

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

**OPENING
BUSINESS**

The January 13, 2009 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			X
Jim L. Qualls	5:30	8:10	
Stan A. Carrizosa, Superintendent	5:30	8:10	

Staff Members

Robert Gröeber, Assistant Superintendent, Administrative Services
Cindi Costa, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources Development
Pam Ryan, Administrative Assistant, Superintendent's Office
Melissa Cook, Student Representative

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 (Education Code Sections 48900, et. seq.)
- 2.2 RECOMMENDED SUSPENDED EXPULSIONS
- 2.3 RECOMMENDED REINSTATEMENTS
- 2.4 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE (Government Code Section 54957)
- 2.5 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE ASSIGNMENT/REASSIGNMENT/APPOINTMENT (Government Code Section 54957)
- 2.6 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (Government Code Section 54957.6)
 - 1. Agency Negotiator: Cindi Costa
 - 2. Employee Organizations
 - 1. CSEA
 - 2. VUTA
 - 3. Management
- 2.7 CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Government Code Section 54956.8)
 - Property: 816 West Goshen Avenue, Visalia APN - 093-161-005
 - Agency negotiator: Robert Gröeber/Randy Groom

Negotiating parties: JCH Family Partnership

Under negotiation: Potential purchase

2.8 SUPERINTENDENT'S MID-YEAR REVIEW (Government Code Section 54957)

**EARLY BIRD
SESSION
STUDENT
ACHIEVEMENT
AWARDS**

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

The Board honored outstanding students in Consumer and Family Studies and Foreign Language from the four comprehensive high schools. Students from Sequoia High School, Charter Alternatives Academy, Visalia Charter Independent Study, and Visalia Adult School were recognized for overall achievement. (Encl. No. 1)

Sequoia High School

- Oscar Carreno (Overall Achievement)

Charter Alternatives Academy

- Miguel Manzo (Overall Achievement)

Visalia Charter Independent Study

- Kanisha Martin (Overall Achievement)

Visalia Adult School

- Ryan Botkin (Overall Achievement)

El Diamante High School

- Stephanie Melchor (Foreign Language)

Golden West High School

- Jenise Castro (Consumer and Family Studies)
- Jesus Chavez (Foreign Language)

Mt. Whitney High School

- Elizabeth Baldwin (Consumer and Family Studies)
- Leslie Duarte (Foreign Language)

Redwood High School

- Ariel Garcia (Consumer and Family Studies)
- Saul Villarreal (Foreign Language)

REGULAR SESSION The Board convened the regular Board meeting at 7:10 p.m. President Guerrero announced that no action was taken in closed session. Donna Martin was excused from tonight's meeting because she is ill. Jim Qualls led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT/
PUBLIC INTEREST
ANNOUNCEMENTS/
STATUS REPORTS/
ACTION (as
applicable)
GENERAL PUBLIC
COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**STATE BUDGET
UPDATE**

Christine Statton, CPA, Chief Financial Officer, presented the state budget update. (Encl. No. 2) The presentation provided analysis of the current state budget news, the

governor's proposed 2009-2010 state budget, and the possible impacts to the Visalia Unified School District budget.

**RESOLUTION –
DECLARATION OF
FISCAL
EMERGENCY
Motion No. 69**

Board Clerk, Jim Qualls, read the Resolution Declaring a District Fiscal Emergency due to the projected state budget deficit of between \$22B and \$42B by the end of 2010. (Encl. No. 3)

Bill Fulmer moved to approve the Resolution. Rodney Elder seconded the motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

**VUSD INTERESTS
FOR 2009-2010
CLASSIFIED
CONTRACT
NEGOTIATIONS**

Dr. Fernie Marroquin, Administrator, Human Resources Development, presented the first reading of the VUSD Interests for 2009-2010 Classified Contract Negotiations. (Encl. No. 4) Government Code Section 3547 requires all 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 initial contract "interests" will be "sunshined" and then negotiated. The California School Employees Association must submit its initial contract interests for the "sunshining" process before negotiations can commence.

The District's initial contract "interests" will be available for review in the office of the Administrator of Human Resources Development until the next regular Board meeting of January 27, 2009. The Board will hold a public hearing on January 27th and allow the public to comment on the "interests" submitted by VUSD prior to adopting its initial contract "interests".

**VUSD INTERESTS
FOR 2009-2010
CERTIFICATED
CONTRACT
NEGOTIATIONS**

Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Development, Cindi Costa, presented the first reading of VUSD Interests for 2009-2010 Certificated Contract Negotiations. (Encl. No. 5) The same Government Code Section presented in the previous item also applies to this item. The District's initial contract "interests" will be available for review in the office of the Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources Development, until the next regular Board meeting on January 27, 2009 at which time a public hearing will be held.

**INITIAL
NEGOTIATION
PROPOSAL OF
VISALIA UNIFIED
TEACHERS
ASSOCIATION TO
VUSD FOR
2009-10**

Visalia Unified Teachers Association (VUTA) President, Karl Kildow, presented the Initial Negotiation Proposal of that organization to VUSD for 2009-10 to be "sunshined" and then negotiated. (Encl. No. 6) The same Government Code Section presented in the prior two items also applies to this item. VUTA's initial contract proposal will be available for review in the office of the Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources Development, until the next regular Board meeting on January 27, at which time a public hearing will be held to allow public comment on the proposal prior to the Board formally acknowledging receipt to VUTA's initial contract proposal.

**BOARD MEMBER
REPORTS/
SUPERINTEN-
DENT'S REPORT**

Melissa Cook, Student Representative to the Board from El Diamante High School, gave a brief summary of the events that are taking place at each of the high schools.

The Board members' reports included the following:

- Visited Sequoia High School
- Visited Visalia Charter Independent Study
- Attended the Joint City Council/VUSD Board meeting at the Visalia Convention Center
- Tulare and Porterville School Districts are establishing K-8 schools
- Attended the funeral of Caroline Casida, retired Principal of the Visalia Adult School. She will be missed.

Superintendent Carrizosa discussed the VUSD Annual Mid-Year Facilities Update that was presented at the Joint City Council/VUSD Board meeting listing all of the work that the Maintenance Department accomplished over the three-week break.

At the annual installation of officers' dinner meeting in December, the Home Builders Association honored the VUSD Board as being their Associate of the Year by taking action to defer the increase in developer fees for this year.

ROUTINE ACTION A revised Routine Action Item 7.3.1-Student Field Trip Requests document was presented to the Board before the meeting. (Encl. No. 14)

Motion No. 70 Rodney Elder moved to approve the Routine Action Items, Encl. No. 7-15, including the revised 7.3.1. Larry Jones seconded the motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

- 7.1 ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
 - 1. Warrant List – November 21, 2008 through December 12, 2008 (Encl. No. 7)
 - 2. 2008-2009 Budget Revision No. 9 (Encl. No. 8)
 - 3. Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act Resolution (Encl. No. 9)
- 7.2 HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT
 - 1. Classified Personnel Report (Encl. No. 10)
 - 2. Certificated Personnel Report (Encl. No. 11)
 - 3. Consultant Contracts (Encl. No. 12)
 - 4. Certification of Temporary Athletic Team Coach List for 2008-09 (Encl. No. 13)
- 7.3 INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES
 - 1. Student Field Trip Requests (Encl. No. 14)
- 7.4 SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE
 - 1. Minutes of the Board Meeting of December 9, 2008 (Encl. No. 15)

**ADMINISTRATIVE
PANEL RECOM-
MENDATIONS/
ACTION**

EXPULSIONS
Motion No. 71 Michael Lane moved to accept the Administrative Panel Recommendations for Expulsions Case No. 09-45 E, Case No. 09-46 E, Case No. 09-47 E, Case No. 09-48 E,

Case No. 09-49 E, Case No. 09-50 E, Case No. 09-51 E, Case No. 09-52 E, Case No. 09-53 E, Case No. 09-54 E, Case No. 09-55 E, Case No. 09-56 E, and Case No. 09-57 E. (Encl. No. 16) Jim Qualls seconded the motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

SUSPENDED
EXPULSIONS
Motion No. 72

Bill Fulmer moved to accept the Administrative Panel Recommendations for Suspended Expulsions Case No. 09-16 SE, Case No. 09-17 SE, Case No. 09-18 SE, Case No. 09-19 SE, and Case No. 09-20 SE. Rodney Elder seconded the motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

REINSTATEMENTS
Motion No. 73

Jim Qualls moved to accept the Administrative Panel Recommendations for Reinstatements Case No. 09-30 R, Case No. 09-31 R, Case No. 09-32 R, Case No. 09-33 R, Case No. 09-34 R, Case No. 09-35 R, Case No. 09-36 R, Case No. 09-37 R, Case No. 09-38 R, Case No. 09-39 R, Case No. 09-40 R, Case No. 09-41 R, Case No. 09-42 R, Case No. 09-43 R, Case No. 09-44 R, Case No. 09-45 R, Case No. 09-46 R, Case No. 09-47 R, Case No. 09-48 R, Case No. 09-49 R, Case No. 09-50 R, Case No. 09-51 R, Case No. 09-52 R, and Case No. 09-53 R. (Encl. No. 18) Larry Jones seconded the motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL AGENDA

Review/Public Hearing/
Public Input/
Board Discussion/

Superintendent Carrizosa reminded the Board that the following policies and regulations were reviewed by the Board Policy Committee and were on the December 9 Board agenda as a first reading. This is the second and final reading of the revised policies and regulations.

ACTION (as applicable)

CSBA REVISION TO
BP 0510 SCHOOL
ACCOUNTABILITY
REPORT CARD –
SECOND AND FINAL
READING
Motion No. 74

Rodney Elder moved to approve the second and final reading of the revisions for Encl. No. 19-28 as one motion. Bill Fulmer seconded the motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

(Encl. No. 19)

CSBA REVISION TO
BP 3280 SALE,
LEASE, RENTAL OF
DISTRICT-OWNED
REAL PROPERTY-
SECOND AND FINAL
READING
Motion No. 74

(Encl. No. 20)

VUSD STAFF
REVISION TO BP
3312 CONTRACTS –

(Encl. No. 21)

SECOND AND FINAL
READING

Motion No. 74

CSBA REVISION TO (Encl. No. 22)
MANDATED BP AND
AR 3554 OTHER
FOOD SALES –
SECOND AND FINAL
READING

Motion No. 74

CSBA REVISION TO (Encl. No. 23)
BP 5113.2 WORK
PERMITS – SECOND
AND FINAL
READING

Motion No. 74

CSBA REVISION TO (Encl. No. 24)
MANDATED AR 5125
STUDENT RECORDS-
SECOND AND FINAL
READING

Motion No. 74

VUSD STAFF (Encl. No. 25)
REVISION TO BP
5131.6 STUDENT
ATHLETE DRUG
TESTING – SECOND
AND FINAL
READING

Motion No. 74

CSBA REVISION TO (Encl. No. 26)
BP 6142.8 COMPRE-
HENSIVE HEALTH
EDUCATION –
SECOND AND FINAL
READING

Motion No. 74

CSBA REVISION TO (Encl. No. 27)
BP 6178 CAREER
TECHNICAL
EDUCATION –

SECOND AND FINAL
READING

Motion No. 74

CSBA REVISION TO (Encl. No. 28)
BP 6178.1 WORK
EXPERIENCE
EDUCATION –
SECOND AND FINAL
READING

Motion No. 74

REVIEW BOARD
POLICY ON THE
FORMATION AND
APPOINTMENT OF
BOARD
COMMITTEES

On November 18, 2008, the Board adopted a Trustee Area Election Boundary Study Plan. The first step in the plan is a review of the Board Policies on the formation and appointment of Board Committees. (Encl. No. 29) Superintendent Carrizosa reviewed BB 9130 – Board Committees and BP 1220 – Citizen Advisory Committees. The Board began public discussion on the process for selection and the desired composition of this committee.

NOTICE OF INTENT
TO EMPLOY
CERTIFICATED
PERSONNEL AND
APPROVAL OF
VARIABLE TERM
WAIVER REQUEST
Motion No. 75

Prior to submitting a Variable Term Waiver Request to the Commission on Teacher Credentialing, a notice of intent to employ an individual on the basis of a credential waiver must be published in the Board agenda and approval granted by the Governing Board. (Encl. No. 30)

Bill Fulmer moved to approve the Notice of Intent to Employ Certificated Personnel and Variable Term Waiver Request for an automotive shop teacher at El Diamante High School. Jim Qualls seconded the motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

**RECESS –
RECONVENE TO
ANNUAL
FINANCIAL
CORPORATION
MEETING**

President Guerrero recessed the General Session and opened the Annual Meeting and Selection of Officers for the Visalia Financing Corporation.

ANNUAL MEETING
AND SELECTION OF
OFFICERS OF THE
VISALIA FINANCING
CORPORATION

The Visalia Financing Corporation (VFC) is a nonprofit, public benefit corporation formed in May 1989 under the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law to provide financial assistance to the District by acquiring, constructing, and financing facilities, land, and equipment and leasing the same for the benefit of the public served by the District. The VFC was the financing arm of the 1990 Certificates of Participation which were subsequently refinanced in September 2005 at a lower interest rate.

Annually, the Board of Education members, who also preside as the Board of Directors for the VFC, must hold a meeting for the purpose of organization, selection of officers, and other business. The status report and selection of officers fulfills the Visalia Financing Corporation's requirement to hold the annual meeting. (Encl. No. 31)

Motion No. 76

Bill Fulmer moved to appoint Juan Guerrero as President of the Visalia Financing Corporation and Jim Qualls as Vice President. Rodney Elder seconded the motion. Ayes: All. Motion carried unanimously.

President Guerrero closed the Annual Meeting and Selection of Officers of the Visalia Financing Corporation and reconvened to the General Session.

ADJOURNMENT

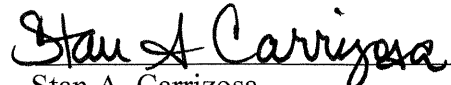
The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 27, 2009 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,


Jim L. Qualls
Clerk


Stan A. Carrizosa
Superintendent