WESTERN PLACER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES March 11, 2008 5:00 P.M. LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL - LIBRARY 790 J Street, Lincoln, CA

MINUTES

2007-2008 Goals & Objectives (G & O) for the Management Team: Component I: Quality Student Performance; Component II: Curriculum Themes; Component III: Special Student Services; Component IV: Staff & Community Relations; Component V: Facilities/Administration Budget.

5:00 P.M. OPEN SESSION - Lincoln High School Library

Members Present

Paul Carras, President Brian Haley, Vice President Ana Stevenson, Clerk Paul Long, Member

Members Absent

James McLeod, Member

Others Present

Scott Leaman, Superintendent
Mary Boyle, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services
Terri Ryland, Interim Assistant Superintendent of Business
Cathy Allen, Assistant Superintendent of Facilities and Maintenance Services
Rosemary Knutson, Secretary to the Superintendent
Student – Joanna Loya, Lincoln High Student Advisor
Press - Liz Keller, Lincoln News Messenger

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Adoption of Resolution 07/08.13 Governing Board Relative to the Order of Seniority of Certificated Staff First Rendering Paid Probationary Service on the Same Day.

Motion by Mr. Long, seconded by Mrs. Stevenson and passed by unanimous roll call vote to approve resolution 07/08.13 Governing Board Relative to the Order of seniority of Certificated Staff first rendering paid probationary service on the same day.

3. Public Communication:

Adrienne Bridges addressed the Board with some concerns she has had with GEMS and has already discussed her situation with both site Principal and Vice Principal at GEMS. She feels nothing is being done, and has put in a formal complaint at the district office and asked the board of trustees to look into resolving her situation. Mr. Carras responded by telling her the Superintendent would look into the matter. She expressed to the Board of Trustees that training is needed for staff on diversity training as well as for students on their level.

- 4. Announce Closed Session Items
- 5. Adjourn to Closed Session

5:15 P.M. CLOSED SESSION – Lincoln High School Conference Room

1. PERSONNEL

Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release

- a. Notice to Governing Board of Recommendation to reduce or discontinue Certificated Services for the 2008-09 School Year.
- b. Resolution No. 07/08.14 Reduction/Discontinuance of Certificated Services for the 2008-09 School Year.
- c. Non-Re-election of one (1) Probationary Employee.
- d. Administrator Release/Reassignment.

6:04 P.M. RESUMED TO OPEN SESSION

2. DISCLOSURE OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION, IF ANY

2.1 PERSONNEL

Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release

a. Notice to Governing Board of Recommendation to reduce or discontinue Certificated Services for the 2008-09 School Year.

Motion by Mr. Haley, seconded by Mr. Long, and passed by unanimous roll call vote to approve the reduction or discontinuation of Certificated Services for the 2008-09 School Year.

b. Resolution No. 07/08.14 Reduction/Discontinuance of Certificated Services for the 2008-09 School Year.

Motion by Mr. Long, seconded by Mrs. Stevenson, and passed by unanimous roll call vote to approve Resolution 07/08.14 list of reductions.

Mike Agrippino read the following, "I wish I had the exact words to say that would dissuade you from taking this action," he said. "I have searched and can't find them. Perhaps the words are elusive because they just don't exist."

He pleaded with the trustees to preserve the district's uniqueness and identity despite the budget crisis.

"The programs we have piloted, the innovations this district has implemented – outdoor education programs, the high school farm, elementary prep time – the list is endless," he said. "These are the things worth fighting for.

"We do look forward to some of these decisions being reversed as the budget crisis eases," he concluded.

"Schools are in a squeeze play," Superintendent Scott Leaman said. "It's beyond unfortunate – it's a travesty."

Scott Leman shared it is really with heavy heart and agreed with Mike Agrippino to put this in place. He looked at every way possible to not have to do this, but could not avoid the cuts. He touched on a couple of things, based on law and credentials, notices will be less than some of the numbers tonight. But they will receive a notice, anyone getting a notice this Friday will be attending a meeting, and WPTA will be invited to attend. Names of the people receiving notices are confidential, this is a legal issue. He thanked his team, everyone who does receive a notice, there are still May notices that need to be given again.

Mr. Long expressed he feels it is a criminal act from the State of California and is very saddened.
Mr. Haley doesn't think it's as bad as they say.

c. Non-Re-election of one (1) Probationary Employee.

This item was pulled from the agenda.

d. Administrator Release/Reassignment.

Motion by Mr. Haley, seconded by Mrs. Stevenson, and passed by unanimous roll call vote to approve the release/reassignment of one administrator.

3. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Paul Carras, Board President

Ana Stevenson, Clerk

Scott Leaman, Superintendent

Rosemary Knutson, Secretary

Superintendent

Adopted:

April 1, 2008

Ayes:

Stevenson, Long, Haley, Carras

Noes:

Absent:

McLeod

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