SULPHUR SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting of the Governing Board
February 26, 2014

MINUTES

Leona Cox Community School
18643 Oakmoor Street
Canyon Country, CA 91351

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Dr. Kerry Clegg, President
Mrs. Shelley Weinstein, Clerk
Mr. Ken Chase, Member
Mr. Denis DeFigueiredo, Member
Mrs. Lori MacDonald, Member

STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Robert Nolet, Superintendent
Mrs. Kathy Harris, Assistant Superintendent-Instructional Services
Ms. Lynn David, Assistant Superintendent-Business Services
Mrs. Kim Lyle, Assistant Superintendent-Personnel/Pupil Services
Mr. Josh Randall, Director-Professional Development/Instructional Technology/Categorical Support
Ms. Debra Harrington, Fiscal Services Manager
Mrs. Selina Hurst, District Executive Secretary

Dr. Clegg called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:31 PM and noted the roll.

Nicholas Reyes, 6th grade student, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The motion was made by Mrs. Weinstein, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and passed 5-0 to approve the Agenda as presented.

The motion was made by Mr. Chase, seconded by Mr. DeFigueiredo, and passed 5-0 to approve the Minutes of the February 12, 2014 Regular Meeting.
There were no requests to address the Board, nor were there any comments or questions regarding agenda items.

Dr. Clegg introduced Mrs. Laura Hawkins, Valley View teacher and SSDTA representative, who presented trophies and gift certificates to the student winners of the Sulphur Springs District Teachers' Association annual creative writing contest. The winners and their teachers included:

- Emilio Galvez, Marie Scarcello's 1st grade class, Fair Oaks Ranch Community School
- Anish Jain, Andrea Quill's 2nd grade class, Fair Oaks Ranch Community School
- Jenna Flannery, Kelly Garcia's 3rd grade class, Sulphur Springs Community School
- Jakob Regez, Claire Rich's 4th grade class, Mitchell Community School
- Rio Fangel, Amy Bove's 5th grade class, Golden Oak Community School
- Sarah Duncan, Marina Hubbard's 6th grade class, Pinetree Community School

Dr. Clegg congratulated all the winners on behalf of the Board and expressed appreciation to SSDTA for providing this annual event.

Mrs. Amanda Gallion-Fischer, Leona Cox Principal, introduced 6th grade students Catherine Parsons and Nicholas Reyes who, as KKLK News hosts, announced Leona Cox as this month's "Cool School" and showed an iMovie showcasing all the amazing things teachers are doing at Leona Cox. The movie presentation, produced by Mrs. Kim Porter, Assistant Principal, included segments on: Transitioning to Common Core, Focus on English Language Development, Curriculum Integration, Mega Math Problem Solving, Arts Education, Inquiry Based Learning, Cooperative Learning, Technology, and GLAD, Celebrating School Pride, The Green Team, Game On! Recess Challenge, Celebrating School Success, and Celebrating Community - Believe, Achieve, Succeed!

Trustees then presented Board Certificates to the following Leona Cox staff for their contributions to staff and students: Meg McConnell, Kristina Puth, Kathy Brake, Lina Shearman, Soutilana Odisho, Claire Reeves, Saul Lemus, and Heather Ippolito.

Trustees recessed briefly for refreshments at 8:00 PM and reconvened at 8:11 PM.

Dr. Clegg opened a Public Hearing for the purpose of hearing comments or questions regarding the Initial Proposal of the California School Employees Association, Chapter #298 to Sulphur Springs School District. There being no comments or questions, the Hearing Session was closed for this item.

Dr. Clegg opened a Public Hearing for the purpose of hearing comments or questions regarding the District's Initial Proposal to the Sulphur Springs District Teachers' Association. There being no comments or questions, the Hearing Session was closed for this item.

The motion was made by Mr. Chase, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and passed 5-0, to approve the Consent Calendar as follows:

- Conference Action Report #14-04
- Gift Action Report #14-03
- Personnel Action Report #14-04
- Request for Home Teaching - #95485
- Consultant Agreement – Dolores Adams
• Call for Special Board Meeting – Board Tour—March 31, 2014

Mrs. Weinstein, referring to the Gift Action Report, noted the number of large PTA financial contributions and the value of them to students. The Board greatly appreciates these contributions.

The motion was made by Mrs. Weinstein, seconded by Mr. DeFigueiredo, and passed 5-0, to move Board Information and Correspondence item: 2014 CSBA Delegate Assembly Election, to the Action Calendar.

Mr. Randall presented Trustees with a report regarding the Winter Academy. He introduced teachers Heather Drew, Olivia Patino, Wendy Maxwell, and Krysten Hall who shared the following: academy goals, development of curriculum, narrowed focus in Language Arts, Reading Comprehension, and Math, creation of pre/posttests, student selection criteria, strategies and tools, Khan Academy, Math Base Ten Pieces, Number Pieces, LearnZillion (Math and Language Arts), GLAD (Guided Language Acquisition Development), Cognitive Content Dictionary, Pictorial Input Chart, Poems, Songs, Chants, and iBooks (Nonfiction). Student results showed growth in all grade levels. Students particularly enjoyed using iPads for learning. Parent comments were very complimentary.

Mr. Randall expressed special thanks to Tess Toledo and Melanie Morales-VanHecke who assisted in the lesson planning and teacher training for this year’s Winter Academy.

Mr. DeFigueiredo suggested the District share information on the iPad apps used in Winter Academy with parents so they may work with their children at home.

Mrs. Harris thanked Mr. Randall for the wonderful job he did leading his first Winter Academy.


Trustees participated in a first reading of the following Board Policy:

• BP 3110—Transfer of Funds

This policy will be formatted for adoption at the March 12, 2014 meeting.

The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mr. Chase, and passed 5-0 to approve the Business Services Report #14-14 as presented.

The motion was made by Mrs. Weinstein, seconded by Mr. DeFigueiredo, and passed 5-0 to approve the 2014/2015 Budget Calendar as presented.
The motion was made by Mrs. Weinstein, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and passed 5-0 to adopt Resolution R-14-04: Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Sulphur Springs School District Authorizing the Issuance of Sulphur Springs School District Election of 2012 General Obligation Bonds, Series A as presented.

The motion was made by Mr. Chase, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and passed 5-0 to approve the Initial Proposal from The Sulphur Springs School District to the Sulphur Springs District Teachers’ Association as presented.

The motion was made by Mr. Chase, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and passed 5-0 to approve the Receptionist Job Description and Salary Schedule as presented.

The motion was made by Mrs. Weinstein, seconded by Mr. DeFigueiredo, and passed 5-0 to adopt Resolution R-14-05: Week of the California School Administrator – March 3-7, 2014 as presented.

The motion was made by Mr. Chase, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and passed 4-0 with Dr. Clegg abating, to cast their ballot for the 2014 CSBA Delegate Assembly for Christy Smith.

Dr. Clegg and Mrs. Weinstein look forward to hosting the Focus Group Dinner on March 19, 2014 with SSDTA/CSEA representatives.

Trustees last Board Tour (Mint Canyon, Leona Cox, and Canyon Springs Community Schools) will be on Monday, March 31 and will conclude with lunch at Canyon Springs.

All the Trustees expressed how much they enjoyed the Board/Management Retreat held last week. They especially appreciated the leadership demonstrated and the cohesive view of how to work through the LCAP creating a good start on building district objectives.

Mrs. Weinstein congratulated Canyon Springs, Golden Oak and Sulphur Springs Community Schools for being selected for 2013 California Business for Education Excellence Honor Roll Schools.

Mrs. Weinstein noted the passing of Rosarie Compton who was a District teacher for 38 years.

Mrs. Weinstein asked if internet access problems in some of the Fair Oaks Ranch portable classrooms had been resolved. Dr. Nolet responded that the problem has been identified and will be
resolved very soon.

Dr. Clegg expressed appreciation to Mr. Randall for the Winter Academy presentation.

The motion was made by Mrs. Weinstein, seconded by Mr. DeFigueiredo, and passed 5-0 to adjourn to Closed Session at 9:42 PM for the purpose of discussing potential litigation, personnel issues, and labor negotiations.

The motion was made by Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mr. Chase, and passed 5-0 to reconvene the meeting at 10:07 PM.

Upon returning to open session, the report can be made, “Upon motion of Mr. DeFigueiredo, seconded by Mrs. MacDonald, and a vote of 5-0, the Board directed the Superintendent/designee to notify certain certificated employees of non-reemployment pursuant to Education Code 44929.21 at the conclusion of the current school year.”

The motion was made by Mrs. MacDonald, seconded by Mrs. Weinstein, and passed 5-0 to adjourn the meeting at 10:08 PM.

March 12, 2014
Date

Dr. Kerry Clegg, President

Mrs. Shelley Weinstein, Clerk