

STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING
50200 Road 427
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**NOTICE OF REGULAR
MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: May 9, 2006
TIME: 6:30 P.M.
PLACE: BOARD ROOM

Those in attendance are attached to these minutes.

The agenda was approved and the group made basic introductions around the table.

Purpose – The purpose of this committee is advisory to the Board to look at issues that are effective in the Unified School District and potential input that can help guide the decision-making process.

Update Policy – It was discussed our policy is being updated through the California School Board's Association. We contracted with them to help develop our overall policy manual. The Board at its next meeting will be reviewing parts of that policy manual and through the fall will be working on the comprehensive policy manual with full adoption prior to September 1st.

Budget – Discussion occurred in regards to our budget. It was noted the Unified District would have a \$ 20 million budget and the Governor's proposals will be forthcoming. On the table is a 5.92% COLA and that will become finalized once the State has adopted a budget, although, revenue projections in the Governor's revise are predicted to be quite favorable to education.

The following are conversations that happened during the meeting:

1. Discussion on whether meetings would be in the Coarsegold area or not. It was state for the interim period they would all be held in the Board room at Yosemite High School.
2. Teacher negotiation – Just a brief comment about the teacher's negotiation was made and the group acknowledged it and moved forward.
3. Coarsegold middle school – A comment was made it would be advantageous to have a middle school in the Coarsegold area.
4. Align curriculum – Conversation was it would be to our advantage to have an aligned curriculum high school/elementary level. A discussion ensued in regards to math, English, etc.
5. Promotion/Retention – A question was asked whether or not we retained students. There is a policy for retaining students at the elementary level. At the high school level it is strictly unit based and so a student could self-retain by having inadequate units to advance along in class.
6. Policy/graduation – It was felt it was necessary to have a policy that would reflect a graduation for both schools and those requirements.
7. ROP classes disappearing – A comment was made there is a lack of commitment for vocational classes. Principal Raupp shared our current

program and the expansion. He also highlighted the fact our school district has made a long-term commitment to vocational education and also to the arts to name a few.

8. Coordination of other school attendance calendars so they are similar. A conversation ensued in regards to having common calendars for all of the school district and the value of those common calendars.
9. Next Meeting Date – It was determined the next meeting would be May 30, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board room.
10. Topics for next meeting – Process for achieving mission/vision statement of Unified District, alternative programs, after school programs; specifically day care, facilities, and technology.

The meeting was adjourned at 7: 50 p.m.

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