

**SAUSALITO MARIN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
September 12, 2013**

ATTENDANCE

Board Members Present: William Ziegler, Caroline Van Alst, Thomas Newmeyer, Joshua Barrow
Absent: Shirley Thornton, Ed. D.
Superintendent: Steve Van Zant

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m.

The agenda order was approved.

PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD PRIOR TO CLOSED SESSION

School secretary Julius Holtzclaw reported that there has been lots of enthusiasm about the start of school. Everyone seems happy and students and staff love the new lunch program, he said.

Pledge of Allegiance

Trustee Joshua Barrow led the Pledge of Allegiance.

BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

Trustee Barrow went to the Marin City Community Services District meeting last week. They are hoping to hear by late October from the Marin Community Foundation regarding the loan for the ball field. He is continuing his dialogue with the Community Services District/Bayside Martin Luther King Jr. Academy Coalition regarding the full-service community school planning proposal and possible funding sources for the project.

Trustee Van Alst reported that Willow Creek Academy had its Back-to-School night on September 10 and that Bayside Martin Luther King Jr. Academy will have its celebration on September 18.

REPORTS

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Van Zant said that the Conscious Kitchen cafeteria program continues to be a success and that the majority of students are enjoying the food. The Marin Independent Journal reported on the cafeteria's Open House and noted its many positive attributes for the district's children. The district is also talking to the Marin Community Foundation regarding the ball field and should have something to report in the near future.

FINANCIAL & BUSINESS

Approval of Resolution 694: 2012-13 GANN Limit and 2012-2013 Unaudited Actuals

Business Manager Paula Rigney gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding the unaudited 2012-2013 budget figures for the district, showing an ending balance of \$1.514 million. The district's total revenue was about \$7 million, 60% of which came from local property taxes; 15% came from grants awarded by

local foundations, and the rest was a mix of state and federal allocations. \$1.4 million, or 20% of total revenues went to Willow Creek Academy.

Looking forward, she said that she will be budgeting conservatively to ensure that we are not looking at big deficits. Board members said that they are happy to see Ms. Rigney and Mr. Van Zant working well together and grateful to have a clearer picture of the budget.

Roll Call Ziegler/Newmeyer/4 Ayes, 1 Absent, to approve resolution 694: 2012-2013 GANN Limit

Trustee Barrow said that he would like to include a statement of intent that the Board of Trustees wishes to continue to work on this year's budget and to produce a balanced budget to the extent possible.

Roll Call Newmeyer/Van Alst/4 Ayes, 1 Absent, to approve 2012-2013 Unaudited Actuals with the inclusion of the statement from Trustee Barrow.

Approval of Willow Creek Academy's 2012-2013 Unaudited Actuals

Clark Warden of Willow Creek Academy gave a presentation of the charter school's 2012-2013 Unaudited Actuals.

Trustee Barrow move to amend the motion to include the statement that there is a discrepancy in the WCA budget regarding Special Education reimbursements due to the district.

Newmeyer/ Van Alst/4 Ayes, 1 Absent, to approve Willow Creek Academy's 2012-2013 Unaudited Actuals as amended.

FUTURE PLANNING/ACTION ITEMS

Bayside Martin Luther king Jr. Academy Open House, September 18

Board Meeting, September 26

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.



Signature/Date



Title