EASTON, REDDING, REGION 9 BOARDS OF EDUCATION

Special Joint Transportation Committee Meeting
Minutes
March 14, 2016

Filed subject to approval

Present:

Easton Board of Education: Randy Hicks

Region 9 Board of Education: Paul Coppinger, Mike D'Agostino

Redding Board of Education: Gwen Denny

Administration/Central Office: Peggy Sullivan, Laura Ponzio Public: One member of the public, Keith Rich (Redding)

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM

<u>Motion</u>: Approval of February 29, 2016 meeting minutes. Vote: Randy Hicks, Mike D'Agostino, Paul Coppinger all in favor. Gwen Denny abstained.

Public Comment: None

A. The committee discussed the Transportation Contract Renewal. Peggy Sullivan to request additional reduction based on dollar savings in present value of payments being front loading.

MOTION: To direct the Director of Finance to negotiate contract agreement renewal not to exceed \$8,353,691 payable over three years. Mike D'Agostino, Gwen Denny seconded. Vote: Unanimous.

- B. Transportation Contract RFP Document tabled.
- C. Location of Bus Depot was discussed. Committee to talk about the bus depot and the proposed cost to build and rent to Redding, along with any alternatives, i.e., natural gas conversion. Bring proposal to Boards for discussion and approval at May joint meeting.
- D. Note was made to readdress bus contract in the September, 2018 RFP.

Public Comment:

Keith Rich (Redding) would like to see the buses out of Bethel. Any way to save money for Redding is beneficial – Board of Finance pressure.

Committee Member Comment: None

Adjournment:

Motion made to move that the meeting be adjourned by M. D'Agostino, seconded by Randy Hicks; Approved: Unanimous

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm

Next Meeting: To be scheduled in early May, 2016

Submitted by,

Peggy Sullivan
Director of Finance & Operations

