

BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Of the BYRON UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Location:**  
**EXCELSIOR LIBRARY**  
14301 Byron Highway • Byron, CA



**Thursday, November 5, 2009**  
**6:00: Bridge Program  
Presentation**  
**7:00 Regular Meeting**

**MINUTES**

**A. OPENING CEREMONIES**

1. The regular meeting was called to order at **7:08 p.m.**
2. Roll Call: Board Members: Kenneth Silman, President; Jill Sprenkel, Clerk  
Karri Murayama  
Others: Eric Prater, Superintendent  
Absent: Bobbi Nugent
3. Flag Salute
4. Approval of Agenda: **ACTION**

**B. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS:** Karri Murayama attended the parent meeting for special education students, thanking Ken Jacopetti and Vickey Corker for coordinating it and the teachers who attended and support the students and parents. Jill Sprenkel congratulated the success of Discovery Bay School's Booville, and was a judge for the Excelsior Science Fair, which was well organized by Brenda Burnight. Mrs. Sprenkel and Mrs. Murayama also thanked Lisa Hultz for her service to the district as a board member. Ken Silman also read a letter he wrote to be published in the local newspaper, thanking Lisa Hultz for her service to the district.

**C. SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMUNICATIONS:** Eric Prater stated that he received multiple emails and phone calls from parents and staff with positive comments regarding the meeting for parents of special education students conducted by Ken Jacopetti. Excelsior students celebrated academic excellence during a rally today. Mr. Prater attended a two day training in Sacramento, Leading the Leaders which was worthwhile to provide clarity and structures. He also thanked Lisa Hultz and appreciated her as a board member.

**D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Kathy Chavez reported that Timber Point received a CTAG grant last year; writing scores have increased significantly. Kevin Coren acknowledged Betty Sanchez working in his classroom weekly to help improve math scores. He also commented on state framework requirement of 50-60 minutes per day of math instruction and feels the district cannot expect students to raise test scores if not given enough class time. Ellen Bower thanked Lisa Hultz for her part in settling bargaining contract three years ago.

**E. SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS**

**1. HUMAN RESOURCES**

- a. **Approve the employment of Janet Mitchell, school secretary, effective January 4, 2010**  
Thanks were given to Joyce Moxin for her service to the district in the past years.  
A motion was made by Karri Murayama and seconded by Jill Sprenkel to approve the employment of Janet Mitchell as school secretary.  
Roll Call: Ayes: Ken Silman, Jill Sprenkel, Karri Murayama  
Absent: Bobbi Nugent

**2. FINANCE AND FACILITIES**

- a. **Accept Quarterly Uniform Complaint Form for the period ending September 30, 2009 showing no complaints filed**  
A motion was made by Jill Sprenkel and seconded by Karri Murayama to accept the Quarterly Uniform Complaint Form showing no complaints filed.  
Roll Call: Ayes: Ken Silman, Jill Sprenkel, Karri Murayama  
Absent: Bobbi Nugent

**3. STUDENT LEARNING & ACHIEVEMENT**

**a. Approve 2010-2011 School Calendar**

A motion was made by Jill Sprenkel and seconded by Karri Murayama to approve the 2010-2011 school calendar.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ken Silman, Jill Sprenkel, Karri Murayama  
Absent: Bobbi Nugent

**4. BOARD POLICIES**

**a. Second Reading of Board Policies and Administrative Regulation changes as recommended by CSBA July, 2009**

A motion was made by Ken Silman and seconded by Jill Sprenkel to approve the CSBA recommended changes to board policies and administrative regulations from July, 2009, with the exception of BP 4119.21, Professional Standards, and 5121, Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement, which will be brought back to a future board meeting with possible revisions.

Roll Call: Ayes: Ken Silman, Jill Sprenkel, Karri Murayama  
Absent: Bobbi Nugent

**b. Review feedback from Board Policy Subcommittee**

Ken Silman would like to review Board Bylaw 9100, Annual Organizational Meeting, with three openings occurring next November and the need for stability and continuity. Karri Murayama would like to put off vote until newly appointed board member can include input and vote. Changes to Policies 4119.21 and 6145 were discussed and will be brought back for approval at the November 19 board meeting.

**F. CONSENT AGENDA**

*A motion was made by Jill Sprenkel and seconded by Karri Murayama to approve the following consent agenda:*

**1. Business**

**a. Warrants: 10/6/09; 10/13/09; 10/20/09; 10/27/09**

**2. Donation:**

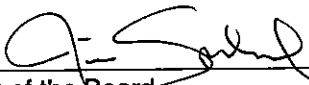
- a. From Kyle and Kim Rodgers for classroom supplies at Excelsior School: \$600.00**
- b. From Timber Point PTA in the amount of \$217.39 for Oriental Trading purchase**
- c. From Knittel Family in the amount of \$85.66 for Owl Books from Follett Library**


**G. FUTURE MEETINGS**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Governing Board of Trustees is scheduled for: **November 19, 2009**

**H. ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

  
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Clerk of the Board

  
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Superintendent

Date Approved: 11/19/09

