

**NICASIO SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
-MINUTES-**

**Wednesday, December 10, 2008
6:00 PM
Nicasio School Library
5555 Nicasio Valley Road Nicasio, CA 94946**

REGULAR MEETING

1. Call to Order and Patriotic Moment.
2. Roll Call: **Trustee Chris Mothersill** and **Trustee Madeleine Sloane**. Also present: **Supt. Stephen Rosenthal, Principal Christy Stocker** and **Chief Business Officer Susan Skipp**. Absent: **Board President Kim Wallach**.
3. Approval and Adoption of Agenda.
Action: M/S/C - Mothersill/Sloane to approve and adopt agenda.
4. Annual Organizational Meeting of the Board of Trustees in Accordance with Education Code 35143.
 - * Election of Officers to the Board of Trustees:
 1. **M/S/C - Mothersill/Sloane** to elect *Trustee Wallach* as President.
 2. **M/S/C - Mothersill/Sloane** to elect *Trustee Sloane* as Clerk
 3. **M/S/C - Mothersill/Sloane** to elect *Trustee Mothersill* as Legislative Representative/Member, Marin County School Boards Association Board of Directors.
 - * Establish Regular Board of Trustees Meeting Schedule.
Action: The second Wednesday of each month.

CONSENT AGENDA

5. Consent Agenda.
Action: M/S/C - Mothersill/Sloane to approve Consent Agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT

9. Public Forum (non-confidential matters only).
There was no public comment.

ACTION ITEMS

11. Approval of First Interim Report for 2008-09.
Action: M/S/C - Mothersill/Sloane to approve First Interim Report 2008-09.

The good news is that with the passage of parcel tax we are in much better financial shape this year. Property tax increase is 5.18%, which is higher than originally anticipated (estimated at 3%). Projected years are still calculated at 3% due to current economic situation. COLA are estimated at zero; we anticipate legislature cuts will impact categoricals – still waiting to see how that works out. It is anticipated that parcel tax revenues will decrease over the years as more seniors request exemptions.

Parcel Tax Distribution for 2008-09:

73% - teachers' salaries

25% - business services – pays for all of Shoreline expenses

2% miscellaneous (likely will be used up with future salary increases)

CBO Susan Skipp (with agreement from Trustees Mothersill and Sloane) will reclassify \$31,461 from the donor-funded Foundation account to unrestricted (this money is assumed to be left over from previous years; it has already been spent, but was never moved out of this restricted fund to the intended category).

Trustee Mothersill noted that special education costs represent approximately 11%-12% of the school's overall budget. The Board would like to bring this to SELPA's attention to learn if there is any assistance available. Supt. Rosenthal will contact the SELPA department.

12. Approval of \$500 Salary Stipend Position for 2008-09 to Organize School Library. *Discussion:* Principal Stocker noted that Amanda Hahn has agreed to accept the stipend if approved.
Action: **M/S/C - Mothersill/Sloane** to approve \$500 Salary Stipend Position for 2008-09 to Organize School Library.

13. Approval of Nolte Associates Contract for Water System Upgrade Project.
Action: **M/S/C - Mothersill/Sloane** to approve Nolte Associates Contract for Water System Upgrade Project.

Contract is for \$13,500. Mothersill and Sloane approve the contract up to \$15,000 with content/terms determined by Wallach.

SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORTS / DISCUSSION

14. Update on Water System Upgrade. *Discussion:* Trustee Wallach was not in attendance to present the update.
15. Golden Bell Nominations 2008-09 *Discussion:* Principal Stocker noted that Kim Wallach had suggested nominating Tony Baca for the classified personnel award.
16. Principal's Report. See attached.
17. Superintendent's Report. Supt. Rosenthal reported the following:

- CSIS has been completed by John Bjorklund. John reported that it went smoothly and took approximately three hours to complete this project. There will be ongoing maintenance done by John throughout the year.

18. Trustee's Report.

- Trustee Mothersill gave an update on conversation with teachers regarding negotiations.

CORRESPONDENCE

(Correspondence is available for review in the District Office.)

CONCLUSION

19. Agenda Planning.

1. *Quarterly Report on Williams Complaints.*
2. *Approval of Consolidate Application Part II 2008-09.*
3. *Approval of the Audit.*
4. *Closed Session* – 45 minutes – Topics: Negotiations and Personnel

20. Other Business.

21. Adjournment.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christy Stocker

Unadopted

Adopted

Madeleine Sloane, Clerk