

BELMONT-REDWOOD SHORES SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
STUDY SESSION MEETING OF MAY 18, 2006

MINUTES

BOARD  
MEMBERS

PRESENT: Mrs. Jeni Benelli  
Mrs. Karen Clancy  
Mr. Bill Davidovich  
Mr. Eric Shrader  
Mrs. Cathy Wright

ABSENT:

STAFF: Mr. John McIntosh, Superintendent  
Mrs. Jeannie Bosley, Assistant Superintendent  
Ms. Linda Burkett, Budget/Accounting Supervisor  
Mrs. Marilyn Sanchez, Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent

CALL TO ORDER

President Clancy called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD  
CONCERNING ITEMS ON THE CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

No one wished to address the Board.

CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

At 6:01 p.m. President Clancy adjourned the Regular Board Meeting. At this time, the Board adjourned to Closed Session.

CALL TO ORDER

President Clancy reconvened the Regular Board Meeting at 7:09 p.m.

President Clancy stated the Board had met in Closed Session and no action was taken.

FLAG SALUTE

Trustees, staff members and citizens in the audience joined President Clancy in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Mr. Shrader, seconded by Mrs. Wright, the Board approved the Agenda and Consent Agenda as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Mr. Bill Davidovich  
Mrs. Cathy Wright  
Mr. Eric Shrader  
Mrs. Jeni Benelli  
Mrs. Karen Clancy

### PEOPLE WISHING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

President Clancy announced that this portion of the Agenda provides Trustees, staff members and audience members an opportunity to address the Board on any item on the agenda or not included on the agenda.

Bob DuBridge, 825 Holly Road, Scientist, stated that he felt teachers needed a raise. He also said that teachers are the top priority of the district and he recommended letting the science specialists go, use this funding for teacher raises, and suggested that science could be taught by the classroom teacher or by video tapes.

### 2006-2007 BUDGET STUDY SESSION

Mr. McIntosh explained that Mr. Joe DiGeronimo, Interim Business Manager, could not attend this evening's meeting. Mr. McIntosh said he would be presenting the budget information along with Ms. Linda Burkett, Budget/Accounting Supervisor for the District.

Mr. McIntosh reviewed the budget assumptions that had been made to the revenue portion of the budget; the step and column increases in salaries; and the benefit increases.

Mr. McIntosh also reviewed the decreased revenue change from the P-1 to the P-2 report. He stated that the Budget Committee had met on May 10<sup>th</sup> and budget cuts had been recommended and were now reflected in the document distributed at this evening's meeting. After the budget cuts had been made, the 2006-07 budget still remained with a \$151,595 deficit.

Review was made of the proposed and possible budget cuts and reductions reflected in the current 2006-07 budget.

Mr. McIntosh was asked if additional cuts/reductions should be made. Mr. McIntosh stated that an additional \$300,000 in cuts should be made to allow for other needed adjustments and priorities.

Lucy del Cardayre, 611 Southview Court, suggested that having a better idea of future student populations might help eliminate the need to continue with any further budget cuts.

### RECESS

President Clancy recessed the meeting at 8:16 p.m. for a short break.

### RECONVENE

At 8:24 p.m. President Clancy reconvened the meeting.

### 2006-07 BUDGET STUDY SESSION - - (CONTINUANCE)

Mrs. Anne LePage, Special Education Director, and Mrs. Cherie Ho, Nesbit School Principal, conducted a presentation to the Board in support of locating the District's new K-1 Special

Day Class at Nesbit School. Following this presentation, discussion was held on the additional cost to house the K-1 SDC at Nesbit School. Staff was asked to bring an accurate cost for a portable building to the June 1<sup>st</sup> Board meeting.

Brigid Kirk, 2120 Valerga Drive, addressed the Board in support of not cutting RSP specialists. She stated that they provide direct support to the teachers.

Board members and staff continued to review possible reductions in the 2006-07 budget. Mr. McIntosh summarized the possible reductions identified as:

Music teacher	\$65,475
One-half science specialist	50,000
Supplies cost	50,000
Staff development	35,000
10% of CBO to maintenance & operations	13,000

Discussion ensued regarding kindergarten enrollment at Nesbit School. Mrs. Ho stated that the current kindergarten enrollment numbers for 2006-07 were very large (157) with 12 applications having been given to parents and not yet returned. Following discussion, the Board directed staff to redirect kindergarten students enrolling at Nesbit School to other district schools.

#### CONVENE TO CLOSED SESSION

At 9:50 p.m. President Clancy convened the meeting to Closed Session.

#### RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

President Clancy reconvened the meeting to Open Session at 10:54 p.m.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS – REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

President Clancy announced that the Board had met in Closed Session and no action was taken.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 p.m.