

ALISAL UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
February 4, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

The regular Board meeting of the Alisal Union School District Board of Trustees was called to order by President Velásquez at 5:30 p.m., at the District Board Room, 1205 E. Market Street, Salinas, California. President Velásquez announced that Trustee Castañeda was en route.

Members Present: Trustee Jesús R. Velásquez President
Trustee Guadalupe Ruiz Gilpas, Vice President/Clerk
Trustee José Castañeda (arrived during Closed Session)
Trustee Gary Karnes
Trustee Juan V. Flores

Also Present: Dr. Zendejas and other District staff.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board convened to Closed Session at 5:31 p.m. to discuss the following:

1. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE (pursuant to Government Code Section 54957).

Action may be taken.

2. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(b)(3)(C))
Number of cases: 1

Action may be taken.

3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL –
EXISTING LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9)
Name of Case: *Calhoun Brothers Grading & Paving, Inc. v. Daniels & House Construction Co., et al.*, Monterey County Superior Court Case No. M89640

Action may be taken.

4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL –
EXISTING LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9)
Name of Case: *Scheel Construction v. Daniels & House Construction Co., et al.* Monterey County Superior Court Case No. M93416

Action may be taken.

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RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 6:40 p.m. President Velásquez announced the following Board action taken in Closed Session:

The Board of Trustees in Closed Session voted to release 8 Program Managers and 2 Principals on Special Assignment. The motion was made by Trustee Velásquez, seconded by Trustee Flores. The motion passed by a 4-1 vote with Trustee Castañeda voting no.

The Board of Trustees in Closed Session voted to appoint Monica Hernández to the position of Reading First Coordinator for the 2009-2010 school year, Alicia Fletcher to the position of Principal for the 2009-2010 school year, and Sonia Jaramillo to the position of Principal for the 2009-2010 school year. The motion was made by Trustee Karnes, seconded by Trustee Ruiz Gilpas. The motion passed by a 4-1 vote with Trustee Castañeda voting no.

The Board of Trustees in Closed Session voted to reject a government claim filed by Daniels & House. The motion was made by Trustee Karnes, seconded by Trustee Ruiz Gilpas. The motion passed by a 4-1 vote with Trustee Castañeda voting no.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Trustee Karnes led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Dr. Zendejas requested that the following items be pulled from the agenda:

- X-E, General Waiver Request for CELDT Testing
- IX-E, Warrant #12687663 (Consent Agenda)

Trustee Castañeda requested that the following item be moved up on the agenda:

- XIII-D, Resolution 0809-13, Incompatible Public Office

A motion was made by Trustee Castañeda, seconded by Trustee Ruiz Gilpas, to adopt the agenda as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

The following people addressed the Board:

- Josie González regarding salary increases for Dr. Zendejas and Nancy Pfeiffer
- Angie González regarding budget committee and CSEA contract/agreement
- Dora López regarding comments made by Trustee Velásquez at the previous Board meeting
- Meredith Guido regarding abuse of power by Trustee Velásquez
- Elizabeth Miller regarding comments made by Trustee Velásquez at the previous Board meeting and conflict of interest issue
- Sylvia Huerta regarding elimination of free lunch program
- Cesar Romero regarding comments made by Trustee Velásquez at the previous Board meeting
- Juvenal Ramírez regarding comments made by Trustee Velásquez at the previous Board meeting

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**PERSONS WISHING
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What's Right

The following people shared positive comments about the good things that are happening in the Alisal Union School District:

- Esteban Hernández
- Dora Salazar
- Mary Magaña
- Luisa Resendiz
- Mónica Hernández
- Rita Guillen
- Trustee Velásquez
- Trustee Flores
- Trustee Ruiz Gilpas
- Trustee Gary Karnes
- Angie González

Budget Update

Dr. Zendejas gave a brief budget update. She reported that the District is waiting for news regarding the stimulus package. She added that layoffs of current employees would not take place. A question and answer session followed.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Trustee Ruiz Gilpas, seconded by Trustee Flores, to approve the consent agenda as amended:

- A. Approve Minutes of the January 21, 2008 Board Meeting
- B. Approve/Ratify Personnel Report as presented
- C. Approve/Ratify Conference Attendance/Field Trip Reports as presented
- D. Approve/Ratify Consultants/Contracts/Agreements as presented
- E. Approve/Ratify Bill Registers in the amount of \$1,296,377.48

The motion passed unanimously.

**EDUCATIONAL
SERVICES**

MOU with Alameda
County Office of
Education

A motion was made by Trustee Karnes, seconded by Trustee Ruiz Gilpas, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Alameda County Office of Education Reading Implementation Center in the amount of \$7,650.00 for nine Alisal Union School District teachers to complete year One SB472 training.

Public Comment

The following people addressed the Board regarding the MOU for SB472 training:

- Dora López
- John Aaron

Discussion ensued. The motion passed unanimously.

Grant Award –
Enhancing Education
Through Technology

A motion was made by Trustee Flores, seconded by Trustee Karnes, to accept the Grant Award from California Department of Education Enhancing Education Through Technology grant in the amount of \$24,398.00. The motion passed unanimously.

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EDUCATIONAL SERVICES Form B: Centralized Services	<u>A motion was made by Trustee Karnes, seconded by Trustee Flores, to approve Form B: Centralized Services support for each of the eleven school's Single Plan for Student Achievement.</u>
Public Comment	Elizabeth Miller addressed the Board regarding Form B: Centralized Services support for each of the eleven school's Single Plan for Student Achievement. Discussion ensued. The motion passed unanimously.
District Wide Services Expenditures for 2007-08 and 2008-09 School Years	A motion was made by Trustee Flores, seconded by Trustee Karnes, to approve the District Wide Services Expenditures for each of the eleven ten Alisal Union School District schools (excluding Alisal Community School) for the 2007-08 and 2008-09 school years. Rebecca Garcia shared that all schools except Alisal Community approved the allocations of categorical funds through the Consolidated Application. Dr. Zendejas commented that the District is waiting for direction from the State Department of Education regarding Alisal Community School. Discussion ensued. The motion passed unanimously.
Contract with Educational Achievement Services, Inc.	<u>A motion was made by Trustee Ruiz Gilpas, seconded by Trustee Karnes, to approve the consultant contract with Educational Achievement Services, Inc. in the amount of \$37,000.00 for the Family Leadership Institute (modules one through five) to be conducted during the spring of 2009 at Alisal Community School.</u>
Public Comment	Elizabeth Miller addressed the Board regarding the contract with Educational Achievement Services, Inc. Discussion ensued. The motion passed unanimously.
First Reading Revision Suspensions & Expulsions AR 5144.1	<u>The Board accepted for first reading the revision to Suspensions and Expulsions/Due Process, Administrative Regulation 5144.1</u>
Public Comment	John Aaron addressed the Board regarding Suspensions and Expulsions/Due Process, Administrative Regulation 5144.1. Discussion ensued. First Reading/No action was taken.
First Reading Revision Board Policy 5131.7	<u>The Board accepted for first reading the revision to Weapons and Dangerous Instruments, Board Policy 5131.7.</u> First Reading/No action was taken.
Resolution 0809-13, Incompatible Public Office	<u>A motion was made by Trustee Flores, seconded by Trustee Velásquez, to adopt Resolution 0809-13, Incompatible Public Office.</u> Trustee Castañeda expressed concerns about Resolution 0809-13, Incompatible Public Office. Discussion ensued.

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The following people addressed the Board regarding Resolution 0809-13, Incompatible Public Office:

- Dora López
- John Aaron
- Mary Anne Worden

Discussion ensued. Trustees Ruiz Gilpas, Flores, Karnes, and Velásquez concluded that when Trustee Castañeda accepted the Planning Commission position he was (*inadvertently*) unaware that said position was incompatible with his position as a member of the Alisal Union School District Board. Therefore, they agreed to amend Resolution 0809-13 to include the word “unknowingly” to item 2 and the phrase “for the remainder of this term” to item 4 of the document. Trustee Castañeda requested that the dollar amount spent to resolve this matter be provided to him. **The motion passed by a 4-1 vote with Trustee Castañeda voting no.**

**BUSINESS
SERVICES
CBOC**

A motion was made by Trustee Ruiz Gilpas, seconded by Trustee Karnes to approve the addition of member for the District’s Citizens’ Bond Oversight Committee (CBOC).
Discussion ensued. **The motion passed unanimously.**

E-Rate Year 12 Service
Contact with AT &T

A motion was made by Trustee Ruiz Gilpas, seconded by Trustee Karnes, to approve the E-Rate Year 12 Service Contract with AT&T for provision of the fiber optic cable conduit at Jesse G. Sánchez Elementary School and School #13 (in Monte Bella development) at a cost of \$7,194.41. Discussion ensued. **The motion passed unanimously.**

E-Rate Year 12
Maintenance Contract
with AMS.NET

A motion was made by Trustee Karnes, seconded by Trustee Flores, to approve the E-Rate Year 12 Maintenance Contract with AMS.NET for provision of a District-wide technology infrastructure upgrade at a cost of \$428,870.41. **The motion passed unanimously.**

E-Rate Year 12
Contract with
AMS.NET

A motion was made by Trustee Ruiz Gilpas, seconded by Trustee Flores, to approve the E-Rate Year 12 Contract with AMS.NET for installation of the digital video distribution system at School #13 (in Monte Bella development) at a cost of \$163,927.01. Discussion ensued. **The motion passed unanimously.**

E-Rate Year 12
Maintenance Contract
with Gaggle.NET

A motion was made by Trustee Karnes, seconded by Trustee Ruiz Gilpas, to approve the E-Rate Year 12 Maintenance Contract with Gaggle.Net for provision of services related to email account management for teachers and students at a cost of \$18,333.00. **The motion passed unanimously.**

E-Rate Year 12
Contract with Johnson
Engineered Systems,
Inc.

A motion was made by Trustee Ruiz Gilpas, seconded by Trustee Karnes, to approve the E-Rate Year 12 Contract with Johnson Engineered Systems, Inc. for installation of structured cabling at School #13 (in Monte Bella development) at a cost of \$149,271.39. **The motion passed unanimously.**

E-Rate Year 12
Maintenance contract
with AMS.NET

A motion was made by Trustee Flores, seconded by Trustee Karnes, to approve E-Rate Year 12 Maintenance Contract with AMS.NET for provision of goods and services related to maintenance support for information technology infrastructure at a cost of \$146,256.32. **The motion passed unanimously.**

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BUSINESS SERVICES

First Year Contract with Vavrinek, Trine, Day, & Co., LLP

A motion was made by Trustee Karnes, seconded by Trustee Castañeda, to approve the First Year of Contract with Vavrinek, Trine, Day, & Co., LLP, for professional services related to the annual financial audit for a cost of \$34,900.00. Discussion ensued. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Resolution 0809-24, Issuance and Sale of Bond Anticipation Notes, 2009 Series A

A motion was made by Trustee Flores, seconded by Trustee Karnes, to adopt Resolution 0809-24, Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Alisal Union School District providing for the issuance and sale of Bond Anticipation Notes, 2009 Series A. in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$15,000,000.00. Discussion ensued. Mr. Khushroo F. Gheyara, Sr. Vice President with Caldwell Flores Winters, Inc., was present to answer questions. **The motion passed by a 4-1 vote with Trustee Castañeda voting no.**

Resolution 0809-21 Authorizing Purchase of 2-Acre Site Adjacent to Bardin School

A motion was made by Trustee Karnes, seconded by Trustee Flores, to adopt Resolution 0809-21, authorizing purchase of a 2-acre site adjacent to Bardin Elementary School at a cost of \$600,000.00 to be purchased through the State Facilities Hardship Program. Discussion ensued. **The motion passed by a 4-1 vote with Trustee Castañeda voting no.**

Resolution 0809-22 Authorizing Purchase of 12-Acre Site – School #14

A motion was made by Trustee Ruiz Gilpas, seconded by Trustee Flores, to adopt Resolution 0809-22, authorizing purchase of a 12-acre site in the City of Salinas’ “future growth area” north of Boronda Road for use in constructing School Site #14 at a cost of \$2,800,000. Discussion ensued. **The motion passed by a 4-1 vote with Trustee Castañeda voting no.**

Resolution 0809-25 Authorizing Purchase of 12-Acre Site School Site #12

A motion was made by Trustee Flores, seconded by Trustee Karnes, to adopt Resolution 0809-25, authorizing purchase of a 12-acre site in the City of Salinas’ “future growth area” north of Boronda Road for use in constructing School Site #12 at a cost of \$10,194,567.00.

Public Comment

Mary Anne Worden addressed the Board regarding Resolution 0809-25, authorizing purchase of a 12-acre site in the City of Salinas’ “future growth area” for School Site #14.

Discussion ensued. Hugh Walker with Creekbridge Homes, participated in the discussion. **The motion passed by a 4-1 vote with Trustee Castañeda voting no.**

HUMAN RESOURCES

Resolution 0809-23 Approving Behavioral Intervention Plans [Hughes Bill]

A motion was made by Trustee Karnes, seconded by Trustee Ruiz Gilpas, to adopt Resolution 0809-23 approving Behavioral Intervention Plans [Hughes Bill] Mandated Cost Claim Settlement and waiving rights to file any claim regarding the Hughes Bill statute and regulations in the future. Discussion ensued. **The motion passed unanimously.**

MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Attendance Boundaries Update

Nancy Pfeiffer, Director of Fiscal Services, shared that to date, parent meetings have been conducted at nine schools to solicit input regarding the District’s attendance boundaries. Once parent meetings have taken place at all schools, a proposal will be developed and shared with parents. Recommendations will be presented to the Board for consideration.

MANAGEMENT

The Board discussed the process for naming school #13 in the Monte Bella Development.

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SERVICES	Board Policy 7511 was review and discussed.
Naming of New School, School #13	Mary Anne Worden addressed the Board regarding the naming of the new school.
Public Comment	Discussion ensued. It was the consensus of the Board that students of the Alisal Union School District be involved in the naming of the new school.
2009-10 Dress Code for AUSD Schools	President Velásquez recommended tabling the 2009-10 dress code for all Alisal Union School District schools pending additional information. <u><i>A motion was made by Trustee Castañeda, seconded by Trustee Ruiz Gilpas, to table the 2009-10 dress code for all Alisal Union School District schools. The motion passed unanimously.</i></u>
FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS/REQUEST FOR INFORMATION	The Board requested the following as future agenda items/request for information: <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Summer school presentation➤ Transportation department update➤ Status of outreach to schools regarding attendance boundaries➤ Budget committee update➤ Align/revise field trip policy with Ed. Code
ADJOURNMENT	There being no further business to discuss, President Velásquez adjourned the meeting at 10:10 p.m.
	<hr/> <p>Jesús R. Velásquez, President</p> <p>Guadalupe Ruiz Gilpas, Vice President/Clerk</p>
	Board adopted: 2/18/09