

VISTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF A REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

**THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2013**  
**FOOTHILL-OAK ELEMENTARY**  
**MULTIPURPOSE BUILDING**  
**1370 OAK DRIVE**  
**VISTA, CA 92084**

**Board Members Present**

R. Elizabeth Jaka, President  
Angela D. Chunka, Vice President  
Carol Weise Herrera, Clerk  
Rich Alderson, Member  
Jim Gibson, Member

**Staff Members Present**

Dr. Devin Vodicka, Superintendent of Schools  
Jeanie Luckey, Deputy Superintendent  
Myrna Vallely, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources  
Donna Caperton, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services  
Raylene Veloz, Recording Secretary

**Student Board Members Present**

Alessandro Sacco, Rancho Buena Vista High  
Rachel Menkes, Vista High  
Santiago Herrera, Alta Vista High  
Wells Rada, General Murray  
Devon St. John, General Murray (Alternate)  
Alex Chambers, Mission Vista High

**OPEN SESSION/CALL TO ORDER/ROLL  
CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Superintendent Vodicka.

**CLOSED SESSION**

The Board **approved by unanimous vote to give notice of unprofessional conduct for Certificated Employee #07-201305.**

The Board **approved by unanimous vote the resignation agreement and release for Certificated Employee #06-201305.**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Member Jaka stated Item **18.G will be pulled from the agenda. The state will provide funding to Adult Education.**

**MOTION**

**Member Chunka moved to approve the agenda with modifications, seconded by Member Alderson. All in favor (including student Board members) unanimously passed.**

**PRESENTATION BY COMMUNITY  
MEMBERS**

**Item 5.A. Items Not on the Agenda/Items for Future Discussion**

Community Member **Jill Parvin** shared concerns about Mission Vista High School not having a proper sign. Make a pledge to students that they have a sign. There is a sign at Vista High and Rancho Buena Vista.

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**Joan Brubaker** shared MVHS should have a proper sign. The sign can call attention to the school and the public will be able to see there is a school behind the road to signify it's a magnet school. It could be an advertisement for the school.

Dr. Vodicka added we are working on different design options. Agreed the school needs a sign. We will end up with a sign that reflects the quality of the school.

**David Hoke** works for an energy solutions company. He shared what his company offers and how they can save districts on their energy costs. Mr. Hoke is visiting surrounding districts sharing information.

### **District Announcements – Dr. Vodicka**

Dr. Vodicka shared the following information:

**A moment of silence was held for first grade student Isaac Nutter** who recently passed away at Grapevine Elementary. His teacher shared Isaac was a happy joyful student who always had a big smile.

**Received good news for Adult Education funding.** Dr. Vodicka gave a brief update. He stated layoff notices given on May 9, 2013 for Adult Ed teachers will be rescinded. Teachers will receive something in the mail. Item 18G was also pulled from the layoff notices. Shared information on the future funding of Adult Ed.

Congratulated **Meg Jacobsen the new principal of Vista Magnet. Principal Steve Riehle will be retiring as principal from Rancho Minerva.**

Two schools received the **California Distinguished Schools Award. Dr. Linda Dawson from SIATech and Bob Hampton from Guajome Park Academy.** Both thanked the Board for their support and partnership.

**Recognition of student board members and presentation of plaques:**  
**Rachel Menkes, Vista High, Alessandro Sacco, Rancho Buena Vista, Santiago Herrera, Alta Vista, Alexander Chambers, Mission Vista, Wells Rada, General Murray and Devon St. John alternate from Murray High.**

### **Student Board Member Reports**

**Student Board member Alessandro Sacco from Rancho Buena Vista** shared information about RBV and the principals motto "*go to class don't be late and graduate.*" They welcomed a new assistant principal Heather Golly who has made a great impact on students' lives. Shared information on the programs offered for students to help them excel in their academic growth. Their Academic Performance Index (API) score grew by 6 points. Mr. Sacco shared RBV achievements in sports and those that reached the California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) level/playoffs. RBV won the \$25,000. scholarship from Clorox. Mr. Sacco shared further supports/programs in place at RBV to help students succeed.

**Vista High School, Rachel Menkes** shared the administrative changes to the school a new principal and two new assistant principals. They have over 30 Honor Advance Placement and International Baccalaureate (IB) courses students can take. 26 students will graduate as full IB candidates in 2013 and 33 students are on track to graduate as full IB students in 2014. The boys' Water Polo Team won CIF this year and their baseball team ranked sixth in the nation. 755 students recently enrolled in the Regional Occupational Program. Their Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) accreditation went very well. Shared the other programs and school events students participated in.

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**Murray High School, Wells Rada** shared their recent visit of the WASC Committee. They were impressed with the school and how students are working. Shared the two blood drives the school organized and the pints of blood donated. They are very proud of their contributions to the community. Shared information about after school clubs held and how students have made a difference in the community.

### **Item 8.A. Del Norte Council PTA Annual Report**

**President Colleen Hervey** shared the exciting happenings of PTA. They oversee 24 schools and are one of the largest councils in San Diego and Imperial County. They have over 4,000 members. Shared the valuable programs they support at the schools. They provide scholarships, classroom supplies and shared other areas of support provided to schools. During teacher appreciation week they hold luncheons for the teachers at each school site. They are the largest group of volunteers in our nation that advocate for children. Ms. Hervey shared what PTA has done to support student's homelessness, teen parents and various fundraisers held to benefit students. Their volunteer hours this year will reach 32,000. The parents and the district are working together on behalf of our students. A special thanks to Dr. Vodicka for his support of parents, collaboration and his open leadership.

### **Item 8.B. VTA Report**

**Vice President of VTA JB Barton** shared there are 12 more school days, senior graduations and then schools will be off. Mr. Barton stated concerns regarding the reduction of aides in special education classes. With that loss it will be hard to meet the needs of students. Shared what will happen to special ed classes and the harm to students and teachers. What should we do in the best interest of the students? Due to the Governors May revise all Adult Education teachers pink slips have been rescinded thank you. Mr. Barton shared the change of elementary teachers prep time. The District will see an increase in revenue and the Board will have more control for programs and funding. Enjoy your summer!

### **Item 8.C. CSEA Report**

**CSEA President Michelle Bell** gave kudos to Brock Smith for his innovation in feeding our kids. The food has increased in quality. Thanked Dr. Vodicka and his team and shared the value of employees. Thanked Matt Doyle and Steve Davis for including Ms. Bell and Alicia Evilsizer to help collaborate with the Special Ed Task Force. Next week is Classified Employee Week. Thanked all classified employees and shared their value. Ms. Bell acknowledged Mark Schiller and Catherine Turner CSEA Employees of the Year. She shared further concerns of the safety of buses, the white fleet and the number of mechanics we have on hand to maintain them. Have a nice summer!

### **Item 8.D. DELAC.**

**The following recommendations by DELAC were shared:**

**Responsibility #2 School Needs Assessments:** District Representative Dr. Gilberto Barrios reviewed the School Needs Assessment with DELAC members. He also reminded members to meet with their ELAC committees to review the results of the survey in order to share the top three needs at their school site with DELAC.

**Feedback:** DELAC members recommend that district schools should use incentives for students in order to get more survey responses from parents.

**Feedback:** DELAC members recommend that school Board members visit every school site at least once a year.

**Responsibility #4:** Annual Language Census (R-30): District Representative Jose Leon reviewed the Annual Language Census.

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**Feedback:** Based on Annual Census Report, DELAC members recommend that English Learners be the least affected during the budget cuts.

**Up Coming Agenda Items:**

The next DELAC meeting will be held on **Monday, May 20, 2013.**

**5 minute break**

**Item 9.A. Staff/Committee Reports**

**DELAC Recommendations**

**Anne Green, Coordinator of Curriculum and Instruction** shared information on recommendations, actions taken and progress made to date. Shared the following information:

- ✓ **Recommendation 1:** Master Plan for English Learners. Update plan and accompanying documents. An advisory committee will be created to convene quarterly to monitor and revise Master Plan.
- ✓ **Recommendation 2:** Research bilingual programs occurring locally in San Diego County. Structure and programs available.
- ✓ **Recommendation 3:** Look at expanding Encuentros and Hermanitas to secondary sites. Introduced Encuentros and Hermanitas staff and directors.
- ✓ **Recommendation 4:** Monitor reclassified students and the CELDT test. Help students to reclassify. Several initiatives will be started. Jump Start grades 3 and 5 and CELDT Bootcamp: grades 6-12. Possible Summer Reading Program.
- ✓ **Recommendation 5:** Curriculum and Instruction department to meet with every site administration team in the fall to ensure establishment of English Language Advisory Committee and inclusion in School Site Council.
- ✓ **Recommendation 6:** Report at DELAC meeting in October 2013 report at site ELAC meeting re: data detailing the percentage of students who have reclassified at each school site.
- ✓ **Recommendation 7:** Schedule reports on school safety at DELAC and ELAC meetings. Will share tutoring programs in the District.

**Board Discussion: Member Chunka** shared the value of the dual immersion program. **Member Herrera** thanked Dr. Doyle for the master plan. Shared the value of the Encuentros Program which helps boys stay in school and graduate instead of dropping out. It has been an invaluable source for providing good leadership. We should have a dual immersion program here. **Member Gibson** added a program should not be based on your race, heritage or background. Programs should be open for all students not limited. **Dr. Vodicka** stated the DELAC recommendations presented informs parents that we are listening to their requests. We have received their input and are being responsive. Commended Ms. Green for her report. (*Presentation posted on District website*)

**5 minute break**

**B. Frame Work for the Future Roles and Responsibilities**

**Dr. Devin Vodicka** shared the following information:

- ✓ Ideal Framework, Framework for the Future, Goals
- ✓ Informal Networks: How Do We Get There
  - Organize schools into clusters
  - Organize cross-functional clusters of district managers
  - What is the role of these cluster groups?
- ✓ Formal Networks
- ✓ **Modest Changes for 2013-14**
  - Reframe Human Resources department to Human Relations
  - Create an Information & Innovation Department
  - Elevate four positions: Coordinator to Director (2), Resource Teacher to Coordinator, and Director to Executive Director
  - Add a receptionist position
- ✓ Fiscal Impact

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- ✓ **Ambitious Future Steps:**
  - Add Assistant Superintendent of Information and Innovation (in house employees)
- ✓ More Ambitious Future Steps: Instruction, Human Relations and Business Services (*presentation posted on District website*)

**Board Discussion:** **Member Gibson** stated I think this is great. We need a fresh approach. **Member Alderson** asked about clusters and how they would be organized. Dr. Vodicka shared information. Principals will discuss. **Member Chunka** liked the Information & Innovation Department and the Human resources transition to Human Relations. **Member Alderson** shared concerns about principal support and their feedback. **Member Jaka** likes the idea of clusters, the Human Relations piece and the soft start first of the Information and Innovation department is a good way to build. Dr. Vodicka stated specifics will be brought back in June.

### **C. May Revise**

**Donna Caperton, Assistant Superintendent** of Business Services shared the following information on the May Revise:

- ✓ Brief explanation of cash received by the State
- ✓ Changes since January 2013
- ✓ K-12 education – General Fund revenues/Additional dollars
- ✓ Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF)/ Chart on LCFF Calculation at full implementation in 2019-20
- ✓ LCFF Changes/Requirements and Accountability
- ✓ Other K-12 Budget Adjustments
- ✓ Adult Education Changes/Funding

#### **Next Steps:**

- ✓ School Services Conference on May 21, 2013 details on May Revision
- ✓ Statutorily the Legislature is to adopt a budget by June 15<sup>th</sup>
- ✓ Budget Presentation on June 27
- ✓ Presentation from Ron Bennett on June 27

Dr. Vodicka stated we need to be prudent with our budget as the Governor stated. Thanked Ms. Caperton for the great report on short notice. **Member Jaka reiterated we are still deficit spending.**

### **D. Transportation Services 2013-14 Update**

**Ms. Caperton shared an update:**

- ✓ Summary of Transportation Recommendations
- ✓ **Review of Updates for 2013-14**
  - Routes for Mission Meadows, Breeze Hill, Hannalei and Monte Vista established for 2013-14
  - Routes to accommodate 168 students for each school
  - Students who ride the bus must complete a bus application
  - Students will be assigned to certain routes to maximize bus utilization
  - Bus passes mandatory
- ✓ **Establish expanded route for Mission Vista High**
  - Establish bus stop at the entrance to Guajome Country Park next to North County Transit bus stop
  - Allow students to utilize North County Transit bus services
  - All students will need bus passes and must complete a bus application
  - 72 students can be accommodated for each loop
- ✓ **Shared Updates Since 4-18-13**
  - Bus information [www.vistausd.org/busroutesandstops](http://www.vistausd.org/busroutesandstops)
  - Developing informational communication to parents
  - Working with Walk-San Diego to promote walking routes
  - Working with Principals to register for San Diego Association of Governments School Pool Program

**5 minute break**

**Item 10.A. Consent Calendar**

**MOTION**

Member Alderson **moved to approve the consent calendar seconded by Member Chunka.** All in favor. **Motion passed.**

**ITEM 10. CONSENT CALENDAR**

Action (Consent): B. APPROVE APRIL 18, 2013 MEETING MINUTES FROM REGULAR BOARD MEETING

**ITEM 11. HUMAN RESOURCES - CERTIFICATED AND CLASSIFIED**

Action (Consent): A. APPROVE STUDENT TEACHING MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH AZUSA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY  
Action (Consent): B. APPROVE THE ANNUAL DECLARATION OF NEED FOR FULLY QUALIFIED EDUCATORS FOR THE 2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR

Action (Consent): C. APPROVE THE HUMAN RESOURCES CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL REGISTER

Action (Consent): D. APPROVE HUMAN RESOURCES CLASSIFIED: PERSONNEL COMMISSION BOARD REGISTER

Action (Consent): E. APPROVE THE VISTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SUNSHINE PROPOSAL TO THE CALIFORNIA SCHOOL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION, CHAPTER 389, PURSUANT TO THE PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIREMENT

**ITEM 12. STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES**

Action (Consent): A. APPROVE INTERDISTRICT ATTENDANCE AGREEMENTS FOR THE 2013-2018 SCHOOL YEARS

Action (Consent): B. STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION FOR EXPULSION OF CASES NUMBERED W21-2012/13 THROUGH W27-2012/13

**ITEM 13. SPECIAL EDUCATION**

Action (Consent): A. APPROVE SPECIAL EDUCATION WAIVERS FOR CALIFORNIA HIGH SCHOOL EXIT EXAM (CAHSEE) PURSUANT TO EDUCATION CODE 60851(c) CASE NOS. 1260-1277

**ITEM 14. CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION**

Action (Consent): A. APPROVE OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL FOR TWO RANCHO BUENA VISTA HIGH SCHOOL (RBVHS) TEACHERS, MELISSA NEUMANN AND ROLAND ARIAS, TO ATTEND THE INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB) CONFERENCE IN HOUSTON, TEXAS (TX), SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12 THROUGH TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2013

Action (Consent): B. APPROVE OVERNIGHT TRAVEL FOR SUSIE BRISTOW AND SARAH GRAYBEAL FROM THE VUSD TEEN PARENT PROGRAM TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL 2013 CHILDBIRTH AND POSTPARTUM PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION (CAPP) CONFERENCE IN DESTIN, FL ON OCTOBER 25-27, 2013.

Action (Consent): C. APPROVE OVERNIGHT TRAVEL FOR TEACHERS TRAVES O'NIELL AND CYRUS ORTIZ LUIS AND VHS BACKPACK CLUB TO ATTEND A CAMPING TRIP THURSDAY, JUNE 13, 2013 TO TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2013 AT SEQUOIA NATIONAL FOREST, CA.

Action (Consent): D. APPROVE OVERNIGHT TRAVEL FOR TEACHERS CHRIS DAVIS AND ERIC PITTS AND VHS VARSITY WRESTLING TEAM TO ATTEND YOSEMITE TRIP ON SATURDAY MAY 24, 2013 TO MONDAY MAY 27, 2013.

Action (Consent): E. APPROVE OVERNIGHT TRAVEL FOR TEACHERS CYNDI AND PETER BROOKS AND THE VHS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM TO ATTEND CAMPING TRIP MONDAY, JUNE 10 TO FRIDAY, JUNE 14, 2013 IN BIG BEAR, CA.

Action (Consent): F. APPROVE OVERNIGHT STAY AND ACCOMMODATIONS TO ATTEND THE PROJECT BASED LEARNING CONFERENCE IN NAPA, CA, JUNE 17-19, 2013, FOR TWO ADDITIONAL TEACHERS

Action (Consent): G. APPROVE OVERNIGHT TRAVEL FOR VHS TEACHER SARA BENNER TO ATTEND THE 2013 CALIFORNIA AGRICULTURE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION (CATA) SUMMER CONFERENCE FROM MONDAY, JUNE 24 TO THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 2013 IN SAN LUIS OBISPO

Action (Consent): H. APPROVE THE SINGLE PLAN FOR STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT PLAN AMENDMENTS (SPSA) FOR VISTA ACADEMY OF VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS AND VISTA MAGNET MIDDLE SCHOOL

**ITEM 15. BUSINESS SERVICES**

Action (Consent): A. APPROVE OVERNIGHT TRAVEL FOR SAFETY & ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGER JEFF GEYER TO ATTEND THE 2013 NATIONAL SCHOOL SAFETY CONFERENCE IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, FROM JULY 22, 2013, THROUGH JULY 26, 2013

Action (Consent): B. APPROVE DEDUCTIVE AND ADDITIVE CHANGE ORDERS FOR CONTRACTS FOR MISSION VISTA HIGH SCHOOL KITCHEN PROJECT, BID #C11120275

Action (Consent): C. AUTHORIZE THE SUPERINTENDENT TO AWARD BIDS/CONTRACTS DURING THE PERIOD FROM MAY 17, 2013 THROUGH AUGUST 2, 2013

Action (Consent): D. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 13-77 DECLARING INTENTION TO DEDICATE AND CONVEY PROPERTY FOR STREET PURPOSES TO THE CITY OF VISTA.

Action (Consent): E. BOARD APPROVAL AND ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS TO VISTA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT TOTALLING \$50,776.83

Action (Consent): F. APPROVE ENTERING INTO A LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH EDUCATIONAL ENRICHMENT SERVICES INC FOR THE USE OF FACILITIES FOR PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Action (Consent): G. APPROVE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE AMERICAN RED CROSS TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY FACILITIES DURING TIME OF DISASTER

Action (Consent): H. ACCEPT WORK AND FILING OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR MISSION VISTA HIGH SCHOOL KITCHEN PROJECT, BID #C11120275

Action (Consent): I. AWARD BID #C13140012 CARPETING AT WASHINGTON MIDDLE SCHOOL & VISTA ACADEMY OF PERFORMING ARTS (VAPA) TO PROSPECTRA CONTRACT FLOORING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$83,338

Action (Consent): J. REJECT BID FOR ASPHALT CONCRETE REPAIRS AT VARIOUS SITES, Bid #C13140011

Action (Consent): K. RATIFY AND APPROVE CONTRACTS EXCEEDING \$5,000

**ITEM 16. FISCAL SERVICES/ACCOUNTING/CHILD NUTRITION SERVICES**

Action (Consent): A. RATIFICATION AND APPROVAL OF WARRANT NOS. 12-163289 THROUGH 12-172657

Action (Consent): B. APPROVE THE CHILD NUTRITION CASH EXPENDITURES FOR MARCH 2013

Action (Consent): C. RATIFY AND APPROVE CHILD NUTRITION PURCHASE ORDERS FOR APRIL 2013

Action (Consent): D. APPROVE REVOLVING CASH FUND PAYMENT

Action (Consent): E. APPROVE RESOLUTION NUMBERS 13-78, 13-79, 13-80, 13-81 DESIGNATING DISTRICT AGENTS

Action (Consent): F. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 13-82 ESTABLISHING TEMPORARY INTERFUND TRANSFERS OF SPECIAL OR RESTRICTED FUND MONIES FOR CASH FLOW PURPOSES

Action (Consent): G. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 13-83 APPROVING REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY TRANSFER OF FUNDS

**ITEM 17. PURCHASING**

Action (Consent): A. RATIFY AND APPROVE PURCHASE ORDERS

Action (Consent): B. AWARD BID FOR ANNUAL CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES, BID #244000B

Action (Consent): C. APPROVE SURPLUS EQUIPMENT/MATERIALS FOR DISPOSAL/SALE

**18. Discussion/Action Items**

**A. Approve 2013-2014 Designation of California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) Representatives to the League for the District office, Vista High School, Rancho Buena Vista and Mission Vista High**

**MOTION**

***Member Alderson moved to approve, seconded by Member Chunka. All in favor: Yes: Alderson, Chunka, Gibson, Herrera and Jaka. Motion passed.***

**B. Approve Staffing and Program Items Related to the Proposed Program Delivery Model for Special Education and Changing Counselors to Psychologist**

**Executive Director Dr. Matt Doyle shared the following information:**

**Special Ed Task Force Update #3**

- ✓ Special Ed Strategic Plan Structure
- ✓ Service Priority #3 Leadership and Staffing Big Ideas
  - **District Leadership – New Structure**  
Executive Director, 5 VUSD Program Supervisors, 4 office staff and Positive Behavior Support Team (*Counselors are being changed to psychologist*)
  - **Program Staffing** – Working with each other. **General Ed.** (inclusion, neighborhood) **Special Ed.** (balanced continuum) **Collaboration** (mainstreaming and co-teaching)

**Steve Davis Presented the following information:**

- **Instructional Assistants** – Shared their purpose and roles. **Allocation of Resource Specialist, Special Day Class Learning Handicapped and Special Day Class Severely Handicapped.**
- **Michele Bell instructional assistant at California Avenue** shared how the district will be brought into alignment. There will be no need for layoffs of instructional assistants.
- **Sierra Vista High School**
- **Behavior Systems**
- **Task Force Next Steps**  
(*presentation posted on district website*)

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*Approve the following staffing and program items identified through the Special Education Task Force as the initial phase of implementing a new program delivery model for Special Education services, changing counselor to psychologist:*

- 1. Special Education Department Leadership Structure** (1 Executive Director, 5 Program Supervisors)
- 2. Positive Behavior Support Program Staffing** (3 Counselors, 8 Intensive Behavior Aides, 1 Social Worker)
- 3. New service delivery model to become more convergent with general education;** focusing on building a continuum of services at all schools with emphasis on moving students to or near their neighborhood schools.
- 4. Align instructional assistant staffing to state ratios for Resource Program:** .8 aide to 1 teacher; SDC Learning Handicapped - 1 aide to 1 teacher, SDC Severely Handicapped - 2 aides to 1 teacher.
- 5. Refocus Sierra Vista High School program to become the District hub for adult transition and medically fragile.**

**Board Discussion:** **Member Herrera** likes the idea of retraining of classified and the opportunity and value of each employee. **Member Jaka** stated it's nice to see a sense of organization. We are moving in the right direction. **Member Chunka** added and that we did something with the Financial Crisis Management Assistance Team (FCMAT) report thank you.

### PRESENTATION BY COMMUNITY MEMBERS

**Teacher JB Barton** shared concerns how will the general ed population converge with the special ed population. There is a concern of large class sizes. How will teachers do the co teaching, parallel teaching? Have a dialog with general ed and special ed teachers.

**Teacher Nancy Walmsley** stated how will special ed teachers be serving our students. Ms. Walmsley shared her perspective and shared two stories of her 15 students. If we reduce adult contact how will we meet their unique needs?

**Discussions by the Board ensued.** **Dr. Vodicka** stated this is a starting point for a conversation a place to begin from. **Member Herrera** likes the paradigm shift. Shared the importance of student identification and the importance of reading and literacy.

### MOTION

**Member Chunka moved to approve the following staffing and program items identified through the Special Education Task Force as the initial phase of implementing a new program delivery model for Special Education services, changing counselor to psychologist, seconded by Member Alderson.**

*All in favor: Yes: Member Alderson, Chunka, Gibson, Herrera, Jaka. Motion passed.*

### C. Approve Magnet School Themes

**Deputy Superintendent, Jeanie Luckey shared the following information:**

- **Committee Members**
- **Meeting Dates and Locations (8 meetings held)**
- **Summary of Committee Work – Update**
  - ✓ Survey developed for magnet schools
  - ✓ Results were analyzed by the committee
  - ✓ Based upon survey data, next steps were suggested
  - ✓ District wide survey was developed by subcommittee to gather input on a possible magnet theme for Washington Middle. Mailed home to K-8 families in English and Spanish and available online to K-12 families, connect ed call to all families.



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- **Recommendation to Superintendent**
  - ✓ The middle school magnet theme “**Design and Innovation**”

**Next Steps**

- ✓ Convene Planning Committee
- ✓ Convene Routine Meeting of Magnet School Reps

**Recommendation:**

- Request approval for three magnet pathways: STEM, Arts/Design and International Baccalaureate
- Approve focus area for Washington Middle be Innovation and Design (*presentation posted on district website*)

**MOTION**

***Member Herrera moved to approve the magnet school themes for three magnet pathways: STEM, Arts/Design and International Baccalaureate, seconded by Member Gibson.***

*All in favor: Yes: Member Alderson, Chunka, Gibson, Herrera, Jaka. Motion passed.*

**MOTION**

***Member Chunka moved to identify the focus area for Washington Middle school to be innovation and design, seconded by Member Alderson. All in favor: Yes: Chunka, Gibson, Herrera, Jaka, Alderson. Motion passed.***

**D. Approve Award Request for Proposal C12130378 for Computerized Counseling Services to Hobsons in the Amount Of \$248,870 for a Five-Year Term from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2018; and Authorize the Assistant Superintendent-Business Services to Execute the Agreement**

Dr. Vodicka shared the value of this program for all of our secondary schools including the ability to do post graduate tracking.

**MOTION**

***Member Chunka moved to approve Proposal C12130378, seconded by Member Alderson.***

**Brief Board discussion on value and cost.** It is adaptable and grows with you.

All in Favor, **Yes: Member Alderson, Chunka, Gibson, Herrera, Jaka. Motion passed.**

**E. Approve the Plan for Prep Time for Elementary Schools 2013-14**

**Dr. Vodicka shared the following information:**

- Current Reality
- Plan for 2013-14
- Model of Library of Educational Excellence and Innovation
- Components of Model Library Plan
- Next Steps
- Fiscal Impact

**Recommendation**

- **Approve the plan for maximizing instructional time in elementary schools by using certificated hourly teachers to provide “prep time” release in 2013-14 that will include 30 minutes of art instruction for students in grades K-5 and 60 minutes of character education for students in grades 4-5 each week.**

**Board discussion: Member Herrera** added look at retraining Library Techs down the line and what a library in the future looks like.

**Member Jaka** added the replacement money is what we took away from the performing arts program before. We will do something down the line for library techs. We are only looking at the arts and character counts piece. Dr. Vodicka shared further information.

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**Member Gibson** added the library is valuable and many are going digital. Discussions on what could be offered ensued. Ms. Luckey added art is more of an enrichment and part of our Board goals.

A **lengthy discussion continued** on what could be offered, art, music or literacy.

**REVISED RECOMMENDATION PER DR. VODICKA:** *Approve the plan for maximizing instructional time in elementary schools by using certificated hourly teachers. Staff will refine and review the best use of this time.*

**MOTION**

**Member Chunka moved to approve the plan for maximizing instructional time in elementary schools by using certificated hourly teachers to provide prep time release in 2013-14, seconded by Member Alderson.**

Discussions by the Board continued.

All in favor, **Yes:** Member Alderson, Chunka, Gibson, Jaka  
**No (not in favor):** Member Herrera, **Motion passed 4 to 1.**

**F. Approve Budget Reductions for 2013-14 Budget Development**

**Donna Caperton shared information:**

- ✓ Second Interim Report presented on March 14, 2013
- ✓ 2013-14 Budget Development
- ✓ Biggest Portion of Budget is Personnel
- ✓ Budget Reductions are necessary to maintain fiscal solvency. Figures for 2013-14 and 2014-15
- ✓ Additional Budget Reductions to be approved: 2013-14 and 2014-15
- ✓ Impact to Fund Balance 13-14, 14-15 and 2015-16  
(Presentation posted on District website)

**MOTION**

**Member Alderson moved to approve budget reduction requests, seconded by Member Herrera. All in favor: Yes:** Member Alderson, Chunka, Gibson, Herrera, Jaka. **Motion passed.**

**G. ITEM PULLED FROM THE AGENDA NO ACTION TAKEN: Elimination of Specific Classified Positions at the Vista Adult School Resolution No. 13-85**

**Board Business/Discussion**

**Member Gibson** would like a brief on Character Counts on what that is, cut back on presentations, use computer language for a foreign language need information on that and we need a better or new PA system. Agrees with Member Herrera that we have got to do something with reading looking at it as a Board goal number one. Member Jaka and Herrera will be attending Senior Exhibition tomorrow.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m. The next Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on **Thursday, June 27, 2013.**

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Secretary of the Board of Trustees

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Clerk of the Board of Trustees