

MINUTES

Bolinas-Stinson Union School District

Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees

Date: May 9, 2017

Meeting Time: Closed session 5:00-6:00 PM; Open session begins at 6:00 PM

Location: Bolinas Campus Library, 125 Olema Bolinas Road, Bolinas, CA 94924

1. Call Meeting to order

The meeting was called to order at 5PM. Trustees Siedman, Pfeiffer, Woods, Demmerle were present; Trustee Marcotte arrived at 5:20. Superintendent Carroll was also present

2. Approval of Closed Session Agenda

M/S by Pfeiffer/Demmerle

3. Public Comments on Closed Session Agenda

None

4. Recess to Closed session

4.1 Public Employee Appointment/Employment [54957] - Principal

5. Reconvene into Open Session

At 6PM

6. Announcement of Reportable Action taken during Closed Session

There was no reportable action taken during closed session

7. Approval of Agenda / Introductions

M/S by Demmerle/Woods

8. Public Comments:

- *Arianne Dar, Executive Director of the Bolinas Land Trust asked if the District would be interested in supporting work force /staff housing*
- *Principal Richardson announced the district would host its first open house on Wednesday, 5/10/17 (6pm at Stinson; 7pm at Bolinas) He also reported that the 8th grade students participated in a journalism project at Tamalpais High School on 5/9. The project will continue for 3 more sessions.*

9. Correspondence/Information

9.1 Enrollment •Current •Projected

Current enrollment remains at 85 students; Projected enrollment for the 2017-18 school year is 105

9.2 Donation record

none

9.3 Incoming Correspondence

4/14/2017 from MCOE re: 2nd Interim Budget report

4/12/17 from Marin County Civil Grand Jury report: Overcoming Barriers to Housing Affordability

The District has until 7/12/2017 to reply to the Grand Jury request answering the question:

"Each school district should investigate building teacher and staff workforce housing on their land"

9.4 Outgoing correspondence

None

9.5 Other

10. Superintendent's Report

- 10.1 Budget and legislative update
- 10.2 Hiring update: Business Official and Pre-School Director
- 10.3 Report on 5/2/17 Board – Staff meeting
- 10.4 Other: District email accounts for Board members
 - Superintendent Carroll together with Trustees Pfeiffer and Siedman attended the annual MCSBA dinner on 4/27
 - Board members are encouraged to use a district email account for all district business. Those using personal accounts for both district and personal are subject to a public records request.
 - The Tam District recently sent informative guidance information for parents regarding the film "Thirteen Reasons Why".
 - The interviewing committee, in final deliberation on 5/8/17, selected a candidate to serve as the new pre-school director/lead teacher. He commended the committee for their thoughtful and deliberation actions to select this applicant
 - The Facilities committee (John Carroll, Paul Gillis, Ben Lowrance, Marty Brendel and Kevin Pedersen) met in Stinson to review potential projects. They included: Cleaning out the cottage, re-doing the kitchen to be County compliant (floor drain, commercial fridge), replacing the back fence, restoring the toilet rooms currently being used for storage
 - Supt. Carroll attended a recent Jo Boaler math workshop with two certificated staff members and prompted a math exercise with trustees and members of the audience.
 - A staff/Board meeting was held on 5/2/17. Points of discussion relating to this included:
 - Thinks the Board would/should vote on configurations as they had in the past as she remembers it. (Pfeiffer)
 - The Board had an opportunity to request this be a board approved action item but did not. (Carroll)
 - what is the process to add an items to the agenda as an action item (Woods)
 - Parents don't think their voices were heard and that the configuration decisions was already made. Board should decide (Demmerle)
 - If lines of communication are open then discussion is transparent; The Board depends on Admin and Staff to make certain decisions (Marcotte)
 - if the Board originally decided to combine grades (6, 7 & 8) then they should also vote to remove the combo (Woods)

11. Principal's Report

- 11.1 Site Council update
*Principal Richardson reviewed steps and goals the SSC are involved with
The School Climate survey has been opened to students in grades 3-8, all parents and all staff.
It will remain open for 3 weeks*

12. Approval of the following Consent agenda items

M/S by Demmerle/Pfeiffer

- 12.1 Warrants: Batches: 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40 and 41
- 12.2 Minutes from: 4/18/17 Regular, 4/27/2017 Special and 5/2/17 Special
- 12.3 Other: Approve Summer School budget

13. STUDY & INFORMATION

Strategic Plan

Discussion of additional goals

The Plan will be updated for several items (Pre-school Director and Social Emotional). Board review/Approval will be requested at the 6/6/17 Regular Board meeting

14. STUDY & INFORMATION

Location of 1/2 classroom for the 2017-2018 school year

The staff recommendation is for the 1/2 classroom to be housed at the Stinson Beach Campus.

President Siedman noted that any action taken at a subsequent meeting (to vote on combination models) that affects the location of the 1/2 classroom may call for a revision of the board vote.

15. STUDY & INFORMATION

Review Homework Policy

The Board reviewed proposed changes to the Policy as suggested by Trustee Pfeiffer. Further discussion will occur at the beginning of the 2017-2018 after staff and voice their thoughts on changes.

16. STUDY & INFORMATION

LCAP review and update

Very few changes from last review on 4/18/2017. Will return for board review and approval on 6/6/17 and 6/20/2017

17. STUDY & INFORMATION

Review Board Policy 5137, Positive School Climate and 5131 Respectful School Climate

Trustees began a review of these policies but in the interest of time it was decided they would review individually and send them to the district secretary to compile into a document for review at a subsequent meeting.

18. STUDY & INFORMATION

Review draft of mandated Suicide Prevention policy

AB 2246 mandates that all school districts have in place a policy pertaining to suicide prevention. Wes Cedros from the Tamalpais High School District provided a draft of the policies he has helped develop. Approval will be requested later in the meeting. Action item 22

19. BOARD CONSIDERATION – ACTION

Approve leave of absence for 2016-17 2017-2018 for certificated Staff, Sarah MacDonald

M/S by Pfeiffer/Demmerle

20. BOARD CONSIDERATION – ACTION

Approve location of 1/2 classroom for the 2017-2018 school year (Study & Information # 14)

M/S by Demmerle/Woods

Approve 1/2 to be located at the Stinson Beach campus for the 2017-2018 school year. Also see item 14.

21. BOARD CONSIDERATION- ACTION

Approve changes to the Homework Policy (Study & Information #15)

Tabled until September, 2017

22. BOARD CONSIDERATION- ACTION

Suicide Prevention policy (Study & Information #18)

M/S by Marcotte/Demmerle

23. BOARD CONSIDERATION – ACTION

Approve Superintendent to contract with interviewing committee’s recommendation for Pre-School Director/Lead Teacher (Victoria Maier)

M/S by Marcotte/Woods

24. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Negotiations- Siedman

No report

Facility Needs Committee- Marcotte/Demmerle

The next meeting will be on 5/22/17 at 2pm

STEAM committee formerly known as Technology Committee – Woods

The next meeting will be on 5/15/2017 to develop and integrate curriculum

Ecology and Outdoor Science Committee – Woods

Some overlap between this committee and the STEAM committee; goal is to encourage integration with current curriculum and existing core academics. “Maintenance” is required to keep the program going (recycling, weeding, summer maintenance. A garden coordinator would help with integration and the on-going maintenance. President Siedman encouraged the group to propose a project to the Board

Marin County School Boards Association (MCSBA) – Siedman

4/27/2017 Annual MCSBA dinner

Joint Legislative Action Committee – Pfeiffer

JLAC meeting on 5/10/17 with topics including: early childhood education, the May budget revision, ballot measures

25. Public Comments:

Initiating the social emotional program in the pre-school will be beneficial tools the children can build with.

FUTURE

S&I -Strategic Plan

S&I - Facilities Planning

Report - School Technology – review charge for the Technology Committee/STEAM committee

Report - Lunch program update

S&I – review proposed changes to Wellness Policy

S&I – Solar Lease agreement – review

Action- BP - Positive & Respectful school Climate

Action - Suicide Prevention policy

Public Hearing: Budget and LCAP

26. Meeting adjourned

M/S by Pfeiffer/Demmerle

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55pm

The next regular Board meeting will be held on 6/6/2017 at the Bolinas Campus