

Fountain Valley School District
Superintendent's Office

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

10055 Slater Avenue
Fountain Valley, CA 92708

June 9, 2011

MINUTES

President Judy Edwards called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 6:01pm. **CALL TO ORDER**

The following board members were present: **ROLL CALL**

Mrs. Judy Edwards	President
Mr. Ian Collins	President Pro Tem
Mrs. Christine Allcorn	Clerk
Sandra Crandall	Member
Jimmy Templin	Member

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

Second: Mr. Templin

Vote: 5-0

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

Mr. Edwards announced that the Board would retire into Closed Session. Action was anticipated. The following would be addressed: **CLOSED SESSION**

- 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.
- Negotiations: *Government Code 54957.6*
Update and review of negotiations with the FVEA and CSEA Bargaining Units with the Board's designated representative, Mrs. Rosemary Eadie.
- Property Negotiations: *Government Code 54956.8*
Real property negotiator Steve McMahon and legal counsel

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 7:05pm.

Dr. Ecker led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

Mrs. Edwards made the following Closed Session announcements:

In closed the Board of Trustees took action to approve the release from Temporary Certificated employment, effective June 17, 2011 for employees ID# 2829 and ID#3009.

In closed session, the Board of Trustees took action to ratify the following appointments:

Abby Bickford to the position of Director Support Services

Jennifer Perkins to the position of principal at Fulton Middle School

Joyce Buehler to the position of principal at Gisler School

Chris Christensen to the position of principal at Courreges School

Patrick Ham to the position of principal at Cox School

Erik Miller to the position of principal at Oka School

Mrs. Edwards announced that the Board would take a 5 minute recess to allow everyone to congratulate these educators on their new roles.

The meeting resumed at 7:18pm.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

The Community Advisory Committee created an award this year to recognize individuals who have encouraged others, or who have received the benefits of caring individuals in a very special way. The "Excellence in Special Education Award" honored approximately 28 individuals (Special Education Teachers and General Education Teachers, Instructional Aides, Bus Drivers, and a Student) this evening for their contributions to our Special Education students and program this year. Cathie Abdel and Lisa Moloney were present to honor these individuals who were nominated by teachers, parents and staff members.

EXCELLENCE IN SPECIAL EDUCATION: RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL EDUCATION PERSONNEL BY THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Fountain Valley Educational Foundation awarded over \$14,000 in teacher grants for various instructional materials. The grants were presented to 32 teacher recipients this evening by

PRESENTATION OF 2011-12 EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION TEACHER

Foundation President Carla Neeld, Executive Director Joanne Lew and members of the Foundation Executive Board.

GRANTS

In June 2011, the District is losing three exceptional managers to retirement. These three outstanding educators were presented to the Board of Trustees and recognized for their over 96 years of combined service to the children and staff of the Fountain Valley School District. President Judy Edwards thanked each for their service to the children of the District and their dedication to teaching and learning.

RECOGNITION OF
RETIRING
ADMINISTRATORS
DEPUTY
SUPERINTENDENT
ROSEMARY EADIE,
DIRECTOR
TECHNOLOGY/INSTRUC
TION PAT MINNESANG
AND COORDINATOR
SCIENCE WORKS SUSIE
CRANDALL

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing was held for the purpose of discussing the district exercising its transfer authority regarding Tier III Program funds. There were no request to address the board and the hearing was closed.

TIER III CATEGORICAL
FLEXIBILITY
TRANSFERS PUBLIC
HEARING

STAFF REPORTS AND NOTICES

Assistant Superintendent, Business Steve McMahon provided an update for the Board of Trustees on the State Budget and its effect on the Fountain Valley School District. He noted that trends in the State economy are showing that State revenue is increasing while consumers are saving more with their confidence improving to “warily optimistic”. He noted major improvement in projected statewide income and expenses although the median home price is down from this same time last year and single family home sales in March are down compared to last year as well. He noted that unemployment is at about 9%, although has been decreasing over the last three months. The State’s revenues look as if they will exceed its expenses both this year and next and the legislature is dealing with the \$25 billion shortfall, finally. The proposed State budget does provide flat funding, no COLA and increases the deficit factor from 17.963% to 19.754%. Categorical flexibility, CSR flexibility and a shorter school year are allowed for two additional years. Currently, deferrals may be increased if temporary taxes are not continued. Whether they will be continued is currently

BUDGET UPDATE (ORAL
AND WRITTEN)

unknown and will have to wait until the Legislature votes on the State budget, planned for early next week. The District budget will be brought to the Board for approval on June 23rd.

BOARD REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Templin enjoyed the final ACE meeting for the year as well as participated on the committee for the Fountain Valley Triathlon, held over Memorial Day weekend. He noted that he has been keeping up on the school closure committee and their progress and has received numerous emails on the topic. He noted that it is a difficult situation and he appreciates the emails being sent.

BOARD REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mrs. Allcorn enjoyed the Rotary Teacher Recognition breakfast as well as the FVEA/District Retirement luncheon. She noted that both events were wonderful. She also enjoyed the performance of our middle school singers at Disneyland and their performance with the Baron choir. She attended the district track meet at Fulton as well as the 5th Grade Personal Growth presentation. She noted that the presentation had a great turn out and was well done by Nurses Anne Roby and Leslie Dootson. She also commended the Tamura parking safety committee for the amazing job they did controlling traffic at the site.

Mr. Collins also enjoyed the FVEA/District Retirement luncheon, noting that it is bittersweet to see such wonderful educators with 387 some years of service go but that he does wish them well. He also enjoyed the Gisler carnival and Mrs. Eadie retirement, noting that he will miss her a lot. And noted the upcoming Summerfest, noting what a wonderful community event this will be with so many groups involved. He also noted that the Personal Growth presentation packet was very well done and commended Mrs. Roby on her efforts.

Mrs. Crandall congratulated the principals on their new assignments and wished them great success in their new roles. She was pleased to see the CAC recognition this evening, noting that excellent care comes from a select group. She also noted her appreciation for the Foundation and commended their fundraising efforts. She noted that many teachers cut their teeth on Foundation grants and from these gain the confidence to write other grants, all

making a great impact on the class and our students. She congratulated Mrs. Eadie, Mrs. Crandall and Mrs. Minnesang on their retirements noting that they will be missed. She enjoyed the Mayor's Breakfast as well as participated on the Summerfest volunteer committee and noted the great number of PT units planning to participate in the event this coming weekend. She also enjoyed the FVEA/District Retirement luncheon as well as the Classified Employee Recognition Night and the Rotary Teacher Recognition. She enjoyed the Courreges Kindergarten performance as well as putting on three Parent Volunteer Academy trainings. She attended the FVEF meeting and dinner where the new Executive Board was installed and she also participated in the FV Educational Committee meeting where a database of speakers for teacher use is being developed. She attended a Parent Volunteer Academy meeting where the next training was scheduled for September 7th and she enjoyed the OCSBA special meeting at the OCDE with a presentation by Ron Bennett.

Mrs. Edwards enjoyed many of the same events in addition to the CSBA Delegate Assembly in Sacramento.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Prior to public comments, Mrs. Edwards noted that for those wanting make comments on school closures, the board does take this very seriously. None of it has been taken lightly and each member of the board cares for the well being of each student in the district. She reminded the audience that this is the opportunity for the board to hear the public although not to respond, as that would be done after the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were two requests to address the board. The CSEA Chapter #358 president addressed the board regarding district employee salaries. A Moiola parent addressed the board regarding school closure.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

- Motion:** Mrs. Allcorn moved to approve the Public Disclosure of Collective Bargaining Agreement.
- Second:** Mr. Templin

**PUBLIC DISCLOSURE
OF COLLECTIVE
BARGAINING
AGREEMENT**

Vote: 5-0

Motion: Mr. Collins moved to approve Ratification of the Temporary Agreement between CSEA Chapter #358 and the Fountain Valley School District.

RATIFICATION OF
TEMPORARY
AGREEMENT
BETWEEN CSEA
CHAPTER #358 AND
FOUNTAIN VALLEY
SCHOOL DISTRICT

Second: Mrs. Crandall

Mrs. Crandall noted her appreciation for CSEA and their ratification of the agreement and their willingness to accept the current circumstances and being so accommodating. Mrs. Edwards noted that all of the board appreciates this.

Vote: 5-0

Motion: Mrs. Allcorn moved to approve the Declaration of Need.

DECLARATION OF
NEED

Second: Mr. Collins

Vote: 5-0

Motion: Mrs. Crandall moved to adopt Resolution 2011-36: Reserving the Right to Negotiate a Reduction in Salaries

RESOLUTION 2011-
36: RESERVING THE
RIGHT TO
NEGOTIATE A
REDUCTION IN
SALARIES

Second: Mr. Templin

Mrs. Crandall noted her hope that based on the report from Mr. McMahon this evening that the District will not have to act on this.

Vote: 5-0

Motion: Mrs. Crandall moved to approve Board Policy 3100: Fund Balance for first reading.

BOARD POLICY 3100:
FUND BALANCE
(FIRST READING)

Second: Mrs. Allcorn

Mr. McMahon explained that these funds stay in the general fund but that they must now be earmarked a different way. This is the same fund but now with new terminology. Mrs. Crandall noted her understanding that this is not just in our district but across the state.

Vote: 5-0

Motion: Mr. Collins moved to approve the Notice of Layoff for Classified Positions. **NOTICE OF LAYOFF FOR CLASSIFIED POSITIONS**

Second: Mrs. Allcorn

Mrs. Allcorn noted that this is a difficult cut. Mrs. Edwards agreed noting her hope that soon there will be more money.

Vote: 5-0

Motion: Mrs. Crandall moved to approve Board Policy 5123: Promotion/Acceleration/Retention for first reading. **BOARD POLICY 5123: PROMOTION/ACCELERATION/RETENTION (FIRST READING)**

Second: Mr. Collins

Mrs. Crandall noted her liking of how the policy was done and the alignment with DIEBELS. She noted that extraneous wording was pulled out to make the policy more consistent and that it is very well done.

Vote: 5-0

Mrs. Edwards moved that item 13N: Approve Agreement with Mercedes-Benz Financial Services, LLC be pulled for separate vote. **CONSENT CALENDAR/ROUTINE ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

Motion: Mrs. Allcorn moved to approve the Consent Calendar/Routine Items of Business with the exception of item 13N.

Second: Mr. Templin

Vote: 5-0

Motion: Mr. Templin moved to postpone item 13N: Approve Agreement with Mercedes-Benz Financial Services, LLC. until the June 23rd Board Meeting.

Second: Mr. Collins

Vote: 5-0

The Consent Calendar included:

- Board Meeting Minutes from May 5th regular meeting
- Personnel Items
- Donations
- Warrants
- Purchase Order Listing
- Budget Transfers
- Approval of Document Tracking Services as SARC Consultant
- Approval of CSM, Inc. as E-Rate Consultant
- Approval of Acceptance of Memorandum Of Understanding with Fullerton School District and Laguna Beach Unified School District for Refurbishing Science Kits for 2011-12
- Approval of Rejection of Claim 449733
- Adoption of Resolution 2011-34: Closure of Special Reserve Fund (17)
- Adoption of Resolution 2011-35: Tier III Categorical Program Flexibility Transfers
- Approval of Student Accident Insurance
- Non-Public Agency Contracts

Non-Public School/Agency	100% Contract Cost	Effective Dates
Cornerstone Therapies	\$1000	7/1/11 to 6/30/12
Cornerstone Therapies	\$300	7/1/11 to 6/30/12
Cornerstone Therapies	\$2550	7/1/11 to 6/30/12
Cornerstone Therapies	\$1700	7/1/11 to 6/30/12
Cornerstone Therapies	\$3500	7/1/11 to 6/30/12
Cornerstone Therapies	\$1000	7/1/11 to 6/30/12
Cornerstone Therapies	\$5500	7/1/11 to 6/30/12
Cornerstone Therapies	\$500	7/1/11 to 6/30/12
Cornerstone Therapies	\$7000	7/1/11 to 6/30/12
Cornerstone Therapies	\$3600	7/1/11 to 6/30/12
Cornerstone Therapies	\$700	7/1/11 to 6/30/12
Cornerstone Therapies	\$3700	7/1/11 to 6/30/12
Cornerstone Therapies	\$3000	7/1/11 to 6/30/12
Speech & Lang. Patho. Serv.	\$9020	7/1/11 to 6/30/12
SKY Pediatric Therapy	\$8100	7/1/11 to 6/30/12
Cornerstone Therapies	\$5550	7/1/11 to 6/30/12
Lindamood-Bell Learning Proc.	\$10,146	7/1/11 to 9/1/11

NEW ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Mrs. Allcorn Noted that she will not be at the June 23rd meeting as she will be in Washington, D.C. with a group of our Fulton students.

Mrs. Crandall Expressed her interest in seeing the Board recognize the members of the Foundation’s Executive Board prior to the transition of the

- new officers. The Board agreed that this would be scheduled for a future meeting.
- Dr. Ecker Thanked Mrs. Neeld and Mrs. Lew for their presentation this evening and commended the Foundation on the many hours put in to raise this money for the teachers. He noted that they often don't get enough credit for all that they do for the performing arts and science in our schools.
- Dr. Ecker Noted Mr. McCombs attendance this evening and how wonderful it is to see him back.
- Dr. Ecker Welcomed Ms. Silavs to another meeting and thanked her for giving up her time to attend tonight.
- Dr. Ecker Thanked Mr. Headland-Wauson and Mr. Eldridge for their leadership of our bargaining units. He noted that over these years of crisis they have both worked closely with the District and it has been a pleasure to have people that have been willing to work with the District. He noted his appreciation for their leadership and that of their executive boards.
- Dr. Ecker Congratulated those educators on their new positions announced tonight. He noted that it is wonderful to welcome them here.
- Dr. Ecker Congratulated Mrs. Crandall on the wonderful job she did with ScienceWorks and wished her a wonderful retirement. He thanked her for all of her contributions to the district throughout her career here.
- Dr. Ecker Noted that Mrs. Eadie will be greatly missed and for him personally, he will miss their collaborative friendship. He wished her a wonderful retirement.
- Dr. Ecker Noted his appreciation for Mrs. Edwards' comments regarding the sensitivity of the school closure and boundary study and noted the Monday evening Town Hall meeting at Moiola School. He welcomed discussions of

concerns and noted that management will do what they can to shed light on why the Board has opted to adopt a study on district efficiency. He noted that closing a school is very difficult and he welcomed those with comments to share them. He noted his appreciation of Mrs. Smith's comments this evening and commended Mr. McMahon for his facilitation and organization of the committee noting that it is not an easy task.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Mr. Collins moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:55pm.

Second: Mrs. Allcorn

Vote: Unanimously approved

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