



**MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
April 29, 2015**

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CLOSED SESSION

3:30 PM

**District Office
45 Lake Street
Point Arena, California**

OPEN SESSION

4:30 PM

**Point Arena High School Library
270 Lake Street
Point Arena, California**

Section 1:

1.1 Call to Order

3:30 PM

1.2 Roll Call

Board Member Cione was absent.

1.3 Public Comments on items to be heard in **Closed Session**

No comments were made.

1.4 Recess to Closed Session

- a. With respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6:

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR

Dr. Colleen Cross, District Chief Negotiator

South Coast Chapter #343, California School Employees Association (Point Arena & Arena)

Point Arena High School Teachers Association (PAHSTA)

Arena Union Teachers Organization (AUTO)

- b. With respect to every item of business to be discussed in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957:

i. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Superintendent

Section 2: Return to Open Session

2.1 Call to Order

4:30 PM

2.2 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Board Member Miles led the members of the board and community into the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

2.3 Roll Call

Board member Cione was absent.

2.4 Approval of the Agenda

Item 6.1.3 was struck from the Consent Agenda because the individual accepted another job. A correction to item 8.2 was made, the meeting will be held on Wednesday May 13, 2015, not Monday as indicated on the agenda.

A motion was made by DeWilder and seconded by Robinson to approve the agenda as amended.

MSC: DeWilder/Robinson Vote: Student Board Member: Yes Board: 6-0-0-1

2.5 Announcements of reportable action from Closed Session

There was no reportable action from Closed Session.

Section 3: Public Comment Regarding Open Session Items NOT the Agenda

3.1 Individual speakers shall be allowed three minutes to address the Board on each item not on the agenda. The Board President may allow additional time as appropriate. Government Code 54954.3 prohibits the Board from taking action on matters not on the agenda. The Board may briefly respond to such public comment by asking questions to clarify the speakers' comments and refer the speaker to the Superintendent for further clarification.

While we recognize each person's free speech rights to talk at a board meeting, we are requesting that speakers do not express a complaint against an identifiable employee of the district without giving the board an opportunity to meet its legal obligations. If you do have a complaint, please see the Superintendent, or if the complaint is about the Superintendent, please contact Mr. Ron Miles the Board President at (707) 884-1101. This notice will allow us to meet our legal obligations and your complaint will be heard and reviewed in accordance with the law and the district process.

So as to not inhibit public participation, persons attending Board meetings shall not be requested to sign in, complete a questionnaire, or otherwise provide their name or other information as a condition of attending the meeting. **Speakers are asked to bring 25 copies of any handouts for the Board and members of the audience.**

Members of the audience may feel free to arrive and depart at any time during the meeting. Please do this as quietly as possible.

Point Arena Schools adheres to the Americans with Disabilities Act. Should you require special accommodations, or more information about accessibility, please contact the Superintendent's Office at (707) 882-2803. All efforts will be made for reasonable accommodations (Government Code Section 54953.2, Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 202 (42 U.S.C. 12132).

No comments were made.

Section 4: Public Comment Regarding Open Session Item ON the Agenda

4.1 Individual speakers shall be allowed three minutes to address the Board on each item on the agenda. The Board President may allow additional time as appropriate.

No comments were made.

Section 5: Special Recognition

5.1 Special recognition of Mr. Brent Cushenbery, 2015-2016 Superintendent for Point Arena Schools District (Board President Ron Miles).

Board President Miles welcomed and introduced Mr. Brent Cushenbery as the new Superintendent for the Point Arena Schools District. Mr. Cushenbery will start July 1, 2015. Mr. Cushenbery thanked the Board and said, "I'm listening, learning, and observing." He also spoke about a survey he would like to give to all employees.

Section 6: Consent Agenda (Action Item)

6.1 Personnel

1. Accept the resignation for retirement from Lisa Olson Point Arena Schools District Accounting Technician and effective June 30, 2015 (Pg. 1).
2. Approve the employment of Allison Berger as 1.0 FTE 3rd Grade Teacher for Arena Union Elementary School for the 2015-2016 school year (Step/Column TBD).
3. ~~Approve the employment of Katharine Jackson as 1.0 FTE 4th Grade Teacher for Arena Union Elementary School for the 2015-2016 school year (Step/Column TBD).~~ **Item struck from the Consent Agenda.**
4. Approve the employment of Lillian McFarland as 1.0 FTE 3rd District ELD for Point Arena Schools District for the 2015-2016 school year (AB45/9).
5. Approve the employment of Francisca Chavez as Food Service Cook for Point Arena Schools District (5 hours per day, Step 5, \$12.83 per hour), effective April 14, 2015.
6. Accept donations from several Point Arena Schools District employees of 232.0 hours to the Catastrophic Sick Leave Bank.
7. Approve the request for a Point Arena Schools District employee to receive 231.0 hours from the Catastrophic Sick Leave Bank.

A motion was made by DeWilder and seconded by Bates to approve the consent agenda as amended.

MSC: DeWilder/Bates Vote: Student: Yes Board: 6-0-0-1

Section 7: Discussion with Possible Action

7.1 Discussion with possible action teacher professional development.

Superintendent Cross explained that by approving a teacher professional development model, it would give the District more flexibility to create a better Master Schedule. The District will pay up to \$5,000 for a teacher to add another subject to their credential, in return they will agree to stay with the district for five years. The Principals will determine annually where there is a need.

The Board approved funding teacher professional development at their March 11, 2015 board meeting.

7.2 Discussion with possible action MCOE review of Point Arena Schools Second Interim Budget Report (Pgs. 2-4).

Board President Miles talked about the correspondence received from MCOE.

7.3 Discussion with possible action appoint an Ad Hoc Committee to draft a response to the Grand Jury Report.

Board President Miles informed the Board that the Grand Jury had submitted their report to Dr. Cross, and
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when the report is made public the Board will have to respond to the Grand Jury report. Board President Miles will form and chair an Ad Hoc Committee to work on the response. He will select two other board members; preferably those who have not been given the opportunity to give extra time, to be on the Ad Hoc Committee.

7.4 Discussion with possible action first read of BB9320, Meetings and Notices (Pgs. 5-11).

The Board received BB 9320, Meetings and Notices for first read. Discussion included a change from specifying a certain day of the month to “according to the board adopted meeting calendar.”

Section 8: Items for Next Meeting/Next Meeting Date/Adjournment

8.1 Items for Next Board Meeting

Board President Miles asked the Board if they would like to add an item to the next agenda. Board Member Robinson asked to have an item regarding Mr. Jacobs’ response.

8.2 Next Regular Meeting: ~~Monday~~ Wednesday May 13, 2015 @ 4:30 PM

8.3 Adjournment

A motion was made by DeWilder and seconded by Gardiner to adjourn at 4:58 PM

MSC: DeWilder/Gardiner Vote: Student Board Member: Yes Board: 6-0-0-1

Approved and entered into the official minutes of the Point Arena Schools on this 13th day of May 2015.

Cindy Cione, Clerk of the Board

Date

Dr. Colleen Cross, Secretary of the Board

Date