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BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Monte Gardner, President  
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Teri Andersen, Trustee  
Charlene Battles, Trustee  
Jason Crossley, Trustee

BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

NOVEMBER 17, 2015  
6:00 P.M.  
DISTRICT CONFERENCE ROOM

## MINUTES

### I. PRELIMINARY SECTION

#### ITEMS 1-2

The meeting of the Beardsley School District Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board President Monte Gardner.

#### Members Present

Monte Gardner, President  
Ken Berckes, Clerk  
Teri Andersen, Member  
Charlene Battles, Member

#### Staff Present

Paul Miller, Superintendent  
Kevin Williams, Assistant Superintendent  
Pam Olson, Administrative Assistant

#### Members Absent

Jason Crossley

#### Visitors Present

Refer to sign-in sheet

#### ITEM 3

##### Flag Salute

David Hilton led the flag salute.

#### ITEM 4

##### Questions and/or Statements from the Community.

Jack Chen, Beardsley Junior High Science Teacher, gave a presentation on the use of Chrome Books in his classroom.

#### ITEM 5

##### Approval of the Minutes from the Regular Board meeting held October 20, 2015.

Motion: Charlene Battles  
Second: Ken Berckes  
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
The motion carried.

#### ITEM 6

##### Approval of the Agenda.

Motion: Ken Berckes  
Second: Charlene Battles  
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
The motion carried.

#### ITEM 7

##### Welcome

Monte Gardner thanked everyone for coming.

## II. CONSENT SECTION

### ITEM 8

#### Ratification of Warrants

### ITEM 9

#### Consideration to approve recommendations for Certificated and Classified Employment: Change in Assignment, Resignations, Retirements, Leaves, and New Positions.

### ITEM 10

#### Consideration to approve an Agreement for Services for Carey Behill to provide services as a Girls' Soccer Coach for the 2015-16 school year in exchange for a stipend of \$500.

Motion: Teri Andersen  
Second: Ken Berckes  
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
The motion carried.

## III. ACTION SECTION

### ITEM 11

#### Consideration to approve the donation by Chevron of Cisco Telepresence Solution to the Beardsley School District.

Paul Miller said that this was a very generous donation from Chevron of two big screen televisions used for video conferencing.

Motion: Ken Berckes  
Second: Teri Andersen  
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
The motion carried.

### ITEM 12

#### Consideration to approve the Scope of Work for Government Financial Strategies Inc. to Provide Financial Advisory Services in Connection with the Issuance of 2016 Refunding General Obligation Bonds.

Paul Miller said that this is an agreement to refinance old bonds with Global Financial Strategies.

Motion: Teri Andersen  
Second: Charlene Battles  
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
The motion carried.

### ITEM 13

#### Consideration to approve an Agreement between Beardsley School District and Kronick, Moskovitz, Tiedemann & Girard for Bond Counsel Services.

Paul Miller said that after interviewing several firms, KMTG was selected as the legal representative for new and old bonds. The attorney is to be Addison Covert.

Motion: Ken Berckes  
Second: Teri Andersen  
Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
The motion carried.

#### **ITEM 14**

**COLLECTIVE BARGAINING: Initial Proposal of the Public School Employer for the Renegotiation of the July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2017 Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the Beardsley School District and the California School Employees Association, Chapter #776 for the 2015-2016 school year. NOTE: A Public Hearing is required prior to Board Action.**

Monte Gardner called for a Public Hearing at 6:12 p.m. There were no comments from the public.

Motion: Ken Berckes

Second: Charlene Battles

Ayes: Teri Andersen, Charlene Battles, Ken Berckes, Monte Gardner

Nays: None

Abstain: None

The motion carried.

#### **IV. INFORMATION SECTION**

##### **ITEM 15**

**Presentation regarding bond refinancing: 2006 Election, Measure B – Series A; Government Financial Strategies, Inc.**

Lori Raineri spoke to the board about the economic savings that will accrue to the district with a refinance of 2006 bonds. Ms. Raineri talked about the savings to the tax payers, and the industry standards for the refinancing of General Obligation Bonds, and how this refinance meets those industry standards. The savings to the tax payers of Beardsley School District is estimated to be \$ 375,000.

##### **ITEM 16**

**Presentation of Public Opinion Bond Survey Results: True North**

Timothy McLarney, Ph.D., presented findings from a phone survey conducted to gauge the success of a school bond passing in either June or November 2016. Dr. McLarney explained the methods used and questions asked in the survey. Based on the survey results, Dr. McLarney believes the district has a good chance of passing a bond in either June or November.

##### **ITEM 17**

**Enrollment**

Paul Miller said that enrollment and A.D.A. continues to be higher than last year, though the past few months the gains have begun to erode.

##### **ITEM 18**

David Hilton, Beardsley Junior High Principal, talked about the success of the science program. Mr. Hilton said that last school year Beardsley had the second highest score in the county on the seventh grade statewide science test, with 54% scoring Advances. Mr. Hilton told the board that the junior high science fair will be held on January 14, 2016. Mr. Hilton hopes to have summer science program.

##### **ITEM 19**

**Board Comments/Informal Discussion**

None

##### **ITEM 20**

**Next Regular Board Meeting: Annual Organizational Meeting, Tuesday, December 15, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.**

##### **ITEM 21**

**Adjournment of Open Session**

Monte Gardner adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

#### **V. CLOSED SESSION**

##### **ITEM 22**

**Announce Item(s) to be discussed in Closed Session**

22.1 Direct the Superintendent in Negotiations

22.2 Direct the Superintendent in Personnel

**ITEM 23**  
**Enter into Closed Session**

**ITEM 24**  
**Adjourn Closed Session**

**ITEM 25**  
**Reconvene into Open Session**

**ITEM 26**  
**Result of Closed Session**  
No action was taken as a result of closed session.

**ITEM 27**  
**Adjournment**  
Monte Gardner adjourned Regular Session at 8:20 p.m.

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Board Clerk

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Board Member

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