

BOARD OF EDUCATION

April 26, 2007

Mr. Hailey called the regular meeting of the Board of Education to order at 6:00 PM. Mr. Hailey led the salute to the flag. The Board adjourned into Closed Session at 6:04 PM.

Board members present: Rodger Dohm, Bob Hailey, Luan Rivera

The Board reconvened Open Session at 7:13 PM. Marcy Bunday led the salute to the flag. Mr. Stody welcomed everyone to the meeting and invited anyone wishing to address the Board to submit a card to be heard.

Board members present: Rodger Dohm, Bob Hailey, Luan Rivera, Christopher Smith, Bob Stody

Mrs. Rivera made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2007 regular meeting. Mr. Hailey seconded the motion. Mr. Dohm requested the following revisions. On page 2, under Item #8, remove the paragraph beginning with: "If mediation fails to resolve the dispute,...", and on page 2, under Item #9, add: "Mr. Dohm asked Mr. Schiff whether the Board members had received any communication of the District's concerns with the charter school's second interim report." Mrs. Rivera amended her motion to include the revisions. Mr. Hailey amended his second. Motion carried 5/0.

Mr. Hailey made a motion to approve the agenda and consent items. Mr. Dohm seconded the motion. Motion carried 5/0.

- D-6. Approval of the *Career Technical Education (CTE) Grant for Ramona High School*
- D-7. Approval of the *Career Technical Education Grant for the ROP Equipment Expenditure Plan at Ramona High School and Montecito High School*
- D-8. Approval of the *ROP Site Block Grant Expenditure Plan at Ramona High School and Montecito High School*
- D-9. Approval of *Course of Study – American Sign Language II*
- D-10. Approval of *Course of Study – Digital Photography I*
- D-11. Approval of *Course of Study – Advanced Video Production*
- D-12. Approval of *Course of Study – Introduction to Broadcast Journalism*
- D-13. Approval of *Course of Study – Drawing for Animation I*
- D-14. Approval of *Textbooks and Library Materials Disposal*
- D-15. Approval of *Field Trip*
- F-7. Approval to Enter into an *Agreement for Legal Services with the Law Firm of Procopio Cory Hargreaves & Savitch LLP and Transfer Any Open Matters Remaining at the Law Firm of Foley & Lardner LLP*
- F-8. Approval of *Void Warrant Replacement*
- F-9. Approval of *Acceptance of Gifts*

- F-10. Approval of *Budget Transfers*
- F-11. Approval of *Purchase Orders*
- F-12. Approval of *Commercial Warrants and Revolving Cash*
- F-13. Approval of *Contracted Services*
8. Report on *Uniform Complaint Quarterly Report: Williams Case and Uniform Complaints*  
Mr. Schiff stated that as part of the Williams case settlement the District is required, on a quarterly basis, to present the results of complaints filed under either the Williams Case or Uniform Complaints. He presented the results for the quarter ending March 31, 2007 (January, February and March).
9. Approval of *Revision to Board Policy 5111 Student Admission – Proof of Parental Rights and/or Legal Guardianship for Children*  
After discussion between the Board members, Superintendent and Mr. Dan Shinoff, legal counsel, it was decided that this item would be tabled. This item will be further discussed at the April 28, 2007 Board Workshop. Mr. Shinoff will prepare an Administrative Regulation to accompany this policy for Board review.
10. Approval of *Proposed Board Policy – Affidavits*  
Dr. Smith made a motion to approve Proposed Board Policy – Affidavits. Mr. Stody seconded the motion. Motion failed 2/3, with Dr. Smith and Mr. Stody voting yes, and Mr. Dohm, Mr. Hailey, Mrs. Rivera voting no.
11. Approval of *2007 CSBA Annual Education Conference and Trade Show Workshop Proposal - Robotics*  
Mr. Dohm made a motion to approve the submittal of the 2007 CSBA Annual Education and Trade Show Workshop Proposal – Robotics. Mr. Hailey seconded the motion. Motion carried 5/0.
12. Approval of *2007 CSBA Annual Education Conference and Trade Show Workshop Proposal – Curtail ADA Loss and Maximize Customer Satisfaction*  
Mr. Stody made a motion to approve the submittal of the 2007 CSBA Annual Education Conference and Trade Show Workshop Proposal – Curtail ADA Loss and Maximize Customer Satisfaction. Dr. Smith seconded the proposal. Motion carried 4/1, with Mrs. Rivera voting no.
13. Approval of *2007 CSBA Annual Education Conference and Trade Show Workshop Proposal - The PREAMBLE: Clarifying Intent in School Board Policies*  
Dr. Smith made a motion to approve 2007 CSBA Annual Education Conference and Trade Show Workshop Proposal – The PREAMBLE: Clarifying Intent in School Board Policies. Mr. Hailey seconded the motion. Motion carried 4/1, with Mrs. Rivera voting no.
14. Approval of *2007 CSBA Annual Education Conference and Trade Show Workshop Proposal - College Readiness: Expository Reading and Writing Course: Demonstrated Results; and, Working with Schools and Parents to Advance College and Workforce Readiness*  
Dr. Smith made a motion to approve 2007 CSBA Annual Education Conference and Trade Show Workshop Proposal – College Readiness:

Expository Reading and Writing Course: Demonstrated Results; and, Working with Schools and Parents to advance College and Workforce Readiness. Mr. Hailey seconded the motion. Motion carried 5/0.

Mrs. Rivera made a suggestion that in the future the Board review CSBA Workshop Proposals before the submission deadline. Mr. Stoodly suggested this topic be further discussed at the April 28, 2007 Board workshop.

15. **Sun Valley Charter High School Facilities Agreement for the 2007-08 School Year**

Mr. Schiff introduced Ms. Janet Mueller of Miller, Brown and Dannis. He reviewed the Sun Valley Charter High School (SVCHS) Facilities Agreement for the 2007-08 School Year and stated that the SVCHS will have priority over other organizations in our community that would be entitled to request use of the facilities. Mr. Schiff noted that this is a Facilities Agreement versus a Proposition 39 Agreement. Mr. Dohm stated that he did not agree with the statement “in lieu of Proposition 39” He stated that the district should offer this as a Proposition 39 agreement, not a Facilities Agreement. He stated that the spirit of the Civic Center Act does not deal with schools, but other organizations and that Proposition 39 deals with schools. Ms. Mueller stated that the intent of the law is to see if there were a Proposition 39 request, and we have met that for this year. Ms. Mueller will develop a statement to insert in the Facilities Agreement to the effect that the Agreement is non precedential and shall only be in existence for the 2007-08 school year. Mr. Hailey made a motion to approve Sun Valley Charter High School Facilities Agreement for the 2007-08 School Year. Dr. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried 4/1, with Mr. Dohm voting no.

**B. SPECIAL REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

1. **RTA Report- Mike Harrelson**  
.No report.
2. **CSEA Report – Peggy Tucker**  
.Stated that CSEA made \$965 at the Pancake Breakfast. This money is used for scholarships. Thanked everyone for their support.
3. **Student Board Member Reports**  
**Mt. Valley Academy – Hannah Carr**  
.Stated that graduation will be held June 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM at the Olive Peirce Performing Arts Center.  
.Noted that the yearbooks have been completed and students are waiting for the books to arrive.  
.Stated that the Drama Department will be performing *Little Women* on May 25 and 26, 2007 and June 1 and 2, 2007. The performances will be held at the OP PAC at 7:00 PM. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children.  
.Planning for a dinner-theatre event is underway and there is much anticipation for this end of year tradition.  
.Hosting a Children’s Night on May 1, 2007 for all students, alumni and family. This event is open to the public.  
.Stated that Freshman Orientation would be held on May 18, 2007 at 2:00 PM in the school’s multipurpose room.

.Noted that on May 9, 2007 middle and high school students will attend a field trip to the Old Globe Theater to enjoy the play *Two Trains Running*.  
.Stated that the WASC evaluation is currently underway.

**Ramona High School – Marcy Bunday**

.Stated that Class Elections were held and winners were announced on Friday, April 20, 2007.

.Held the RHS Showcase on Wednesday, April 25, 2007. It was a huge success. Clubs and organizations such as Drama, Dance Productions, Fusion, ASB, etc. were showcased.

.Held Faculty Appreciation Week, including a luncheon for the staff on Thursday.

.Stated that the first ever Iron Chef competition would be held Friday, April 27, 2007 from 6:30 PM – 9:00 PM in the RHS Food Trades building. The theme for the night is: “A Taste of New Orleans”.

4. **Staff Recognition – Susan Henderson and Casey McKibbin**

Dr. Annicharico introduced Susan Henderson. Ms. Henderson was recognized by San Diego State University as the Outstanding Graduate Student of the Year. She is receiving her Administrative Services Credential.

Dr. Annicharico introduced Casey McKibbin. Ms. McKibbin received the Outstanding Contributions to Student Activities, Area G Award, which was presented by California Association of Directors of Activities (CADA) at the 44<sup>th</sup> Annual State Convention in March.

5. **Presentation of the “Outstanding Student Activities Program Award” to Ramona High School’s Associated Student Body (ASB)**

Dr. Graeff introduced Ramona High School Principal Tony Newman. Mr. Newman introduced Ramona High School’s ASB Advisor Ms. Sandra Kurland and ASB President Nik Ray. Also introduced were ASB Vice President Keri Murphy, ASB Secretary Emilie Baby, and Parliamentarian Marcy Bunday. Ramona High School’s ASB was one of only thirty-nine schools out of over 800 in California to receive the Outstanding Student Activities Program Award”, awarded by the California Association of Directors of Activities (CADA).

6. **Presentation on District’s Diabetes and Obesity Prevention Program**

Dr. Graeff introduced District Nurse Pat Stalcup and guests Dr. Nancy Roy and Joanna Yanez of North County Health Services. Dr. Roy, Ms. Yanez and Mrs. Stalcup presented information on the Obesity and Diabetes Prevention Program. The Health Care Advisory Council (HCAC) of Ramona/Julian identified obesity as a major focus. Annually, elementary schools in California are required to collect the height and weight measurements of all fifth grade students. This year as part of a pilot program, Ramona Elementary fifth grade students were offered diabetes screening and body mass index (BMI) calculations. One of the goals of this program is to raise awareness and provide opportunities for improvement in this area. Next year, the HCAC would like to offer this program at Hanson Elementary and Mt. Woodson Elementary as well.

C. **OPEN DISCUSSION**

**Request to be Heard Card – Celeste Young**

Ms. Young stated she works with North Inland Community Prevention Program. She stated that NICPP would be hosting a Community Forum on Underage Drinking at Ramona Elementary School on June 7, 2007 from 6:15 PM – 8:45 PM.

**Superintendent's Report – Peter M. Schiff**

.Stated that in response to a letter he sent to Congressman Duncan Hunter, Congressman Hunter sent a letter to Mr. H. Dale Hall, Director, US Fish and Wildlife Services regarding the 40 acre project at Ramona High School.

.Announced that the Classroom of the Future Foundation and the SDCOE invited District Board members and staff to attend the 2007 Innovation in Education Awards Event/Dinner on May 24, 2007. Mr. Hailey expressed an interest in attending.

.Announced that the Ramona High School Auto Program received 3<sup>rd</sup> place at the 2007 National Automotive Technology Competition held in New York. Students Brandon Freeman, Nick Grassilli and Instructor Robert Grace attended the competition.

.Stated that Staff Appreciation Day would be held May 9, 2007 and developed a delivery schedule for Board and cabinet members.

D. **EDUCATION SERVICES**

1. **Report of Information on the Ramona High School Navy Junior ROTC Program**

Dr. Graeff introduced NJROTC instructors LCDR Ernst and CPO Richardson. LCDR Ernst and CPO Richardson presented an update of the NJROTC program and included information on their Booster organization, community sponsorships, briefings to parents, developing student knowledge of the program and recruiting efforts. Currently, there are 77 students enrolled in next year's program.

2. **Report on Pilot of Instructional Materials in Science, Grades K-8**

Dr. Graeff introduced Teacher-on-Assignment Pat Ravin. Mrs. Ravin presented information on the pilot of instructional materials in Grades K-8. She reviewed the process that will be used to select a program for adoption, timelines and next steps. The proposed dates of the pilot process are August 2007 through May 2008. A Board Workshop on instructional materials will be held in May 2008, if needed and the anticipated request for Board consideration is the June 2008 Board meeting.

3. **Report on the Recent Release of Local Statewide Ranks and the Academic Performance Index by the California Department of Education**

Dr. Graeff presented information that was recently released by the California Department of Education regarding the schools' Base Academic Performance Index, Statewide Ranks and Similar School Ranks. The results of these reports show that our schools continue to provide an excellent education for our students.

4. **Report on CAHSEE Census Data and Graduation Status for the Class of 2007**

Dr. Graeff introduced Dr. Pierce, Director of Categorical Programs and Assessment. Dr. Pierce presented information on how the senior class is doing in terms of the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE). Dr. Pierce also reviewed remediation efforts currently in place to assist students who still need to pass the CAHSEE in order to receive a high

school diploma. As of this date, there are seven credit current students that still need to pass the CAHSEE.

5. **Report on Graduation/Promotion Dates and Times**

Dr. Graeff presented graduation/promotion dates and times as follows.

<b>SCHOOL</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>
Mt. Valley Academy	June 12, 2007	5:00 PM @ PAC
Ramona Elementary	June 13, 2007	8:30 AM
Barnett Elementary	June 13, 2007	9:00 AM
James Dukes Elementary	June 13, 2007	9:00AM
Hanson Elementary	June 13, 2007	9:00 AM
Mt. Woodson Elementary	June 13, 2007	9:00 AM
Ramona Community School	June 13, 2007	10:30 AM
Montecito High School (includes Adult Education)	June 13, 2007	6:00 PM
Future Bound Independent Study	June 13, 2007	6:00 PM
Olive Peirce Middle School	June 14, 2007	9:00 AM RHS Stadium
Ramona High School	June 14, 2007	7:30 PM
Sun Valley Charter School	June 13, 2007	7:30 PM (Tentative) Location TBA

**E. HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT**

1. **Approval of Resolution No. 2006-07-12 to Teach Outside of Teaching Credential**

Mr. Hailey made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2006-07-12 to Teach Outside of Teaching Credential. Mrs. Rivera seconded the motion. Motion carried 5/0.

2. **Approval of Resolution No. 2006-07-13 Release of Temporary Certificated Employees for the 2007-2008 School Year**

Mr. Hailey made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2006-07-13 Release of Temporary Certificated Employees for the 2007-2008 School Year. Mrs. Rivera seconded the motion. Motion carried 5/0.

3. **Approval of Personnel**

Mr. Hailey made a motion to approve Personnel with addendum. Mrs. Rivera seconded the motion. Motion carried 5/0.

**F. ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

1. **Report on Progress in the Development of the Ramona Unified School District 2007-08 Budget**

Mr. Ostermann reviewed the development of the budget for the 2007-08 school year, including changes that have been made to the budget since the March Board meeting.

2. **Presentation of Scenarios for Refinancing of the 2004 Certificates of Participation**

Mr. Ostermann introduced Mr. Mark Farrell, of Piper Jaffray & Co. Mr. Farrell presented and reviewed scenarios 9, 10, 11 and 12 for the Refinancing of the 2004 Certificates of Participation (COP). Per Mr. Ostermann's request, the Board requested that a list of pros and cons be

developed for Scenario 9 and Scenario 12. This item will be agendaized for Board consideration at the May 10, 2007 Board meeting.

3. **Presentation of Proposed Resolution No. 2006-07-11 Authorizing the Issuance of 2007 Special Tax Refund Bonds of the Community Facilities District 92-1(CFD 92-1)**

The Board adjourned as the Ramona Unified School District Board of Education and reconvened as the Board of CFD 92-1 at 11:55 PM. Mr. Ostermann reviewed the draft of a resolution to refinance CFD 92-1, saving money over the life of the bonds. He stated that this would save \$167 annually to home owners. The Board adjourned as the Board of CFD 92-1 and reconvened as the Ramona Unified School District Board of Education at 11:58 PM.

4. **Approval of Increase in Fees for the Civic Center Program**

Mr. Hailey made a motion to approve Increase in Fees for the Civic Center Program. Dr. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried 5/0.

5. **Approval of Increase in Prices for the Food Services Program**

Mr. Hailey made a motion to approve Increase in Prices for the Food Services Program. Mr. Stody seconded the motion. Motion carried 5/0.

6. **Approval of Current Fee Schedules for Services Provided by the Extended Student Program and the Transportation Department**

Mr. Dohm made a motion to approve Current Fee Schedules for Services provided by the Extended Student Program and the Transportation Department. Mrs. Rivera seconded the motion. Motion carried 4/0/1, with Mr. Hailey abstaining.

**G. BOARD REPORTS**

**Luan Rivera**

.Planning to attend CSBA Workshop on Board Self-evaluation on May 1, 2007 at the San Diego County Office of Education.

.Attended the National School Boards Association conference. Gave Dr. Graeff information about a funding program for grants and awards for music.

.Attended Ramona High School's Economic Summit, which was a very exciting event. There was even a representative from the Federal Reserve in attendance.

.Suggested providing an opportunity for Board member's to make comments/compliments to staff members or members of the public during the meeting, i.e., while staff may still be in the audience, rather than during Board reports at the end of the meeting. Mr. Hailey suggested discussion of this item at the April 28, 2007 Board workshop.

**Rodger Dohm**

.Attended another Masters in Governance session and is on schedule to complete the series this year.

.Provided a workshop on grant writing to Sun Valley Council PTA.

**Bob Stody**

.Distributed information about Christopher Maricle, the CSBA Facilitator, who will present the April 28, 2007 Board Workshop.

**H. CORRESPONDENCE**

.Received literature regarding a CSBA Masters in Governance Graduate Seminar, which will be held July 5, 2007 in Monterey, CA.

.Received information from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Poway stake regarding the Crystal Apple Awards, which will be held on May 10, 2007.

.Received information regarding the BTSA Colloquium which will be held June 4, 2007.

**I. FUTURE BOARD MEETING DATES/LOCATIONS**

The next regularly scheduled board meeting is May 10, 2007 at 6:00 p.m. Closed Session/7:00 p.m. Open Session in the Board Room, 720 Ninth Street, Ramona, CA. A special board meeting will be held Saturday, April 28, 2007, at 8:45 AM.

**J. CLOSED SESSION (Continued)**

**K. ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Hailey made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:05 AM. Dr. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried 5/0.

SUBMITTED BY:

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Peter M. Schiff, Superintendent of Schools

APPROVED BY:

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Robert Hailey, Clerk