

**SAUSALITO MARIN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SAUSALITO, CALIFORNIA**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES**

October 22, 2009

CLOSED SESSION: 5:00 PM

OPEN SESSION: 6:25 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mark Trotter, President, arrived at 5:17 p.m.

Karen Benjamin

Thomas Newmeyer

Shirley Thornton

William Ziegler

Debra A. Bradley, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board

Others Present: Doug Lloyd, Gavin and Lisa, Boyd-Goodrich, Debra Osburn, Adam Politzer, David Weatherford, James Morgan, Don Mar, Herman Privett, Jessica Mullim, Denni Locke, Bob Hunter, Juanita Edwards, Carmen Rivera, Jim Scullion, Ellen Franz, Susan Cassidy, Anna Pilliton, Stephen Strachan, Jonnette Newton, Julius Holtzclaw, Felicia Gaston, Trellis Condra, Sharon Turner, Megan Bolduc, Cory Creath, Luis Santos, Wayne Price, Bryan Nielsen, Carol Cooper, Susan Morris, William Gargan, Sabrina Geshay, Miko Lee, Chris Gallagher, Ishmael David, Harold Oden, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Fraser, Margaret Bonardi, many families and Kathy Blazei taking minutes.

District Office

Vice President, Shirley Thornton, called the meeting of the Sausalito Marin City School District Board of Trustees to order at 5:00 p.m.

Call to Order

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The Board went immediately into closed session and was joined by Legal Counsel, Laura Schulkind, via teleconference. When closed session adjourned at 5:43 p.m., the Board moved to the Bayside Multipurpose Room.

Bayside Multipurpose Room

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President, Mark Trotter reconvened open session at 6:25 p.m.

President Trotter reported that there was nothing to report out from closed session.

Report Out from
Closed Session

The agenda order was approved.

Agenda Order

A celebration was held in honor of the completion of the shared Bayside Elementary/Willow Creek Academy Multipurpose Room modernized through the use of Measure I bond funds.

**RIBBON CUTTING
DEDICATION OF
MULTIPURPOSE
ROOM AT BAYSIDE
ELEMENTARY**

Superintendent Bradley welcomed everyone in the audience and acknowledged Mr. Adam Politzer - Sausalito City Manager, Mr. David Weatherford - City of Sausalito Intern, Ms. Chris Gallagher - The Bay Model Park Manager, Willow Creek Academy board members, Mr. Kerry Pierson - Marin Community Foundation Board Trustee, Mr. Stephen Fraser - former District Board Trustee, Mr. James Morgan - former District Director of Maintenance and Operations, Mr. Cory Creath - AXIS Principal, Ms. Felicia Gaston - Performing Stars of Marin Executive Director, Ms. Denni Locke - Bridge the Gap Program Director, Bob Hunter - Bridge the Gap, Sharon Turner - Marin City Network Project Coordinator, Juanita Edwards - School Site Council/Parent Teacher Student Association (SSC/PTSA) and teachers and staff.

President Trotter highlighted improvements made to the multipurpose room: an expanded stage, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance improvements including a lift to stage level, new bathrooms, an acoustic ceiling, new lighting including stage lighting, a sound system, new tables and new gymnasium floor.

Board members cut a red ribbon to signify the reopening of the multipurpose room.

Superintendent Bradley introduced and welcomed:

- Ms. Carol Cooper - Willow Creek Academy Head of School since its inception
- Ms. Jonnette Newton - Bayside Elementary Principal, and
- Dr. Stephen Strachan - Martin Luther King, Jr. Academy Principal.

**INTRODUCTION OF
NEW DISTRICT
PRINCIPALS**

Superintendent Bradley noted the availability of flyers advertising the upcoming Art Walk and Speakers Series and encouraged everyone to attend.

Superintendent Bradley introduced Miss Angeline Beltran, 8th Grade Student at Martin Luther King, Jr. Academy, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

**STUDENT
ACHIEVEMENT
AWARDS**

Dr. Bradley welcomed guests to the Fourth Annual Celebration of Students who excelled on state STAR assessments administered in the spring each year. Students to be honored at this event will be recognized for their outstanding achievement on testing in the spring of 2009.

Dr. Bradley shared the Board's Vision Statement: **All students are academically and socially prepared to compete and be successful at each grade level.**

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Dr. Bradley explained the scoring determination for awarding each of the three medals:

- Gold – Advanced in both English Language Arts and Math
- Silver – 1 Advanced, 1 Proficient
- Bronze – Proficient

A total of one hundred twenty three (123) students were acknowledged in all three of the District's schools combined.

Dr. Bradley recognized students who were unable to attend the event because they were already attending Mosaic Camp all week. Those students will receive their medals when they return.

Student awards were presented by Superintendent Bradley, Bayside Principal Jonnette Newton, Willow Creek Academy Head of School Carol Cooper, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Academy Principal Dr. Stephen Strachan (program with complete list attached).

Students whose combined English Language Arts and Math scores totaled or exceeded 900 were welcomed to the Vision 900 Club and received \$100 savings bonds. They are: Jacob Blum, Ndali Brume, Mia Krueger, Daniel Lara, Amir Modan, Joshua Caldwell, Sophie Gilmore, Cinthia Roblero, Alden Ernst, Joseph Gardi, Gavin Boyd Goodrich, Dylan Meade, Emily Nguyen, Dylan Sweet, Thu Dam and Luca Osburn. Carli Alexander, holding the distinction of scoring highest in all three schools received a \$200 savings bond.

District staff and Willow Creek Academy were thanked for their contributions to the evening's success.

None

Public Comment

M/s/c Trotter/Benjamin/all to adjourn at 8:00 pm

ADJOURNMENT

Refreshments were served.

Clerk  Date 11-19-09
 Secretary 

FUTURE DISTRICT BOARD MEETING DATES

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All meetings are held at the District Office, 630 Nevada Street, Sausalito at 7:00 pm unless otherwise noted. *The first meeting date of each month will be allocated to, additional special meetings on bond and facilities issues, special meetings, community forums, etc. as needed. The only or second meeting date of each month will be allocated to regular board meetings.

November 19	One meeting in November due to holidays
December 10	One meeting in December due to holidays

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UPCOMING EVENTS/IMPORTANT DATES

October 27 Academy Parent Conferences/ Minimum Day – MLK
November 11 Veterans' Day
November 23-27 Thanksgiving Recess
December 1 Parent Conferences/ Minimum Day – Bayside Elementary
December 1 ART WALK: A Celebration of Arts in the Sausalito Marin City Schools
Join us to celebrate students' artwork and musical performances.
Bayside Multipurpose Room, 630 Nevada Street, Sausalito, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm
Free to the community.
December 3-5 California School Boards Association (CSBA) Annual Conference
San Diego, CA
December 8 SMCSD Speaker Series – "How to Talk So Kids Will Listen"
Parent Educator and Speaker: Ms. Julie King
Bayside Multipurpose Room, 630 Nevada Street, Sausalito, 7:00 p.m. Free to the community
Dec. 21-Jan. 1 Winter Recess
December 25 Christmas Holiday
January 1 New Year Holiday

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FUTURE CHARTER SCHOOL BOARD MEETING DATES

All meetings are held at Willow Creek Academy campus at 6:30 pm unless otherwise noted.

November 18
December 16
January 20
February 10 Second Wednesday of the month due to vacation
March 17
April 21
May 19
June 16

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