

**GOVERNING BOARD OF TRUSTEES
PORTERVILLE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**

- 1 Date** February 26, 2015
- 2 Present** Lillian Durbin, President; Hayley Buettner, Vice President; Sharon Gill, Clerk; Pat Contreras, David DePaoli, Pete Lara, Felipe Martinez, Members; John Snavelly, District Superintendent and Secretary; Ken Gibbs, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services; Martha Stuemky, Assistant Superintendent, Instructional Services; Nate Nelson, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources; Scott Braden, Patty Jorgensen, Tiffany Van Dusen, Kellie Kroutil, Mike Tsuboi, Fernando Carrera, Michelle Welcher, John Armstrong, Dawn Crater, Monty Newkirk, Jose Valdez, Kris Wilson, Lily Hernandez, Rich Rankin, John Buckley, Carla Crocker, Julissa Leyva, Millie Edsberg, Cindy Ervin, JR Ortiz, Richard Smithy, Brad Rohrbach, Crystal Milinch, Joe Santos, Kelly Ward, Administrators
- 3 Guests** Esther Avila, Porterville Recorder; Martha Flores, Jim Kusserow, Russell Brandt, Melissa Anderson, Andres Moreno, Ashley Saucedo, Mark Hess, Ines Rivera, Kesha Gonzales, Tahnee Baxter, Karen Vanni, Steve Reynolds, Valerie Smith, Steve Curbow, Dan Lanning, Ann Cozad, Maria DeLaTorre, Art Franco, Aurora Ramos, Esmeralda Silva, Soleil Meraz, Savanna Moore, Sheri Keen, Sue Acob, Alan Wilkinson, Lisset Almanza, Carmel Spaulding, Shelly Noble, Melissa Pompa, Krystal Miller, Lachele Edwards, Sandra Garcia, Mirella Colunga, Roxana McCarthy, Michael Wait, Jim Short, Miriam Todd, Kevin Jessee, Janie Chavez, Employees, Students, and Citizens
- 4 Call to Order** President Durbin called the regular meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.
- 5 Pledge of Allegiance** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Andres Moreno, Roche Avenue Elementary School 6th Grade Student Body President; and Ashley Saucedo, 6th Grade Student Body Vice President.
- 6 Approval of Consent Agenda** Moved by Mrs. Buettner, seconded by Mr. Martinez, that the Minutes of the January 22, 2015, regular meeting be approved; that the Minutes of the January 20, 2015, special meeting be approved; that the Purchase Order Report for January 2015 be approved; that Payroll Orders for January 2015 in the amount of \$7,065,684.14 be approved; that Payment Order Nos. 23, 24, 25, and 26 in the amount of \$6,287,821.76 be approved; that revised Out-of-County Field Trip Requests be approved; that Gift Donations to the School District be approved, with letters of appreciation forwarded to the donors; that Budget Revisions be approved; that Personnel Report No. 10 be approved, with certificates of recognition forwarded to retirees: Irene Lopez, Phil Machado, Elizabeth Real, Donna Stutzman, Michael Wait, and Kris Wilson. Motion carried; all members present voting aye.
- 7 Recognition Awards and Special Presentations**
- Dr. Snavelly recognized the following STEP UP! Art contest winners:
 - Xavier Ibarra – Belleview Elementary School – 3rd grade
 - Candace Boehme – Belleview Elementary School – 6th grade
 - Lisset Vargas – Bartlett Middle School – 8th grade
 - Jacqueline Flores – Granite Hills High School – 11th grade
 - Berenice Almanza – Monache High School – 11th grade
 - Dr. Snavelly and Mrs. Tiffany Van Dusen, Westfield Principal, recognized the following Tulare County Spelling competition winners:
 - Sameera Hussain – Westfield Elementary School – 6th grade – overall champion.
 - Meera Kashyap – Sequoia Middle School – 7th grade – placed third.
 - Yasoda Satpathy – Westfield Elementary School – 6th grade – placed fifth.
- 8 Report – Roche Avenue Elementary School** Mrs. Patty Jorgensen, Principal, gave a report regarding academic programs and campus activities for Roche Avenue Elementary School highlighting their after-school Y.E.S. program.
- 9 Citrus High School** Mr. Scott Braden, Principal, gave a report regarding academic programs and campus activities for Citrus High School.

10	Report – Prospect Education Center	Mrs. Dawn Crater, Director, gave a report regarding academic programs and campus activities for Prospect Education Center.
11	Oral Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs. Tahnee Baxter, M.H.S. Physical Education Teacher, shared her support for Physical Education for all sophomore students. • Mr. Jim Short, M.H.S. Physical Education Teacher, also, shared his support for Physical Education for all sophomore students.
12	Comments by Governing Board of Trustees and/or Superintendent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Snavelly reported on the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ A public hearing will be held at Citrus South Tule Elementary School District on March 18, 2015, at 6:30 p.m., regarding the lapsation of the Citrus South Tule Elementary School District. ➢ The Tulare County Resource Management Agency Safe-Routes-to-School project at John J. Doyle Elementary School will start construction on Tuesday, March 3rd. ➢ Mr. Dale Anderson was honored with the California Music Education Association Hall of Fame Lifetime Achievement Award. ➢ W.A.S.C. will be visiting G.H.H.S with a luncheon on Sunday, March 1st. Board members are invited to attend the luncheon. • Mr. Lara reported on the various F.F.A. programs available throughout the high schools and made assurances that F.F.A. programs are not going away. • Mrs. Contreras requested counseling services be made available at all middle schools and high schools and considered as part of the budget process. • Mr. DePaoli requested that the following items be added to a future board agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Water drought – the District should take the lead since the city is not. ➢ Complaint letters sent to local financial consultant. ➢ Agriculture Programs and F.F.A. action by District. • President Durbin reminded the Board members that one of the Board outcomes is open communication with the Superintendent. • Mr. Martinez commented that the District has great students and teachers. • Mrs. Gill indicated that she has no knowledge of the District changing F.F.A. programs.
13	Curriculum Change Approved	<p>Following a review by Dr. Stuemky, it was moved by Mr. DePaoli, seconded by Mrs. Gill, that the following new curriculum course be approved as presented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physics-1 P/AP <p>Motion carried; all members present voting aye.</p>
14	High School Physical Education Requirements Tabled	Following a review by Dr. Snavelly, the Board tabled this item pending information from neighboring school districts concerning their P.E. requirements and listing of options.
15	Consolidated Application – Part II Approved	Following a brief review by Mr. Mendoza, it was moved by Mrs. Buettner, seconded by Mr. Lara, that Part II of the 2014-2015 Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Aid Programs be approved as presented and authorized for submission. Motion carried; all members present voting aye.
16	Local Education Agency Plan Addendum Approved	Following a review by Mr. Mendoza, it was moved by Mrs. Contreras, seconded by Mrs. Buettner, that the addendum to the current P.U.S.D. Local Education Agency Plan for Program Improvement Year 3+ be approved as presented. Motion carried; all members present voting aye.
17	Out-of-State Field Trip Request Approved	Following a review by Dr. Snavelly, it was moved by Mr. Lara, seconded by Mr. Martinez, that an out-of-state field trip request scheduled for June 1, 2015, through June 14, 2015, to Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Nevada, and Wyoming be approved for the members of the Porterville High School Fabulous Studio Band. Motion carried; all members present voting aye.
18	Affordable Care Act Update	Dr. Gibbs provided an update on the Affordable Care Act and its impact on the District's Health Plan.

- 19 After-School Program Expansion Approved** Following a review by Dr. Snavelly and Dr. Gibbs, it was moved by Mrs. Contreras, seconded by Mr. Martinez, that the District expand the Y.E.S. after-school program to all kindergarten and first grade students. A polled vote of the Governing Board is recorded as follows: Mrs. Gill – Aye; Mrs. Contreras – Aye; Mr. Martinez – Aye; Mr. DePaoli – No; Mr. Lara – Aye; Mrs. Buettner – Aye; Mrs. Durbin – Aye. Motion carried.
- 20 P.U.S.D. 2015-2016 Preliminary Budget** Dr. Gibbs presented the latest State budget information and reviewed its potential impact on the P.U.S.D. budget.
- 21 Announcement** Dr. Snavelly announced Educator for a Day – First Friday Coffee to be held on Friday, March 6, 2015, at Galaxy 9 Theater.
- 22 2015 Scholarship Awards Authorized** Following a review by Dr. Snavelly, it was moved by Mr. Lara, seconded by Mrs. Gill, that the following scholarship awards be authorized as recommended for 2015 graduates of the Porterville Unified School District:
- Ralph & Pauline Aldridge – 5 @ \$100 – 1 each at G.H.H.S., H.M.A., M.H.S., P.H.S., S.H.S. = \$500
 - Robert Mark Benson – 1 @ \$500 – P.H.S. only
 - Francis Noble Gault – 11 @ \$200 – 1 each at C.H.S., S.H.S., P.C. and 2 each at G.H.H.S., H.M.A., M.H.S., P.H.S. = \$2,200
 - Dale & Dorothy Harper – 1 @ \$350 – P.H.S. only
 - Richard Moore – 1 @ \$500 – applications may be submitted for consideration from G.H.H.S., H.M.A., M.H.S., P.H.S., S.H.S. = \$500
 - Norman L. Norris Family – 6 @ \$100 – 1 each at C.H.S., G.H.H.S., H.M.A, M.H.S., P.H.S., S.H.S. = \$600
 - Pohlman-Boller – 5 @ \$300 (renewable for 4 years) – 1 each at G.H.H.S., H.M.A., M.H.S., P.H.S., S.H.S. = \$6,000
 - P.U.H.S. Class of '43 – 1 @ \$1,000 – P.H.S. only
 - Bill Robbins – 1 @ \$400 – P.H.S. only
 - Frank Buck Shaffer – 1 @ \$100 – P.H.S. only
 - Lucille Strad – 5 @ \$200 – 1 each at G.H.H.S., H.M.A. M.H.S., P.H.S., S.H.S. = \$1,000
 - Ralph B. Urmy – 1 @ \$500 – P.H.S. only
 - Naomi H. Wilson – 4 @ \$500 – M.H.S. only = \$2,000
 - Jerry Witt Memorial – As determined by trustee – M.H.S. only
- Motion carried; all members present voting aye.
- 23 C.S.B.A. Delegate Assembly Election** Following a review by Dr. Snavelly, it was moved by Mr. Lara, seconded by Mrs. Contreras, that votes be cast for Cathy Mederos and Dean Sutton to serve on the C.S.B.A. Delegate Assembly, Sub-region 12-A, for a two-year term beginning April 1, 2015, through March 31, 2017. Motion carried; all members present voting aye.
- 24 Revised 2015-2016 Traditional School Calendar Approved** Following a review by Dr. Snavelly, it was moved by Mr. Martinez, seconded by Mrs. Buettner, that the revised traditional school calendar for the 2015-2016 school year be approved as presented. A polled vote of the Governing Board is recorded as follows: Mrs. Gill – Aye; Mrs. Contreras – Aye; Mr. Martinez – Aye; Mr. DePaoli – Aye; Mr. Lara – Aye; Mrs. Buettner – Aye; Mrs. Durbin – Aye. Motion carried.
- 25 Public Disclosure of C.S.E.A. Initial Bargaining Unit Proposal** No comments were received.
- 26 Resolution No. 14** At the request of the Board, Resolution No. 14 was held for review and action following Closed Session.

- 27 Resolution No. 15 Adopted** Following a review by Dr. Snavelly, it was moved by Mr. Martinez, seconded by Mrs. Buettner, that Resolution No. 15 be adopted, in the matter of the Release of Temporary Certificated Employees. A polled vote of the Governing Board is recorded as follows: Mrs. Gill – Aye; Mrs. Contreras – Aye; Mr. Martinez – Aye; Mr. DePaoli – Aye; Mr. Lara – Aye; Mrs. Buettner – Aye; Mrs. Durbin – Aye. Motion carried.
- 28 Resolution No. 16** At the request of Dr. Snavelly, Resolution No. 16 was held for review and action following Closed Session.
- 29 Closed Session** At 7:15 p.m., President Durbin called for Closed Session for the purpose of discussing public employee discipline/dismissal/release/complaint/employment matters and student matters, as well as matters concerning C.S.E.A. and P.E.A. negotiations and discussion regarding Robles-Wong v. California.
- 30 Called Back to Regular Session** President Durbin called the meeting back into regular session at 7:53 p.m.
- 31 Resolution No. 14 Adopted** Moved by Mr. Martinez, seconded by Mrs. Buettner, that Resolution No. 14 be adopted, in the matter of the Non-Reelection of Probationary Certificated Employees. A polled vote of the Governing Board is recorded as follows: Mrs. Gill – Aye; Mrs. Contreras – Aye; Mr. Martinez – Aye; Mr. DePaoli – Aye; Mr. Lara – Aye; Mrs. Buettner – Aye; Mrs. Durbin – Aye. Motion carried.
- 32 Resolution No. 16 Adopted** Moved by Mr. Martinez, seconded by Mrs. Buettner, that Resolution No. 16 be adopted, in the matter of the Release of Certificated Employees from an Administrative or Supervisory Position. A polled vote of the Governing Board is recorded as follows: Mrs. Gill – Aye; Mrs. Contreras – Aye; Mr. Martinez – Aye; Mr. DePaoli – Aye; Mr. Lara – Aye; Mrs. Buettner – Aye; Mrs. Durbin – Aye. Motion carried.
- 33 Student Expulsions** Moved by Mrs. Buettner, seconded by Mrs. Contreras, that nine student expulsions be approved as follows:
- Bartlett Middle School – 2 students: One student – expel 2014-2015, transfer to Vine Street Community Day School. One student – expel 2014-2015, suspend, return to school on a probationary contract.
 - Citrus High School – 1 student: Expel 2014-2015, suspend, return to school on a probationary contract.
 - Granite Hills High School – 1 student: Expel 2014-2015, transfer to Vine Street Community Day School.
 - Monache High School – 1 student: Expel 2014-2015 and first semester of 2015-2016, transfer to Vine Street Community Day School with review at end of 2014-2015 school year for possible return to school on a probationary contract.
 - Porterville High School – 2 students: One student – expel 2014-2015, transfer to Vine Street Community Day School. One student – expel 2014-2015, suspend, return to school on a probationary contract.
 - Sequoia Middle School – 1 student: Expel 2014-2015, transfer to Vine Street Community Day School.
 - Strathmore High School – 1 student – Expel 2014-2015, suspend return to school on a probationary contract.
- Motion carried; all members present voting aye.
- 34 Adjournment** There being no further business, President Durbin adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

Sharon Gill, Clerk
Governing Board of Trustees
Porterville Unified School District