

**Cottonwood Union School District
20512 W. First Street
Cottonwood, CA 96022**

MINUTES for Tuesday, AUGUST 18, 2015, 6:30 P.M.
Regular Board Meeting, West Cottonwood Library

Members Present: Mr. Iles, Mr. Kohler, Mr. Lucero, Mrs. Semingson, Mr. Vazquez
Members Absent: None
Others Present: Superintendent Dr. David Alexander
Principal: Doug Geren
Laura Merrick, Business Manager
Staff: Eighteen staff members were present. Mr. Boyle, Cottonwood Creek Charter School Director, was also present.

1.0 Call Regular Meeting to Order – Mr. Kohler called the regular meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

2.0 Pledge of Allegiance – Mr. Kohler led the flag salute.

3.0 Approval of Agenda

ACTION: Mr. Lucero moved, seconded by Mr. Vazquez, to approve the agenda as presented
VOTE: Unanimous in favor.

4.0 Recognition (Students, Staff, Curriculum) – Mrs. Allison Brogoitti/Mrs. Teresa Madison and Mr. Geren introduced the new staff members from North and West Cottonwood schools respectively.

5.0 Public Forum/Hearing of Persons Wishing to Address the Board – None at this time.

6.0 Consent Agenda

6.1 Review of Consent Agenda

6.1.1 Approval of Board Meeting Minutes for:

Regular Board Meeting held on June 16, 2015, and
Special Board Meeting held on June 23, 2015

6.1.2 Approval of Commercial Warrants

6.1.3 Accept Letters of Resignation from the following:

Maria Dickerson – Cafeteria Assistant, **Tania Kaylor** – Bus Driver, **Lisa Teegarden** – Teacher, **Marie Welch** – Instructional Assistant, **Deidre McDougall** – West Cottonwood School Secretary.

6.1.4 Approval to Hire:

Chris Crews, Bethany Duggan, Holly King, Kristi Schmeck, Zachary Westaby – Teachers. **Kimberlee Brogan, Penny Bunt, Tiffany Collver, Nicole Day, Jennifer Fox, Suzette Martinez-Wilkerson, Carrie Safford, Sharin Steele, Kayla Tatom, Denise Walker** – Instructional Assistants. **Linda Morrison** – West Cottonwood School Secretary.

6.1.5 Consider approval for the following contracts for the 2015/2016 year:

Coastal Business – DocStar Maintenance
School Services of California – Fiscal Budget Services
Shasta County Office of Education – Legal Services Consortium
Shasta County Office of Education – Certificated Library Services

6.2 Approval of Consent Agenda

ACTION: Mr. Vazquez moved, seconded by Mr. Lucero, to approve the consent agenda.

VOTE: Unanimous in favor.

(The board asked that the warrants be taken out of the consent agenda in the future and placed as a separate action item.)

7.0 Discussion/Action Items:

7.1 Notice of Intent to Employ Teachers on the Basis of Specific Permits:

Bethany Duggan – 1st Grade Teacher, North Cottonwood, **Short Term Staff Permits**
Holly King, 3rd Grade Teacher, North Cottonwood, **Short Term Staff Permits**
Zach Westaby, 4th Grade Teacher, North Cottonwood, **Provisional Internship Permit**
Chris Crews, 5th Grade Teacher, West Cottonwood, **General Education Limited Assignment Permit**
Kristi Schmeck, 7th Grade Teacher, West Cottonwood, **General Education Limited Assignment Permit**

The above mentioned assignments were reviewed and discussed. No action was needed at this time.

7.2 Consider approval of Consolidated Application Part I for 2015/2016.

ACTION: Mr. Vazquez moved, seconded by Mrs. Semingson, to approve the Consolidated Application Part I for 2015/2016.

VOTE: Unanimous in favor.

7.3 Consider approval of the Facilities MOU with Cottonwood Creek Charter School for 2015/2016.

ACTION: Mr. Lucero moved, seconded by Mr. Vazquez, to approve the Facilities MOU with the Cottonwood Creek Charter School for 2015/16.

VOTE: Four votes in favor, one abstention (Semingson).

7.4 Consider approval of the 2015/2016 LCAP revisions.

ACTION: Mrs. Semingson moved, seconded by Mr. Vazquez, to approve the revised 2015/2016 LCAP.

VOTE: Unanimous in favor.

8.0 Informational Items:

8.1 CTA Report: Mrs. White thanked Mr. Kohler for participating in the district back to school breakfast. She thanked all of the board members for all the support they have provided in staffing and materials; teachers feel appreciated.

8.2 Superintendent's Report: Dr. Alexander shared that he is excited about what is happening in the district over such a short period of time. He visited the North Cottonwood campus today and was impressed by what he saw. He also shared that the master schedule at West Cottonwood has been revamped and includes a much greater level of intervention than in the past. He is excited about the coming collaboration time staff will have and thought we were off to a great start.

8.3 Principal's Report:

Mrs. Kizer reported for Mr. Ray in his absence. She shared about the first two days of school, new staff members, concern over decline in enrollment of 40 at North Cottonwood from last year on this day, back-to-school night is coming on Thursday, YMCA after school program has 111 students participating, Preschool has 20 students already, and they are trying to get the new technology and curriculum set up for new teachers.

Mr. Geren thanked Mrs. Wright for her help on the schedule at West Cottonwood, back to school night went well last night, very positive start, maintenance staff have done a good job getting projects done over the summer months.

9.0 Information/Communication Items: Three items were included for information only.

10.0 Governing Board Discussion Items: The board inquired about the 7-11 committee and when it would be established. They would like to see this process started.

11.0 Future Meetings:

11.1 Regular Board meeting, Tuesday, September 15, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. in the West Cottonwood School Library.

12.0 Closed Session: The board adjourned to Closed Session at 7:37 p.m.

12.1 Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, the board met in closed session to discuss Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release/Evaluation.

Public Notice of Action Taken During Closed Session

The board reconvened in Open Session and Mr. Kohler announced no action had been taken during closed session.

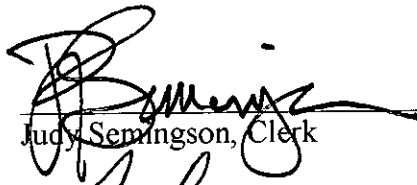
13.0 Adjournment – the meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

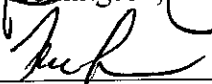
Approved: September 15, 2015

Gerald Kohler, President

Matt Iles, Member

Tom Yazquez, Member



Judy Semington, Clerk


Fred Lucero, Member