

**CORCORAN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
April 26, 2011
6:34 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER

Mary Wadsworth, President of the Board, called the regular meeting of the Corcoran Unified School District Board of Trustees to order at 6:34 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administration Office.

TRUSTEES PRESENT/ABSENT

Trustees present were Mary Wadsworth, Robert Alcorn, Steve White, Mary Gonzales-Gomez, and Karen Frey.

OTHERS PRESENT

Others present were Rich Merlo, Steve Brown, Chuck Gent, Elizabeth Mendoza, Mike Anderson, Lora Cartwright, Mary Taylor, Jeanette Todd and Donnetta Murray.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Wadsworth welcomed those present and led the flag salute.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Board approved the agenda for April 26, 2011.

Motion: Robert Alcorn

Second: Steve White

Board Vote: 5-0

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The Board voted to approve the following items:

Approved the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of April 12, 2011

Signed the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 22, 2011

Signed the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of March 29, 2011

Purchase Order Numbers 111137 - 111168

Warrant register for April 8, 2011 for \$369,132.02

April 15, 2011 for \$122,885.59

Student Long Distance/Overnight Trips

- a. A trip for 25 John Muir Band members and Band Director Janet Tenpas to Magic Mountain's Music in the Parks Band Festival to be held Saturday, May 14, 2011 in Valencia. Charter bus and expenses to be paid by POMS (Parents of Music Students).
- b. A trip for 14 High School Ag Manufacturing Class members, 31 High School Ag students and advisors Alisa Gomez and Sarah Partlow (KROP) to Universal Technical Institute in Sacramento on Wednesday, May 4, 2011. Charter bus to be paid by WIA grant and UTI.
- c. A trip for 16 High School Band members and advisors Chad McCoy and Mr. Martinez to the Six Flags Magic Mountain Music Competition in Valencia on Friday, May 13, 2011. Requested bus transportation to be paid by CAST and Hanford Homecoming Committee donation.
- d. A trip for nine High School Student Voice Club members and advisor Raymond Lerma to the U.C. Merced Campus on Friday, May 20, 2011. Requested van transportation and expenses to be paid by Fundraiser and ASSETS.
- e. A trip for 61 Mark Twain students and teachers Michalene Ondras and Tonyia Doyle to the Circle J Ranch in Springville on Thursday, May 12, 2011. Requested bus transportation and expenses to be paid by Sierra Club grant and classroom fundraiser.

Motion: Karen Frey

Second: Robert Alcorn

Board Vote: 5-0

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

PARS Update: Superintendent Rich Merlo informed the Board that four classified employees would like to retire with the PARS offer. Mr. Merlo and the business department checked the financial numbers, which allowed Mr. Merlo to give a recommendation to go forward with PARS and fulfill the obligation. There were no objections from the Board of Trustees.

Facility Master Plan: Mr. Merlo presented the Board of Trustees with an updated Facility Master Plan. He noted there were a few changes after talking to a bond advisor. Compared to other similar sized to

larger school districts, Corcoran Unified's facilities would rank very low in upkeep and age. There are three possible choices for the facilities: 1) stay status quo; 2) go forward with a small bond based on taxing an area that encompasses the City limits, along with improving the facilities with General Fund, developer fee, modernization and possible grant dollars; or 3) pursue a bond with more capacity with a goal of coming closer to meeting the District Master Plan needs without depending on unreliable sources. Mr. Merlo noted that if the District were to go with Plan 3, he would need to talk to major landowners to negotiate and brainstorm with them to see what they are willing to do. The election would be November 2012, which gives the District one-and-a-half years to prepare. Trustee Frey feels the District needs to wait a couple more months before sending Mr. Merlo into meetings, until the District and Board have firmly set their plans. Mr. Merlo will be sending the Trustees a list of facility needs so they may prioritize them. A problem for Trustee Wadsworth would be whether the District has demonstrated it has been putting money into the facilities. She added that the Board and District are going to have to participate with a financial effort, also.

AR 6185 – Community Day School: Mr. Merlo informed the Board that the administrative regulation accompanies the board policy under action items. These will be a new policy and regulation for the District.

CHIEF BUSINESS OFFICER REPORT

CBO Marie Cates notified the Board that the District is utilizing the Mid-Year TRANS of \$2.5 million to assist the District with cash flow. Interest has been 2.5% while the District earns 1.4%. The net cost to the District will be about \$15,000.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORTS

Trustee Mary Gonzales-Gomez announced that she had attended the Excellence in Education event and that it was great. Mr. Merlo added that last year's KCOE Teacher of the Year, Kristin Duarte of Corcoran Unified, spoke to the group of her experiences in Japan.

Trustee Mary Wadsworth informed the Board that she had attended the CAST meeting and the group approved a number of activities as well as benches and basketball hoops for Bret Harte.

WELLNESS POLICY REPORT

Steve Brown, Director of Educational Services, informed the Board that he spoke to the Food Services auditor and that she has rescinded her recommendation for BP 5030 – Wellness to include specifics for classroom parties and student rewards. The policy will stand as approved on November 9, 2010.

INFORMATION ITEM – STUDENT TRIP

Information Items – Student Trips approved by Superintendent Rich Merlo

- a. A trip for 55 High School JROTC members and Advisors Colonel Palmer and Chief Hamilton to the visit the Air National Guard in Fresno on Friday, April 29, 2011. Requested bus transportation to be paid by Air Force JROTC O&M Funding.

INTERDISTRICT AGREEMENT FOR MADRID

The Board voted to deny approval for a 2011-2012 interdistrict agreement for Manuel Gabriel Madrid, who will be in sixth grade next year, to attend Waukena School based on the fact that it does not fall within guidelines of the District's policy.

Motion: Robert Alcorn

Second: Steve White

Board Vote: 5-0

APPROVAL OF BP 6185 – COMMUNITY DAY SCHOOL

The Board held the second reading and voted to approve adoption of Board Policy 6185 – Community Day School was held. It is a new policy for the District. There is an administrative regulation that accompanies the policy.

Motion: Karen Frey

Second: Robert Alcorn

Board Vote: 5-0

RECOMMENDATION FOR CHANGE OF HOURS

The Board voted to approve the Recommendation of the District Superintendent Concerning Reduction of Hours, Change of Hours and Addition of Position: Increase the number of Yard Duty Supervisor positions from nine (9) to ten (10) to assist with supervision coverage at the elementary sites; change the hours per

day for all ten (10) Yard Duty Supervisor positions to 3.5 hours per day (reduce one (1) Yard Duty Supervisor position from 4 hours per day to 3.5 hours per day, increase one (1) Yard Duty Supervisor position from 2.5 hours per day to 3.5 hours per day, and increase three (3) Yard Duty Supervisor positions from 3.0 hours per day to 3.5 hours per day, and place the one (1) new position at 3.5 hours per day).

Motion: Karen Frey

Second: Mary Gonzales-Gomez

Board Vote: 5-0

SUNSHINE OF CUSD PROPOSAL TO CSEA

The Board sunshined the Corcoran Unified School District 2011-2012 Collective Bargaining Negotiations Proposal to California School Employees Association (CSEA) Chapter #214.

RESOLUTION NO. 1047 – CHANGE OF YARD DUTY POSITIONS

The Board voted to approve Resolution No. 1047 – Change of the Yard Duty Supervisors Positions for the 2011-2012 School Year:

Increase the number of Yard Duty Supervisor positions from nine (9) to ten (10) to assist with supervision coverage at the elementary sites; change the hours per day for all ten (10) Yard Duty Supervisor positions to 3.5 hours per day (reduce one (1) Yard Duty Supervisor position from 4 hours per day to 3.5 hours per day, increase one (1) Yard Duty Supervisor position from 2.5 hours per day to 3.5 hours per day, and increase three (3) Yard Duty Supervisor positions from 3.0 hours per day to 3.5 hours per day, and place the one (1) new position at 3.5 hours per day).

Motion: Karen Frey

Second: Robert Alcorn

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Karen Frey, Mary Gonzales-Gomez, Steve White, Robert Alcorn, Mary Wadsworth

NOES:

ABSENT:

ADDITIONAL DISTRICT ACADEMIC COACH

The Board voted to approve an additional certificated District Academic (Technology) Coach position.

Motion: Robert Alcorn

Second: Steve White

Board Vote: 5-0

IN-HOUSE SUSPENSION CLASSIFIED POSITION

The Board voted to approve the new classified position and job description for an In-House Suspension Monitor with the correction to the typo on #5 under Knowledge and Ability.

Motion: Karen Frey

Second: Robert Alcorn

Board Vote: 5-0

PERSONNEL ASSIGNMENT ORDER 2010-11 #11 APPROVED

The Board voted to approve Personnel Assignment Order 2010-11 #11.

Motion: Karen Frey

Second: Steve White

Board Vote: 5-0

MEETINGS

1. Budget Committee Meeting on Tuesday, May 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. in the Technology Learning Center
2. Regular Board Meeting on Tuesday, May 10, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room
3. Technology Sub-Committee Meeting on Thursday, May 12, 2011 at 3:30 p.m. in TLC #3
4. Finance Sub-Committee Meeting on Thursday, May 19, 2011 at 3:30 p.m. in the Board Room
5. Emergency Curriculum Sub-Committee Meeting on Monday, May 2 at 3:30 p.m. in TLC #3
6. Parent Group Recognition of Bret Harte Staff on Tuesday, May 3 at 9:30 a.m.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. In-House Suspension Report
2. Cafeteria Report, including debts, alternate meals, new software system
3. Schedule times for site visits during May 10 Board meeting

THE BOARD ADJOURNED FOR CLOSED SESSION 7:46 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

President Wadsworth returned the Board to open session at 8:50 p.m. She announced out the following:

PERSONNEL

1. The Board took action to approve an agreement for the resignation of a permanent certificated employee. The roll call vote was 5-0 for approval.
2. The Board reviewed the Superintendent's Evaluation and gave direction.

NEGOTIATIONS

The Board:

1. Reviewed Corcoran Faculty Association Negotiations and gave direction to District Negotiations Team.
2. Reviewed California School Employees Association No. 214 Negotiations and gave direction to District Negotiations Team.
3. Reviewed Management/Confidential Negotiations and gave direction to District Negotiations Team.

EXPULSIONS

The Board voted :

1. To expel EH 2010-11/36 for the Spring 2011 and Fall 2011 semesters and then suspend the expulsion with placement at Mission Community Day School. Counseling services for drugs are recommended. A rehabilitation plan was set with provisional readmission date of December 1, 2011.
2. To expel EH 2010-11/38 for the Spring 2011 and Fall 2011 semesters with placement at Mission Community Day School. A rehabilitation plan was set with provisional readmission date of December 1, 2011.
3. To expel EH 2010-11/39 for the Spring 2011 and Fall 2011 semesters with placement at Mission Community Day School. A rehabilitation plan was set with provisional readmission date of December 1, 2011.

Motion: Steve White

Second: Mary Gonzales-Gomez

Board Vote: 5-0

ADJOURNMENT was at 8:52 p.m.

Motion: Robert Alcorn

Second: Steve White

Board Vote: 5-0