

**SHORELINE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
FEBRUARY 21, 2013**

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Shoreline Unified School District Board of Trustees was held at West Marin School on Thursday, February 21, 2013.

1. Tim Kehoe called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.
2. Board members present: Tim Kehoe, Jane Healy, Jim Lino, Julie Titus, Monique Moretti, Jill Manning-Sartori, and Kegan Stedwell. Tim Kehoe was only present for closed session.
3. Comments from the public on closed session items: Kelsy Henke spoke about negotiations with the teachers.
4. Recessed to closed 5:10 p.m.
5. Reconvened to public session 6:15 p.m. with Jane Healy presiding.
6. No reportable action taken in closed session.
7. Approved and adopted the agenda after moving item #21 to be heard after item #11.
(Manning-Sartori/Stedwell/Unanimous)
8. Jennifer Gutierrez, Alden Riley, and Willow Dawson were honored as Shoreline's student of the month for February 2013. Ms. Cassel made the presentations.
9. Laurel Ann Riley gave the student representative report. Tomales Elementary: The THS Pan Band performed for the staff and students, they had a Valentine's Day dance, and the eighth graders all visited the high school. Tomales High: Basketball playoffs are this weekend, Link Crew welcomed the eighth graders, they had a King of Hearts dance/rally, and school-wide fundraisers are taking place to raise money for prom and senior trip. West Marin: PTSA held a movie night \$12.00 per person, Marin Community Foundation meeting is taking place on March 28th, and the THS Pan Band performed for the staff and students.
10. Consent Agenda
 - 10.1. Approved minutes of January 17, 2013, regular meeting.
 - 10.2. Approved payment of warrants.
 - 10.3. 2013 – 2014 Interdistricts: Approved outgoing transfers for Sayer Graham, Madeleine Haas, Landon Horick, Amabel Vaughan-Lee, and Elijah Vaughan-Lee.
 - 10.4. Accepted gifts: To THS: The THS Athletic Booster Club donated the cost of refinishing the gym floor. To District: Susan Flagg and Carlo Rocca Fund, C/O Marin Community Foundation donated \$5,000.00 to support the Shoreline Community Mentoring Program.
 - 10.5. Approved the Tomales High School Close-Up trip to Washington, D.C., from May 17–24, 2013.
 - 10.6. Approved the Tomales High School Senior Trip to Disneyland from May 29-30, 2013.
 - 10.7. Approved Jane Healy to attend the National Association of Federally Impacted Schools 2013 Spring Conference from March 3-5, in Washington, D.C.
(Titus/Stedwell/Unanimous)

Kegan Stedwell requested that item 10.3 be removed and acted upon separately. Kegan expressed concern about so many students leaving the district and asked the principals to make contact with these families to try and retain them.
(Manning-Sartori/Stedwell/Unanimous)

11. The Marin Community Foundation presentation was given by Principals Jane Realon and Matt Nagle. Both Jane and Matt named several accomplishments that the MCF grant has made possible at their schools. The family centers and liaisons are doing great work and provide critical support. Matt mentioned the educational support provided by Papermill Creek, The Dance Palace, and Marin Literacy. MCF Program Director Don Jen and Jan Derby were present at the meeting. Jane and Matt thanked and praised both of them for their continued efforts and support. The MCF grant has made a huge difference in closing the education achievement gap.

Curriculum and Instruction

12. The elementary school principals gave their reports with the Marin Community Foundation presentation. Principal Adam Jennings reported that at the high school they are having a real Marin County Superior Court driving under the influence trial. The entire student body will witness this hearing. It will be held at the high school on March 14, 2013. Selected students will act as the jury; however the verdict will be decided by the judge.

13. Interim Superintendent Nancy Neu reported that the Board retreat is set for April 17, 2013. Principals are invited to attend. Topics for the Board retreat include; NEP integration, Board goals, hiring of a new part-time superintendent, and protocol for future board meetings. Nancy and Trustee Jill Manning-Sartori attended wellness training and will be looking into reviewing our current Board policy.

Finance and Business

14. Susan Skipp reported that the State Budget should be adopted by July 1. The proposed Local Control Funding Formula claims that no school districts will be harmed. Second Interim report will not include the Local Control Funding Formula because of the uncertainty until the State Budget is adopted. The "fiscal cliff" shouldn't impact our budget this year; however the future impact is unknown. Susan will bring back more information when she returns from the NAFIS Conference in Washington, D.C.

15. Family advocates Esperanza Nunez from Tomales High, Marisol Salgado from Tomales Elementary and Lourdes Romo from West Marin reported on their daily tasks and the positive impact that they have on both Anglo and Latino students and their parents. Marisol reported that her involvement over the years with the Latino parents has greatly improved their leadership skills and they are very involved with the schools now. Sandy Kaplan commented that our family advocates are indispensable and very much needed. They are a great asset to help close the achievement gap.

16. Trustee Jane Healy reported that she attended the Tomales Village Community Services board meeting to officially inquire about reducing the percentage of the program that is invoiced to SUSD. Tomales Village is currently going through an efficiency audit because many community members are questioning the spending. Jane recommended that we look into the cost of building our own septic plant. The district staff will inquire with Jerry & Don's to see if we are able to track our current water usage to see if the percentage we are charged is reasonable.

17. The motion to declare surplus band instruments and equipment from the Tomales High School will be brought back to the March Board meeting as an action item. The Board asked Principal Adam Jennings to inquire with our elementary school music teachers to see whether they would be interested in any of these items prior to selling them to the public.

Employees

18. Approved the 2012 - 2013 Certificated and Classified Seniority Lists.
(Lino/Manning-Sartori/Unanimous)

19. Approved Tami Furlong as the head softball coach at Tomales High School, she will be replacing John Azevedo.
(Titus/Stedwell/Unanimous)

20. Approved Russell Sartori as the tennis coach at Tomales High School. Monique Moretti recommended that we look into finding a female assistant coach since this is a coed sport.
(Titus/Lino Ayes: Healy, Moretti, Stedwell, Titus, Lino Noes: None
Absent: Kehoe Abstain: Manning-Sartori) Motion passes.

Policy

21. First reading of BP 5117 and AR 5117 – Interdistrict Attendance. With legal guidance several changes were made to the original interdistrict attendance wording. The policy and regulation were discussed thoroughly to make sure everyone is clear on interdistrict attendance procedures. This item will be on the March Board meeting agenda as a second reading/possible action item.

Auxiliary

22. The district will be sending out a notification of the open position for superintendent asking for community input in regards to the desired personal or professional skills that should be required of the potential applicants.
23. Alex Porrata reported that the Dual Immersion Task Force has decided to slow down and take the time to thoroughly research and make sure that the best interest of our students and communities are considered prior to implementing this program. The task force will continue their efforts to educate our communities on Dual Immersion. They will be showing the film “Speaking in Tongues” at 6 p.m. on March 12, 2013, at West Marin School and on March 20, 2013, at Tomales Elementary. This film is a documentary about four families that place their children in public schools where their teachers speak mostly in a foreign language. Food and childcare will be provided.
24. Persons desiring to address the Board: Alex Porrata announced that West Marin Community Services has created a \$10,000 scholarship for graduating seniors from Tomales High School that are interested in attending junior colleges or technical trade schools.
25. Interim Superintendent Nancy Neu recommended to the Board that the discussion on strategic planning be put on hold until the new superintendent is hired. This is a long term plan that should include the ideas and suggestions of the new superintendent.
26. Future agenda items:
-Facilities report from THS
-Second Interim
-Interdistrict Attendance BP-5117/AR-5117
27. Communications: Jane Healy read a thank you letter from Steve Whitlock, a graduate from Tomales High in 2007. He was one of the very first recipients of the Gail & Romeo Cerini Scholarship. His letter described his career goals and college accomplishments, which include pursuing a Ph.D. in biology and fishery management. He wanted to let everyone know how appreciative and grateful he is for this financial support.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Neu, Interim Superintendent

Adopted by the Board: