

WILLOWS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Special Meeting, Monday, October 27, 2008

Special Session 7:00 P.M.

Willows City Council Chambers

201 N. Lassen Street, Willows, CA 95988

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Roll Call – President Brott called the Meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. Present: Mrs. Brott, Mr. Parisio, Mrs. Domenighini, Mr. Thompson Absent: Mrs. Ward

1.2 Flag Salute – Led by Jeromy Geiger

2. AGENDA

2.1 Consider approval of corrected Agenda for 10/27/08 – Mr. Parisio moved, seconded by Mrs. Domenighini, to approve the corrected Agenda. The motion passed with 4 yes votes and 1 absent.

3. DISCUSSION/ACTION CALENDAR

A. BUSINESS

1. (**Action**) Consider approval of three persons (and two alternates) from list of candidates provided by Superintendent of Public Instruction to serve on budget review committee for Willows Unified School District. Education Code §42127.1; §42127.2 – Dr. Olmos explained that the GCOE sent WUSD a letter on October 7, 2008 saying the County did not approve the District's budget. The District is solvent for this year, but there are questions about 2009/10 and 2010/11. Dr. Olmos thought this was inappropriate because the District is solvent for this year. The County tried to invoke a stay and rescind which would enable the County to void any Board action. GCOE asked the District to waive the right to have an impartial budget committee look at the District's finances. The District refused. The Budget Committee will be in Willows November 10 through November 14. If the Committee finds that the District can make their budget, GCOE will be required to approve it. Dr. Olmos recommended 3 people for the Committee and 2 alternates. He recommended Bruce Auld, Jerry Johnson, and Heather Naylor. Alternates would be Paul Disario and Susan Grinsell. Mrs. Domenighini questioned the selection from Gridley. She felt the person might be familiar with our situation and it could influence her decision. Dr. Olmos, Steven Rudy, and Brandon Thompson disagreed. They felt it would be beneficial to have someone from a District similar in size to WUSD and it wouldn't hurt if they were familiar with our situation.

Mr. Thompson moved, seconded by Mr. Parisio, to approve the Superintendent's recommendations for the Budget Committee. The motion passed with 4 yes votes and 1 absent.

4. ANNOUNCEMENT

The next regular meeting of the Willows Unified School District Board will be held on Thursday, November 6, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. at the Willows Civic Center.

5. ADJOURNMENT

The Meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.