

Happy Valley School District
Regular Board Meeting
March 9, 2022
MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by the Board President at 3:34pm

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Freeman, Frandle, Willet, Hodges

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Click Richardson

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Stewart, Lynd, Doolan, Royer

A. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MSC WILLET/FRANDLE to approve the Board Meeting agenda as written.

Unanimous.

B. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

MSC FRANDLE/HODGES to approve the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting February 9, 2022. Unanimous.

C. COMMUNITY INPUT

None.

D. BOARD REPORT

1. Katie Freeman reported that it is Arts Education Month
2. Katie Freeman reported she attended the local Santa Cruz County CSBA meeting and encourages all board members to attend upcoming meetings. There will be a Masters in Governance two day course at the end of March.
3. Jacob Willet reported that Branciforte Fire Department has formalized the next steps to merge with Scotts Valley Fire Department.
4. Cliff Hodges reported the field day was a huge success and lots of community involvement.

E. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Michelle Stewart informed the Board of the following:

1. So many things to celebrate this month, a successful Read-A-Thon event that raised over \$28,000, county COVID positivity rates under 1%, and the field day was a huge success .
2. Received rebate of over \$1000 from SCMU for water leak.
3. Bell system not working, will be approximately \$4,000 to replace.
4. Paging system would cost the district over \$15,000, will be put on hold until we modernize.
5. Attended SSSA (Small School District Association) Conference in Sacramento.

F. STAFF REPORT

Kate Royer informed the Board that Room 1 had a great writing celebration, Branciforte

Middle School visit, and getting ready for OSS.

Lindsey Doolan informed the Board that 3rd grade is doing physical science, Intervention is targeting students who need extra support and Room 2 had a writing celebration, and is getting ready for their first field trip.

G. PUBLIC HEARING

1. PUBLIC HEARING - INTENT TO BEGIN NEGOTIATIONS - California Government Code 3547 requires that all initial proposals of exclusive representatives and the District shall be presented at a public meeting of the Board of Trustees.

MSC FRANDLE/HODGES to close the meeting for a Public Hearing at 3:55pm allowing for comment on the Happy Valley Elementary School District (HVESD) intent to begin negotiations with the Happy Valley Education Association (HVEA) for a collective bargaining agreement (2022-2024).

MSC WILLET/FRANDLE to reopen the meeting at 3:56pm there being no public comment. Unanimous.

H. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF SANTA CRUZ

The Board received an update regarding the Happy Valley School Foundation Fund through December 31, 2021.

2. NUTRITION AND WELLNESS

The Board received an update regarding nutrition and wellness, including free breakfast and lunch for the 2022-2023 school year and possible scenarios.

3. TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN

The board received information regarding Transitional Kindergarten and possible scenarios for the 2022-2023 school year and all future school years.

I. ACTION ITEMS

1. ACCEPT THE INITIAL PROPOSAL FOR THE HAPPY VALLEY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (HVEA) SUNSHINE NEGOTIATIONS REPRESENTING CERTIFICATED BARGAINING UNIT MEMBERS TO HAPPY VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT (HVESD) FOR THE 2022-2024 INITIAL CONTRACT

MSC WILLET/HODGES to accept the initial proposal for collective bargaining. Unanimous.

2. APPROVAL OF THE INITIAL PROPOSAL FOR HAPPY VALLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT (HVESD) SUNSHINE NEGOTIATION PROCESS WITH THE HAPPY VALLEY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (HVEA) REPRESENTING CERTIFICATED BARGAINING UNIT MEMBERS FOR THE 2022-2024 CONTRACT

MSC FRANDLE/WILLET to approve the initial proposal of intent to bargain the following articles of the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Happy Valley Education Association:

Article 1: Agreement

Article 12: Work Day/Work Year

Article 16: Salaries

Both parties agree to discuss the introduction and implementation of Early Transitional Kindergarten as legislated starting in 2022-2023 and amend all affected articles as necessary. The District proposes changes to the Collective Bargaining Agreement that support the District's goals of recruiting and retaining excellent teachers in a manner that is fiscally responsible for the District. Unanimous.

3. COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF SANTA CRUZ

MSC HODGES/WILLET to approve the deposit from the Community Foundation to Fund 57 held at the Santa Cruz County Treasury. Unanimous.

4. AUDIT CERTIFICATION

MSC WILLET/FRANDLE to approve the 2020-2021 Audit as presented. Unanimous.

5. 2021-2022 2ND INTERIM BUDGET REPORT FOR HAPPY VALLEY SCHOOL

MSC FRANDLE/HODGES to approve Happy Valley Elementary School District 2021-2022 2nd Interim Budget and Multi-Year Projection Report.

Unanimous.

6. VOLUNTEER UPDATE

MSC WILLET/HODGES to approve the change of TB test requirement from mandatory to highly recommended. Unanimous.

7. NEW MASK PROTOCOLS

MSC WILLET/FRANDLE to approve following CDPH guidelines regarding new mask regulations and guidance of being highly recommended. Unanimous.

8. BOARD CALENDAR

MSC HODGES/WILLET to approve the 2022-2023 School Board Schedule. Unanimous.

J. CONSENT AGENDA

1. MSC WILLET/FRANDLE to approve the vendor warrants paid since the last meeting. Unanimous.

K. COMMUNICATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. March 12, 2022 - Daylight Savings Time Begins
2. March 16, 2022 - School Site Council, 6:00pm, Via Zoom
3. March 16, 2022 - Parent Club Meeting, 6:30pm, Via Zoom
4. March 18, 2022 - Staff Development Day, No School
5. March 25, 2022 - Pizza Day, \$1
6. March 25, 2022 - Spirit Day
7. March 25, 2022 - PeaceBuilders Assembly, Stage
8. March 25, 2022 - Kindergarten Round-Up, 1:30pm, Room 5

L. CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned into closed session at 5:07pm to discuss Superintendent Evaluation and negotiation preparations.

M. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

The Board reported out of closed session, at 5:33pm, nothing to report.

N. ADJOURNMENT

MSC HODGES/WILLET to adjourn the meeting, there being no further business, 5:35pm. Unanimous.

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