



Board Meeting Agenda (Wednesday, February 7, 2018)

Members present

Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

1. Opening Items

1.01 Call To Order at 5:03 p.m.

1.02 Public Comment on Closed Session Agenda
There were not comments.

2. Closed Session

2.01 Closed Session Agenda (Ms. Gonzales)
Adjourned to Closed Session at 5:04 p.m.

3. Student Recognition - 6:00 PM

3.01 Recognition of the Martin Luther King, Jr., Junior High School Boys Dream Step Team (Ms. Stevenson)

The recently formE4D Boys Step Team showcased their inspiring routines for the Board and audience, accompanied by their 6th grade teacher, Mr. Marcus Logan. They took photos and received certificates of acknowledgement from the Board.

3.02 Recognition of the Spoken Word Contest Winners (Dr. Schulze)

The Board recognized the Spoken Word Contest winner from the January 12 Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration. Two of students were present to perform their award winning speeches: Emerald Phuangri, from Rancho Medanos Elementary and Grateful Pankito, from Pittsburg High School. The students were well received and took photos with the Board.

4. Recall to Open Session - 6:30 PM

4.01 Recall to Open Session at 6:31 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

4.02 Agenda Reorganization
None.

5. Closed Session Report / Action

5.01 Personnel Action Report, (Ms. Gonzales)

Ms. Gonzales reported that the Personnel Actions were approved as presented.

Motion by Laura Canciamilla, second by Duane Smith.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

The Board voted to deny an unpaid personal leave of absence for employee #5260.

Motion by Duane Smith, second by Joseph Arenivar.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Ms. Gonzales re-read the announcement for Mr. Larry Oshodi, appointed as Director of Human Resources at the January 24th board meeting. Mr. Oshodi was present to address the Board, he expressed appreciation for the opportunity and said that he is looking forward to joining the great work already being done in Pittsburg.

5.02 Litigation – No action taken.

6. Comments

6.01 Public Comments: Items Not on the Agenda

Allan Evans Jr. - thanked the Board for the basketball team at Black Diamond High School. Some of the students are improving their grade point average because of their desire to stay on the team, it's a great motivator. The team has had some issues getting a bus for their sporting events, he would like to get some help with that issue. On December 11th he had an event to celebrate diversity. He recited a poem that he shared at the diversity event called "Happy New Year".

6.02 Student Board Member Comments (Ms. Elam)

- Last Thursday we had Clubs Carnival, not everyone participated but it was a good event with a lots good food.
- Also had the 8th grade open house, where a select group of seniors presented slides for the parents and the 3th graders on what they would need getting started and activities available to them.
- This past week we played music in the quad trying to motivate students to get involved, and collaborated with the Black Student Union for Black History Month. The BSU will be scheduling a talent show – not sure of the date yet.
- Leadership is preparing for Valentine's Day and spirit week

6.03 Superintendent Comments (Dr. Schulze)

- As Ms. Elam stated, It is Black History Month and we've had some wonderful performance this evening, and more activities are taking place during the month at all of our schools.
- We are also celebrating Counselor Appreciation Week, and we want to thank all of our Counselors for the wonderful work they do. A special shot-out to our junior high counseling staff, they did a presentation at the CASC Conference in Berkeley on Monday and shared some of the activities that they put together for our 8th graders as they transition to high school.
- I also want to remind everyone that we will have a Community Budget meeting on Monday, February 12th at 6:00 pm in the Little Theater. Pittsburg community members and families are welcome to come learn how budgets work, funding sources, where money is spent, and budget restrictions. As part of our LCAP process we want to make sure the community has all the information they needs on how our budget works.

6.04 Board Member Comments (Trustees)

Mr. Smith - Visited Hillview Jr. High - they had an award assembly to recognize students with a 3.0 GPA or higher; visited some classes and spent time with the Special Ed team learning how they have implemented some of the new ideas from the Stetson Report. Also learned how they are implementing a plan to move students back into the general Ed classes. Also how they are working in collaboration with General Ed teachers and specialists by subjects. I attended the Contra Costa County Office of Ed Budget Review meeting along with Dr. Canciamilla; and had a great time bowling with our Pitt Unity team at the bowling event.

Mr. Woolridge - Our next Curriculum Subcommittee meeting is scheduled for February 20th at 5:00 pm. Dr. Schulze, Dr. Canciamilla and I attended a government panel that included Supervisor Federal Glover, City Staff and others. We were able to answer questions from student about what we do for a living, our priorities, and our pressing issues. I did a few site visits: PHS classrooms where I talked with teachers and went to Spanish class, visited the Counseling Career Center and saw a lot of our staff in action. I enjoyed visiting room 19 at Black Diamond High School. I'm wondering if they can get the supplemental textbook materials that the other classes are getting.

Dr. Canciamilla - On Monday January 29th I met with our PEA President, Tammy Carr. She is working her way to each of the board members getting to know us better in an informal setting. On Tuesday, January 30th I went to the Contra Costa County Office of Education Budget meeting (as mentioned earlier). Vernon Miller and Dennis Myers was there to give a presentation on the state budget and what the Governor has presented. Today we sat on the government panel at Pittsburg High and talked about civic engagement, it was thrilling to see the students, hear their questions, and I was happy that the teacher did a real life application exercise.

Mr. Woolridge – It's always interesting to meet and talk with the teachers. Met with Nicole from Los Medanos just before the last board meeting. Of my favorite things about PEA is getting to know them better as individuals.

7. Information / Reports / Discussion

7.01 Overnight Field Trip - Project Symposium Monterey Bay Aquarium, April 28-29, 2018 Martin Luther King, Jr., JHS (Ms. Stevenson)

Mr. Molina – this overnight trip to Monterey Bay Aquarium is the result of an Environmental Club project to reduce the use of plastic bottles on campus. This is a partnership with the Monterey Bay Aquarium where students will come together to share the results.

7.02 Overnight Field Trip - PHS Senior Grad Night to Universal Studios, May 31-June 1, 2018 (Mr. Whitmire)

Ms. Spinnato - this is the annual overnight trip for seniors. The students voted to go to Universal Studios. Approximately 91 student have signed up to go thus far.

Dr. Canciamilla was reminded of a conversation about the cost and finding something less expensive so more students can go. Ms. Spinnato explained that a lot of students are just not interested in going on the overnight trip. Mr. Smith confirmed that his son also choose not to go on the overnight trip during his high school year.

7.03 Overnight Field Trip - Every 15 Minutes Program for Pittsburg High School March 13-14, 2018 (Mr. Whitmire)

On March 13 and 14 staff will host the 3rd annual "Every 15 Minutes" program along with the Pittsburg Police Department. This is an exercise in alcohol and drug awareness that highlights the dangers of driving while under the

influence. The Police Department coordinates most of the planning for this event and obtains grant funds to facilitate the project.

7.04 Out of State Travel - Heartland Training Conference in Nashville, TN April 10-12, 2018 (Ms. Nava)

Ms. Nava attend this conference along with staff last year. This conference provides training on the Child Nutrition software for processing meal applications, point of sale, data management, and reimbursement claims. The training provides 1 on 1 time with the programmers and the latest technology updates. This is our 2nd year using the new software.

7.05 Add Services Agreement with McCracken and Woodman for Highlands Elementary School HVAC Equipment Replacement Project (Mr. Holtslander)

Alan Glass – the district has been in the planning stages of replacing the HVAC system at Highlands Elementary. The initial plans were pushed back from DSA so we are making changes to bring things up to code. This agreement for additional services will cover the work needed to integrate the system.

7.06 Presentation Early Literacy Initiative Update (Ms. Velasco and Ms. Pineda)

Ms. Velasco and Ms. Pineda presented the update on the early literacy initiative. The goal of early literacy in PUSD is that all students are reading at benchmark by the end of third grade. The district currently has 7 Early Literacy Coaches. All PUSD students are tested in kindergarten and first grade, progress is regularly monitored, with increasing complexity as the students' progress. Some next steps include: develop understanding of text complexity for 2-3rd grades; professional development on reading comprehension strategies in grades k-3; explore IDEL for Dual Immersion classrooms; continue parent workshops with our Parent Liaisons.

7.07 Contract - DGC Strategies - Development Management Services for Workforce Housing Project (Mr. Palacios)

Mr. Palacios – we are working through the planning process with the City of Pittsburg on this project. This is a new type of project for our district so we are working with a consultant who has worked with us in the past. This is a request to have DGC Strategies on retainer to work with our District on the project.

7.08 Update Board Policy 3510 Green School Operations and Sustainability (Mr. Palacios)

Mr. Glass – our district is excellent in green practices but we don't have a board policy that states our view on sustainability. We do what we do as 2nd nature, which is excellent; but we will now have a policy in place to state the importance green practices.

Dr. Canciamilla would like to recommend that the verbiage that was developed about the need, the goals, and the cycle of inquiry - be added to the policy language. Would like for this to be an institutionalized language.

7.09 CSBA Resolution Calling for Full and Fair Funding of California Public Schools (Mr. Woolridge)

Mr. Woolridge - would like to change the signature line to reflect 2 signatures and include the Superintendent.

Dr. Canciamilla mentioned that she is happy to see the resolution coming to the Board, the topic came up at the CCC School Boards Association meeting and there will be a strong legislative move to push for full funding.

7.10 The Board will share information from their attendance at the Annual CSBA Conference (Dr. Schulze)

Dr. Canciamilla was able to get some good information and wanted to share 3 programs. 1) Life Track Services - this is a survey program where you can survey on lots of various topics including graduate follow-up. She previously shared this information with the Board and included a list of districts that were already using the service. Would like to see the Curriculum subcommittee dig into this as one of the ways to get data and gauge the level of satisfaction. 2) The Acellus - we already have licenses for this and could likely get some extended use and other resources to help our students. 3) Ted Talks – headed a woman talk about how the use of Ted Talks Clubs got the students energized and engaged in doing the talks.

Mr. Miller – was excited to attend the Golden Bell Awards, lots of groups were there and good information was shared. The awards brought our team together. Also had the opportunity to see some of the new buses in the vendor area, and was happy to see that PUSD is already using those new buses with seat belts. Our new classrooms were also showcased at CSBA, felt very proud to know that we are on the front end of technology.

Mr. Woolridge – one of the highlights was being there to present with our group about the safe haven resolution, and to talk with administrators and students trustees after the session. Also the Human Resources presentation that he attended with Dr. Canciamilla and some of the potential alterations for credentialing that will be forthcoming in light of the teacher shortage, also hearing about some of the strategies that we can do as a district.

Mr. Smith – it interesting to hear some of the changes on the California School Dashboard and being able to retain the information after initially hearing them at our board meeting. They talked about the process being new and that it will take time to get use to the changes. They discussed about how the district should have a public meeting as a way of engaging the community and talk about the area where we did not meet our goal. I attended a session on social emotional needs of students: social media being an issue, low income another issue, and not having a meal being an issue. There was a group that provided some good information for counseling, the safe haven presentation was great and having our district share that it was done in collaboration with the Police Department was a plus. Went to a

session on ethnic studies and academic success for students of color where they hired a professor to go in-depth into various cultures. Also one of the general session that stood out was the one on Westmore about a man who had a familiar name, but made very different life choices. The book title was "The Other Westmore.

Mr. Arenivar - also attended the Dashboard session, it was good to get the refresher and they described what the various colors meant. Also attended a cable talk on Special Ed, there were lots of people interested in that one – and it would have been better to have a classroom for that session.

Ms. Elam - the student program talked about the power student reps have and don't have. Everyone seemed to have a problem of not being heard. Students talked about developing a council of students to discuss issues and concerns.

8. Consent Items

Minutes: 8.01 Minutes - (Dr. Schulze)

Staff recommends Board approval of the January 24, 2018 board minutes

Comments: Mr. Smith was pleased to see that the Student Board Member vote was recorded along with the Board vote.

8.02 Overnight Field Trip to Southern California for the Puente Program at Pittsburg High School (Mr. Whitmire)

Staff recommends the Board approval of the overnight field trip to Southern California for the Puente Program at Pittsburg High School.

8.03 Disposal of Obsolete Equipment (Mr. Belasco)

Staff recommends that the Board approve the disposal of obsolete and/or surplus equipment

Comments: Mr. Smith – for future items it would be helpful to include the date it was discussed at a previous board meeting.

8.04 PROCEDURAL: Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the consent agenda in accordance with the Recommended Action of each item.

Motion by Joseph Arenivar, second by George Miller.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Kelsey Elam – Student Board Member

9. Action Items (Most action items have previously come before the Board as information and discussed at a previous meeting).

9.01 Facility Rental Fee Schedule for Facilitron system (Mr. Palacios)

Staff recommends that the Board approve the Facility Rental Fee Schedule from Facilitron system.

Motion by Joseph Arenivar, second by Kelsey Elam – Student, confirmed by George Miller.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Kelsey Elam – Student Board Member

9.02 Board Resolutions - Consideration of Board Sponsorship (Mr. Woolridge)

Mr. Woolridge – would like to give the board members and the student an opportunity to sponsor a resolution.

Mr. Smith - can we just put all board members on each resolution since we agree as a group? Ms. Jones – we can include all board members and the student where the vote is recorded.

Motion by Duane Smith, second by Kelsey Elam – Student, confirmed by Laura Canciamilla.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Kelsey Elam - Student Board Member

9.03 Acceptance of Donations from various vendors to Stoneman Elementary School (Mr. Dunn)

Staff recommends that the Board accept matching fund donation checks from PGE \$480.00 and Wells Fargo \$50.00 for general classroom materials and supplies.

Motion by George Miller, second by Kelsey Elam – Student, confirmed by Laura Canciamilla.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Kelsey Elam - Student Board Member

9.04 Acceptance of Donation for the Pittsburg High School Robotics Team (Mr. Whitmire)

Staff recommends that the Board accept the donation of \$5,000.00 from various local businesses to support the Pittsburg High School Robotics Team.

Motion by Laura Canciamilla, second by Duane Smith.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Kelsey Elam - Student Board Member

9.05 Acceptance of Donation to Hillview Jr. High from Mr. Bob Bagwell and Mr. John Lujan, on behalf of the V.F.W. (Veterans of Foreign War Post 1898). (Ms. Leber)

Staff recommends that the Board accepts a donation of \$600.00 to the student body at Hillview from Mr. Bob Bagwell and Mr. John Lujan, on behalf of the V.F.W. (Veterans of Foreign War Post 1898).

Motion by Joseph Arenivar, second by Laura Canciamilla.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Kelsey Elam - Student Board Member

9.06 Acceptance of Donation from California Association of Latino Superintendents & Administrators (CALSA) (Mr. Palacios)

Staff recommends that the Board accept the Scholarship Donation of \$1,000.00 from CALSA.

Motion by Duane Smith, second by Kelsey Elam – Student, confirmed by Laura Canciamilla.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Duane Smith, George Miller, De'Shawn Woolridge, Laura Canciamilla, Joseph Arenivar

Yea: Kelsey Elam - Student Board Member

10. Communications

10.01 Comments from the Public, Community Organizations, Employee Representatives

There were no comments.

11. Board Requests

Information Requests:

Mr. Smith – shared that he visited the County Office of Ed and noticed the big posters all along their walls that displayed their goals and the roles of the governance team. It was good to see the information available for the public to read; something that our district should consider. Did Black Diamond High School get the transportation that the needed? Mr. Palacios confirmed that he dealt with the issue.

Dr. Canciamilla – the board request item about proportions and students involved in clubs – would like to get that information and have the item stay on the request sheet.

Agenda Requests:

Dr. Canciamilla – For Curriculum Subcommittee Agenda: follow-up on the surveys, Acellus and the Ted Talks.

Woolridge – For Curriculum Subcommittee Agenda: what does literacy look like at the secondary level?

Jan 10th request about recognition for Site Council, etc. – want to put an information item on the next board agenda – and get an update on who is serving on those committee (Site Council, ELAC, DELAC) in order to show board appreciation.

12. Next Board Meeting / Future Events / Adjournment

12.01 Next Regular Board Meeting - February 21, 2018

Meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

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(Board adopted: 02/21/18)