

**Visalia Unified School District
Board of Education
MINUTES**

**OPENING
BUSINESS**

The April 22, 2008 Board meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by President Juan Guerrero in the Board Room at the VUSD Educational Office Complex, 5000 West Cypress Avenue, Visalia. A quorum of the Board was present.

ATTENDANCE

	<u>Arrive</u>	<u>Leave</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Rodney Elder	5:30	8:10	
William A. Fulmer	5:30	8:10	
Juan R. Guerrero	5:30	8:10	
Larry Jones	5:30	8:10	
Michael Lane	5:30	8:10	
Donna Martin	5:30	8:10	
Jim L. Qualls	5:30	8:10	
 Stan A. Carrizosa, Superintendent	 5:30	 8:10	

Staff Members

Robert Gröeber, Assistant Superintendent, Administrative Services
Carlyn Lambert, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum/Educational Services
Cindi Costa, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources Development
Pam Ryan, Executive Assistant, Superintendent's Office

CLOSED SESSION

President Guerrero identified the closed session topics listed below and called for public comment on the closed session items. There was none. The Board adjourned to closed session.

- 2.1 RECOMMENDED EXPULSIONS
- 2.2 RECOMMENDED SUSPENDED EXPULSIONS
- 2.3 RECOMMENDED REINSTATEMENTS
- 2.4 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE
- 2.5 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR
 - 1. Agency Negotiator: Cindi Costa
 - 2. Employee Organizations
 - 1. CSEA
 - 2. VUTA
 - 3. Management

**EARLY BIRD
SESSION**

The Early Bird Session opened at 6:30 p.m.

**LINWOOD SCHOOL
DESIGNATED AS A
CALIFORNIA
DISTINGUISHED
SCHOOL**

The Board recognized staff, parents, and students of Linwood School for being selected as a California Distinguished School for 2008. (Encl. No. 1) New criteria for this prestigious award includes meeting all AYP targets under NCLB and maintaining an API score of 758 or higher, not only school-wide but among all student subgroups. A school must also demonstrate a positive and enriching school culture.

REGULAR SESSION The Board convened the regular Board meeting at 7:00 p.m. President Guerrero announced that no action was taken in closed session. Larry Jones led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC
RECOGNITION/
PROCLAMATIONS/
ACTION**

NATIONAL SCHOOL NURSE DAY – MAY 7, 2008 May 7, 2008 is designated “National School Nurse Day”, a day that we voice our appreciation and recognize the nurses of Visalia Unified School District who, with care and compassion, meet the challenge of providing to the health needs of our students. (Encl. No. 2)

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NATIONAL DAY OF THE TEACHER – MAY 14, 2008 Larry Jones read the Resolution Recognizing National Day of the Teacher – May 14, 2008. (Encl. No. 3)
Motion No. 154 Jim Qualls moved to approve the Resolution and Donna Martin seconded the motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING CLASSIFIED SCHOOL EMPLOYEE WEEK – MAY 18-24, 2008 Clerk Rodney Elder read the Resolution Recognizing Classified School Employee Week – May 18-24, 2008. (Encl. No. 4)
Motion No. 155 Donna Martin moved to approve the Resolution and Bill Fulmer seconded the motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 6TH ANNUAL HAPPY HEARTS DAYS PROGRAM IN LOVING MEMORY OF HEATHER NUGENT FOR CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL OF CENTRAL CALIFORNIA Michael Lane read the Resolution Recognizing the 6th Annual Happy Hearts Days Program in Loving Memory of Heather Nugent for Children’s Hospital of Central California. (Encl. No. 5) District staff and the Board commends the participants and organizers of this event for their efforts to support such vital work.
Motion No. 156 Michael Lane moved to approve the Resolution. Larry Jones seconded the motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

STANDARDS FOR APPROVAL OF INTERDISTRICT TRANSFERS
Motion No. 157

Lucinda Mejdell-Awbrey, Director of Student Services, presented the Standards for Approval of Interdistrict Transfers. (Encl. No. 6) Because of overcrowded conditions in all elementary schools, it was recommended that the Board adopt a standard to deny all new interdistrict transfer requests involving Kindergarten through 6th grade students for the 2008-2009 school year. The only exception to this across the board standard would be those requests for placement in the Charter Home Schooling Program and those requests would only be approved specific to that program.

Rodney Elder moved to approve this staff recommendation to deny all new interdistrict transfer requests involving Kindergarten through 6th grade students for the 2008-2009 school year with the exception of the Charter Home Schooling Program. Jim Qualls seconded the motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

2008-09 HEALTH INSURANCE FUNDING RATE REPORT

Susan Cox, Director of Risk Management, presented the 2008-09 Health Insurance Funding Rate Report as a part of the budget development process. (Encl. No. 7) The presentation provided an overview of the VUSD insurance funding rates and alternative options for the 2008-09 health plan.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS/SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Board members' reports included the following:

- Attended School Bus Drivers Appreciation Day Breakfast at the Transportation Department and road a bus on a morning route
- Drove a bus at the School Bus Drivers Appreciation event
- Attended PTA Hall of Fame event at LJ Williams Theatre
- Acknowledged program for bus driver's training
- Attended Gang Prevention Task Force – Chief Carden and Superintendent Carrizosa Co-Chaired for the past three years
- Attended Mason's Education Awards Night
- Attended Redwood High School's musical "*Oklahoma*"

Superintendent Carrizosa paid tribute to Gerry Murphy for her long standing devotion to VUSD and expressed the District's concern for her family and friends.

FOCUS ON STUDENT LEARNING WESTERN ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES THREE-YEAR ON-SITE REVIEW FOR

John Ramirez, Principal of Sequoia Continuation School, presented and discussed the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) Three-Year On-site Review. (Encl. No. 8) The three-year review will be conducted on May 4th and 5th. The progress report was submitted to the Accrediting Commission for Schools and must be approved by the VUSD Board.

SEQUOIA

Larry Jones moved to approve the Sequoia Continuation School progress report. Jim

CONTINUATION
SCHOOL
Motion No. 158

Qualls seconded the motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

ROUTINE ACTION
Motion No. 159

Bill Fulmer pulled Routine Action Item 9.1.1 (Encl. No. 9) – Warrant List.

Rodney Elder moved to approve the remaining Routine Action Items, Encl. No. 10-26.
Donna Martin seconded the motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

9.1 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

1. Warrant List - March 28, 2008 through April 4, 2008 (Encl. No. 9)
2. 2007-08 Budget Revision No. 12 (Encl. No. 10)
3. VUSD General Fund Cash Flows as of February 29, 2008 (Encl. No. 11)
4. Authorization to Enter Into a Lease Purchase Agreement with Blue Bird Financial (Encl. No. 12)
5. Yearly Purchasing Calendar (Encl. No. 13)
6. Deem Salvage Items Obsolete (Encl. No. 14)
7. Request to Piggyback Off Fresno Unified School District for Furniture and Equipment (Encl. No. 15)
8. Vendor Contracts for Various Maintenance and Service Needs (Encl. No. 16)
9. Emergency Repair Resolution (Encl. No. 17)
10. Notice of Completion - Redwood High School Junior Varsity Baseball Field Project (Encl. No. 18)
11. Change Order #1 - Site Improvements for New Golden West High School Modular Physical Education Classroom (Encl. No. 19)

9.2 AREA ADMINISTRATORS, K-6; 7-12/Adult

1. Student Field Trip Request(s) (Encl. No. 20)

9.3 CURRICULUM/EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. Service Agreement Between TCOE Migrant Education Region VIII and Visalia Unified School District (Encl. No. 21)

9.4 HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

1. Classified Personnel Report (Encl. No. 22)
2. Certificated Personnel Report (Encl. No. 23)
3. Consultant Contracts (Encl. No. 24)
4. Certification of Temporary Athletic Team Coach List for 2007-08 (Encl. No. 25)

9.5 SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

1. Minutes of the Board Meeting of March 25, 2008 (Encl. No. 26)

Motion No. 160

Larry Jones moved to approve Routine Action Item 9.1.1 (Encl. No. 9). Donna Martin seconded the motion. Ayes: Elder, Guerrero, Jones, Lane, Martin, and Qualls. Abstain: Fulmer

**ADMINISTRATIVE
PANEL RECOM-
MENDATIONS/
ACTION**

EXPULSIONS

Motion No. 161

Michael Lane moved to accept the Administrative Panel Recommendations for Expulsions Case No. Case No. 08-144 E, Case No. 08-145 E, Case No. 08-146 E, Case No. 08-147 E, Case No. 08-148 E, Case No. 08-149 E, Case No. 08-150 E, Case No. 08-151 E, Case No. 08-152 E, Case No. 08-153 E, and Case No. 08-154 E. (Encl. No. 27) Donna Martin seconded the motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

**SUSPENDED
EXPULSIONS**

Motion No. 162

Donna Martin moved to accept the Administrative Panel Recommendations for Suspended Expulsions Case No. 08-31 SE, Case No. 08-32 SE, and Case No. 08-33 SE. (Encl. No. 28) Jim Qualls seconded the motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

REINSTATEMENTS

Motion No. 163

Donna Martin moved to accept the Administrative Panel Recommendation for Reinstatements Case No. 08-69R. (Encl. No. 29) Rodney Elder seconded the motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

GENERAL AGENDA

**RECOMMENDATION
TO ELIMINATE/
REDUCE**

**PARTICULAR KINDS
OF CLASSIFIED**

SERVICE:

CLASSIFIED

POSITIONS

Motion No. 164

Dr. Fernie Marroquin, Administrator, Human Resources Development, presented the Recommendation to Eliminate/Reduce Particular Kinds of Classified Service: Classified Positions. (Encl. No. 30) This action is routine and done annually with recommendations from the school sites.

There was no public comment.

Donna Martin moved to approve the Recommendation and Rodney Elder seconded the motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION TO
ELIMINATE/REDUCE
PARTICULAR KINDS**

OF CLASSIFIED

SERVICE:

CLASSIFIED

POSITIONS

Motion No. 165

Dr. Marroquin explained that this Resolution goes along with the Recommendation that the Board just approved. (Encl. No. 31)

Rodney Elder moved to approve the Resolution to Eliminate/Reduce Particular Kinds of Classified Service: Classified Positions. Bill Fulmer seconded the motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

**VUSD 2008-2009
INTERESTS FOR**

Dr. Marroquin presented the second reading of the VUSD 2008-2009 Interests for Classified Negotiations. (Encl. No. 32) Government Code Section 3547 requires all

**CLASSIFIED
NEGOTIATIONS
Motion No. 166**

initial contract proposals of the Board and an employee organization which relate to matters within the scope of representation be presented at a public meeting and be made available for public review at the District Office for a reasonable period of time. The District (VUSD) presented their interests at the April 8, 2008 Board meeting. The initial contract interest/proposal has been available for public review.

There was no public comment.

Jim Qualls moved to approve the VUSD 2008-2009 Interests for Classified Negotiations. Bill Fulmer seconded the motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 13, 2008, at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room at the VUSD Educational Complex located at 5000 West Cypress Avenue, Visalia (unless otherwise posted).

Respectfully submitted,

Rodney Elder
Clerk

Stan A. Carrizosa
Superintendent