

Fountain Valley School District
Superintendent's Office

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

10055 Slater Avenue
Fountain Valley, CA 92708

May 17, 2012

MINUTES

President Ian Collins called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 5:01pm.

CALL TO ORDER

The following board members were present:

ROLL CALL

Ian Collins	President
Christine Allcorn	President Pro Tem
Sandra Crandall	Clerk
Jimmy Templin	Member
Judith Edwards	Member

Mr. Collins noted that there was an addendum to the agenda with corrections made to the following items:

AGENDA APPROVAL

12-B. Personnel Items

Removal of Item 1.1.3 Urban, Kristen, Certificated Leave of Absence Request

Correction to Item 1.2 2012-13 School Year Calendar to now read August 16-29 1 Day Teacher Pre-Service.

12-N. APPROVAL OF 2012-15 EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY PLAN

Superintendent's Comments: It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the 2012-15 Fountain Valley School District Education Technology Plan.

Addition to paragraph 1, page 5 of "Currently there is no access to technology at school sites before or after school due to decreased funding."

Amendment to *Strategies to Use Technology for Academic Course Delivery*, page 51 to read "Since the Apple Briefing opportunity in Fall, 2011, technology has become a focus. The Board of Trustees will decide whether or not to authorize a survey to determine whether passing a technology bond is viable. In addition, they also made technology a Board Interest and it is included in the yearly District goals authored by the Assistant Superintendent, Instruction."

Motion: Mrs. Edwards moved to approve the meeting agenda.

Second: Mrs. Crandall

Vote: 5-0

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Collins announced that the Board would retire into Closed Session. No 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. Cathie Abdel.
- Public Employee Performance Evaluation: *Government Code Section 54957 & 54957.1*
The board will meet in closed session to discuss the annual performance evaluation of the superintendent.

The public portion of the meeting resumed at 7:02pm. Girl Scout Troop 1428 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

It is an interest of the Board of Trustees to recognize students who display high achievement, improvement or extraordinary effort. The Board was joined by Principal Mr. Ham and members of the Cox teaching staff in recognizing six outstanding students from Cox School. Those students honored for their hard work at Cox School this year included: Serenity Long (K), Destanie Garcia (1st), Ethan Rumney (2nd), Marlee Kobus-Orr (3rd), Miriam Brown (4th) and Terra Mendez (5th).

RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS FROM COX SCHOOL

It is an interest of the Board of Trustees to recognize students who display high achievement, improvement or extraordinary effort. The Board was joined by Principal Mrs. Buehler in recognizing six outstanding students from Gisler School. Those

RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS FROM GISLER SCHOOL

students honored for their hard work at Gisler School this year included: Austin Kilroy (K), Lila Crossett (1st), Gabriella Rodriguez (2nd), Kevin Nguyen (3rd), Madison Martinez (4th) and Alexandra Lee (5th).

It is an interest of the Board of Trustees to recognize outstanding parent volunteers who give generously of their time and talents to our schools. From Cox School, the Board joined Mr. Ham in recognizing and thanking Rachelle Chawke and Gillian Paradise. Members of the Cox PTO and staff were also present to thank these parents for their outstanding contributions to Cox School this year.

RECOGNITION OF COX PARENT VOLUNTEERS

It is an interest of the Board of Trustees to recognize outstanding parent volunteers who give generously of their time and talents to our schools. From Gisler School, the Board joined Mrs. Buehler in recognizing and thanking Paige Baumgartner and Beverly Graham. PTO President Wendy Ricon was joined by members of the Gisler PTO and staff to thank these parents for their outstanding contributions to Gisler School this year.

RECOGNITION OF GISLER PARENT VOLUNTEERS

PUBLIC HEARINGS

A public hearing was held for the purpose of receiving public comment on the Tier III Categorical Program. Public input was welcomed. There were no requests to address the Board and the hearing was closed.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR TIER III CATEGORICAL PROGRAM FLEXIBILITY TRANSFERS

A public hearing was held for the purpose of discussing the General Waiver Request to the California Department of Education to accept the Fountain Valley School District's CELDT Apportionment Report for 2010-11 beyond the 12/31/2012 deadline. Public input was welcomed. There were no requests to address the Board and the public hearing was closed.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR GENERAL WAIVER REQUEST STATE TESTING APPORTIONMENT INFORMATION REPORT

STAFF REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

The Board of Trustees received notification of the upcoming Public Hearing on the Personnel Commission's proposed budget for 2012-13. The Public Hearing shall be held on May 24, 2012 at 5:30pm. Public input will be welcomed.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR PERSONNEL COMMISSION BUDGET (WRITTEN ONLY)

BOARD REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mrs. Allcorn enjoyed the OCSBA meeting and PAGE meeting

BOARD REPORTS AND

with speakers Michael Kilbourn and Bob Canavan. Regarding the discussed massive education cuts and special education cuts, she noted that it does not look good, noting that nothing will be accomplished until after the election. She also enjoyed the ACE meeting and had the opportunity to meet with a group of scouts regarding rights and responsibilities. She noted that she is also looking forward to the Mr. Fountain Valley pageant this Friday.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mrs. Edwards also enjoyed the PAGE meeting and OSCBA meeting. She noted that the evening included the awarding of the Marion Bergeson Award to Hilda Sugarman from Fullerton School District. She also enjoyed the Rotary Teacher of the Year Breakfast and noted that it was wonderful to see all of the great teachers honored. She joined the group to surprise John Wood in announcing he is an OCDE Teacher of the Year. She also attended the Outstanding Service Award meeting and this weekend will attend the Delegate Assembly meeting.

Mr. Templin enjoyed the ACE meeting as well as the new SELPA director meeting. He noted that it was interesting to hear the comments presented and see the similarities amongst other groups in their concerns. Regarding ACE, he noted that he appreciated the discussion noting that is a group of people that speak up and ask a lot of questions. He noted that he has started doing homework regarding magnet programs and began watching some webinars and noted the special funding that can come with magnet programs. He has also begun researching grant writing, noting that 51 other districts have pursued the idea of using an agency to help facilitate grants and he has begun talking to some of them. He noted that he will present and discuss his findings under new business in next few months.

Mrs. Crandall extended her congratulations to those honored this evening from Cox and Gisler. She also noted the recent end of Teacher Appreciation Week as well as the resolutions of appreciation to our classified employees, nurses and speech and language pathologists. She noted that without these groups we could not run the district. She thanked Mrs. Allcorn for attending the PAGE meeting in her place. She also enjoyed visits to Moiola, Oka, Cox, Gisler, Fulton and Courreges, noting that many were waiting STAR testing and there was a great sense of preparation at each site. She also enjoyed the Mayor's Breakfast and the presentation in John Wood's classroom as he was notified that he is an OCDE Teacher of the Year. She also enjoyed the Rotary Teacher Recognition breakfast and was impressed by the families there to support these teachers. She participated in the

Student in Business Day debriefing noting that next year the date for the event will be earlier, in either late February or early March. She also noted that it is being evaluated as to whether there is merit for our middle school students to participate. She also enjoyed the 4th District Advocacy meeting where Ron Bennett presented.

Mr. Collins enjoyed the John Wood surprise visit as he was notified that he is an OCDE Teacher of the Year. He noted that Mr. Wood is so humble and so caring and a very deserving teacher. He also attended CSBA's Superintendent and Board Evaluation seminar and enjoyed the Classified BBQ. He attended the ACE meeting as well as the SPC meeting, noting that for the first year, SPC hosted the principals for brunch and the meeting provided the opportunity for a lot of good ideas to be shared. He also attended the Women's Club Scholarship Social as well as visits to Oka, Cox and Gisler and the OCSBA dinner.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no requests to address the Board of Trustees.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Motion: Mrs. Edwards moved to adopt the District Goals for the 2012-13 School Year.

Second: Mr. Templin

**ADOPTION OF
DISTRICT GOALS
FOR 2012-13 SCHOOL
YEAR**

Mrs. Allcorn commended senior management for their work with staff to put together these goals, setting the direction for the district for the coming year. She noted that there are exciting things including those putting us in compliance with the common core and the technology plan. She noted that the reorganization is working well and is reflected in these goals.

Vote: 5-0

Motion: Mrs. Allcorn moved to adopt the Board Interests for the 2012-13 School Year.

Second: Mrs. Crandall

**ADOPTION OF
BOARD INTERESTS
FOR 2012-13 SCHOOL
YEAR**

Mrs. Crandall noted her appreciation for the reworking of the wording for Board Interest 1, noting that it came out well and should now be clear to the public. Mr. Collins noted that he

enjoyed that open discussion and give and take from the Board. He noted that all five interests are appreciated along with the Board's input.

Vote: 5-0

Motion: Mrs. Edwards moved to approve the Declaration of Need for the 2012-13 School Year. **DECLARATION OF NEED 2012-13 SCHOOL YEAR**

Second: Mrs. Allcorn

Dr. Ecker explained that this has been a long standing requirement as a part of ESEA. He noted that in addition, because of the Williams Settlement Act, districts must report quarterly the number of complaints received in areas including qualified teachers. Mrs. Abdel explained that the Declaration of Need gives us the option to file a waiver if needed because it has been approved.

Vote: 5-0

Motion: Mr. Templin moved to approve Conducting a Community Survey in Relation to Funding Technology Needs. **APPROVAL TO CONDUCT A COMMUNITY SURVEY IN RELATION TO FUNDING TECHNOLOGY NEEDS**

Second: Mrs. Edwards

Mr. Templin noted that the district is going into this knowing that there is no financial obligation so going forward makes sense. Mrs. Crandall noted her research that if once the survey has been taken and a report is given back to the Board and should the decision be made to not move forward, there will still be opportunity for the district to conduct the survey again at no cost. Mrs. Allcorn asked if the survey will be a phone survey. Mr. McMahon explained that yes, the survey will be conducted over the phone and will take 7-14 minutes. He noted that management will be involved in the development of the survey and it will be geared specifically to the district, developed with George K. Baum's assistance. He explained that callers will have a specific script to read and will record answers to the questions which will then be relayed back to the Board.

Vote: 5-0

Mrs. Crandall requested that items 12M Approval of 2010-11 Program Effectiveness Results Report and 12N Approval 2012-15 **CONSENT CALENDAR/**

Education Technology Plan be pulled for separate vote.

ROUTINE ITEMS OF
BUSINESS

Motion: Mrs. Allcorn moved to approve the Consent Calendar with the exception of items 12M Approval of 2010-11 Program Effectiveness Results Report and 12N Approval 2012-15 Education Technology Plan.

Second: Mrs. Edwards

Vote: 5-0

Motion: Mrs. Crandall moved to approve item 12M Approval of 2010-11 Program Effectiveness Results Report.

Second: Mr. Collins

Mrs. Crandall noted that the report was very thorough. She noted that what is being done in the district has led to 95% of the students in the program being reclassified within 5 years. She noted that we employ a myriad of methods of attacking this and the methods employed in the district are working and are effective.

Vote: 5-0

Motion: Mrs. Crandall moved to approve 12N Approval 2012-15 Education Technology Plan.

Second: Mr. Templin

Mrs. Crandall noted that the plan is extremely well thought out and shows a vision and definite direction in taking the lead in technology in the district within a different learning environment. She expressed her gratitude for the newly expanded technology department, noting that a document like this could not be accomplished without the support of these people.

Vote: 5-0

The Consent Calendar included:

- Board Meeting Minutes from April 26th board meeting
- Personnel Items (Employment Functions, Workshops/Conferences, and Consultants)
- Donations

- Warrants
- Purchase Order Listing
- Budget Transfers
- Adoption of Resolution 2012-21: Fountain Valley School District's Classified Employee Week: May 21-25, 2012
- Adoption of Resolution 2012-22: Resolution of Appreciation to Our School Nurses on National School Nurse Day, May 9, 2012
- Approval of Proclamation of Appreciation to Our Speech/Language Pathologists during May 2012: Better Speech and Hearing Month.
- Adoption of Resolution 2012-23 and Order of Biennial Trustee Elections and Specifications of the Election Order
- Approval of Notice of Layoff for Classified Positions
- Approval of Google Apps for Education Agreement
- Approval of 2010-2011 Program Effectiveness Results Report
- Approval of 2012-2015 Education Technology Plan
- Approval of General Waiver Request – State Testing Apportionment Information Report (CELDT)
- Approval of Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Aid Programs (Part II)
- Approval of Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBIS) and Violence Prevention Education Services Agreement
- Adoption of Resolution 2012-24 and Public Hearing for Tier III Categorical Program Flexibility Transfers
- Approval of Non-Public Agency Contracts

Non-Public School/Agency	100% Contract Cost	Effective Dates
Cornerstone Therapies	\$4600	1/19/12-6/30/12
Cornerstone Therapies	\$3900	2/21/12-6/30/12

NEW ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Mr. Collins Noting his recent attendance at the CSBA Board and Superintendent Evaluation seminar, explained that a lot of information was shared regarding board self-evaluations. He asked if there is an interest amongst the board in such an idea, noting that there is a lot of merit in this process. All agreed that they were interested. Mrs. Edwards asked if there was a template available. Mr. Collins confirmed that there is as well as guidelines for good governance. Dr. Ecker suggested kicking off the self-

evaluation process at the August meeting.

Mr. McMahon Noted that we will have a presentation at the next meeting on the May revise, noting that Dr. Ecker, Mrs. Abdel and he are going to a training on Monday to see what School Services says about the State budget, noting that the County offices usually follow the same logic. He noted that it seems if the tax measure passes, it will be status quo from what the Governor discussed in January, including no additional cuts but also no additional money to education. There will be the paying down of deferrals although only those that have been in place for some time. He explained that if the tax initiatives do not pass, there will be a \$16 billion shortfall with \$5.5 billion against Prop 98. Districts will be allowed to cut up to 15 days from the school year and there will be a weighted formula if the initiatives pass that will not be available if they do not pass. He noted that changes to the weighted student funding formula are positive and the revisions take out restrictions. He noted that there are still the same requirements but it is very positive. Mr. Collins noted that when Governor's budget is put out this week, taxes will be a hard sell, noting that it is difficult to convince the public to vote for taxes, as many say that things are still tough now. Dr. Ecker agreed to provide the Board with a side by side evaluation of both the Governor and Molly Munger's tax initiatives.

Dr. Ecker Thanked those that attended that Classified BBQ. He noted that next Thursday will be the Classified Employee Recognition Night. He explained that in this district we have the unique sense that our mission is to deliver instruction to and move academically forward children but, we can't accomplish this without support. He noted that when people make comments on our sites, they always compliment how great our sites look. Our grounds look top notch. And these comments come from the 85% of the population that does

not have students in our schools.

Dr. Ecker Noted that the Governance Calendar discussed by the Board will be delivered in July. Mrs. Allcorn asked if the calendar would be specific to 2012-13 or a more general look at the year. Dr. Ecker explained that it will be a consistent calendar year to year as we insert specific things for the current year, for example early retirement incentives. He noted that it will provide the Board an opportunity to see what generally will be coming up, things driven by common and regular practice and Education Code requirements with some typical district practices. Mrs. Allcorn noted that this can also be added to the Board handbook. Mr. Collins noted that the calendar serves a dual purpose noting that we know all of the district's departments already communicate together but they will also be able to look ahead to see what other departments will be doing.

Dr. Ecker Noted that regarding Mr. Templin's initial research on grant writing, this is worth exploring, noting that the district is always interested in whatever grants will assist us in meeting our goals and interests. He noted that he will get together with Mr. Templin regarding this and thanked him for this initial research.

Dr. Ecker Thanked Dr. Hoefer for her contributions and development of the Technology Plan. He noted that it was a good idea to take a look at a plan that is much more broad-based and can examine where we would like to go. He noted that if the board moves ahead, it will be an integral part of our bond campaign.

Dr. Ecker Thanked everyone for their support of Mr. Fountain Valley and encouraged everyone to attend the event tomorrow evening.

Mr. Collins Noted that the Character Awards will be presented by the City of Huntington Beach at Bella Terra on Saturday at 10am, honoring students for the content of their character. He noted that it is a joy to see when students are

recognized for what they are going to be.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Mrs. Allcorn moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm.

Second: Mrs. Crandall

Vote: Unanimously approved

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