

**SAUSALITO MARIN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
January 14, 2016**

**ATTENDANCE**

Board Members Present: Caroline Van Alst, William Ziegler, Thomas Newmeyer, Ida Times

Via conference call from 306 Morning Mist Lane, Franklin, TN 37067: Joshua Barrow

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Mary Jane Burke, the Marin County Superintendent of Schools, said that she was happy to offer her support to the district during this time of transition. She added that other districts regularly go through periods of change, notably the Tam high School district last year, and Ross Valley two years ago. She asked that at its next meeting, the board consider convening an Ad Hoc Committee which would work with her office to select an interim superintendent for the district. The Board thanked Superintendent Burke for her offers of support.

**CLOSED SESSION**

The Board convened closed session at 4:49 p.m.

**RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

Open session reconvened at 6:55 p.m.

**REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

Trustee Van Alst announced that the board voted unanimously to appoint Bob Ferguson as interim superintendent, effective January 14, 2016. The board also directed the board president to work with legal counsel and Mr. Ferguson to prepare an employment agreement to be shared with the board at its next regular meeting.

Trustee Van Alst then asked for public comments. Community member Betty Hodges asked about the length of the contract with Mr. Ferguson. Trustee Van Alst said that it would be on an as-needed basis. He is expected to work at the district three days a week. The board expects that he will have a good relationship with the county as well as the community. Trustee Newmeyer said that Mr. Ferguson has expressed deep interest in meeting with the community and listening to their concerns. Ms. Hodges was concerned about the position of associate superintendent, which had originally been part of the job description for incoming principal Melinda Wallace. Trustee Van Alst said that such a position would be a board hiring decision, and would be discussed at the next regular board meeting on February 2.

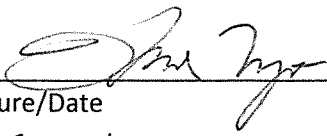
**ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS**

Trustee Van Alst said that this agenda item is no longer needed, as we now have an interim superintendent in charge who will be able to sign documents on behalf of the district.

**Van Alst/Ziegler/All to remove the agenda item, ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Ziegler/Newmeyer/All to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

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Clerk  
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