# Fountain Valley School District Superintendent's Office

## ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

10055 Slater Avenue Fountain Valley, CA 92708 **December 9, 2010** 

## **MINUTES**

President Pro Tem Judy Edwards called the regular meeting of the CALL TO ORDER Board of Trustees to order at 6:36pm.

The following board members were present:

**ROLL CALL** 

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** 

Mrs. Judy Edwards President Pro Tem

Mr. Ian Collins Clerk
Mrs. Christine Allcorn Member
Sandra Crandall Member
Jimmy Templin Member

**Motion:** Mr. Collins moved to approve the meeting agenda AGENDA APPROVAL

Second: Mrs. Crandall

Vote: 5-0

addressed:

There were no requests to address the Board prior to closed session.

Mr. Edwards announced that the Board would retire into Closed CLOSED SESSION Session. No action was anticipated. The following would be

- Personnel Matters: Government Code 54957 and 54957.1
   Appointment/Assignment/Promotion of employees; employee discipline/dismissal/release; evaluation of employee performance; complaints/charges against an employee; other personnel matters.
- Property Negotiations: Government Code 54956.8
   Real property negotiator Mr. Stephen McMahon and attorney Andreas Chialtas will speak to the board about the negotiations concerning the properties at 9191 Pioneer and 10251 Yorktown Avenue, Huntington Beach, CA.

The public portion of the meeting resumed at 7:09pm.

Dr. Ecker led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### **OATH OF OFFICE**

Dr. Ecker administered the Oath of Office to newly elected board members, Judith Edwards, Sandra Crandall and Jimmy Templin. Elected to the Board of Trustees in the November 2010 election, Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Crandall and Mr. Templin will begin serving four-year terms, through November 2014.

OATH OF OFFICE: JUDITH EDWARDS, SANDRA CRANDALL AND JIMMY TEMPLIN

## BOARD REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mrs. Crandall noted that she is grateful to have been elected trustee. She thanked the community for their encouragement and support and thanked her husband, Larry Crandall, for his support. She noted that he is her biggest fan. She noted that she is honored to a part of the governance team and to share in the joint goals of students learning and teachers teaching. She expressed her sincere gratitude.

Mr. Collins enjoyed a visit to Oka to present to the instrumental music group about Fountain Valley Music Live. He noted that the arts are a critical part of our educational system. He also attended the ACE meeting and noted that is a pleasure to be a part of this group of advocates. He also attended the Corporate Committee meeting and noted the hard work of this group. He attended the NCERT sponsored Pearson presentation at Griffith Middle School in Los Angeles and noted what a pleasure it is to see teaching teams and their presentation of teaching the ideas that kids miss. He noted that there was good dialogue and that everyone came back with a lot of good ideas. He also enjoyed the Teacher of the Year

presentation, honoring Michael Brunner among others from

Mrs. Allcorn attended the Fountain Valley Music Live committee meeting and was pleased to report that the event is progressing nicely. She also presented to several music classrooms regarding the concert. She noted what a pleasure it is to work with the Foundation on this event to benefit the district. She also enjoyed the Fountain Valley Tree Lighting as well as the Walk Through the Revolution program at Gisler School. She praised the PTA/Os for getting these programs at our schools and noted that these programs would not be available if not for the hard work of the PTA/Os.

BOARD REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

throughout the County.

Mr. Templin thanked the community for the opportunity to serve on the Board and to those present this evening to support him. He enjoyed the CTA sponsored dinner and noted that it was a great chance to get to hear what is important to our teachers and to meet with other board members from Orange County. He noted that it was a great kick off to being a board member. He also noted that he is looking forward to the winter concerts at the sites.

Mrs. Edwards enjoyed the CTA dinner as well as the ACE meeting and the Fountain Valley Tree Lighting. She noted that the Fountain Valley Middle School Marching Band performed beautifully and noted that she was quite proud of them. She also noted that the Tamura singers did a wonderful job as well. She attended the CSBA Annual Conference in San Francisco as well as the Delegate Assembly meeting and noted that the discussions focused on doing the best that we can with the little money that we have. She thanked the District for making it possible for her to attend and bring information back to the other board members.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no requests to address the board.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

### LEGISLATIVE SESSION

**Motion:** Mrs. Allcorn moved to nominate Mrs. Edwards for ELECTION OF BOARD

President for 2011

PRESIDENT FOR 2011

Second: Mr. Collins

Vote: 5-0

**Motion:** Mrs. Crandall moved to nominate Mr. Collins for

President Pro Tem for 2011

**ELECTION OF** 

PRESIDENT PRO TEM

FOR 2011

Second: Mrs. Allcorn

Vote: 5-0

Mr. Collins moved to nominate Mrs. Allcorn for **Motion:** 

Board Clerk for 2011

**ELECTION OF** 

**BOARD CLERK FOR** 

2011

Second: Mrs. Edwards Vote: 5-0

**Motion:** Mr. Collins moved to postpone action on items 8A

and B: Approval of Agreement for Purchase and Sale and Joint Escrow Instructions in Furtherance of Acceptance of Most Desired Proposal (Lamb and Wardlow Properities) until the January 2010

board meeting.

Second: Mr. Templin

Mrs. Crandall noted that each of the new board members have been brought up to speed on the properties and the current proposal with TriPointe Homes.

Dr. Ecker explained that it is best for the Board to postpone action on this item as there is a need for specific language in the agreement that is not currently in place but that this should be accomplished by January.

Vote: 5-0

Mrs. Edwards opened for discussion the selection of representatives to County committees and councils and District committees. The board discussed and reached consensus on the following selections:

1. Representative to the Nominating Committee on School District Organization:

Mr. Templin and Mr. Collins as alternate.

- 2. Representative to the Orange County School Boards' Association Political Action Committee: *Mrs. Crandall and Mr. Templin as alternate.*
- 3. Representative to the Fountain Valley Educational Foundation:

Mrs. Crandall and Mrs. Allcorn as alternate.

4. Representative to the Ad Hoc Committee for the City of Fountain Valley:

Mrs. Edwards and Mrs. Crandall as alternate.

5. Representative to the Quarterly Meeting with the City of Huntington Beach:

Mrs. Edwards with Mr. Collins as alternate.

6. Representative to the ACE Committee:

APPROVAL OF
AGREEMENT FOR
PURCHASE AND SALE
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DESIRED PROPOSAL
(LAMB AND WARDLOW
PROPERTIES)

SELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES TO COUNTY COMMITTEES AND COUNCILS AND DISTRICT COMMITTEES Mr. Collins with Mr. Templin as alternate.

- 7. Representative to the District Audit Committee: *Mrs. Crandall with Mrs. Edwards as alternate.*
- 8. Representative to the Superintendent Parent Council: *Mrs. Allcorn with Mr. Collins as alternate.*
- 9. Representative to the Outstanding Service Award Committee: *Mr. Templin with Mrs. Allcorn as alternate*.
- 10. Representative to the Fountain Valley Education Committee (FV Chamber of Commerce):

  Mrs. Edwards with Mrs. Crandall as alternate.

**Motion:** Mrs. Crandall moved to approve the selection of

representatives to County committees and councils

and District committees.

Second: Mrs. Allcorn

Vote: 5-0

**Motion:** Mr. Collins moved to approve the 2011 Board SELECTION OF

Calendar of board meeting dates.

BOARD MEETING
DATES FOR 2011

CSBA DELEGATE

**NOMINATIONS** 

**ASSEMBLY** 

Second: Mr. Templin

Vote: 5-0

**Motion:** Mrs. Allcorn moved to submit Mrs. Edwards'

name in nomination for the CSBA Region 15

Delegate Assembly.

Second: Mr. Templin

Mr. Collins thanked Mrs. Edwards for representing the District and the State in such an exemplary manner. He noted his appreciation for the wonderful job she did as a delegate during her last term and for her willingness to do so again.

Vote: 5-0

Mrs. Allcorn requested that items 9-I: Resolution 2011-23: CONSENT Mental Health Services for Special Education Students and 9-K: CALENDAR/

Potential Contracts with Residential Treatment Facilities Serving ROUTINE ITEMS OF

Students as per IEPs be pulled for separate discussion.

**BUSINESS** 

**Motion:** Mrs. Allcorn moved to approve the Consent

Calendar/Routine Items of Business with the

exception of items 9-I and 9-K.

Second: Mrs. Crandall

Vote: 5-0

**Motion:** Mrs. Allcorn moved to approve Item 9-I:

Resolution 2011-23: Mental Health Services for

Special Education Students.

Second: Mr. Collins

Mrs. Allcorn noted that she wanted these items pulled as they are of some note. She asked Dr. Ecker to provide any additional details that he may have about both.

Dr. Ecker explained that Resolution 2011-23 would delegate authority to the Superintendent to work with the Orange County Special Education Alliance and OCDE regarding the lawsuit currently against Orange County Health Care Agency caused by the line item veto of the Governor eliminating funding for services provided under AB3632. This elimination of funding results in \$25 million in residential services and special placements for Orange County. Dr. Ecker explained that upon the advice of the attorneys that the district is working with, the district included items 9-I and 9-K so that they may still provide services to those affected students after December 31st if the lawsuit does not go through. He noted that prior to tonight's meeting; he received an email indicating that an administrative law judge for the Office of Administrative Hearings ruled that AB3632 stays in place. This ruling only affects those districts involved in that particular suit but does set a precedent. He noted that we are close to a resolution but that these items have been included in the agenda in order for the district to take a proactive approach regarding the student that we have affected by this. Mr. Templin asked about the cost to the district and Dr. Ecker explained that the cost to the district would be \$140,000 for placement and health services.

Mrs. Crandall noted her agreement that getting this in place is the proactive approach. She noted that in terms of the Orange County Health Care Agency, she is pleased to see that there is a lot of communication. She also expressed her interest in seeing that there is not any redundancy and that districts work together. She

noted her desire to see the districts work together to have the 35% administrative fee reduced.

Dr. Ecker noted that indeed the costs are high and that this issues goes to the heart of the IDE Mandate which has been in place since 1973. He noted that since this mandate was put in place, Special Education encroachment on the general fund has nearly quadrupled. He noted that the district is a part of the JPA, Special Education Alliance, which has been in place for the last 7 years. He explained that they are a proactive body and at their last meeting, authorized funding of an alternative suit up to \$50,000 if the current suit does not go through.

Vote: 5-0

**Motion:** Mrs. Allcorn moved to approve Item 9K: Potential

Contracts with Residential Treatment Facilities

Serving Students as per IEPs

Second: Mr. Collins

Dr. Ecker clarified that this item is just in case the current lawsuit does not go through and that it is a proactive approach, giving the superintendent authority to approve master contracts only if necessary.

Mr. Collins noted his interested that these conversations also take place at the sites so that the public is aware of the encroachment on the general fund. He noted that every student has the right to an education that meets their needs but that the encroachment on the general fund is increasing at an alarming rate.

Vote: 5-0

The Consent Calendar included:

- Board Meeting Minutes from November 18<sup>th</sup> regular meeting
- Personnel Items
- Donations
- Purchase Order Listing
- Budget Transfers
- Approval of 2009-10 First Interim Report
- Approval of Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. Agreement for 2010-11
- Adoption of Board Policy 6163.4: Student Use of Technology/Acceptable Use Policy
- Adoption of Resolution 2011-23: Mental Health Services for Special Education Students

- Approval of Continuation in K-3 Class Size Reduction Program for 2010-11
- Approval of Potential Contracts with Residential Treatment Facilities Serving Students as per IEPs

#### **NEW ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

Dr. Ecker

Congratulated Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Crandall and Mr. Templin for their election to the Board, on behalf of the District staff and community. He noted how wonderful it is to see family and friends present this evening. And he noted his belief that it is the most important function of government to take care of our students and schools.

Dr. Ecker

Wished all of the community, staff and students a happy holiday season. He noted the next year will present challenges, funding being one of them. He noted that it will be interesting to see what happens in mid January as there is now talk in Sacramento of how to deal with the \$26 billion, 18 month deficit.

Dr. Ecker

Welcomed City Councilman Larry Crandall to the meeting as well as those staff able to attend. He also thanked Mr. McCombs for attending and wished him well.

Dr. Ecker

Noted the previous evening's CLMS Recognition for Outstanding Middle School Educators and noted that John Wood and Claudia Angelici were two of the ten finalists honored. He noted what an honor it was to see them recognized.

Dr. Ecker

Noted the upcoming Fountain Valley Music Live at the HBHS Auditorium on January 29<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. He encouraged the community to attend and support music in our district through this wonderful event. He also thanked the great number of sponsors that have stepped up to support this event.

Mrs. Edwards

Wished everyone a happy holiday season and

thanked those that supported her election, helping her to enjoy another term.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion**: Mr. Collins moved to adjourn the meeting at

8:03pm.

Second: Mrs. Allcorn

Vote: Unanimously approved

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