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WHEATLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT
Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees
DISTRICT OFFICE
February 9, 2010
5:30 P.M.

Revised

MINUTES

All open sessions will be recorded. A CD of the recorded meeting is available upon request.

5:30 P.M.

1. OPEN SESSION – District Office

- 1.1 MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER – by Nicole Crabb- Board Clerk
- 1.2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Members Present

Ish Medina
Wayne Bishop
Denis O'Connor
Nicole Crabb – Board Clerk
Sue Abe – Board President entered the meeting at 5:38 P.M.

Members Absent

Major Julie Newlin – Beale Air Force Base Liaison

2. CONSENT AGENDA

- 2.1 Approved out of state travel for Bear River Staff
It was MSC (Medina-Crabb) to approve the consent agenda.

3. ◇ ACTION ITEMS ◇DISCUSSION ◇INFORMATION

CODE: (A) = Action (D) = Discussion (I) = Information

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- 3.1 (A) ACCEPTED THE 2008-2009 AUDIT AND APPROVED THE FINDINGS RECOMMENDATIONS –**
Auditors Rob Hart and Rob Dennis gave a presentation on the audit and findings

Sue Abe asked questions regarding the audit for approximately 1 ½ hour that was recorded for accuracy. Mrs. Abe distributed several handouts with information about fraud; whistle-blowing; ethics, conflicts of interest; statement on auditing standards. Mrs. Abe asked that it be on the record that she questioned the \$996,000 discretely reclassified funds. She said that she never received a satisfactory answer regarding this. Mrs. Abe said that she never got any answer about warrants that she has never seen. She wants it noted that she was cut off during her questioning of the auditors.

Mrs. Abe wants it noted that when she voted to do layoffs, it was God awful. She said that she thought that she was voting in the best interest of the District. She stated that she didn't know there was \$996,000 that was reclassified. She said that she is very cranky about it. She said that if the meeting was not being recorded she would use other words.

It was MSC (Bishop-O'Connor) to approve. Sue Abe opposed the approval of this action item.

Sue Abe made a motion to pursue a forensic audit of the District. Wayne Bishop seconded that motion.

O'Connor, Medina and Crabb voted against forensic audit.

Motion did not carry.

3.2 (A) TABLED THE SUPERINTENDENT'S SEARCH

This action item will be rescheduled.

Sue Abe left the meeting at this time. 7:15 PM.

3.3 (A) UPDATE ON THE DISTRICT BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE –

Mr. Carras stated that he will be sending out an update to the board about the recommendations by the advisory committee to all board members.

4.0 COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Sue Abe stated that there is not a notation on the board agendas or minutes that indicates that the board meetings are being taped. She said that the recording system is to help Connie Walczak take minutes. Mrs. Abe said that it was never intended to take the place of written minutes. Mr. Carras said that board minutes are never verbatim and are never a full record of meetings. The written minutes will capture and record the motions etc. The actual audio recordings will serve as the accurate and complete board minutes. Mr. Carras said that the audio recordings will soon be available on the District website. Mr. Carras said that we will add that statement on both the minutes and the agendas.

Wayne Bishop stated that he has attended the advisory committee meetings. He stated that he wants to see class sizes reduced for next year. Mr. Carras stated that due to the retro Impact Aid Table 9 funding that the District has a healthy reserve. Mr. Carras said that he recommends that the District not do any certificated layoffs this year. Mr. Carras asked for direction from the Board. It was a consensus with the four board members in attendance to not do certificated layoffs this year.

Mr. Bishop said that he is very interested in sharing services with other districts. Mr. Bishop stated that enrollment is down at Wheatland High School, Plumas School District and the Wheatland School District. He stated that sharing services would save the districts money. He said that he is especially interested in exploring the possibility of sharing a superintendent or a part time superintendent for the District.

5. ADJORNMENT - 7:25 PM