



LAGUNITAS SCHOOL DISTRICT  
San Geronimo, California

MINUTES FROM THE SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Thursday, September 16, 2010

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 8:40a.m. by Stephanie O'Brien, Board Clerk and Chair. Members present were Steve Rebscher, Denise Santa Cruz-Bohman, and Christopher Sabec. Richard Sloan was excused. Also present were Larry Enos, Superintendent, Chris Francis, Principal, and Amy Prescott, Business Manager. Donna Henderson recorded the minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were none.

APPROVAL OF OPEN SESSION AGENDA: The agenda was revised. Amy Prescott, Business Manager, asked the Board to move the approval of the Unaudited Actuals and the adoption of Resolution #2011-07 to adopt the "GANN" Limit to the board meeting of Tuesday, September 21, 2010. The agenda was revised as requested.

A. CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Approve request for overnight field trip for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade MS Rite of Passage trip to Mt. Hermon in Santa Cruz, September 21 - September 24, 2010. **Motion:** Denise Santa Cruz-Bohman moved to approve the request. Steve Rebscher, second. Motion carried, 4 ayes, 1 absent (Sloan).

BOARD WORKING RETREAT

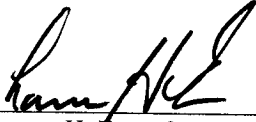
Larry Enos, Superintendent, distributed a document "Governance Team (Board and Administration) Norms for Communication. Discussion followed. Board Members will bring this document to the Board Meeting of Sept. 21, 2010 for discussion and adoption.

Larry then asked the members of the administrative team to identify challenges for the 2010-2011 year and beyond. The challenges were:

1. In the area of Business and Operations:
  - a. Federal jobs bill utilization
  - b. Concerns about 2011-12, earlier decisions about staffing/spending.
  - c. Review efficacy of decisions regarding reductions in prior year.
  - d. The District is still "falling off the cliff" financially in year 3!
2. In the area of Educational Programs for Students
  - a. Overall District climate – moving it in a more positive direction (fractured communication) with the focus on student learning and clear roles and responsibilities (parent, staff, admin.)
  - b. Clarity around what kids need to know and be able to do K-8 (e.g. math) and District/staff commitment to guarantee that they get it.
  - c. Waldorf-Inspired Program:
    - i. Staffing challenges (e.g. 100% turnover in the K position)
    - ii. Serving all kids (intervention, philosophy and academic focus.
    - iii. Sustainability of the program

- d. Special Education
  - i. Clean-up paperwork
  - ii. Educational benefits
  - iii. Under/over identification
  - iv. IEP's being followed.
  
- e. Administrative Support
  - i. Credentialing issues – new staff hires, especially at Middle School

ADJOURN – The Meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

  
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Lawrence H. Enos, Secretary to the Board of Trustees

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