

WILLOWS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Special Meeting, Thursday, February 14, 2008

Special Session 3:00 P.M.

Willows City Council Chambers

201 N. Lassen Street, Willows, CA 95988

SPECIAL MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

- 1.1 Roll Call – Mrs. Brott called the Meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Present: Mrs. Brott, Mr. Parisio, Mr. Thompson, Mrs. Domenighini. Absent: Mrs. Ward.
- 1.2 Welcome to Visitors
- 1.3 Flag Salute – Mr. Rutherglen led the flag salute.

Dr. Olmos informed the Board that an item had been inadvertently been left off the Agenda. Due to time limitations, it needed to be added at this time. Action item: Direction of Superintendent for Budget adjustments.

Mrs. Domenighini moved, seconded by Mr. Parisio to approve the Agenda as amended. The motion passed with 4 yes votes.

2. PUBLIC INPUT

None

3. DISCUSSION/ACTION CALENDAR

A. GENERAL

1. **(Action)** Consider approval of Resolution #07-08-04, Determine Order of Employment of Certificated Employees for Reductions in Particular kinds of Services. – Dr. Olmos explained that credentialing and seniority would be the method used for establishing order of employment. Mr. Parisio read the Resolution. Mr. Parisio moved, seconded by Mr. Thompson, to approve the Resolution. Roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with 4 yes votes and 1 absent.
2. **(ADDED)** Direction of Superintendent for Budget Adjustments – Dr. Olmos said he had to do the most difficult thing in education because of the \$600,000 deficit in the Budget. Mr. Rudy cautioned the Board that the reserves could be below the limit by approximately \$230,000. Mr. Korling, WHS teacher and Grand Jury member, asked questions regarding the MAA monies and the budget. He wanted to know when things got so bad, why the District was waiting on MAA payments and would it really matter. Mr. Rudy explained that it was a mystery why the money hasn't flowed as promptly as it should. The claims were filed together with other districts in the County. He said the payments do matter in regards to cash flow. Mrs. Anderson, District Nurse, said the MAA money may be terminated in July.

Mr. Parisio asked if people could bring suggestions on where to make budget cuts to the District Office. Dr. Olmos said they could because the District was trying to create an ongoing list. They will add items and then assess. Mr. Parisio asked Dr. Olmos if he needed the Board to make a decision at the Special Meeting on February 25 or the March 6 Meeting. Dr. Olmos replied the decision needed to be made at the February 25 Meeting. The District was dealing with a notification date of March 15.

Mr. Chisholm, WHS teacher, asked the Board to make cuts as far from the classroom as equitable and to look at the little things, like redundancy in services. He said he appreciated the difficulties we are all in.

The Meeting adjourned to a 5 minute recess and then to Closed Session at 3:37 p.m.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There will be a Special Meeting on February 25, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. at the Willows Civic Center.

5. CLOSED SESSION

1. Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(b)(1)(a) - Significant Exposure to Litigation, 1-7 potential cases.
2. Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6: CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR, Steven Olmos;
Employee Association: WUTA/CSEA

6. ADJOURNMENT

The Meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.