



Happy Valley Elementary School District
Board of Trustees

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

December 13, 2023

Happy Valley Elementary Conference Room – Closed Session – 5:00 p.m.

Happy Valley Elementary School Cafeteria – Open Session - 6:00 p.m.

17480 Palm Avenue, Anderson, CA 96007

OPEN SESSION – 5:00 PM Elementary Conference Room

1.0 Call to Order @ 5:02 p.m.

2.0 Roll Call – Nate Echols, Jodi Shearman, Carla Perry, Cheryl Best – Present
Billy Soksoda - Absent

3.0 Public Comment on Closed Session

The public is invited to address the Board regarding items that are listed under the closed session agenda. Speakers are limited to three minutes each. The Board is not allowed under law to act on matters that are not on the Agenda.

3.1 Public Comment Session Opened @ 5:03 p.m.

3.2 Person wishing to address the Board – Tim Drury and Gina Murphy addressed the board regarding the Superintendent position and asked them to consider the following options when making their decision on how to proceed: hire an interim vs. permanent for the remainder of the year; interim consultant model; splitting the Superintendent/Principal duties between the two of them. They have spoke with several other educators who are willing to help/guide them if this option is chosen.

3.3 Public Comment Session Closed @ 5:21 p.m.

On a motion by Jodi Shearman, seconded by Cheryl Best, the board voted 4-0 to adjourn Open Session and convene Closed Session at 5:21 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION - 5:05 PM Elementary Conference Room

4.0 Closed Session

4.1 Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal Release (§54957)

4.2 Public Employee Appointment (§54957) Title: Interim Superintendent

5.0 Adjourn Closed Session and Convene Open Session

On a motion by Cheryl Best, seconded by Jodi Shearman, the board voted 4-0 to adjourn Closed Session and convene Open Session at 6:05 p.m.

OPEN SESSION – 6:00 PM Elementary Cafeteria

6.0 Call to Order at 6:07 p.m.

7.0 Pledge of Allegiance – Led by Nate Echols

8.0 Report from Closed Session

The board gave Nate Echols, Board President, direction to contact a candidate for the Interim Superintendent position and offer a contract.

On a motion by, Jodi Shearman, seconded by Carla Perry, the board voted 4-0 to approve the offer of an Interim Superintendent contract.

9.0 Approval of Agenda –

Nate Echols pointed out there were two #21.0 items on the agenda instead of #21.0 and #22.0. He asked that the agenda be amended to reflect the correct numbering.

On a motion by Carla Perry, seconded by Jodi Shearman, the board voted 4-0 to approve the amended agenda.

10.0 Presentation – None

11.0 Information/Discussion Items

11.1 Community/Staff/District (suggested 2 minutes maximum per presenter)

- a) Community – None
- b) Certificated Staff – None
- c) Classified Staff – None
- d) Board Members – Cheryl Best reported the 4-H group went Christmas Caroling through Happy Valley neighborhoods with the fire department leading the way; the students also participated in the Redding Lighted Christmas Parade and they were able to adopt four families for Christmas including Christmas trees that were acquired with the help of Sandi Garcia.
- e) Primary Site Update – Report was not available at the time of printing
- f) Elementary Site Update – Report was not available at the time of printing

12.0 Communications to the Board – STSIG – Annual Certification Regarding Workers' Compensation

13.0 Public Comment – Public Session Items not on the agenda, but within the jurisdiction of this body, may be addressed at this time or be submitted to the Superintendent in writing for Board consideration as an agenda item. Items not on the agenda are restricted in response and action by the Board and its members. A three-minute limit is set for each speaker on all items. The total time for public input on each item is limited to 20 minutes (Government Code 54952). In order to protect the rights of all involved, complaints about employees should be addressed through the District complaint process. Speaking about a personnel issue at a Board meeting

may prevent the Board from being able to act on it. Please see an administrator to initiate the complaint process.

13.1 Public Comment Session Opened @ 6:19 p.m.

13.2 Items on the Agenda – None

13.3 Items not on the Agenda – Joey Weekley thanked the board for listening to staff members and their concerns. He said he has previously served on a board and he understands that sometimes hard decisions need to be made.

Mr. Gyves asked the board to add a discussion item to the next board agenda to discuss vaccine requirements. Jodi Shearman asked that it be added to the January board meeting as a discussion/action item.

Ivy Spencer commended the board for standing up for the community and the staff members of the district in regards to recent changes that have been made.

13.4 Public Comment Session Closed @ 6:25 p.m.

14.0 Consent Agenda - Consent Agenda items are expected to be routine and non-controversial. They will be acted upon by the Board at one time without discussion. **Board Members may request that an item be removed from the Consent Agenda for later discussion.**

14.1 Approval of Minutes for Regular Board Meeting November 1, 2023; Special Board Meetings: November 9, 16 & 30, 2023

14.2 Approval of Warrants Oct. 27 – Dec. 8, 2023

On a motion by Cheryl Best, seconded by Carla Perry, the board voted 4-0 to approve the Consent Agenda.

15.0 Personnel:

15.1 Approve Personnel Action Report

On a motion by Cheryl Best, seconded by Jodi Shearman, the board voted 4-0 to approve the the Personnel Action Report.

16.0 Discussion/Action Items

16.1 Discussion/Action: Approve 2023/24 First Interim Budget

Roxanne Voorhees gave an overview of the First Interim Budget and asked the board to certify with a positive certification.

On a motion by Carla Perry, seconded by Nate Echols, the board voted 4-0 to approve the First Interim Budget with a Positive Certification.

16.2 Discussion/Action: Approve 2022/23 Developer Fees Report

On a motion by Jodi Shearman, seconded by Cheryl Best, the board voted 4-0 to approve the 2022/23 Developer Fees Report.

16.3 Discussion/Action: Approve Resolution #24-06 – Termination of Bus Barn Lease & Termination Agreement

On a motion by Carla Perry, seconded by Cheryl Best, the board voted 4-0 to approve Resolution #24-06.

16.4 Discussion/Action: Approve Updated ELOP Plan

Roxanne Voorhees explained to the board the plan will cover anything outside of school hours including Summer School, extended learning during scheduled breaks, outside vendors for ELOP days, and curriculum to name a few.

The board had fiscal questions and therefore wanted to wait to approve the updated plan until they could get answers.

On a motion by Carla Perry, seconded by Cheryl Best, the board voted 4-0 to table the Updated ELOP Plan to January.

16.5 Discussion/Action: Approve LOA (w/Teamsters) Position Name & Range Change

On a motion by Jodi Shearman, seconded by Cheryl Best, the board voted 4-0 to approve the Approve LOA (w/Teamsters) Position Name & Range Change.

17.0 Superintendent Update – None

18.0 Business Manager Update – Roxanne Voorhees reported the following: on November 7th the Tk/K facilities team toured other schools that are using the same building design that Happy Valley will be using for the new facilities project; PACE Engineering has completed the survey of the area that will be used for the project; meetings with the architect will be held weekly to keep up to date on the progress of the facility construction.

19.0 Enrollment Update as of December 8, 2023 – 497 Students including Community Day School and Independent Study

20.0 Next Meetings

January 2024 (Pending based on Organizational Meeting in December)

Board Meeting Times:

- 5:00 p.m. – 5:05 p.m. – Open Session – Community Comments on Closed Session – Elem. Conf. Room
- 5:05 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. – Closed Session – Elementary School Conference Room
- 6:00 p.m. – Open Session – Regular Board Meeting – Elementary Cafeteria

21.0 **ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING:**

A. Nomination/Election of Officers

Jodi Shearman nominates Nate Echols for Board President. Carla Perry seconds the nomination. By a vote of 4-0, the board approves Nate Echols as Board President.

Cheryl Frazer nominates Jodi Shearman for Board Vice-President. Carla Perry seconds the nomination. By a vote of 4-0, the board approves Jodi Shearman as Board Vice-President.

Jodi Shearman nominates Cheryl Frazer for Board Clerk. Nate Echols seconds the nomination. By a vote of 4-0, the board approves Cheryl Frazer as Board Clerk.

B. Board Meeting Date, Time, and Place – Approve Resolution #24-07 Fixing Date, Time, Location of Regular Meetings

On a motion by Jodi Shearman, seconded by Cheryl Best, the board voted 4-0 to approve Resolution #24-07 Fixing the Date, Time, and Location of Regular Meetings as follows: Meetings to be held the second Wednesday of each month, at 6:00 p.m. in the Elementary School cafeteria with the exception of the January Board Meeting which will be held on Wednesday January 17th, and the June meetings which will be held on June 25th and June 28th.

C. Date Change for February 2024 Board Meeting – If any day in the third week of the month is selected as a board meeting day in Item B, the February Board Meeting would fall during President’s week

This will not apply since the board meetings were changed from the first Wednesday of the month to the second Wednesday of the month.

22.0 Adjourn Open Session

On a motion by Cheryl Best, seconded by Jodi Shearman, the board voted 4-0 to adjourn open session @ 7:05 p.m.

Approved January 17, 2024

Clerk of the Board