# LA CAÑADA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

April 13, 2004

The Special Meeting of the Governing Board of La Cañada Unified School District was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Andy Beattie on April 13, 2004 in the La Cañada High School Information Resource Center at 4463 Oak Grove in La Cañada, California. Present were Board Members Andy Beattie, Cindy Wilcox, and Scott Tracy, Superintendent Sue Leabo, Deputy Superintendent Jim Stratton and Chief Business Officer Dave Banis.

# **CLOSED SESSION EXPULSION HEARING**

The Governing Board adjourned to Closed Session at 6:01 p.m. in the La Cañada High School Information Resource Center Workroom. Present were the four Board Members, Superintendent Sue Leabo, Deputy Superintendent Jim Stratton and Chief Business Officer Dave Banis. Closed session adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** 

Mr. Andy Beattie, President

Mrs. Cindy Wilcox, Clerk Mr. Scott Tracy, Member

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Ron Dietel, Vice President

Mrs. Jinny Dalbeck, Member

## **SPECIAL MEETING**

The Special Meeting of the Governing Board was reconvened at 8:27 p.m. in the La Cañada High School Information Resource Center. Present were the four Governing Board Members, Dr. Leabo, Mr. Stratton, Mr. Banis, Executive Secretary to the Superintendent Kim Bergner. There were approximately 7 people in the audience. Mr. Beattie asked Craig Franzen to lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Beattie reported in a closed hearing the Board of Education approved of a stipulation calling for the suspended enforcement of an expulsion involving student ID#01-03-04.

## OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS BOARD

The following audience members addressed the Board: Aileen Peterson- CSEA President

## PROPOSED ACTION ITEMS

### 1. First Reading

a. \*Resolution 19-03-04 Relative to the Layoff of Classified Employees. It was moved and seconded (Wilcox/Tracy) to approve the Resolution #19-03-04 Relative to the Layoff of Classified Employees. Dr. Leabo reported through elimination or reduction of hours it is necessary to lay off of classified staff. Mr. Tracy asked how these

classified positions on this resolution were identified. Dr. Leabo explained each elementary principal was told to reduce classified staff by \$25,000. The high school principal was instructed to reduce classified staff by \$75,000. The district office had to make \$90,000 in reduction of classified staff, including custodians and office personnel. Some reductions on this list are the result of funding from other sources which may or may not be available next year. Dr. Leabo has spoken to site councils, and other funding sources to make them aware of these layoffs. Mr. Beattie stated there will be a big effort of support and hopes the district will be able to restore most of these positions. The motion to approve the resolution was adopted unanimously.

- \*Resolution 20-03-04 Establishing a Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee and Approving Form of Bylaws. It was moved and seconded (Tracy/Wilcox) to approve the Resolution establishing a Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee and Approving Form of Bylaws. Dr. Leabo reported by law we have 60 days from the certification date, which will be today to establish a Bond Oversight Committee. Dr. Leabo has presented the committee bylaws. Mr. Beattie reported many of these requirements are set by Education Code and State law. With the 55% passage, the Bond Oversight Committee membership, and many of the duties are required by law. The motion to approve the resolution was adopted unanimously.
- \*Resolution 21-03-04 Certifying to the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County all proceedings in the march 2, 2004 General Obligation Bond Election. It was moved and seconded (Tracy/Wilcox) to approve the Resolution certifying to the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County all proceedings in the March 2, 2004 General Obligation Bond Election. The district received the certification results from the county registrar's office and they are presented for your approval tonight to report to the Board of Supervisors and this starts the clock on the Bond Oversight Committee's 60 days. The motion to approve the resolution was adopted unanimously.

# **COMMUNICATIONS**

None

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:39 p.m. The Next Regular Meeting of the Governing Board will be held on Tuesday, April 27, 2004, at 7:00 p.m. in the La Cañada High School Information Resource Center.

Sue Leabo, Superintendent Secretary to the Governing Board

MINUTES APPROVED

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Cindy Wileox, Clerk

Date