

# Colton Joint Unified School District

Student Services Center, Board Room, 851 South Mt. Vernon Ave., Colton, CA 92324



## Minutes February 2, 2012

The Board of Education of the Colton Joint Unified School District met for a Regular Board Meeting on Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the CJUSD Student Services Center, 851 So. Mt. Vernon Avenue, Colton, California.

### Trustees Present

Mr. Robert D. Armenta Jr., *President* (arrived at 6:33 PM)  
Mr. Roger Kowalski, *Vice President*  
Mrs. Patt Haro, *Clerk*  
Mr. Randall Cenicerros  
Mr. Frank Ibarra  
Mrs. Laura Morales  
Mr. Pilar Tabera

### Staff Members Present (\*excused)

Mr. Jerry Almendarez	Mrs. Jennifer Jaime
Mr. Jaime R. Ayala	Mrs. Janet Nickell
Mrs. Ingrid Munsterman	Ms. Katie Orloff
Mr. Mike Snellings	Ms. Jennifer Rodriguez
Mrs. Bertha Arreguín	Ms. Sosan Schaller
Mr. Todd Beal	Mr. Darryl Taylor
Mr. Brian Butler	Mr. Robert Verdi

### **Strategic Plan -- Mission Statement**

The Mission of the Colton Joint Unified School District, a team of caring employees dedicated to the education of children, is to ensure each student learns the academic knowledge and skills necessary to thrive in college or in the workforce and be responsible, productive citizens by providing engaging, challenging, and enriching opportunities and specialized programs in a safe environment in partnership with students, families and our diverse communities

### **1.0 OPENING Call to Order/Renewal of the Pledge of Allegiance**

Board Vice President Kowalski called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Director Butler, Secondary Curriculum, led in the renewal of the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **2.0 SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

#### **2.1 Employee Recognition**

The following employees were recognized as classified and certificated Employees of the Month:

- Carole Vogg-Morris, Slover Mountain High School
- Barbara Rodriguez, Terrace View Elementary School

The Colton Woman's Club was recognized as the Educational Partner of the Month.

### **3.0 SCHOOL SHOWCASE**

#### **3.1 Slover Mountain High School**

Slover Mountain High School students reported that, in addition to after-school tutoring, teachers are offering after-school activities such as, yoga, karaoke, movies and board games. They also announced that 31 students raised their CELDT scores by one or two levels, 21 students have graduated to date and look forward to seeing that number increase.

Board Vice President Kowalski opened the Public Hearing at 6:15 p.m.

### **4.0 PUBLIC HEARING**

#### **4.1 District Sunshine Proposal for California School Employee Association (CSEA)**

Assistant Superintendent Munsterman announced the following Sunshine Articles and related Appendices that will be reopened for 2012-13:

- Article 7 ~ Salary Classification
- Article 8 ~ Health and Welfare Benefits
- Article 9 ~ Hours

The District is also reviewing other provisions of the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Additional subjects of meeting and negotiating arising after the presentation of this initial proposal shall be made public within 24 hours pursuant to Government Code 3547(d).

Due to continued fiscal challenges within the State of California, our task ahead is a formidable one. The District looks forward to participating in honest, forthright, and purposeful negotiations in addressing these challenges.

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:17 p.m.

## **5.0 ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS**

### **5.1 WorkAbility I**

Workability teachers, Ms. Lennox, Mr. Hamre and Mr. Cerny presented an update on the district's Workability I program. The mission of the Workability I program is to enable all individuals with disabilities to successfully participate in a program that will prepare them for the workplace and independent living.

In the 2010-11 school year, the program was funded to serve 328 students and place 82 students. Due to the efforts of dedicated staff, 379 students were served and over 100 were placed. The Colton Joint Unified School District is one of few sites across the state whose grant has been increased. In the 2011-12 school year, the program is funded to serve 347 students and place another 86 students.

### **5.2 Budget Update (EXHIBIT A)**

Assistant Superintendent Ayala updated the board on the \$543,000 the district expects to receive from the city of Colton Redevelopment Agency. He explained that, as with the city of Grand Terrace, the funds must be used on facilities. Mr. Ayala commented on the independent audit of the district's bond program and announced that a formal report will be provided to the board in the coming weeks. He also praised the entire Facilities Department as they oversee the day-to-day operations of the district's bond projects. Mr. Ayala commented on the district's attendance recovery program that has, to date, netted approximately \$2,000,000.

Mr. Ayala concluded the Budget Update by sharing excerpts from the Fiscal Crisis Management Advisory Team's (FCMAT) CBO meeting on January 27, 2012.

## **6.0 PUBLIC COMMENT**

### **6.1 Blue card—Specific Consent, Action, Study & Information or Closed Session Item**

- *Leilani Grijalva*, CJUSD student, announced to the board that she was selling Girl Scout Cookies.

### **White card—Items/Topics Not on the Agenda**

- *Gary Mitchell*, community member/grandparent of CJUSD students, complimented the board, district and site administration, certificated and classified staff on their overall professionalism and standard of service over the last few years.

## **7.0 CLOSED SESSION**

Following Public Comment: Board Room, Student Services Center, 851 So. Mt. Vernon Ave., Colton, CA (Government Code 54950 et seq.)

At 6:58 p.m., Board President Armenta announced that the board would recess to closed session.

### **7.1 Student Discipline, Revocation, and Re-entry**

- Expulsion reconsideration for student case #117438

### **7.2 Conference with Real Property Negotiator (Gov. Code 54956.8)**

## **8.0 PUBLIC SESSION – ACTION REPORTED FROM CLOSED SESSION**

The Board meeting reconvened at 7:08 p.m. Board President Armenta announced that no action was taken in closed session.

### **8.1 Student Discipline, Revocation, and Re-entry**

- ◆ Expulsion reconsideration for student case #117438

**#470**

The San Bernardino County Board of Education had remanded student case #117438 back to the District for a revision of the findings of fact and reconsideration of student placement.

On a motion of Board Member Kowalski and Board Member Ibarra and passed on a 7-0 vote, the Board approved the finding of facts and suspended the student's expulsion with a placement at Washington High School for the following:

- 1) The student is in violation of California Education Code 48900.2.
- 2) Due to the nature and severity of the student's actions, other means of correction are not feasible.
- 3) The student's presence at the school would endanger person or property and/or the student's presence at the school would threaten to obstruct the educational environment.

## **9.0 ACTION SESSION**

### **A. #471 Consent Items**

On motion of Board Member Cenicerros and Board Member Haro, and carried on a 7-0 vote, the Board approved Consent Items A-1 through A-5, as presented.

- #471.1 A-1 Approved Minutes for the January 19<sup>th</sup> Regular Board Meeting
- #471.2 A-2 Approved Consultants for Assembly Presentations (**EXHIBIT B**)
- #471.3 A-3 Approved Agreement for School-Based Medi-Cal Administrative Activities Between the County of San Bernardino and the Colton Joint Unified School District (Beginning January 2012)
- #471.4 A-4 Accepted WorkAbility I Program Funds (2011-12)
- #471.5 A-5 Accepted Gifts (**EXHIBIT C**)

### **B. #472** On motion of Board Member Haro and Board Member Cenicerros, and carried on a 7-0 vote, the Board approved Action Items B-1 through B-3 and B-5, as presented.

- #472.1 B-1 Approved Personnel Employment (**EXHIBIT D**)
- #472.2 B-2 Approved Conference Attendance (**EXHIBIT E**)
- #472.3 B-3 Approved Purchase Orders
- #472.4 B-5 Approved to Extend the Dave Bang Associates Bid #09-01 for One Year Effective February 18, 2012 through February 17, 2013

### **#473** On motion of Board Member Kowalski and Board Member Morales, and carried on a 6-1 (Board Member Tabera opposed) vote, the Board approved Action Item B-4 as presented.

- #473.1 B-4 Approved the Three-Year Contract with Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co., LLP (VTD) for Auditing Services (July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2014)

### **#474** On motion of Board Member Armenta and Board Member Ibarra, and carried on a 7-0 vote, the Board approved Action Item B-6 as presented.

- #474.1 B-6 Approval of Contract Amendment with Ruhnau Ruhnau Clarke for Restart of Modernization Projects at Cooley Ranch, Crestmore, D'Arcy, Grant, Jurupa Vista, Lewis, Lincoln, Reche Canyon, Ruth O. Harris and San Salvador and Interim Housing at Crestmore, Grant, Lewis and Lincoln

### **#475** On motion of Board Member Kowalski and Board Member Ibarra, and carried on a 6-1 (Board Member Tabera opposed) vote, the Board approved Action Item B-7 as presented.

- #475.1 B-7 Approved Reduction in or Partial Release of Retainage for JPI Development Group, Inc. (Bid Package No. 15) for the Grand Terrace High School Project

### **C. Action Item – Board Policy ~ None**

### **D. Action Items – Resolution**

### **#476** On motion of Board Member Ibarra and Board Member Haro, and carried on a 7-0 vote, the Board approved Action Item D-1 as presented.

- #476.1 D-1 Adopted Resolution No. 12-28, National School Counseling Week, February 6–10, 2012

## **10.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

### **AR-10.1 Approved Disbursements**

### **AR-10.2 Results of San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools (SBCSS) Williams Settlement Visit for the Second Quarter 2011-12**

### **AR-10.3 Approved Change Orders for the Bloomington High School New Math & Science Building Project (Project 1E) per Board Resolution No. 11-65**

### **AR-10.4 Approved Change Orders for the Colton High School New Math & Science Building Interim Housing Project (Project 1F) per Board Resolution No. 11-65**

### **AR-10.5 Approved Change Orders for the Construction of Joe Baca Middle School Project (Project 27) per Board Resolution No. 11-65**

### **AR-10.6 Facilities Update (EXHIBIT F)**

Director Taylor provided a brief update on Bloomington and Colton High School's cafeteria and multi-purpose rooms, as well as, the prioritization of the Qualified School Construction Bonds-funded projects and the upcoming Citizens' Oversight Committee meeting.

### **AR-10.7 ACE Representative**

ACE President Karen Houck reminded the board of this weekend's district science fair and the subsequent awards ceremony on Monday, February 6th and the upcoming Read Across America celebrations. Mrs. Houck announced that MAC, CSEA and ACE are planning a bowling tournament.

### **AR-10.8 CSEA Representative**

Susan Lake, CSEA Chief Job Steward, thanked the district for allowing Bill Marecek to attend a meeting with Senator Negrete McLeod. She commented on the passing of Senate Bill 81 which restores \$248 million in transportation cuts made in December. Ms. Lake also announced that CSEA looks forward to problem solving with Human Resources.

### **AR-10.9 MAC Representative**

Katie Orloff reminded the board and staff of MAC's APPLE Scholarship Fundraiser on March 2nd at the Ontario Reign hockey game.

## **11.0 SUPERINTENDENT’S COMMUNICATION**

Superintendent Almandarez announced that, effective immediately, the district will not be offering Transitional Kindergarten for the 2012-13 school year. Only students turning five years old on or before November 1, 2012 will be eligible for kindergarten entry for the 2012-13 school year. He also announced upcoming events including the district science fair awards ceremony on Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at Bloomington High School, Terrace View’s Totally Rad 80’s Dance Party on February 9<sup>th</sup> and the Ontario Reign/Chuck-a-Puck fundraiser on March 2<sup>nd</sup>.

To view the Communiqué please visit the CJUSD website at [www.colton.k12.ca.us](http://www.colton.k12.ca.us)

## **12.0 BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

**Board Member Tabera** – No comment

**Board Member Cenicerros** commented on the recent action by the California Assembly to restore \$248 million in school bus funding to California public schools.

**Board Member Morales** – No comment

**Board Member Ibarra** – No comment

**Board Member Haro** congratulated Colton High School’s NJROTC and Bloomington High School’s soccer and wrestling teams on their recent accomplishments. She acknowledged the success of the newly implemented Energy Education Program, commenting on the savings Jurupa Unified School District has experienced.

**Board Member Kowalski** commented on this week’s Grand Terrace City Council Meeting and encouraged staff to meet with Grand Terrace officials to discuss facility use.

**Board Member Armenta** announced his plans to attend the district’s science fair and awards assembly.

## **13.0 CLOSED SESSION**

Following action items: Board Room, Student Services Center, 851 So. Mt. Vernon Ave., Colton, CA (Government Code 54950 et seq.)

At 8:00 p.m., Board President Armenta announced that the board would recess to closed session.

- 13.1 • Student Discipline, Revocation and Re-entry
- 13.2 • Personnel
- 13.3 • Conference with Legal Counsel—Anticipated Litigation
- 13.4 • Conference with Legal Counsel—Existing Litigation
- 13.5 • Conference with Labor Negotiator

## **14.0 PUBLIC SESSION – ACTION REPORTED FROM CLOSED SESSION**

The Board meeting reconvened at 9:18 p.m.

### **14.1 Student Discipline, Revocation, and Re-entry**

**#477** On motion of Board Member Haro and Board Member Kowalski, and carried on a 7-0 vote, the Board found the following five students in violation of the California Education Codes as charged and agreed with the hearing panel’s recommendation for expulsion based on the following.

- Due to the nature and severity of the students’ actions, other means of correction are not feasible.
- The students’ presence at the school would endanger person or property and/or the students’ presence at the school would threaten to obstruct the educational environment.

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**#478** The District recommended the readmission of twenty-four(24) students to the Colton Joint Unified School District, confirming they have met their plan of rehabilitation in accordance with California Education Code 48916.

On motion of Board Member Kowalski and Board Member Haro, and carried on a 7-0 vote, the Board approved the readmission of the students as recommended.

### **14.2 Personnel**

- ♦ Public Employee: Discipline/Dismissal/Release (Gov. Code 54957)

**#479** On motion of Board Member Tabera and Board Member Haro and carried on a 7-0 vote, the Board terminated the employment of classified employee EIN# 4323 effective February 3, 2012.

**14.3 Conference with Legal Counsel—Anticipated Litigation**

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(b)

**#480** The Board conferred with its legal counsel in closed session pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9(b), and has taken action to accept settlement of deled claims with the following trade contractors on the Grand Terrace High School Project:

Lee & Stires, Inc.  
Davis Moreno Construction, Inc  
Nevell Group, Inc.  
Bithell, Inc.  
West Tech Mechanical, Inc.  
Donald M. Hoover Company  
JPI Development Group, Inc.  
Daniel's Electrical

14.4 **Conference with Legal Counsel—Existing Litigation** ~ *No Report*

14.5 **Conference with Labor Negotiator** ~ *No Report*

**15.0 ADJOURNMENT**

At 9:21 p.m. the meeting was adjourned. The next Board of Education meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 16, 2012, at the Colton JUSD Student Services Center, 851 South Mt. Vernon Avenue, Colton, California.

**EXHIBIT B, CONSULTANTS FOR ASSEMBLY PRESENTATION**

<u>Site</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Program/Purpose</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Consultant(s)</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Strategic Plan*</u>
Terrace View	02/09/12 & 02/16/12	12:45 pm to 2:00 pm	Art-to-Go K-6 students will receive art lessons and study famous artists through art history.	Terrace View	Riverside Art Museum Alison Thierbach Riverside, CA	\$175	Donations	Strategy #1

**EXHIBIT C, GIFTS**

<u>Site</u>	<u>Donor</u>	<u>Donation/Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Birney	Box Tops for Education	Check #00148960 For field trips and incentives	\$334.30
Cooley Ranch	Cooley Ranch Kiwanis Kids Club	Cash For school safety supplies	\$33.75
District Office	Schools First Federal Credit Union	Check #146303	\$20.00
Grand Terrace	Parents of GATE students	Cash For GATE field trips Transportation-\$526.54 Admissions-\$526.54	\$1,053.08
Jurupa Vista	Jurupa Vista P.T.A.	Check #1299	\$650.00
Reche Canyon	Coca-Cola Refreshments	Check #05817188	\$23.26
Reche Canyon	Coca-Cola Refreshments	Check #05892083	\$47.52
Rogers	Lifetouch National School Studios	Check #2279218	\$222.32
Ruth O Harris	Box Tops for Education	Check #00139083	\$131.30
Ruth O Harris	Coca-Cola Refreshments	Check #05929120	\$44.02
Ruth O Harris	Doris Choron	Assorted art/school supplies for ASB (construction paper, glitter, scissors, markers, glue)	\$500.00
Terrace View	Parent of 6 <sup>th</sup> grade students	Cash Transportation for Medieval Times	\$92.00
Wilson	Wildcats P.T.A.	Check #1254 For 6 <sup>th</sup> grade field trip	\$480.00
Zimmerman	Cal Poly Pomona Foundation	Check #00338220 For admissions and transportation for 1 <sup>st</sup> grade fieldtrip	\$2,000.00

**EXHIBIT D, PERSONNEL:**

<u>I-A</u>	<u>Certificated – Regular Staff</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Site</u>
1.	Blackard, Lindsey	Resource Specialist Special Education	(Roving)
<u>I-B</u>	<u>Certificated – Activity/Coaching Assignments</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Site</u>
	<i>None</i>		
<u>I-C</u>	<u>Certificated – Hourly</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Site</u>
	<i>None</i>		
<u>I-D</u>	<u>Certificated – Substitute Teacher</u>		
1.	Garcia, Michael		
2.	Slonim, Fatima		
<u>I-E</u>	<u>Certificated Management</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Site</u>
	<i>None</i>		
<u>II-A</u>	<u>Classified – Regular Staff</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Site</u>
1.	Ramirez, Cory	Health Assistant	Jurupa Vista
2.	Soberanis, Maria M.	Special Ed Inst. Asst.	Reche Canyon

<u>II-B</u>	<u>Classified – Activity/Coaching Assignments</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Site</u>
1.	Hamilton, Anthony V.	Head JV Soccer ( <i>walk-on</i> )	CHS

<u>II-C</u>	<u>Classified – Hourly</u>		
1.	De Los Santos, Ana L.	Sub Special Ed. Inst. Asst.	PPS ( <i>on call</i> )
2.	Lopez, Vera M.	Sub Child Dev. Inst. Asst.	San Sal ( <i>on call</i> )
3.	Macias II, Michael A.	AVID Tutor	CHS
4.	Perez-Luis, Yvette	Sub Special Ed. Inst. Asst.	PPS ( <i>on call</i> )
5.	Ramirez, Yesenia A.	Sub Child Dev. Teacher	San Sal ( <i>on call</i> )
6.	Salazar, Melissa M.	Sub Child Dev. Inst. Asst.	San Sal ( <i>on call</i> )
7.	Salazar, Melissa M.	Sub Special Ed. Inst. Asst.	PPS ( <i>on call</i> )
8.	Tillen, Mary H.	Sub Child Dev. Teacher	San Sal ( <i>on call</i> )
<u>II-D</u>	<u>Classified Substitute</u>	<u>Position</u>	
1.	Garcia, Emily	Special Ed. Inst. Asst.	
2.	Leon, Maria	Sub Noon Aide	Zimmerman
3.	Villanueva, Sherri	Noon Aide	Grant
<u>II-E</u>	<u>Classified – Short-Term –</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Site</u>
	<i>None</i>		

**RESIGNATIONS:**

	<u>Certificated Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Employment Date</u>	<u>Effective</u>	
	<u>Classified Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Employment Date</u>	<u>Effective</u>	
1.	Saldana, Antonio	Special Ed. Inst. Asst.	Terrace View	09/28/2011	01/21/2012	

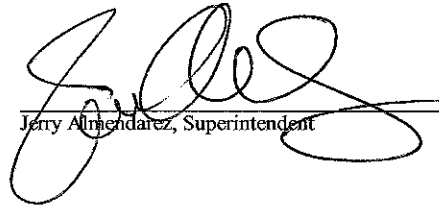
**EXHIBIT E, CONFERENCES:**

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Conference</u>	<u>Date/Location</u>	<u>Funds</u>
Jennifer Jaime Brian Butler Celia Gonzales Priya Morlock MaryBeth Richardson	Director, K-8 Director, 9-12 Coordinator Curriculum Program Specialist	Ed. Services Ed. Services Staff Dev.	<i>Digging Deeper Into the Common Core State Standards</i>	February 7-8, 2012 Las Vegas, NV	Title 1 funds: \$7,627.75
Jerry Almendarez	Superintendent	Superintendent	<i>Masters in Governance</i>	February 10-11, 2012 Millbrae, CA	Supt's Office funds: \$1,420.84
Jaime R. Ayala Ernie Guillen	Asst. Supt Energy Ed. Manager	Business Office	<i>2012 Winter Energy Education National Training Conference</i>	February 27-28, 2012 San Antonio, TX	Energy funds: \$2,582.58
Raquel Posadas- Gonzalez	Principal	Zimmerman	The 90/90/90 Schools Summit	March 7-8, 2012 Universal City, CA	EIA/SCE funds: \$700.00 EIA/LEP funds: \$463.00
Patricia Frost Sheila Brower	Principal Asst. Principal	Crestmore	<i>The 90/90/90 Schools Summit</i>	March 7-8, 2012 Universal City, CA	Title I funds: \$1,928.15

Date Approved: February 16, 2012



Patricia Haro, Clerk



Jerry Almendarez, Superintendent