



BUCKEYE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

**MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
BUCKEYE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT**

DISTRICT VISION STATEMENT

Working together with families, the community, and a highly qualified staff, the Buckeye Union School District ensures that each student masters the knowledge and skills needed to maximize his/her academic and personal success in a global society.

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**Wednesday, March 6, 2019**

**Buckeye Union School District Office**

**(Please enter Board room from the back of building)**

**Closed Session – 6:00 p.m.**

**Open Session – 7:00 p.m.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Brenda Hanson-Smith, Ph.D. called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**II. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**III. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

1. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (Govt. Code Section 54957):  
Resolution No. 19-04
2. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (Govt. Code Section 54957):  
Resolution No. 19-05
3. Public Employee employment, evaluation of performance, discipline or  
dismissal/release of pursuant to Government Code 54957

**IV. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION & FLAG SALUTE**

The Board reconvened to open session at 7:00 p.m. and Principal Paul Stewart led the flag salute.

## **V. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Board reported out that it took action to approve Resolution 19-04. The Resolution carried with a 4-0 vote.

## **VI. ROLL CALL**

Present: Brenda Hanson-Smith, Ph.D.

Gloria Silva

Jon Yoffie

Winston Pingrey

Not Present: Kirk Seal

## **VII. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Gloria Silva motioned to approve the agenda. Winston Pingrey seconded the motion. The Motion carried 4-0.

## **VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

## **IX. PRESENTATIONS**

1. Valley View Charter Montessori Student Representative: Karlo Espinosa and Chloe Taguinod

Valley View Charter Montessori student representatives Karlo Espinosa and Chloe Taguinod reported on behalf of the Valley View Middle School. Karlo reported it is nice to have middle school activities like dances. This year leadership got to pick the theme for the dance and was involved in decorating. He added that it is great having a middle school area on campus and having PE with locker rooms. Chloe reported that they really enjoy their Spirit Days and the after school activities such as sports. Chloe noted that on March 14th students will be enjoying Pi day. The Board was invited to the Science Fair which is on April 2nd for middle school and open house on April 3rd is for the 4th/5th grades.

2. Valley View Charter Montessori: Principal Paul Stewart

- Classified Employee of the Year: Amy Morgan

Mr. Stewart introduce Amy Morgan, Secretary as this year's Classified Employee of the Year. Mr. Stewart shared the following comments from staff:

- Amy is adaptable and simply marvelous;
- What you see is what you get;
- Huge support- always greeted with a smile;
- Always willing to help and we really appreciate her hard work.

Mr. Stewart thanked Amy for being there for the staff and students and for always doing her job with a smile on her face. Mr. Stewart noted that Amy is extremely flexible and supportive - she will interrupt her work to stop to help anyone who may need it. Amy is also appreciated for all she does to support

the climate and culture at Valley View, She is one of the members of the team who organize the staff parties and other events enjoyed by all on site.

Dr. Roth presented Amy with a Certificate of Appreciation. Dr. Roth also noted for the Board how appreciative he is for her hard work and how she is always willing to assist the students and staff and does it with a smile on her face. Every time he walks into Valley View it is so nice to see her at work and is impressed with how well she manages the many tasks she has in a very busy office.

- **Certificated Employee of the Year: Bonnie Hampton**  
Mr. Stewart introduced Bonnie Hampton, 2nd-grade teacher at Valley View as their Certificated Employee of the year. Mr. Stewart invited her students to come and say a few words about Ms. Hampton. The students had made signs of appreciation and said a few words on how much they love Ms. Hampton and what she does for them every day. Mr. Stewart noted that Ms. Hampton's class, second to her own family, is the single most important thing to her. He really appreciates all of her work and commitment to ensure that she is considering and addressing each child's specific needs. In addition to the classroom, Mr. Stewart noted that Ms. Hampton has a competitive Volleyball background and has brought that experience to Valley View for students. One student commented about how he didn't know a lady could play volleyball as good as a guy, but Ms. Hampton can. Mr. Stewart added that it is a privilege to have Ms. Hampton as the Certificated Employee of the Year.

Dr. Roth presented Ms. Hampton with a Certificate of Appreciation and thanked Ms. Hampton for all she does with the children in her classroom. Dr. Roth added that although Ms. Hampton is new to the Montessori program, when he goes through her classroom you would never know - it looks like she has done it for years. It is clear that Ms. Hampton puts her heart into her teaching and all she does for our students and it is greatly appreciated.

## **X. DISCUSSION**

1. Review of International Baccalaureate Program Model Middle Years Programme and a proposal to introduce at Camerado Springs Middle School

Mr. Shupe, Principal at Camerado Springs Middle School presented to the Board the International Baccalaureate Program powerpoint. The presentation can be found on the District website under Board Agenda and Minutes. Mr. Shupe added that if the Board directed him to continue moving forward with the IB program at Camerado and Valley View an action item would be brought to the March 20th Board Meeting to allow for the filing of the application for Board approval. Superintendent David Roth said that with starting the IB program, some additional costs would be incurred such as an IB coordinator position, which would be needed to support the IB curriculum and unit development and our

teachers. The Coordinator would oversee both schools with helping the program and staff to ensure we are aligned with the IB principles. Dr. Roth noted that he was pleased to see that all staff is all on board and they are committed to getting the program up and running for a successful launch next year. Dr. Roth also reported that in addition to staff, parents and PTO's have also been in favor of the District starting the IB program at both school sites.

The Board provided input and stated that they are in favor of starting up the MYP IB program at Camerado Springs and Valley View Charter Montessori. The Board directed Dr. Roth, Mr. Shupe and Mr. Stewart to continue with their efforts and to bring back to the Board on March 20th the application for action.

## **X. REPORTS**

### 1. Reports and Requests by Board Members

Brenda Hanson-Smith reported that the Board, along with David and Jackie was able to attend the California School Boards dinner at which they were pleased to honor Kirk Seal for all the work he has done for the Board over the last several years. Mr. Seal received the lifetime achievement award, at Cold Springs Country Club. Winston Pingrey reported that the County Board has indicated that with the long-winter that many of the schools in the county have affected in lower attendance rates due to adverse weather and power conditions. Mr. Pingrey also reported that he was voted in to fill the Vice President seat for the El Dorado County School Boards Association. Jon Yoffie reported that he attended his first LCAP meeting, and was happy to see all the parents at the meeting.

### 2. Superintendent Report: Superintendent David Roth, Ph.D.

Dr. Roth reported that he has been meeting with students regarding LCAP. He has been asking the students questions regarding our science curriculum, Amplify, and the students have been responding with how much they like the hands on experience and using the computer for the science program. He said that it is amazing to see and hear how they are using the new curriculum. Dr. Roth will be doing more LCAP visits for the next month and will be reporting back to the Board on the progress.

## **XI. CONSENT AGENDA**

### 1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting: 2/6/19, 2/20/19

Gloria motioned to approve the consent agenda as presented and Jon Yoffie seconded the motion. The Motion carried 4-0.

## **XII. ACTION ITEMS**

### **1. Approve Offering Golden Handshake Early Retirements to Public Employees Retirement Systems (PERS) Staff Members**

Assistant Superintendent Jackie McHaney reported to the Board that the offering of the Golden Handshake Early Retirement to Public Employees Retirement System Staff Members is included as part of the CSEA Contract in our District. The first step, however, in order for our District to offer the Golden Handshake option from April 23, 2019 through August 1, 2019 is the requirement that the Board approve the offering of a Golden Handshake and opening up a window period. Because the District is considered a part of the El Dorado County Office of Education's contract with the Public Employees Retirement System, a Resolution must also be approved at the County Board meeting which is scheduled to be heard on April 2, 2019.

Ms. McHaney requested the Board Approve Offering Golden Handshake Early Retirement to Public Employees Retirement Systems (PERS) Staff Members in accordance with the terms of the CSEA Contract.

Gloria Silva motioned to approve the Offering of the Golden Handshake Early Retirement to Public Employees Retirement Systems (PERS) Staff Members and opening up the window period. Jon Yoffie seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

### **XIII. NEXT MEETING:** Wednesday, March 20, 2018 District Office Board Room

## **XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

Gloria motioned to adjourn the meeting. Winston Pingrey seconded the motion. The Motion carried 4-0.

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