

BONITA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Official Minutes of the Special Board of Education
Meeting – Wednesday, May 31, 2006

Call To Order

8198. The Special meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:05 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

Staff Members Present

Robert Otto, Superintendent
Kathryn Schneider, Assistant Superintendent – Ed Services
Ann Sparks, Assistant Superintendent - Business Services

CLOSED SESSION

The meeting convened in Closed Session at 6:06 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).

OPEN SESSION

8199. The meeting reconvened in Open Session at 6:26 p.m.

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

8200. No action was taken in Closed Session.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jim Elliot.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA ORDER AND CONTENT

8201. Motion by Mr. Creiman, seconded by Mr. Coyne, and carried by 4 Ayes, 0 Noes approving the agenda order and content.

REQUESTS TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS

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

DISCUSSION/ACTION AGENDA
BUSINESS SERVICES

Bid #05-06:05 Grace Miller School
Partial Modernization

8202. Motion by Ms. Latourelle, seconded by Mr. Creiman and carried by 4 Ayes, 0 Noes awarded bid #05-06:05 Grace Miller elementary School partial modernization to Harik Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$2,585,000.

Dr. Otto noted that Measure C Funds would be used for this project. Ann Sparks indicated that it is estimated to take 15 months to complete the project beginning as soon as school is out for the summer. Ms. Sparks reviewed the highlights of the modernization construction at Grace Miller Elementary School. Interim housing will be put in place over the summer.

Bid #05-06:06 Shull School
Partial Modernization

8203. Motion by Ms. Latourelle, seconded by Mr. Coyne and carried by 4 Ayes, 0 Noes awarded bid #05-06:06 Shull Elementary School partial modernization to Harik Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$2,632,000.

Ann Sparks noted that it is estimated to take 15 months to complete the project beginning as soon as school is out for the summer. Ms. Sparks reviewed the highlights of the modernization construction at Shull Elementary School. Interim housing will be put in place over the summer.

SUPERINTENDENT

Public Comments on Board
Candidates Interviewed on
May 24, 2006

8204. Mr. Elliot reviewed the application and interview process the Board of Education followed to fill the one vacancy on the Board of Education. The Board heard comments from the public, based on their perception of how a particular applicant meets the criteria from the interviews conducted at the Special Board Meeting on May 24, 2006.

The following members of the public addressed the Board:

Alta Skinner
Lia Gyore
Tina Ogas

DISCUSSION/ACTION AGENDA-Cont.
SUPERINTENDENT-Cont.

Selection of Board Appointed Member
To fill One Vacant Position on
Board of Education

8205. Motion by Ms. Latourelle, seconded by Mr. Coyne and carried by 4 Ayes, 0 Noes the Board appointed Robin Carder as the Provisional Appointed Member to the Board of Education to serve the term of office until December 2007.

After review and deliberation by the Board of Education regarding the six applicants for one vacant position on the Board of Education, the Board voted in open session to appoint Robin Carder as the Provisional Appointed Member of the Board of Education.

Oath of Office

8206. Mr. Elliot administered the Oath of Office to Robin Carder as the newly appointed Member of the Board of Education.

Site Inspection of STAR Center

8207. The Board of Education, accompanied by Dr. Otto and Cabinet members, conducted a site visit to the STAR Center to inspect the facilities.

Discussion of Proposals by
Superintendent Search Firms

8208. As a result of Dr. Otto's announced upcoming retirement, Dr. Otto conducted a discussion with the Board of Education regarding the proposals that have been submitted by search firms to begin the process to search for a Superintendent. Dr. Otto gave the Board copies of a cost estimate for each of the six firms that submitted proposals:
California School Boards Association-Executive Search
The Cosca Group
4 Administrators
RJ Gatti & Associates
Hazard, Young, Attea & Associates
Leadership Associates

It was the consensus of the Board to interview all six search firms at a Special Meeting to be held on June 14 2006 at 6:00 p.m. and will make the selection of the firm at that meeting.

DISCUSSION/ACTION AGENDA-Cont.
SUPERINTENDENT-Cont.

The Board will conduct reference checks of the six search firms prior to the Special Board Meeting

The Board will develop a set of questions, selected by individual Board members and submit 2-3 questions each to the Superintendent in order to develop a common set of questions to ask the search firms.

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

Community	No comment
PTA	No comment
BUTA	No comment
CSEA	No comment
BUMT	No comment

COMMUNICATIONS-BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT

Ms. Carder thanked the Board for their confidence in selecting her. She stated that Ed Jones will always be in her thoughts and heart and students will always come first.

Mr. Coyne welcomed Ms. Carder and was happy to have such an experienced person to fill the vacancy. He thanked all of the applicants who applied for the vacant position on the Board of Education.

Ms. Latourelle welcomed Ms. Carder back to the Board. Ms. Latourelle reported that she had the opportunity to attend the exceptional Bonita High School Pop Show.

Mr. Creiman welcomed Ms. Carder and thanked the other five candidates who applied to fill the vacant Board of Education position.

Mr. Elliot thanked all of the applicants who participated and welcomed Ms. Carder. He expressed his appreciation to the Board members for the selection process. Mr. Elliot reported attending the La Verne/San Dimas Education Foundation Perseverance Awards ceremony and enjoyed participating in the event.

COMMUNICATIONS-BOARD/SUPERINTENDENT-Cont.

Dr. Otto welcomed Ms. Carder to the Board of Education.

MEETING DATES

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Wednesday, June 7, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. at the Education Center, 115 West Allen Avenue, San Dimas.

The next Special Meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Wednesday, June 14, 2006, at 6:00 p.m. at the Education Center, 115 West Allen Avenue, San Dimas.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

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