

**CORCORAN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
August 24, 2010
6:30 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER

Robert Alcorn, President of the Board, called the regular meeting of the Corcoran Unified School District Board of Trustees to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Administration Office.

TRUSTEES PRESENT/ABSENT

Trustees present were Steve White, Robert Alcorn, and Karen Frey. Trustees Raul Lerma and Mary Wadsworth were absent.

OTHERS PRESENT

Others present were Rich Merlo, Steve Brown, Marie Cates, Ed Ochoa, Chuck Gent, Ken Spencer, Elizabeth Mendoza, Gary Raper, Belle Leal, Mary Gonzales-Gomez, Annissa Escobedo, Angela Garcia, Jeanette Todd and Donnetta Murray.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Alcorn welcomed those present and led the flag salute.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Board approved the agenda for August 24, 2010 with the additions a presentation and to V. Student Matters, 1. Readmittances of EH 2008-09/05 and EH 2006-07/22.

Motion: Karen Frey

Second: Steve White

Board Vote: 3-0

OPEN DISCUSSION – 2011-2012 BUDGET

Superintendent Rich Merlo reiterated what he has shared with the Board at the past several Board meetings, which is the District is facing a \$1.7 million deficit this year. That number is expected to increase in following years as one-time monies run out, enrollment decreases and the State continues to cut revenue. A budget committee is being organized to help explore areas of possible cuts to the budget. It will be comprised of two Board members, two principals, a certificated and classified employee from each school site, as well as parents and community members.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Approved the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of August 10, 2010

Signed the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of June 22, 2010

Signed the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of July 6, 2010

Signed the minutes of the Special Board Meeting of July 13, 2010

Purchase Order Numbers 110230 - 110310

Warrant register for August 6, 2010 for \$446,250.14

August 13, 2010 for \$136,984.56

Kings County Treasurer's Quarterly Compliance Report for the period April 1 – June 30, 2010

Motion: Karen Frey

Second: Steve White

Board Vote: 3-0

HIGH SCHOOL REPORT

Annissa Escobedo of CHS Associated Student Body reported to the Board that the After School Program is in progress, the Icebreaker Dance is scheduled for Friday, Back-to-School Night will be held on September 1, Homecoming is set for October 11-15 and the school is currently working on its WASC Review.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Opening of School Year: Superintendent Merlo advised the Board that the opening of the new school year has gone well. He showed a video of the Rosenthal Study, one he presented to the administration team at the retreat.

Brown Act: Mr. Merlo announced that he will be reviewing a Schools Legal Service provided document, "The Brown Act and Other Matters Pertaining to School Board Meetings," over the next few meetings.

2010-11 Goals: The subject was deferred to a later Board meeting when all five Board members can be present.

AR 4143.1/4243.1/4343.1: Mr. Merlo advised the Board that AR 4143.1/4243.1/4343.1 – Public Notice/Personnel Negotiations is a new administrative regulation to accompany the updated Board policy on the agenda for adoption.

PRESENTATION OF APPLE ACADEMY CERTIFICATE

Kathi Felder was presented with a certificate for completing Apple Academy. Ms. Felder commented that it was five days of intensive instruction for the various Apple software programs and products. Ms. Felder had applied for the program and was one of the ones selected to receive the training at Apple's expense. In return she must provide Apple staff development for the District for the next two years.

FOOTBALL GATE FEES

CHS Principal Chuck Gent advised the Board that the High School is going to charge a gate fee of \$15 for any unsupervised children under High School age. If a student of that age attends with an adult, they will pay the regular fee. Several other schools in the League are also incorporating a similar fee in an attempt to cut down disruption by unattended young students.

INTERDISTRICT AGREEMENT FOR JORDAN STUDENT

The Board voted to approve an interdistrict agreement with Waukena School District for Cynthia Jordan, Kindergarten, to attend Bret Harte School for the 2010-2011 school year.

Motion: Karen Frey Second: Steve White Board Vote: 3-0

INTERDISTRICT AGREEMENT FOR SANCHEZ CHILDREN

The Board voted to approve an interdistrict agreement with Tipton School District for Maria Guadalupe Sanchez, fifth grade, and Maricela Sanchez, kindergarten, to attend Tipton School for the 2010-2011 school year.

Motion: Karen Frey Second: Steve White Board Vote: 3-0

SECOND HEARING/ADOPTION OF BOARD POLICY 4143.1/4243.1/4343.1

The second hearing was held and the Board approved adoption of Board Policy 4143.1/4243.1/4343.1 – Public Notice – Personnel Negotiations.

Motion: Steve White Second: Karen Frey Board Vote: 3-0

ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS APPROVED

The Board voted to approve a donation of \$300 from FAST Credit Union to be used towards Welcome Back Luncheon for Staff and a donation of \$2,111.74 from the J.G. Boswell Co. for the High School Baseball Club to be used for refurbishing the baseball field.

Motion: Karen Frey Second: Steve White Board Vote: 3-0

PRE-SCHOOL CHANGE ORDER #2

The Board voted to approve Bret Harte New Pre-School Wing Change Order No. 00002 for \$28,129.00. It is for a lift station for the sewer, which is needed because of the elevation of the new building.

Motion: Steve White

Second: Karen Frey

Board Vote: 3-0

PRE-SCHOOL CHANGE ORDER #3

The Board voted to approve Bret Harte New Pre-School Wing Change Order No. 00003 for \$2,465.00. The change order was necessary for an issue with water drainage.

Motion: Karen Frey

Second: Steve White

Board Vote: 3-0

ASES AGREEMENT APPROVED

The Board voted to approve 2010-2011 After School Program Agreement (ASES) with Golden State YMCA for Bret Harte, Fremont, Mark Twain and John Muir Middle schools.

Motion: Karen Frey

Second: Steve White

Board Vote: 3-0

ASSETS AGREEMENT APPROVED

The Board voted to approve 2010-2011 After School Safety and Enrichment for Teens Program (ASSETS) with Kings County Office of Education for Corcoran High School students.

Motion: Karen Frey

Second: Steve White

Board Vote: 3-0

SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATION CONTRACTS

The Board voted to approve 2010-2011 Contracts with A+ Educational Centers, California Tutoring Company, LLC, Club Z! LLC, and Professional Tutors of America for Supplemental Educational Services for students at Mark Twain and John Muir Middle schools.

Motion: Steve White

Second: Karen Frey

Board Vote: 3-0

KAPLAN SUPPLEMENTAL SERVICES

The Board voted to approve 2010-2011 Contract with Kaplan K12 Learning Services for Supplemental Educational Services for students at Mark Twain and John Muir Middle schools.

Motion: Karen Frey

Second: Steve White

Board Vote: 3-0

WIA ADULT PROGRAM SUBCONTRACT

The Board voted to approve a 2010-2011 Subcontract with California State University, Fresno Foundation for Integrated Workforce Development Strategy for Regional Industry Clusters in the San Joaquin Valley (WIA Adult Program) for projects in the areas of Renewable Energy and Ag Manufacturing.

Motion: Steve White

Second: Karen Frey

Board Vote: 3-0

KINGS VIEW COUNSELING SERVICES

The Board voted to approve the 2010-2011 Agreement with Kings View Counseling Services to provide services for the students of the District.

Motion: Karen Frey

Second: Steve White

Board Vote: 3-0

2009-10 UNAUDITED ACTUALS

Marie Cates, Chief Business Officer, provided the Board with a revised Page 3a for the 2009-10 Unaudited Actuals and then she reviewed the unaudited actuals. In the General Fund Budget, expenditures totaled \$27,342,356.66 for 2009-10, while revenues were \$27,206,330.01. The fund balance was \$5,974,422.81, which included \$5,000 for revolving cash fund, \$790,000 designated for economic uncertainties, \$126,457.43 designated/restricted and the remaining \$5,052,965.38 as unappropriated amount.

Motion: Steve White

Second: Karen Frey

Board Vote: 3-0

RESOLUTION NO. 1016 – BUDGET REVISIONS

The Board voted to approve Resolution No. 1016 – Budget Revisions.

Motion: Steve White

Second: Karen Frey

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Karen Frey, Steve White, Robert Alcorn

NOES:

ABSENT: Raul Lerma, Mary Wadsworth

RESOLUTION NO. 1017 – GANN LIMIT

The Board voted to approve Resolution No. 1017 – GANN Limit.

Motion: Karen Frey

Second: Steve White

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: Karen Frey, Steve White, Robert Alcorn

NOES:

ABSENT: Raul Lerma, Mary Wadsworth

PERSONNEL ASSIGNMENT ORDER 2010-11#02

The Board voted to approve Personnel Assignment Order 2010-11#02.

Motion: Karen Frey

Second: Steve White

Board Vote: 3-0

RELEASE OF ANGELA WOODARD FROM CONTRACT

The Board voted to approve releasing Angela Woodard, High School Biology teacher, from her 2010-2011 contract pending finding suitable replacement.

Motion: Karen Frey

Second: Steve White

Board Vote: 3-0

MEETINGS

1. Facilities Sub-Committee Meeting on Thursday, September 9, 2010 at 3:30 p.m. in the Board Room
2. Regular Board Meeting on Tuesday, September 14, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room
3. Curriculum Sub-Committee Meeting on Thursday, September 16, 2010 at 3:30 p.m. in the Technology Learning Center Room #3
4. Regular Board Meeting on Tuesday, September 28, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. Goal Setting
2. Superintendent's Evaluation

THE BOARD ADJOURNED FOR CLOSED SESSION 8:02 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

President Alcorn returned the Board to open session at 8:16 p.m. He announced out the following:

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.

READMITTANCES

The following readmittances were approved by the Board.

EH 2007-08/25
EH 2008-09/01
EH 2008-09/26
EH 2008-09/20
EH 2009-10/01
EH 2009-10/02
EH 2009-10/04
EH 2009-10/05
EH 2009-10/07
EH 2009-10/08
EH 2009-10/24
EH 2008-09/05
EH 2006-07/22

Motion: Karen Frey

Second: Steve White

Board Vote: 3-0

ADJOURNMENT was at 8:20 p.m.

Motion: Karen Frey

Second: Steve White

Board Vote: 3-0

APPROVED: September 14, 2010

CLERK: _____

SECRETARY: _____