

## MINUTES

### AMENDED AGENDA: Addition of Action Item 13.13

**1. Call to Order:** 6:01 pm by President, Alfred Holzheu.

Board Members Present: Alfred Holzheu, Peter Haws, Michele Saunders, Felix Fischer. Cris Avery joined the meeting at 6:38 pm.  
Administration Present: Chris Whitmore, Supt.; Lisa O'Neill, Principal; Cynthia Micale, Administrative Assistant; Meg Perry, Business Manager.

Staff Present: Sherry Shultz, Laurie Wright, Heide Moir, Ann Delavan, Lois DeMeyer.

Others Present: Cindy Fredette, Don Hertel, Melody Hunt, Miren Armenta.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Dr. Whitmore.

**3. Introductions/Recognition:** Al Zonana from SBCEO.

**4. (M) Approval of Agenda:** A motion to amend the agenda, adding action item 13.13 was made by Dr. Saunders and seconded by Mr. Haws. The motion passed 4/0.

**5. (M) Approval of Minutes:** Feb 11 and Feb 27, 2008. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Haws and seconded by Mr. Fischer. The motion passed 4/0.

**6. Public Comment:** None

**7. Correspondence/Committee Reports:** Student Council. Ann Delavan reported on upcoming Student Council sponsored events including an assembly before Spring Break and a Junior High Dance in April.

**8. (M) Approval of Consent Agenda**

8.1 Approval of Commercial Warrants\*(2/1, 2/8, 2/15 and 2/22)

8.2 Approval of Financial Reports(\*)

8.3 Enrollment Report(\*)

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Dr. Saunders and seconded by Mr. Haws. The motion passed 4/0.

**9. Board Member Reports:** None

**10. Report from Architect: Don Hertel, Westberg and White**

Don Hertel gave a detailed report on the progress and projected time lines for the bond measure projects, cost estimates and an updated funding budget. (His talking points were outlined in a letter addressed to Mike Anderson dated March 10, 2008 that was distributed at the board meeting. A copy of that letter is on file with the permanent board records in the district office.)

**11. Principal's Report:** Mrs. O'Neill reported on the success of Solvang students at the SBCEO spelling bee. Clara Jones in 4th grade was in the top 20. McKensy Richmond in 6th grade came in 6th place and Jesse Thompson from 7th grade placed in the top 20. Last week students in grades 4-7 took the STAR writing test. STAR testing will be the first week in May. She reported on recent activities that had been happening on campus including Battle of the Books, California Young Readers assembly and the Abraham Lincoln assembly. Report cards will be going home on the 14th of March. There is a new tardy policy in place that seems to be having a positive effect. She said she had attended the PTO meeting and given an overview of the SST process. PTO had discussed the ongoing funding of the computer lab, the Safety Committee and the upcoming Dad's Volunteer Day. Kindergarten registration will be the 18th and 19th of March and Open House is on the 20th. Regarding the future of the Independent Study Program, she provided board members with additional information on the K-12 program as well as A+ which is used by Olive Grove Charter.

**12. Superintendent's Report:** Dr. Whitmore said that he had met with the Junior High staff to work on the schedule for next year. The proposed schedule calls for the creation of a middle school model that includes 6th grade. He called attention to the fact that we would need to meet both the academic and social needs of each grade level. He reported that he had met with the Safety Committee and had identified 5 goals and 20 strategies for meeting those goals. He also reviewed the Disaster Plan with them. He has been working on classified job descriptions with Cynthia Micale. Classified employees will now be receiving annual performance evaluations. He has been looking at addressing the issue of students with poor attendance records. Finally, he will be closely looking at the staffing plan for next year.

**13. Board Action Items**

**13.1 Public Hearing-Adoption of Increased School Facilities Fees.** *A public hearing will be held on the Residential and Commercial Development School Fee Justification Study prepared by Dolinka Group, LLC. A copy of the study is included in the packet and is available in the Solvang School office.* Mr. Holzheu opened the hearing at 6:59 pm. Mr. Fischer explained the purpose of the fee justification study stating that increasing fees when authorized and justified allows school districts to maximize funds for capital improvements. Mr. Holzheu closed the hearing at 7:06 pm.

13.2. (R)(\*) **Consideration for Approval: Resolution 08-0310, Resolution of the Governing Board of the Solvang School District Regarding School Facilities Fees.** A motion to approve the resolution was made by Mr. Fischer and seconded by Dr. Saunders. The motion passed in a roll call vote with 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Absent and 0 Abstaining.

13.3 (M)(\*) **Consideration for Approval: Second Interim Budget.** A motion to approve the budget was made by Dr. Saunders and seconded by Mr. Fischer. Dr. Whitmore gave a brief overview of the general financial budget implications. Meg Perry gave a detailed description of all the budget assumptions. The motion passed 5/0.

13.4 (M) **Consideration for Approval: Set Date and Time of Annual Budget Hearing.** Mr. Fischer made a motion to have the annual budget hearing at 5:00 pm on June 9, 2008, prior to the regular board meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Haws and passed 5/0.

13.5 (R)(\*) **Consideration for Approval: Resolution 08-0310-02, Reduction in Services of Credentialed Employees for the 2008-09 School Year.** A motion to approve the resolution was made by Mr. Avery and seconded by Dr. Saunders. The motion passed in a roll call vote with 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Absent and 0 Abstaining.

13.6 (M)(\*) **Consideration for Approval: Summer School Meal Waiver Request.** A motion to approve was made by Mr. Avery and seconded by Dr. Saunders. The motion passed 5/0.

13.7 (R)(\*) **Consideration for Approval: Resolution 08-0310-03, Governor's Proposed 2008-09 Budget.** A motion to approve was made by Mr. Avery and seconded by Mr. Haws. The motion passed in a roll call vote with 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Absent and 0 Abstaining.

13.8 (M)(\*) **Consideration for Approval: Contract with School Innovations and Advocacy for Mandate Reimbursement Services and SARC Services for 2008-09.** A motion to approve was made by Mr. Avery and seconded by Mr. Fischer. The motion passed 5/0.

13.9(M)(\*) **Consideration for Approval: 2006-07 School Accountability Report Card.** A motion to approve was made by Dr. Saunders and seconded by Mr. Fischer. The motion passed 5/0.

13.10 (M)(\*) **Consideration for Approval: Appointment of Albert Zonana from SBCEO as District's Superintendent Search Advisor.** A motion to approve was made by Dr. Saunders and seconded by Mr. Haws. The motion passed 5/0.

13.11 (M)(\*) **Consideration for Approval: Notice of Exemption from Further Environmental Review for Phase One of Bond Construction.** A motion to approve was made by Dr. Saunders and seconded by Mr. Fischer. The motion passed 5/0.

13.12 (M)(\*) **Consideration for Approval: Appointment of Mrs. Sherry Shultz as Teacher in Charge in the Absence of the Superintendent and Principal.** A motion to approve was made by Mr. Haws and seconded by Mr. Avery. The motion passed 5/0.

13.13 (M)(\*) **Consideration for Approval: Contract for Audit Services with Moss, Levy & Hartzheim for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2007.** A motion to approve was made by Mr. Fischer and seconded by Dr. Saunders. The motion passed 5/0.

**14. Board Informational Items:** Discussion with Al Zonana regarding search process and services. Mr. Fischer clarified for Mr. Zonana that the district's first choice will be to have a 50% Supt. that works solely for our district. He did not eliminate the possibility that if a suitable candidate is not found, we could possibly share a Supt. with another district. Mrs. Shultz said she hoped we could locate a candidate who was committed to staying in the district for some time. In discussion it was determined that the Board would like Mr. Zonana to advertise the 50% Supt. position as well as send out flyers. Within the next two weeks the Board would like Mr. Zonana to meet with separate groups of parents, staff and the board to determine the districts needs. Mrs. Micale will work with Mr. Zonana to schedule the meetings and start the application process.

**15. Future Agenda Items:** Negotiations update-possibly sunshine of contract; staffing update; independent study.

**16. Closed Session:** Mr. Holzheu called the meeting into closed session at 7:55 pm. He clarified for those in attendance that the topic of discussion, "Administrative Configuration" had to do with specific personnel issues. There was no action taken in closed session.

**17. Adjournment:** Mr. Holzheu adjourned the meeting at 8:17 pm.

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Attest

(\*) Supporting material contained within the Board packet  
(M) Motion Item (R) Roll Call Item