WASCO UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

ADOPTED MINUTES

April 10, 2018

6:00 p.m.      Closed Session
6:30 p.m.      Open Session

A. CALL TO ORDER
1. Roll Call
   Board Members Present:  Luis Fernandez, President; Danny Rueda, Clerk; Anna Poggi, Member;
   Richard Reding, Member

   Others present: Kelly Richers, District Superintendent; David Bowling, Assistant Superintendent of
   Curriculum & Instruction; Brad Maberry, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services; and Karen
   Evans, Chief Business Officer

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS – None

B. CLOSED SESSION
1. Personnel – Public employee employment, appointment, evaluation, resignation, discipline, dismissal,
   release, and other employment matters.
   a. Certificated Employment
   b. Classified Employment
2. Pupil Personnel
   a. Suspensions
   WETA (Government Code §54947.6)
   CSEA, Chapter #23 (Government Code §54957.6)
5. Superintendent’s Contract
6. Assistant Superintendents’ Contracts

Enter closed session:  Time:  6:00 P.M.
Motion: Poggi             Second: Rueda   Ayes: 4   Noes: 0

Return to open session:  Time:  6:30 P.M.
Motion: Reding            Second: Rueda   Ayes: 4   Noes: 0

Mr. Fernandez called for a moment of silence for our recently deceased friends.

Flag Salute – Mr. Richers

C. 1. PUBLIC HEARING
      WETA (Government Code §54957.6)
   No comments from the public.
2. PUBLIC HEARING
      WETA (Government Code §54957.6)
Mr. Richers let the record show that WETA opened four articles that by contractual agreement should have
been a maximum of three.
3. PUBLIC HEARING
   a. Collective Bargaining – Proposal to California School Employees Association – CSEA, Chapter #23 (Government Code §54957.6)

   No comments from the public.

4. PUBLIC HEARING – Residential Development School Fee Justification Study, and Commercial/Industrial Development School Fee Justification Study for Wasco Union School District

   No comments from the public.

D. PRESENTATIONS
   1. Mr. Richers, Superintendent for Wasco Union Elementary School District – Construction Plan Update

   Before presenting the construction update, Mr. Richers presented Veronica Alvarez, Thomas Jefferson Middle School English Teacher a certificate for commendation for her quick action taken when one of her students found herself in medical trouble.

   Mr. Richers reported on all of Wasco Union Elementary School District’s construction projects and their progress. He concluded by stating that a tentative date of May 23, 2018 has been set for the groundbreaking of the new James Forrest Elementary School.

E. NON-AGENDA ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC – None

F. NEW BUSINESS

   Action Items:
   1. Approval of the REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION -- Personnel: Public employee employment, appointment, evaluation, resignation, discipline, dismissal, release, and other employment matters.

   A. Personnel
      a. Administration
         i. Assistant Principal / Learning Director
            Benito Juarez Thomas Jefferson M.S. Change in Assignment

      b. Classified Employment
         i. Custodians/Bus Drivers
            Luis Castillo Ayala MOT Change in Assignment – Former
            Substitute
            Eduardo Salinas MOT New Hire
         ii. Resignations
            Karen Goni Teresa Burke Books and Breakfast Program
            Keyonna Gray Teresa Burke After School Activity Leader
         iii. Student Monitors
            Isamar Gomez Teresa Burke New Hire
            Norma Lule John L. Prueitt Change in Assignment – Former
            Substitute
            Stephanie Valdez Thomas Jefferson New Hire
         iv. Student Records Clerk
            Delinda Gaona All Sites New Hire
         v. Summer School – Food Service Managers
            Alden Kaleohano Fernandez John L. Prueitt Additional Assignment
            Erika Simmons Karl F. Clemens Additional Assignment

   Mr. Richers read the names of the new hires.

B. Superintendent’s Contract

   Mr. Richers gave an in depth explanation as to why the superintendent’s and assistant superintendents’ salary contracts were adjusted.

C. Assistant Superintendents’ Contracts
2. Approval of Consent Agenda items:
   a. Minutes from the March 13, 2018 Regular Board Meeting
   b. March mid- and end-of-month payroll for $2,474,623.11
   c. Commercial warrants, batches #63 through #70 for $695,207.27
      Motion: Reding  Second: Rueda  Ayes: 4  Noes: 0

3. Approval of Resolution #1718-17 Increase Statutory School Fees Imposed on New Residential and Commercial/Industrial Development Projects Pursuant to Education Code Section 17620 (Level I Fee Increase Resolution)
   Motion: Poggi  Second: Reding  Ayes: 4  Noes: 0

Mr. Richers reported that our increased statutory school fees will be $2.46 and $.40 respectively, an increase of $.40 and $.04.

   Motion: Rueda  Second: Poggi  Ayes: 4  Noes: 0

5. Approval of General Leave of Absence
   Motion: Rueda  Second: Poggi  Ayes: 4  Noes: 0

6. Approval of Resolution #1718-20 for Classified Layoff of Instructional Aide-SDC (Mild/Moderate)
   Motion: Rueda  Second: Reding  Ayes: 4  Noes: 0

Mr. Richers explained that the district may not need one of the SDC Instructional Aide for the 2018-2019 school year. Therefore, to follow legal procedure involving seniority we must approve this resolution in case we need to reduce the position.

7. Approval of Sale, Recycling and Disposal of Obsolete Items
   Motion: Poggi  Second: Reding  Ayes: 4  Noes: 0

8. Approval of Palm Avenue School (Gymnasium and Buildings) Sub-contractors by Bid Package for Use in the CM@Risk Agreement with Colombo Construction, Inc.
   Motion: Reding  Second: Rueda  Ayes: 4  Noes: 0

Mr. Richers reported that these are the low bids for the construction of the gymnasium and the alterations to the buildings and campus at Palm Avenue.

9. Approval of Assignment of the Low Bidder Contracts to Colombo Construction, Inc. for Use in the Construction Management at Risk Delivery Process
   Motion: Reding  Second: Rueda  Ayes: 4  Noes: 0

Information Items
1. Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints for April 1, 2018 Period: January 1–March 30
2. 2nd Quarter 2017-2018 LCAP Overview
3. Current Fund Balance
4. Current Enrollment
5. April’s Student Menu

G. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT – Mr. Richers shared with the board the dates for the CSBA Conference in San Francisco. Secondly, he invited the board to attend the Palm Avenue gymnasium ground breaking ceremony scheduled on April 19th at 10:00 a.m. After the ground breaking ceremony everyone is welcome to tour the District Office Complex to see the completed renovations. Thirdly, Mr. Richers reported on the lawsuit by Lisa Cisneros an advocate for the California Rural Assistance League who claimed we discriminated against lesbian, gay bisexual, and transgender persons in the administration of the California Healthy Kids Survey by removing questions related to sexual identity. The California Department of Education found the District not responsible for the removal of the question, therefore the lawsuit was dropped. The CDE authorized LEA’s to drop the question, and the removal of the question did not result in any discrimination against LGBT students. For the fourth item, Mr. Richers reported that because of the Ralph Brown Act those employees present during closed sessions must sign a form acknowledging they
received a letter which states it is unlawful to disclose confidential information acquired during closed sessions. Finally, Mr. Richers reported on Dr. Forrest’s death and our options on how to fill his school board position. He suggested a Special Board Meeting to discuss each option and make a decision. April 27 at 2:00 p.m. was decided for the Special Board Meeting.

H. ITEMS FROM THE BOARD – Ms. Poggi reported on how well the elementary school band and choir performed. She also gave a warm welcome to the new Wasco Tribune Editor Mrs. Toni De Rosa who was present at the board meeting. Mr. Richers commented on how well the new Thomas Jefferson Middle School softball team was doing.

I. ADJOURNMENT - Time: 7:33 P.M.
   Motion: Reding  Second: Rueda  Ayes: 4  Noes: 0

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: May 8, 2018
6:00 P.M. – Closed Session
6:30 P.M. – Open Session

[Signatures]
Secretary/Superintendent
Clerk of the Board