is changed. The motion was approved by Board Members Swenson, Smith and Ireland.</p> <p>It was moved by Mr. Ireland, and seconded by Ms. Smith to nominate Superintendent Constance Hubbard as Secretary to the Board July 2014 or November 2015 if the election date is changed. The motion was approved by Board Members Swenson, Smith and Ireland.</p>
Adopt Board Committee Assignments for 2014-15	<p>President Swenson explained that committee assignments may be changed during the year. Board Member Ireland would like to serve on the Special Education Advisory Committee (DAC). In addition, Mr. Ireland would also serve on PRAISE, as it makes sense for the same Board member to attend both groups.</p> <p>Superintendent Hubbard explained that State law requires the district to offer the Special Education Advisory Committee (DAC) and District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) in order to invite public participation. It was agreed that DELAC should be in the category of committees with regular attendance by the Board member.</p> <p>It was moved by Ms. Smith and seconded by Mr. Ireland to adopt the Board Committee assignments with these changes. The motion was</p>

approved by Board Members Swenson, Smith and Ireland.

Ms. Smith asked how committee meeting dates would be known. A list of meetings is sent out by the Superintendent's Office; many of the meetings are included on the District Calendar. In addition, committee chairs are sent a list of their liaisons and Board members a list of committee chairs.

Correspondence

None

Board Reports

President Swenson attended a Public Safety Committee last Thursday. The District is helping collect sign ups for Code Red.

Consent Calendar

President Swenson asked why so many contracts were on this agenda and Superintendent Hubbard explained that these are annual contracts typically renewed at the beginning of the fiscal year.

Board Member Ireland asked about the cost associated with Item IX., X. Assistant Booker explained that this was a residential treatment program that included housing and transportation costs as well as education and counseling costs.

Assistant Superintendent Brady noted that we receive about \$2M from the State for special education. Superintendent Hubbard said we get an additional \$600k in Federal dollars; our total reimbursement is about \$.32 per dollar spent. We spend about a million more than we take in.

Superintendent Hubbard said that in the old model, if a student needed evaluation and services, it was handled through the County Mental Health Services Department and we were only responsible for the education portion. Now the responsibility has been shifted to districts, which receive the money and are responsible for all costs.

We get the same amount of money each year, no matter our costs. This is more than 10% of our costs and represents services to about 15% of our student population, while the state average is about 10%. Superintendent Brady explained that our model is to try to serve the students ourselves as much as possible, which is more cost effective than sending students for outside services.

Board Member Ireland asked who chooses the contractors, and Superintendent Hubbard explained that there is a list of accepted providers and the Director of Special Education and parents tour facilities and make a decision.

President Swenson noted that in the past there had been a special board workshop with the Special Education Director to review the special education program and requirements. Superintendent Hubbard suggested holding the workshop in August.

It was moved by Mr. Ireland and seconded by Ms. Smith to approve all items on the Consent Calendar. The motion was approved by Board Members Swenson, Smith and Ireland

Future Agenda Items

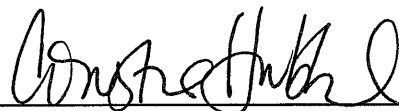
In addition to a special workshop on Special Education, Board members would like to have a workshop on facilities.

Adjournment

There being no further business, and with no objection by the Board, President Swenson adjourned the meeting at 10:33 a.m.



ANDREA SWENSON, Board President  
Piedmont Unified School District  
Board of Education



CONSTANCE HUBBARD  
Secretary, Piedmont Unified School District  
Board of Education