

# **BONITA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Official Minutes of the Regular Board of Education  
Meeting – Wednesday, January 19, 2005

## **Call To Order**

7196. The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President, Ed Jones at the Education Center 115 West Allen Avenue, San Dimas, California.

## **Members Present**

Ed Jones, President  
Jim Elliot, Vice President  
Glenn Creiman, Member  
Patti Latourelle, Member  
Ron White, Member  
Gina Gonzalez, Student Board Representative-BHS  
Nhowell Peralta, Student Board Representative-Chaparral

## **Members Absent**

Isabeau Brown, Student Board Representative-SDHS

## **Staff Members Present**

Robert Otto, Superintendent  
William Brinegar, Assistant Superintendent – HRD  
Mitch Hovey, Assistant Superintendent – Ed Services  
Ann Sparks, Assistant Superintendent - Business Services

## **CLOSED SESSION**

The meeting convened in Closed Session at 6:01 p.m. to consider:

- Conference With Labor Negotiators Pursuant to Government Code 54957.6 District Designated Negotiator, Dr. William Brinegar, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, Bonita Unified School District, Teachers Association (BUTA) and Classified Employees Association (CEA).
- Consideration of Student Discipline Matters Pursuant to Education Code Sections 35146, 48900, 48915, 48918 and 48918(c). See Student Disciplinary Action for student matters under consideration.

## **OPEN SESSION**

7197. The meeting reconvened in Open Session at 7:10 p.m.

## **REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

7198. No Action was taken.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Gina Gonzalez.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA ORDER AND CONTENT**

7199. Motion by Ms. Latourelle, seconded by Mr. Elliot and carried by 5 Ayes, 0 Noes approving agenda order and content.

**COMMUNICATION-STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVES-Cont.**

The Student Board Representatives from Lone Hill Middle School addressed the Board reporting the current activities and events taking place at Lone Hill Middle School.

**FEATURED PRESENTATION**

Recognition of Bonita High School  
CIF Championship Water Polo Team

Bob Ketterling, Principal of Bonita High School introduced Mark Amakasu, Varsity Water Polo Coach who in turn introduced members of the team. The Board recognized the Bonita High School Varsity Water Polo Team for their outstanding achievement of four consecutive CIF Championships and awarded the team with a Certificate of Achievement.

Report on Phasing Plan for  
Modernization of Facilities

Mr. Mark Rosson of Capital Program Management reported to the Board on the Phasing Plan for Modernization of the Facilities. Mr. Rosson outlined the phasing schedule for implementing the approved modernization projects at each of the District sites.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

7200. Motion by Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Elliot and carried by 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, approving the Minutes of the December 8, 2004 Regular Meeting of the Board of Education.

**REQUESTS TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS**

Community	No Comment
PTA	No Comment
BUTA	No Comment
CSEA	No Comment
BUMT	No Comment

**CONSENT AGENDA**

7201. Motion by Mr. Elliot, seconded by Ms. Latourelle and carried by 5 Ayes and 0 Noes, approving all items on the Consent Agenda, with the exception of C-Educational Services-2 and C-Educational Services-3, which were pulled for discussion.

**CONSENT AGENDA-Cont.**

Extended & Overnight  
Educational Field Trips

7202. Approved extended and overnight educational field trips as listed. Itinerary is on file in the Educational Services Department.
- a. San Dimas High School Baseball Team to attend Fresno Grizzlies Baseball Stadium Fresno, CA, February 18-19, 2005
  - b. San Dimas High School AP Environmental Science Club to go to East Mojave National Park, CA, March 11-13, 2005. Alternate date, if necessary, March 18-21, 2005.
  - c. Bonita High School Swim and Diving Teams to attend Miramar Aquatic Complex Spring Break Training, San Diego, CA, April 16-23, 2005.
  - d. Bonita High School Model United Nations Club to attend the University of California Irvine Model United Nations Conference, University of Irvine, Irvine, CA, May 21-22, 2005.

Resolution 2005-17  
Black History Month

7203. Motion by Mr. Elliot, seconded by Mr. Creiman and carried by 5 Ayes, 0 Noes adopting Resolution 2005-17 recognizing February as Black History Month.

Dr. Hovey indicated that Black History Month was established to honor the accomplishments of people of color throughout history.

Resolution 2005-18  
National School Counseling Week

7204. Motion by Mr. Elliot, seconded by Mr. Jones and carried by 5 Ayes, 0 Noes adopting Resolution 2005-18 recognizing February 7-11, 2005 as National School Counseling Week.

Dr. Hovey indicated that National School Counseling Week was established to honor the services of school counselors and Student Services Coordinators.

Waiver Request-Bilingual Testers

7205. Approved submission of a Waiver Request for Bilingual Testers in Primary Languages for 2004-2005 school year.

Contract Between BUSD & LACOE-  
Juvenile Court School Liaison

7206. Approved Contract between Bonita Unified School District and Los Angeles County Office of Education for participation in Juvenile Court School Liaison Program.

**CONSENT-Cont.**

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| "A" and "B" Warrants   | 7207. Approved and/or ratified "A" (payments for school employees) and "B" warrants (payment for equipment, supplies and for the services of non-school employees) as listed.  |
| Purchase Orders  | 7208. Approved and/or ratified purchase orders (authorization for purchase of equipment, supplies and the services of non-school employees) as listed.   |
| Budget Transfers   | 7209. Approved budget transfers between major object codes, as presented.  |
| Independent Contract Agreements                                    | 7210. Approved Independent Contract Agreements between Bonita Unified School District and consultant(s)/contractor(s). Copies of each Independent Contract Agreement are kept on file in the Business Office.<br><br>a. Cornerstone Educational Resources<br>b. Valentine's Traveling Nature Class |
| Surplus Items  | 7211. Declared items listed as surplus in accordance with Education Code 39521 and authorized disposal.  |
| Maintenance Agreements   | 7212. Approved Maintenance Agreements for District equipment.  |
| Fourth Month Enrollment Report                                     | 7213. Approved Fourth Month Enrollment Report as of December 24, 2004.   |
| Change Order #2 for Bid #04-05:07 Relocatables at La Verne Schools | 7214. Ratified Change Order #2 for Bid #04-05:07 for site work and utilities for relocatable buildings located at La Verne school sites.   |
| Agreement Between BUSD & Computer Associates                       | 7215. Approved Agreement between Bonita Unified School District and Computer Associates to provide services for Unicenter Desktop Management Software.   |
| Certificated Personnel Report                                      | 7216. Approved Terminations, Resignations, Leaves of Absence, Maternity Leaves, Employment, Changes of Status, Extra Duty and other routine personnel items for Certificated and Certificated Management employees, as listed.   |

**CONSENT-Cont.**

Classified Personnel Report

7217. Approved Terminations, Resignations, Leaves of Absence, Maternity Leaves, Employment, Changes of Status, Extra Duty and other routine personnel items for Classified, Classified Management and Confidential employees, as listed.

Educational Conferences

7218. Approved Classified/Certificated attendance at conferences, conventions, workshops and meetings as listed. Actual and necessary expenses incurred by such attendance to be paid by Bonita Unified School District unless otherwise specified in accordance with Board Policy 2325.

Annual Review-Board Policy  
And Regulation 1121

7219. Approved annual review of Board Policy and Regulation 1121-Parental/Guardian Complaint Regarding District Employees.

Annual Review-Board Policy  
4116

7220. Approved annual review of Board Policy 4116-Support for Probationary Teachers.

Donations

7221. Accepted with thanks the donation of gifts valued at \$16,382.00 as determined by the donor and in accordance with Education Code 35273 and directed staff to send letters of appreciation to donors on behalf of the Board of Education and staff.

**DISCUSSION/ACTION AGENDA**  
**EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

Submission of 2004-2005  
Consolidated Application, Part II

7222. Motion by Mr. Elliot, seconded by Mr. Creiman and carried by 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, approving submission of 2004-2005 Consolidated Application, Part II.

Dr. Hovey reviewed the process and content of the Consolidated Application, which funds Categorical Programs and describes, in compliance with No Child Left Behind Act, how money is allocated to the various categorical programs throughout the District; the compliance of highly qualified teachers and the Annual Measurable Progress objectives (AYP targets). The Consolidated Application, Part II contains the District entitlements for each funded program.

**DISCUSSION/ACTION AGENDA- Cont.**

**BUSINESS SERVICES**

2003-2004 Annual Audit Report

7223. Motion by Mr. Elliot, seconded by Mr. Jones and carried by 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, received and accepted 2003-2004 Annual Audit Report as prepared by Nigro, Nigro & White, LLP, Certified Public Accountants.

Mr. Nigro, Certified Public Accountant, addressed the Board and reported the highlights of the 2003-2004 Audit. The auditors gave an unqualified opinion of the District's financial statements, which indicates the financial statements of the District are accurate and correct. This is the highest rating given to Districts. Dr. Otto thanked the District staff for outstanding work on the budget.

Report on Governor's Proposed  
2005-2006 Budget

7224. Ms. Ann Sparks gave a report based on information and analysis obtained at the School Services of California Governor's Budget Workshop that staff attended on January 14, 2005. Ms. Sparks reported on the effect of the State's proposed budget on the District and Proposition 98 funding. She noted that the Governor has reneged on "The Deal" that limited the 2004-2005 suspension of Proposition 98 to \$2 billion.

Dr. Otto reviewed for the Board Proposition 98. Dr. Otto noted that the assumptions for the 2005-2006 District budget would be brought to the Board in February. He reviewed the process for the development of the District budget.

**HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT**

Accept Initial Proposals for Negotiations  
Between BUSD and CSEA

7225. Motion by Mr. Elliot, seconded by Ms. Latourelle and carried by 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, accepted initial proposals for negotiations between the Bonita Unified School District and the California School Employees Association, Chapter #21.

Dr. Brinegar reviewed the negotiations process. He indicated that the Board conducted a Public Hearing for proposed negotiations items for public input at the December 8, 2004 Board of Education Meeting. The District can now go ahead with the negotiations process.

**DISCUSSION/ACTION AGENDA-Cont.**

**SUPERINTENDENT**

Reaffirm District Focus Areas and  
Goals for Budget Development

7226. Motion by Mr. Elliot, seconded by Mr. Creiman and carried by 5 Ayes, 0 Noes reaffirming the District Focus Areas and Goals for the development of the 2005-2006 District Budget.

Dr. Otto noted that this item is necessary for the development of the District budget and asked the Board to reaffirm the previously approved Eight Areas of Focus and Goals.

Resolution 2005-14 Recognizing  
Sally Duff

7227. Motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Elliot and carried by 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, adopting Resolution 2005-14 recognizing Sally Duff.

The District recognized the 35 years of service that Sally Duff provided to the students of San Dimas as the City of San Dimas Director of Parks and Recreation. A resolution was presented to Sally Duff at a ceremony honoring her on January 14, 2005.

Resolution 2005-15 Recognizing  
Doug Shultz

7228. Motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Creiman and carried by 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, adopting Resolution 2005-15 recognizing Doug Shultz.

The Board recognized the outstanding voluntary services of Doug Shultz to the students and staff of San Dimas High School and for his recognition as San Dimas Citizen of the Year. The Board thanked Mr. Shultz for his many years of dedicated service to the District.

Resolution 2005-16 Recognizing  
Jess Pena

7229. Motion by Mr. Creiman, seconded by Ms. Latourelle and carried by 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, adopting Resolution 2005-16 recognizing Jess Pena.

The Board recognized the outstanding voluntary services of Jess Pena to the students and staff of San Dimas High School and for his recognition as San Dimas Citizen of the Year. The Board thanked Mr. Pena for his many years of dedicated service to the District.

**DISCUSSION/ACTION AGENDA**  
**STUDENT DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

7230. Motion by Ms. Latourelle, seconded by Mr. Elliot and carried by 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, Student Disciplinary Action Pursuant to Education Code #48900 (c), (k) and #48915 (a)(3), (b)(1) and (b)(2). Approved recommendation to expel student #21102130 for the remainder of the fall semester 2004 and the spring semester 2005 with placement in a Community Day School or Alternative School outside of the Bonita Unified School District.
7231. Motion by Mr. Elliot, seconded by Ms. Latourelle and carried by 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, Student Disciplinary Action Pursuant to Education Code #48900 (e), (k) and #48915 (a)(4), and (b)(2). Approved recommendation to expel student #903541 for the remainder of the fall semester 2004 and the spring semester 2005, with enforcement suspended, and revocation of the Inter-District Permit.
7232. Motion by Ms. Latourelle, seconded by Mr. Creiman and carried by 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, Student Disciplinary Action Pursuant to Education Code #48900 (c), (k) and #48915 (a)(3) and (b)(2). Approved recommendation to expel student #42003630 for the remainder of the fall semester 2004 and spring semester 2005, with enforcement suspended and placement at the Star Center.
7233. Motion by Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Jones and carried by 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, Student Disciplinary Action Pursuant to Education Code #48900 (a)(1), (a)(2), (k) and (n) and #48915 (b)(1), (b)(2) and (c)(4). Approved recommendation to expel student #905198 for the remainder of the fall semester 2004 and spring semester 2005, with enforcement suspended and placement with a home teacher.
7234. Motion by Ms. Latourelle, seconded by Mr. Creiman and carried by 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, Student Disciplinary Action Pursuant to Education Code #48900 (b) and (k) and #48915 (a)(2) and (b)(2). Approved recommendation to re-admit student #904657 with placement at Lone Hill Middle School upon completion of the Parent/Teen Project Counseling Program.



**DISCUSSION/ACTION AGENDA**  
**STUDENT DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

7235. Motion by Mr. Elliot, seconded by Mr. Creiman and carried by 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, Student Disciplinary Action Pursuant to Education Code #48900 (a)(1), (a)(2), (k) and #48915 (a)(1), (b)(1) and (b)(2). Approved recommendation to re-admit student #3200354, with placement at Bonita High School upon completion of the Counseling Program.
7236. Motion by Ms. Latourelle, seconded by Mr. White and carried by 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, Student Disciplinary Action Pursuant to Education Code #48900 (b), (d), (j), (k) and #48915 (b)(1) and (b)(2). Approved recommendation to re-admit student #904827 with placement at Bonita High School.
7237. Motion by Mr. Creiman, seconded by Mr. Elliot and carried by 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, Student Disciplinary Action Pursuant to Education Code #48900 (b), (k) and #48915 (a)(2) and (b)(2). Approved recommendation to re-admit student #901242, with placement at San Dimas High School.
7238. Motion by Mr. Jones, seconded by Ms. Latourelle and carried by 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, Student Disciplinary Action Pursuant to Education Code #48900 (a)(1), (k) and #48915 (b)(1) and (b)(2). Approved recommendation to re-admit student #903838 with placement at the Star Center.

The Board thanked Mr. Nick Reynolds, Senior Director of Student Support for the outstanding work he does in dealing with student matters.

**REQUESTS TO SPEAK ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS-COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC**

Community	Jana Lohay, teacher at Ekstrand Elementary School, formerly at Lone Hill Middle School, addressed the Board with her concerns regarding her current grievance with the District. Mr. Jones indicated that due to the nature of her subject, the Board could not take action or make any comments on a personnel issue.
BUTA	Robert Sale, Vice President of BUTA addressed the Board and expressed a desire to work with the District on a quick settlement with BUTA negotiations.
PTA	No comment

**REQUESTS TO SPEAK ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS-COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC-Cont.**

CSEA No comment

BUMT No comment

**COMMUNICATIONS-BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT**

Nhowell Peralta reported to the Board on the current activities and events taking place at Chaparral High School and the Star Center. She highlighted that students are working hard to earn credits before the end of the semester. She reported on a very interesting field trip to the Body World Exhibit at the California Science Center.

Gina Gonzalez reported to the Board on the current activities and events taking place at Bonita High School. She highlighted that students are raising funds for the Tsunami Relief Fund, resulting in over \$400. She noted that Stress Free Week would take place after finals at the end of January. She reported on a very successful season for girls and boys soccer and basketball.

Ms. Latourelle congratulated the staff for a job well done leading up to the Audit Report. She wished Dr. Hovey success as he leaves for a position in another district.

Mr. Creiman thanked Mitch Hovey for everything he has done for the District. He thanked the teachers at Lone Hill Middle School for attending the Board Meeting tonight. He reported visiting campus after the recent storms and thanked the Facilities Department for an outstanding response to the site needs during the storms. He encouraged people to contribute to Tsunami Relief. He encouraged everyone to work together to strengthen communication to solve any concerns in the District.

Mr. Elliot wished everyone a Happy New Year. He recognized the hard work of Ann Sparks and the difficult daily tasks involving the budget. He reported that San Dimas City Council approved the placement of La Verne/San Dimas Educational Foundation banners in the city. He congratulated Bernie Enriquez, the newly elected President of CSEA. He wished Mitch Hovey the very best in his future career.

**COMMUNICATIONS-BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT-Cont.**

Mr. Jones requested that Benchmark Assessments, Student to Counselor Ratio, and Student to Administrator Ratio be addressed at a subsequent meeting. He thanked everyone for a great job in dealing with the storm damage. He thanked Mitch Hovey for a wonderful job and all of his efforts on behalf of the District.

Dr. Otto commended Roynon Elementary School for the art display in the Board Room. He wished everyone a Happy New Year. Dr. Otto thanked Mitch Hovey for his outstanding service to Bonita Unified School District and asked Dr. Hovey to comment on his new position. Dr. Hovey reported that he has been appointed Superintendent for Yucaipa-Calimesa School District but will remember fondly his experience at Bonita Unified School District.

**MEETING DATES**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Wednesday, February 9, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. at the Education Center, 115 West Allen Avenue, San Dimas.

**ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

- 1) Benchmark Assessments
- 2) Student to Counselor Ratio
- 3) Student to Administrator Ratio

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Board adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

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Robert C. Otto, Ed.D, Superintendent  
Secretary to the Board of Education

