

ALISAL UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
April 2, 2008

CALL TO ORDER

The regular Board Meeting of the Alisal Union School District Board of Trustees was called to order by President Gary Karnes at 5:32 p.m., at the District Board Room, 1205 E. Market Street, Salinas, California.

Members Present: Trustee Gary Karnes, President
Trustee Juan V. Flores, Vice President/Clerk
Trustee José Castañeda
Trustee Jesús R. Velásquez
Trustee Guadalupe Ruiz Gilpas

Also Present: Dr. Zendejas and other District staff.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board convened to Closed Session at 5:33 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 – EXISTING LITIGATION
(Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9)
Tombleson Inc. v. Alisal Union School District, et al., and related cross-actions; Monterey County Superior Court Case No.: M68146.

Action may be taken.

3. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT/EMPLOYMENT [pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 (b)]:
 - Principal (2 vacancies)

Action may be taken.

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 7:05 p.m. President Karnes announced that the Board met in Closed Session to discuss the following:

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

No action was taken.

ALISAL UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
April 2, 2008

2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

(Subdivision (a) of Section 54956.9)

Tombleson Inc. v. Alisal Union School District, et al., and related cross-actions; Monterey County Superior Court Case No.: M68146.

No action was taken.

3. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT/EMPLOYMENT [pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 (b)]:

- Principal (2 vacancies)

A motion was made by Trustee Ruiz Gilpas, seconded by Trustee Flores to appoint Angelica Carrillo as Principal at Alisal Community School and Marcie Schnegelberger as Principal at Steinbeck Elementary School. The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Nancy Pfeiffer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Trustee Castañeda requested that items G (The Seville Group, Inc. Contract) and H (RFQ Contractors) under Business Services be changed to no action items.

President Karnes declined.

Dr. Zendejas presented the following changes to the agenda:

Consent Agenda – Human Resources Division (pg. 8)

Certificated Management (Summer School)

Delete: Mancera-Juarez, Susana for Summer School Facilitator

Add: Campanaro, Christina, Summer School Facilitator

Add: Nogales-Talley, Gloria, Summer School Facilitator (back-up Facilitator)

Consent Agenda – Consultants

Delete: Consultant Agreement No. 1 (All-Safe Integrated Systems)

Adjust: Consultant Agreement No. 4 (Royal King Academy)

April 2-11, 2008 will be the second week of the agreement

Adjust: Consultant Agreement No. 5 (Mary Smathers)

Funding source will be Centralized School Improvement Program

Business Services -- X-F (Closing the Achievement Gap through Family Empowerment)

Funding Source \$20,000.00 Program Improvement Funds

A request was made by Trustee Castañeda to pull Consent Agenda – Human Resources Division (pg. 8) for separate vote.

A motion was made by Trustee Velásquez, seconded by Trustee Castañeda to adopt the agenda as amended. The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

ALISAL UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
April 2, 2008

PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

- The following people addressed the Board:
- Jose Gil regarding 3 on 3 basketball tournament
 - Alberto Murillo regarding chess classes
 - Mary Ann Worden regarding retirement benefits for Board members and Citizen Bond Oversight Committee for Measure A
 - Daniel Delgado regarding supplemental education services and technology services
 - Raquel Quezada regarding Kinder Plus program and class size reduction
 - Norma Rodriguez regarding My Family, My Story writing project
 - Bill Wintermantel regarding Citizen Bond Oversight Committee for Measure A funding
 - Jose Mendez regarding Project Labor Agreement

PRESENTATIONS/ COMMUNICATIONS

Student Presentation

Students from Mrs. Pace's class from Dr. Oscar F. Loya Elementary School performed for the audience.

What's Right

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

- John Aaron
- Trine Rodríguez
- Sonia Aramburo

Public Comment

Carol Ramos, CSEA Chief Job Steward, addressed the Board regarding The Seville Group Contract and the qualifying firms that met all the requirements within the Request for Proposal process.

Angélica Carrillo and Marcie Schnegelberger thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve as Principal at their respective schools.

CONSENT AGENDA/ ROUTINE BUSINESS

Trustee Ruiz Gilpas requested that item IX-D (Royal King Academy Consultant) be pulled for separate vote.

A motion was made by Trustee Castañeda, seconded by Trustee Velásquez to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

- A. Approve Minutes of the March 5, 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 \$1,278,638.13.

The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

Personnel Report

A motion was made by Trustee Castañeda, seconded by Trustee Flores to approve the Personnel Report as amended. Dr. Zendejas explained the changes. Discussion ensued.

The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

ALISAL UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
April 2, 2008

**CONSENT AGENDA/
ROUTINE BUSINESS**

Royal King Academy

A motion was made by Trustee Castañeda, seconded by Trustee Ruiz Gilpas to approve item IX-D-4 (Royal King Academy). Trustee Ruiz Gilpas requested clarification on the dates of service. Dr. Zendejas and Mrs. Aramburo addressed the matter. Discussion ensued. The motion passed by a 3/2 vote. Trustees Velásquez and Ruiz Gilpas voted no.

**BUSINESS
SERVICES**

Purchase of Portable
Classrooms

A motion was made by Trustee Castañeda, seconded by Trustee Flores to approve the purchase of eleven portable classrooms from the Office of Public School Construction for Frank Paul, Fremont and Jesse G. Sánchez Schools. The total cost is \$44,000.00. Discussion ensued. The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

Piini Realty, Inc.

A motion was made by Trustee Castañeda, seconded by Trustee Flores to approve Piini Realty, Inc. to provide appraisal services for the Monte Bella Subdivision. The cost is \$8,000.00. Discussion ensued.

Trustee Castañeda rescinded his motion.

A new motion was made by Trustee Ruiz Gilpas, seconded by Trustee Flores to approve Piini Realty, Inc. as presented. The motion passes by a 4/1 vote. Trustee Castañeda voted no.

Resolution 0708-15:
Monterey/San Benito
Counties' Property &
Liability JPA

A motion was made by Trustee Ruiz Gilpas, seconded by Trustee Castañeda to adopt Resolution 0708-15 approving designation of Jim Koenig as the District's representative to serve on the governing board of the Monterey/San Benito Counties' Property and Liability Joint Powers Authority. Nancy Pfeiffer is designated to serve as the District's alternate. The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

Steinbeck PTC Rental
of Modular Building

A motion was made by Trustee Castañeda, seconded by Trustee Flores to approve Steinbeck Parent Teacher Club (PTC) to support the Steinbeck Art Program by granting PCT funds to pay for temporary use of modular building. The cost is not to exceed \$13,468.00. Discussion ensued.

Trustee Castañeda amended his motion to use District funds to pay for the rental of the modular building. Discussion ensued.

Trustee Castañeda amended his motion to approve Steinbeck School to support the Steinbeck Art Program by granting 50% PTC funds and 50% District funds for temporary use of modular building.

The vote was 2/3. Trustees Ruiz Gilpas, Velásquez, and Flores voted no. The motion did not pass.

A new motion was made by Trustee Flores, seconded by Trustee Ruiz Gilpas to approve Steinbeck Parent Teacher Club (PTC) to support the Steinbeck Art Program by granting PCT funds to pay for temporary use of modular building. The cost is not to exceed \$13,468.00. The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

ALISAL UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
April 2, 2008

**BUSINESS
SERVICES**

2007 Civil Grand Jury
Final Report

A motion was made by Trustee Castañeda, seconded by Trustee Flores to approve the Alisal Union School District's response to the 2007 Civil Grand Jury Final Report. Discussion ensued.

Trustee Castañeda amended his motion to add additional programs that support the District's gang prevention program. Discussion ensued. Trustee Castañeda commented that he would support submitting the report as presented.

The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

Extreme Learning, Inc.

A motion was made by Trustee Castañeda, seconded by Trustee Flores to approve Closing The Achievement Gap Through Family Empowerment training project agreement with Extreme Learning, Inc. in the amount of \$20,000 (\$16.60 per family cost). This project will train parents and teachers through comprehensive workshops on the use of technology and educational programs to assist students overcome academic obstacles. Discussion ensued. The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.

The Seville Group, Inc.

A motion was made by Trustee Castañeda, seconded by Trustee Flores to approve the Agreement between The Seville Group, Inc. and the Alisal Union School District for program and construction management services for Measure A, General Obligation, School Facilities Bond Program, State funding projects and additional projects funded by other programs. The proposed fees include an amount not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the construction cost budget and five percent (5%) for program manager services for the facilities projects.

Dr. Zendejas gave rationale as to why construction and program management services are needed and recommended that the Board consider The Seville Group, Inc. to provide these services. Discussion ensued.

Public Comment

The following people addressed the Board regarding the Agreement for The Seville Group, Inc.:

- Bill Wintermantel
- John Aaron

Discussion ensued. The discussion included the role of the Citizen Bond Oversight Committee, the funding sources, the content of the contract, and having different firms for construction management services and program management services.

A new motion was made by Trustee Castañeda to table/postpone the item.

President Karnes requested input from the Board and postponed the item until the May 7, 2008 Board meeting to allow for further research.

ALISAL UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
April 2, 2008

Approval of Firms Qualified to Participate in Bidding of Facility Projects	<p><u>A motion was made by Trustee Castañeda, seconded by Trustee Ruiz Gilpas to approve the list of firms that have met all the requirements within the Request for Proposal (RFQ). These firms qualify for the bidding of the various facility projects. The firms will be asked to participate in the bidding of the facility projects pending DSA approval (Chávez, Steinbeck, and Multipurpose Rooms at Alisal, Fremont, VRB, Frank Paul, Bardin and Sánchez Elementary Schools).</u> Discussion ensued. The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.</p>
Motion to Continue Beyond 10:00 p.m. and Postponement of Items	<p><u>A motion was made by Trustee Castañeda, seconded by Trustee Flores to continue the meeting beyond 10:00 p.m. and postpone the following informational items:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Quarterly Uniform Complaint Report Summary for First Quarter: January-March 2008➤ Monterey County Office of Education Quarterly Treasurer's Report➤ Review midyear budget cuts for 2007-08 fiscal year and proposed 2008-09 budget reductions in anticipation of the Governor's proposed education cuts. <p>The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.</p>
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES Application for CBET	<p><u>A motion was made by Trustee Castañeda, seconded by Trustee Velásquez to approve application submittal for Community-Based English Tutoring (CBET) Program for Fiscal Year 2008-09.</u> The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.</p>
HUMAN RESOURCES Exemption Certification for Robert Costa, Retiree	<p><u>A motion was made by Trustee Castañeda, seconded by Trustee Velásquez to approve the submittal of the Exemption Certification form for Mr. Robert Costa, Retiree.</u> The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.</p> <p><u>A motion was made by Trustee Castañeda, seconded by Trustee Ruiz Gilpas to approve the 2008-09 School Calendar.</u> Discussion ensued. The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.</p>
MANAGEMENT SERVICES Resolution 0708-14 Opposing the Governor's Proposed 2008-09 Budget	<p>A motion was made by Trustee Castañeda, seconded by Trustee Velásquez to adopt Resolution 0708-14 Opposing the Governor's Proposed 2008-09 Budget. The motion passed by a 5/0 vote.</p>

ALISAL UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting
April 2, 2008

**FUTURE AGENDA
ITEMS/REQUEST
FOR INFORMATION**

The Board requested the following as future agenda items/request for information:

- Construction/Program Management Services placed on May 7, 2008 agenda
- Update on Supplemental Services Providers
- Provide letter of support for Chess program
- List of 30 construction projects as noted by Dr. Zendejas
- Research if Request for Proposal process is required when using State funding for construction
- Inform Citizen Bond Oversight Committee of need to hire Construction/Program
- Develop district newsletter for parents and community
- Research how school districts, schools, parents, principals, board members are part of an effective strategy to prevent gangs (Spiegel Model)

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, President Karnes adjourned the meeting at 10:15 p.m.

Gary Karnes, President

Juan V. Flores, Vice President/Clerk

Board Adopted: 5/7/08