

# **BONITA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Official Minutes of the Regular Board of Education  
Meeting – Wednesday, March 8, 2006

## **Call To Order**

8005. The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President, Jim Elliot at the Education Center 115 West Allen Avenue, San Dimas, California.

## **Members Present**

Jim Elliot, President  
Glenn Creiman, Vice President  
Chuck Coyne, Member  
Patti Latourelle, Member  
Cerrina Tayag-Rivera, Student Board Representative-Chaparral  
Casey Kear, Student Board Representative-SDHS  
Yamileth Roa, Student Board Representative-BHS

## **Members Absent**

Ed Jones, Member

## **Staff Members Present**

Robert Otto, Superintendent  
William Brinegar, Assistant Superintendent – HRD  
Kathryn Schneider, 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 (CSEA).
- Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.
- Consideration of Student Discipline Matters Pursuant to Education Code Sections 35146, 48900, 48915, 48918 and 48918(c).

## **OPEN SESSION**

8006. The meeting reconvened in Open Session at 7:16 p.m.

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

8007. Motion by Ms. Latourelle, seconded by Mr. Coyne and carried by 4 Ayes, 0 Noes, the Board of Education ratified the acceptance of a Letter of Resignation from a teacher, effective February 2, 2006.

8008. Motion by Mr. Creiman, seconded by Mr. Coyne and carried by 4 Ayes, 0 Noes, the Board of Education placed a teacher on compulsory leave of absence without pay, effective March 2, 2006.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Matt Biedka of San Dimas Boy Scout Troup #483.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA  
ORDER AND CONTENT**

8009. Motion by Ms. Latourelle, seconded by Mr. Creiman and carried by 4 Ayes, 0 Noes approving the agenda order and content.

**FEATURED PRESENTATION  
SUPERINTENDENT**

San Dimas High School PE Program

Kris Kulow, Principal of San Dimas High School, together with Nanette Shapiro, Assistant Principal, and Janice Cromer, Physical Education Department Chairperson, presented to the Board, a report on the Physical Education Implementation of the New California Framework at San Dimas High School, as it complies with the California State Standards for motor skills, physical fitness, and psychological and sociological concepts.

**COMMUNICATION-STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVES**

The Student Representative from Lone Hill Middle School addressed the Board and reported on the current events and activities taking place at Lone Hill Middle School.

Yamileth Roa reported to the Board on the current activities and events taking place at Bonita High School. Highlighted in her report was \$1003 was collected for "Pennies for Patients". March 7 was the 8<sup>th</sup> grade rally and tour of the campus. A prom fashion show took place today, modeling appropriate dress for the upcoming prom. The theme for prom is Paradise in the Pacific and will take place in Irvine. "Every 15 Minutes" will take place in April, prior to prom.

Cerrina Tayag-Rivera reported to the Board on the current activities and events taking place at Chaparral High School and the STAR Center. Highlighted in her report was English Language Arts prep, along with a math lab has taken place for the last six weeks in preparation for the California High School Exit Exam, which will take place on March 21 and 22. Planning for the prom is currently underway. The prom takes place on March 30. Senior will attend a conference on planning for college at Citrus College.

Casey Kear reported to the Board on the current activities and events taking place at San Dimas High School. Highlighted in his report was current modernization. Winter sports season finished and Angel Garcia won CIF in wrestling. A blood drive is taking place this week. International Week takes place next week with a lunch on Wednesday featuring foods from different nations and an assembly on Friday.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

8010. Motion by Ms. Latourelle, seconded by Mr. Creiman and carried by 4 Ayes, 0 Noes, approving the Minutes of the February 1, 2006 Regular Meeting of the Board of Education.

**REQUESTS TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS**

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

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Extended & Overnight  
Educational Field Trips

8011. Motion by Mr. Creiman, seconded by Mr. Elliot and carried by 4 Ayes and 0 Noes, approving all items on the Consent Agenda, with the exception of Educational Services-1, and Business Services-11, which were pulled for discussion.

8012. Motion by Ms. Latourelle, seconded by Mr. Creiman and carried by 4 Ayes, 0 Noes, approved extended and overnight educational field trips as listed. Itinerary is on file in the Educational Services Department.
- a. San Dimas High School Wrestling Team to attend CIF Individual Finals in Indio, CA, February 16-18, 2006.
  - b. San Dimas High School Wrestling Team to attend State Wrestling Finals in Bakersfield, CA, March 2-4, 2006.
  - c. San Dimas High School Singing Saints (Chamber Singers/Concert Choir) to attend the Spring Tour 2006 "Hooray for Hollywood", Hollywood, CA, April 23-25, 2006.
  - d. Ramona Middle School Wind Ensemble to perform a musical performance at Wrigley Estate, Avalon, Catalina Island, CA, May 20, 2006.

Ms. Latourelle expressed concern that a field trip for CIF Wrestling was brought to the Board as ratification, after the trip took place. Dr. Otto indicated that a blanket CIF authorization at the beginning of the sports season could take place to avoid this type of situation; or authorization by the administration to approve all CIF trips could be approved by the Board. Ms. Latourelle will work with Dr. Otto to reach resolution for this situation.

Master Contract Between BUSD &  
Creative Home Programs

8013. Approved Master Contract between Bonita Unified School District and Creative Home Programs for Educational Services for the 2005-2006 school year.

**CONSENT-Cont.**

Teacher Recruitment and  
Student Support Grant

8014. Approved submittal of Teacher Recruitment and Student Support Grant.

Summer School Plan

8015. Approved the 2006 Summer School Plan.

Community Service Program

8016. Approved the 2006 Community Service program- "Summer Discovery."

"A" and "B" Warrants

8017. 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

8018. Approved and/or ratified purchase orders (authorization for purchase of equipment, supplies and the services of non-school employees) as listed.

Budget Transfers

8019. Approved budget transfers between major object codes, as presented.

Independent Contract  
Agreements

8020. 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.

- a. Lizard Wizard
- b. Valentine's Traveling Nature Center
- c. Rosemary Scott
- d. Susan Hollar

Surplus Property

8021. Declared items as listed as surplus in accordance with Education Code 39521 and authorized disposal.

**CONSENT AGENDA – Cont.**

Use of Facility Request by  
City of San Dimas

8022. Motion by Ms. Latourelle, seconded by Mr. Creiman and carried by 3 Ayes, 1 No (Ms. Latourelle) approved facility use request by the City of San Dimas for Sunday use of the San Dimas High School gymnasium from March 5, 2006 through May 21, 2006.

Ms. Latourelle expressed concern that this item was being ratified after the use of the facility had begun. Ms. Latourelle further expressed a desire to not ratify the use of facilities and suggested the use not start until after approval from the Board of Education. Dr. Otto noted that the approval of the Board for facility use applies to Sunday use only. Ms. Latourelle requested a review of the policy governing this practice.

Lone Hill Middle School ASB  
Financial Statements

8023. Approved Lone Hill Middle School's Associated Student Body Financial Statements for the second quarter.

Ramona Middle School ASB  
Financial Statements

8024. Approved Ramona Middle School's Associated Student Body Financial Statements for the second quarter.

Bonita High School ASB  
Financial Statements

8025. Approved Bonita High School's Associated Student Body Financial Statements for the second quarter.

San Dimas High School ASB  
Financial Statements

8026. Approved San Dimas High School's Associated Student Body Financial Statements for the second quarter.

Sixth Month Enrollment Report

8027. Approved the Sixth Month Enrollment Report as of February 17, 2006.

Renewal of Agreement Between  
BUSD & Nigro, Nigro & White

8028. Approved renewal of Agreement between Bonita Unified School District and Nigro, Nigro and White, PC to provide independent audit services for the 2005-2006 fiscal year.

Bid 05-06:04 to Cabral Roofing  
& Waterproofing

8029. Awarded Bid 05-06:04 to Cabral Roofing and Waterproofing, Inc. in the amount of \$83,976 for replacement of roof at Ramona Middle School Building D.

**CONSENT AGENDA – Cont.**

Change Order #6

Bid 04-05:09 Modernization at  
San Dimas High School

8030. Approved Change Order #6 Bid 04-05:09 for construction of modernization projects at San Dimas High School.

Change Order #6

Bid 04-05:10 Modernization at  
Bonita High School

8031. Approved Change Order #6 Bid 04-05:10 for construction of modernization projects at Bonita High School.

Certificated Personnel Report

8032. 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.

Classified Personnel Report

8033. 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

8034. 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.

Donations

8035. Accepted with thanks the donation of gifts valued at \$10,440.00 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**

First Reading of Board Policy  
5000-Concepts and Roles in  
Student Personnel

8036. Motion by Mr. Creiman, seconded by Ms. Latourelle, and carried by 4 Ayes, 0 Noes, approved first reading of Board Policy 5000-Concepts and Roles in Student Personnel.

Dr. Schneider reported that this policy is being revised in order to comply with current State laws and Education code as recommended by California School Boards Association. Dr. Schneider reviewed the recommended changes to the current policy.

Re-numbering of Board Policy 5330 &  
First Reading of Board Policy 5123-  
Promotion/Retention/Acceleration

8037. Motion by Ms. Latourelle, seconded by Mr. Coyne, and carried by 4 Ayes, 0 Noes, approved renumbering of Board Policy 5330 & first reading of Board Policy 5123-Promotion/Retention/Acceleration.

Dr. Schneider reported that this policy is being renumbered and revised in order to comply with current State laws and Education code as recommended by California School Boards Association. Dr. Schneider reviewed the recommended changes to the currently policy.

Re-numbering of Board Policy 5515 &  
First Reading of Board Policy 5131.62-  
Tobacco

8038. Motion by Ms. Latourelle, seconded by Mr. Creiman, and carried by 4 Ayes, 0 Noes, approved re-numbering of Board Policy 5515 and first reading of Board Policy 5131.62-Tobacco.

No further comment.

**DISCUSSION/ACTION AGENDA**  
**BUSINESS SERVICES**

Budget Development  
Items

8039. As part of the budget development process, a comprehensive review of revenues and expenditures is necessary to arrive at an appropriate budget for 2006-2007.  
Ms. Sparks reported to the Board, in detail, the most current information regarding:
- a. District-wide enrollment/ADA projections;
  - b. Initial Staffing Plan
    - 1) Certificated non-Management regular program staffing;
    - 2) Certificated Management staffing;
    - 3) Classified Management/Confidential staffing;
    - 4) Special Education staffing; and
    - 5) Categorical program staffing
  - c. Non Staffing Allocation Formula

Ms. Sparks reported to the Board on the current recommendations by the State Legislative Analyst's Office regarding the State budget.

**SUPERINTENDENT**

Election of Candidates to CSBA  
Delegate Assembly

8040. Motion by Ms. Latourelle, seconded by Mr. Elliot, and carried by 4 Ayes, 0 Noes voted for one (1) candidate, Mr. Charles Coyne for California School Boards Association Delegate Assembly.

No further comments.

**STUDENT DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

8041. Motion by Mr. Creiman, seconded by Ms. Latourelle, and carried by 4 Ayes, 0 Noes, Student Disciplinary Action Pursuant to Education Code #48900 (a)(1), (b), (k), and #48915 (a)(2) and (c)(2), approved recommendation to expel student #905243, with enforcement suspended, and Interdistrict Permit revoked, for the remainder of the spring semester 2006 and the fall semester 2006.



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

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| Community | Carrin Bouchard, representative from the La Verne/San Dimas Educational Foundation, addressed the Board and thanked those Board members who participated in the recent golf tournament/fund raiser to fund mini-grants for teachers in Bonita Unified School District. She also reported that the Fairplex will host the upcoming Perseverance Awards. Additionally, the City of La Verne approved banners throughout the City to sponsor the La Verne/San Dimas Educational Foundation. |
| PTA       | Carrin Bouchard, representative from the PTA, addressed the Board and thanked the Board for attending the various PTA events and supporting the many PTA activities throughout the District. She noted that Open Houses for the school sites are coming up and PTA is working hard to make them all successful.  |
| BUTA      | No comment   |
| CSEA      | No comment   |
| BUMT      | No Comment   |

**COMMUNICATIONS-BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT**

Mr. Coyne expressed sympathy in the passing of Mike Love, teacher, and noted his contributions as a great teacher in Bonita Unified School District.

Ms. Latourelle recognized the wonderful art work displayed in the Board Room by students of Bonita High School. She thanked Ramona Middle School and Bonita High School staff for their proactive approach in providing a recent workshop for parents on Internet Safety.

Mr. Creiman recognized Mike Love as an exceptional teacher in the Bonita Unified School District. He reported enjoying his participation in the La Verne/San Dimas Educational Foundation golf tournament. He reported that he had the opportunity to attend a teachers BUTA meeting at San Dimas High School.

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

Mr. Elliot expressed recognition for the amazing art work displayed in the Board Room by students from Bonita High School. Mr. Elliot attended the memorial service for Mike Love and noted that there was a large attendance from the District, which was very meaningful for the family. He reported participating in the San Dimas High School Students in Government Day. He helped make blankets with the students and staff at Oak Mesa Elementary School. He attended the recent San Dimas Ad Hoc Committee Meeting. He noted appreciation for the quick response from the District administration to parent concerns. He requested a report on the Accelerated Math Program.

Dr. Otto reported that Dr. Schneider and other staff attended Students in Government Day in San Dimas. He noted that Focus On Education featured the Ramona Technology Program. Dr. Otto attended the San Dimas Rotary Club luncheon, where mini-grants were awarded to four teachers in Bonita Unified School District. He reported that last Thursday the District held its 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Spelling Bee. He reported that a Use of the Internet Workshop for parents will be conducted at Lone Hill Middle School on March 16, 2006.

**MEETING DATES**

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Wednesday, March 22, 2006, at 7:00 p.m. at the Education Center, 115 West Allen Avenue, San Dimas.

**ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

Mr. Creiman requested an investigative report on the appointing of an attorney to the staff of Bonita Unified School District.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The Board adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

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

