

Calaveras Unified School District
P.O. Box 788, San Andreas, CA 95249

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES OF
September 22, 2020**

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Suzie Coe Dennis Dunnigan
Christine Noble Sherri Reusche
Cory Williams

TRUSTEES ABSENT: None

1. Call to Order

President Williams called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Superintendent Campbell took roll call. Trustees Coe, Dunnigan, Noble, Reusche, and Williams were present.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Approve the September 22, 2020 agenda.

Motion: Dunnigan Second: Noble Vote: 5-0

4. Announcement of Closed Session Items

a) Negotiation Updates

1. Conference with Labor Negotiator Mark Campbell in regard to negotiations with CUEA (Gov. Code 54957.6)
2. Conference with Labor Negotiator Mark Campbell in regard to negotiations with CSEA (Gov. Code 54957.6)

b) To Consider the Appointment, Employment Evaluation of Performance, Discipline, Dismissal or Complaint Regarding a Public Employee (Gov. Code 54957)

5. Public Comments - There were no public comments.

6. Closed Session - The Board convened to closed session at 5:32 p.m.

7. Reconvene to Open Session - The Board reconvened to open session at 6:02 p.m.

8. Pledge of Allegiance

President Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

9. Roll Call

Superintendent Campbell took roll call. All Trustees were present.

10. Report of Action Taken in Closed Session

President Williams reported there was no action taken in closed session.

11. Superintendent's Comments

Superintendent Campbell stated since March 13, 2020 everything we have done has been impacted by COVID-19 to some degree. COVID-19 affected the budget, which affected Rail Road Flat Elementary and now finding a balance of protecting the district fiscally but serving the community. First interim looked good. With increased enrollment, we had pulled out of our deficit only to be hit by COVID-19 putting us in a situation where we have had to accept our new fiscal realities and make difficult decisions. The most profound impact has been to our program. We are engaged in and doing our best with Distance Learning. Our staff has been rallying, regrouping and working hard together to come back with a better program and the survey results shows it has been successful. Mr. Campbell understands frustrations are high and if there must be a target, he respectfully requested that our staff not be the target. All feedback/data leads to his recommendations for direction so if you must direct frustration somewhere then that comes to him.

12. Celebrations, Recognitions and Announcements - No items presented

13. Presentations - No items presented

14. Correspondence

a) Letter from Calaveras County Office of Education (CCOE)

A letter was received dated September 14, 2020 from Claudia Davis, CCOE Associate Superintendent/Administrative Services, regarding the CCOE review of the CUSD Adopted Budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

15. Public Comments

Lauren Millmore, community member, wanted it to be clear that CUSD staff were not being blamed, parent just want their students back in school.

Trustee Noble questioned the Zoom max capacity for attendees as she is receiving notifications people are not being allowed in. Ric stated out max capacity is 250 and we were only at 113. Ric is looking in to the problem.

Kelly, parent, wanted to know other than the Bond, is there anything else in the works for the CHS field and how long will it take for the field to be open.

Public Comments – Continued

Bob Newman, parent, asked why do surveys last 24 hours or less? He did not have the time to complete the survey before it was taken down the next day.

Ashley Herd, parent, asked if CUSD doesn't get funding in the next year or two, do we keep the CHS field condemned? Will programs fall apart? Will the State take over?

BEGIN CONSENT AGENDA

16. Consent Agenda

Items on the Consent Agenda are considered routine and are approved with a single motion without discussion.

17. Action Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

The Board, staff, or members of the community may ask that items be taken off the consent agenda in order to make comments or ask questions.

Superintendent Campbell asked that items 17. e) Outside Services, 2. Sheila Quinn, be removed from the Consent Agenda and agendized for October 20, 2020 Board meeting.

Vote on Consent Agenda:

Motion: Reusche Second: Dunnigan Vote: 5-0

a) Approval of Minutes

1. Minutes of September 1, 2020

b) Approval of Vendor Warrant Listings

c) Approval of Donations - No items presented

d) Report of Grant Awards - No items presented

e) Outside Contract Services

1. Caroline Thibodeau

Board approval was requested to approve a contract agreement between CUSD and Credentialed School Nurse (CSN) Caroline Thibodeau to assist with COVID-19 school nursing and personnel responsibilities. This is funded by COVID-19 funds.

Outside Services - Continued

2. Sheila Quinn

Board approval was requested for a .5 FTE special education outside consultant/case manager for Calaveras High School as outline in the agreement. This .5 FTE is necessary to be compliant meeting students needs that cannot be met by current contracted certificated staff who are already at the allowable legal resource limit.

f) Overnight Events

1. Science Camp

The science camps are typically attended by 6th grade student at various CUSD schools and they choose various locations in Northern California. All science camps have teacher chaperones and high school students as counselors. The science camps are funded by school fundraisers and private pay. Transport is provided by CUSD's Transportation Department.

a) San Andreas Elementary School (SAE)

SAE students will attend science camp at the Walker Creek Ranch Marin County Outdoor School in Petaluma, CA, February 16 - 19, 2021.

END CONSENT AGENDA

18. Action on Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda item 17. e) Special Contract Services 2. Sheila Quinn, was removed at the request of Superintendent Campbell and will be listed on the October 20, 2020 agenda.

19. Personnel

a) Certificated Report - No report presented

b) Classified Report

Zach Koppers, CSEA President, stated it was nice to see so many people attending tonight's meeting and encourages them to continue to attend. Mr. Koppers questioned how many safety requirements should we ignore to return to on-site instruction? We don't have the funding or the staff to do all little jobs since COVID-19. The Safety Plans lists the added extra jobs classified staff now need to take on. Classified wants to return to campus 100% as soon as we can do it safely. Mr. Koppers stated if we had 20% more funding or 20% more staff we could make it happen. Distance Learning is very hard and is proud of all classified staff for their work. Mr. Koppers understands everyone's frustrations but states we cannot do it safely at this time and encourages everyone to ready their school's Safety Plans.

Personnel - Continued

c) **Student Report** - No report presented

d) **Routine Personnel Report**

Motion: Dunnigan Second: Coe Vote: 5-0

e) **All Personnel** - No Items presented

f) **Classified Personnel** - No items presented

g) **Certificated Personnel** - No items presented

h) **Management/Confidential/Supervisory** - No items presented

20. Curriculum and Instruction - No items presented

21. Educational Services

a) **Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan (LCAP)**

The District's 2020 - 2021 LCAP was presented for Board approval. The LCAP was presented in a Public Hearing at the September 1, 2020 Board meeting. *(The LCAP was linked to this agenda on our website at www.calaveras.k12.ca.us.)*

Motion: Reusche Second: Coe Vote: 5-0

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING: 6:38 p.m.

Sufficiency of Student Access to Textbooks and/or Instructional Materials for the 2020-2021 School Year.

It is required to hold a Public Hearing to determine the sufficiency of student access to textbooks and/or instructional materials for the 2020/2021 school year.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING: 6:39 p.m.

b) **Adoption, Resolution No. 2020/2021-03, Determination of the Sufficiency of Student Access to Textbooks and/or Instructional Materials for the 2020/2021 School Year.**

It was recommended that the Board of Trustees adopt Resolution No. 2020/21-03, Determination of the Sufficiency of Student Access to Textbooks and/or Instructional Materials for the 2020/2021 School Year.

Motion: Coe Second: Dunnigan Vote: 5-0

22. Business

a) **2019/2020 Unaudited Actuals Presentation**

Talibah Al-Rafiq, Chief Business Official, gave a presentation of the 2019-2020 Unaudited Actuals.

b) **Approval, 2019/2020 Unaudited Actuals for Calaveras Unified School District**

It was recommended the Board approve the 2019-2020 Unaudited Actuals report for Calaveras Unified School District. *(This report was linked to this agenda on our website at www.calaveras.k12.ca.us.)*

Motion: Coe Second: Noble Vote: 5-0

c) **Adoption, Resolution No. 2020/21-04, Gann Limits**

It was recommended the Board approve Resolution No. 2020/21-04, to certify the recalculated actual Gann Limit for 2019/20 and the estimated Gann Limit for 2020-21.

Motion: Coe Second: Reusche Vote: 5-0

d) **Multi-Year Projections Update**

Talibah Al-Rafiq, CUSD Chief Business Official, will give an update of the CUSD Multi-Year Projections *(informational Only)*.

23. Board Business

a) **Rail Road Flat Elementary School Lease**

The Board was asked to consider a proposed lease that would allow for the Blue Mountain Community Renewal Council to use the facilities and property where Rail Road Flat Elementary used to operate.

Motion: Noble Second: Coe Vote: 5-0

b) **Distance Learning Model**

Board approval was requested for the recommendation to continue with 100% Distance Learning through December 2020.

The Board and Superintendent Campbell engaged in discussion and addressed questions from the Board Trustees and attendees regarding students returning to school in a hybrid model.

Amended: Trustee Noble stated after listening to public feedback, she moved to amend the motion and made a new motion that CUSD shall begin hybrid learning at 50% or more following fall break.

Motion: Noble Second: Williams Vote: 5-0

24. Policies and Regulations

a) Adoption, Resolution No. 2020/21-05, Conflict of Interest Code

It was recommended the Board adopt Resolution No. 2020/21-05, Conflict of Interest Code. The Political Reform Act requires local government agencies to review and adopt conflict of interest codes. Local agencies must file a Biennial Notice.

Motion: Coe Second: Dunnigan Vote: 5-0

25. Calendar of Events

Date	Event
September 23, 2020	Calaveras High School - Virtual Back To School Night 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
September 30, 2020	Toyon Middle School - Virtual Back To School Night (videos posted at 3:00 p.m.)

Calaveras Performing Arts Center (CPAC) Calendar

- **CPAC Current Events Calendar**

Community Group Event Calendar

There is a Group Event Calendar. If you are planning a fundraiser or want to know when they are, you can request an event be posted or look up events by emailing the details to custdgroupevents@custdents.net (include all details, contact information and any flyer in PDF format). This group event calendar is located on the CUSD website at www.calaveras.k12.ca.us.

26. Future Agenda Items - No items presented

27. Board Updates

a) COVID-19 Impacts, Status and Direction

28. Board Member Comments

Suzie Coe

Trustee Coe gave a big thank you for making this happen and getting the kids back to some kind of normalcy is good for their mental health. Ms. Coe stated she believes the Board did the right thing and does not foresee any issues. Trustee Coe appreciates the support of the parents and the good discussions that were had.

Dennis Dunnigan

Trustee Dunnigan gave a heartfelt thanks to all the attendees and said working together, listening and trying to do the right thing, we can be Calaveras strong. Mr. Dunnigan reminded everyone that we need to work on the Bond to get funding for the CHS football field and stated we are raising citizens together.

Board Member Comments - Continued

Christine Noble

Trustee Noble gave a huge thank you to all the teachers and staff knowing they have a lot of work ahead of them but believes in CUSD. Ms. Noble is grateful teachers and students will resume in-person learning and thanked all the attendees for sharing their thoughts and opinions tonight and to the Board for coming together taking the first step to make this happen. Trustee Noble showed her support for Superintendent Campbell to do what is necessary to make the return to school a reality.

Trustee Reusche gave a shout out to teachers Mr. Huff and Ms. Kuntz for allowing her to visit their virtual classrooms. Ms. Reusche thanked everyone for attending tonight's meeting and apologized for the rough times but is grateful for the Board, for the parents and to Superintendent Campbell for all they do.

Cory Williams

Trustee Williams is very grateful to the parents who spoke up at tonight's meeting sharing their stories, helping the Board understand their frustrations and concerns. Together we can help our students recover academically, emotionally and socially. Ms. Williams understands the challenges Superintendent Campbell and staff will be faced with and has offered to help in any way and thanked the Board for listening and showing how much they care.

29. Next Meeting/Adjournment

The next regular session meeting of the CUSD Board is scheduled for Tuesday, October 20, 2020. As a reminder, this meeting will be remote access only. There will be a Closed Session beginning at 5:30 p.m. Open Session will begin at 6:00 p.m.

President Williams adjourned the meeting at 9:47 p.m.

Mark Campbell, Superintendent
By Kimberly Hayes