

Fountain Valley School District  
Superintendent's Office

**ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

10055 Slater Avenue  
Fountain Valley, CA 92708

**December 13, 2012**

**MINUTES**

President Ian Collins called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 6:31pm.

CALL TO ORDER

The following board members were present:

ROLL CALL

Ian Collins	President
Sandra Crandall	Clerk
Jimmy Templin	Member
Judith Edwards	Member
Jeanne Galindo	Member

**Motion:** Mrs. Edwards 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. 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, Cathie Abdel.

The public portion of the meeting resumed at 7:06pm.

PLEDGE OF

Mrs. Edwards led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ALLEGIANCE

## **OATH OF OFFICE**

The Oath of Office was given to board members, Ian Collins and Jeanne Galindo. Re-elected and elected to the Board of Trustees in the November 2012 election, respectively, Mr. Collins and Mrs. Galindo will begin serving four-year terms, through November 2016.

OATH OF OFFICE: IAN COLLINS AND JEANNE GALINDO

## **STAFF REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

Technology has become an essential ingredient of a 21<sup>st</sup> Century education and has catapulted Fountain Valley School District into an educational paradigm shift. Director, Assessment and Accountability, Dr. Julianne Hoefer, provided an update for the board on technology integration in the Fountain Valley School District. During the presentation, information was expanded including response options for consideration.

TECHNOLOGY UPDATE  
(WRITTEN AND ORAL)

Mr. Collins thanked Dr. Hoefer for her presentation and noted that he had not previously heard of a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) idea. He expressed his interest in hearing from another district that has already implemented this.

Mrs. Galindo noted her understanding of a district implementing BYOD which she will share with Mr. Collins. She also noted her previous experience with this equipment noting that she would be happy to share her knowledge. She noted that it was an excellent overview.

Mr. Templin noted that in his SELPA there is resistance to blending PCs and MACs. He asked if there are similar feelings here. Dr. Hoefer noted that as she has considered this further, our teachers use mainly PCs and unless they make the active decision to transfer to MACs, it would affect their productivity and ability to do their jobs. It would be easier but, the impact would be so significant for our students. Additionally, our management cannot go to MAC due to several factors including connection to the County.

Mrs. Crandall noted regarding the device refreshment plan, in terms of PCs versus MACs, MACs are twice as expensive as PCs, if we already have the monitor, keyboard and mouse. It is a significant amount. She noted that the private sector is PC-based. Dr. Ecker thanked Dr. Hoefer for her report and noted that knowing her and her staff's current efforts to try and keep our system going, in addition to comparing our district to others that have already implemented 21<sup>st</sup> Century plans, it is startling to see how far we have to go to get our students to the same level and

the same learning environments that their competitors are going towards. He noted that this is not an action item, more an information item and a knowledge building opportunity. He explained that as we get into the spring and the approach of the board interests and goals setting, he is sure that technology will be included in the approach of where we want to go. He explained that the presentation this evening was simply to build awareness of where we need to go.

Assistant Superintendent, Business, Stephen McMahon and Director, Fiscal Services, Scott Martin presented and reviewed with the Board of Trustees the First Interim Report for the Fountain Valley School District.

**FIRST INTERIM REPORT  
PRESENTATION  
(WRITTEN AND ORAL)**

Mr. Collins asked Mr. McMahon to provide a quick summary of the upcoming weighted student formula. Mr. McMahon explained that with the current revenue limit funding, the district receives an amount per student in addition to State funding or categorical funding. The weighted student formula would get rid of these earmarked monies and instead monies coming into the district would come in one lump sum and the district would be able to spend it as it feels it should with more local control.

Currently we receive the same funding for all students, regardless of special needs. We receive additional funds for Special Education, although it does come with strings attached. Under the weighted student formula, English learners and the poverty level of students is also taken into account and districts with larger portions of these students will receive additional funds.

Mr. Collins noted that our revenue limit is currently one of the lowest. Mr. McMahon agreed noting that we are the lowest in Orange County, with Orange County being one of the lower funded districts, due to the low tax rates. He explained that with the original weighted student formula, it did not look as good for us, as we do not have a high degree of poverty or English learners. But Mr. McMahon explained that with the current proposal we will come out at least as we are currently.

Mrs. Crandall asked regarding the fiber optic upgrade in 2011, if this amount fell under fixed assets. Mr. Martin confirmed this to be true. Mrs. Crandall thanked both Mr. McMahon and Mr. Martin for their report.

**BOARD REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Mrs. Crandall congratulated Mrs. Walton from Masuda on her recognition as an Outstanding Educator from the California League of Middle Schools. She also congratulated the six teachers awarded the title of STEM Specialists for the Next

**BOARD REPORTS AND  
COMMUNICATIONS**

Generation Program, from a non-profit foundation. She again congratulated Mr. Collins and Mrs. Galindo on their election. She attended a meeting of the board presidents from the five surrounding school districts. She also participated in judging written essays and audio presentations from middle and high school students for the Patriot's Pen and Voice of Democracy, noting that these students have an exceptional understanding of the Constitution and the contributions of our founding fathers. She attended the Rotary Most Improved Student recognition as well as the ribbon cutting ceremony for the ST Math Lab at Gisler, a generous donation from Hyundai Motor America. She also attended the Chamber of Commerce Student in Business Day planning meeting, noting there will be a different approach to the event. They will continue to partner with Vital Link who will provide the sponsorships to the Chamber. Those sponsorships will then be divided between the three participating high schools. Those middle schools and high schools participating can select from a menu of events in which to participate. She attended a meeting of the Audit Committee, noting that it was a clean audit and this is a true testament to Mr. McMahon, Mr. Martin and their staff. She also conducted a Parent Volunteer Academy training as well as viewing the three CSBA Annual Education Conference general sessions which were streamed live.

Mr. Templin welcomed Mrs. Galindo and congratulated Mr. Collins on his re-election. He attended a State SELPA noting that the more he understands what we do as a board, the more he is able to take away from SELPA. He also attended the ACE meeting, noting that he really enjoys this committee and its meetings. He also attended the Talbert, Oka, Courreges and Gisler winter concerts and very much enjoyed them all.

Mrs. Edwards welcomed Mrs. Galindo and congratulated Mr. Collins as well. She attended the Huntington Beach City Council meeting in support of the completion of the sale of the Lamb and Wardlow sites. She also attended the CSBA Delegate Assembly, noting the discussion on bylaw revisions and the new funding model. She enjoyed the CSBA Annual Education Conference keynote speakers immensely, noting that both topics were excellent. And she attended breakout sessions on Special Education disputes, teacher evaluations, core curriculum and pure politics with Jack O'Connell and Kevin Gordon, and what to look for when hiring a superintendent. She attended the SPC meeting, as well as the ST Math Lab ribbon cutting ceremony at Gisler. And she attended the Ocean View School District new

superintendent reception.

Mrs. Galindo noted that she is pleased to be able to join the group and she is looking forward to working with everyone. She congratulated Mr. Collins. She attended the CSBA New School Board Member training noting that the sessions were excellent. She also attended the Annual Education Conference, enjoying the general sessions and sessions on the Brown Act, negotiations with bargaining units, Common Core Curriculum and school bond issues.

Mr. Collins addressed the questions left open at the last board meeting. He noted that Measure N did not meet the filing dates regarding fund raising and expenditures. He noted that this inadvertent mistake has been corrected and the necessary steps have been taken. As to the question of district and personal liability, the Board and the district do not have any liability in that the Measure N committee is an all-volunteer group that met on their own time. He noted his confidence that if this filing by Mr. John W. Briscoe had been brought his attention or any representative of the district it could have been resolved at an earlier date. He further noted that if a fine is involved it will be paid for by the Measure N Committee. He attended the Huntington Beach City Council meeting noting that TRI Pointe presented their selves well. He enjoyed the CTA dinner for new and reelected board members with Ed Eldridge and Jill Coats. He noted that 1800 books were donated in the Children's Needs Task Force/Barnes and Noble book drive. He enjoyed the CSBA Annual Education Conference as well as the ACE meeting. He also attended the CLMS dinner honoring teacher Lori Walton and the ST Math Lab ribbon cutting ceremony at Gisler, noting it was great to see the community come together in support of technology in our classrooms. He also attended the Ocean View School District reception for new superintendent Gustavo Balderas. He noted that he didn't know what to expect as board president and it was certainly a year to remember. He commended the committees on both the school closure and boundaries, noting both under Mr. McMahon's guidance could not have done a better job. He also noted the stellar work that the Measure N Committee put in on behalf of our kids. He thanked the teachers, site administrators, classified staff, superintendent and senior staff on behalf of the Board for a job well done. He noted as well that excellence doesn't just happen; it takes a lot of hard work and dedication and we cannot do this without our PTA/Os and volunteers. He noted that it is a privilege to serve our schools and district and wished everyone happy holidays.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were two requests to address the Board. Both addressed the board regarding Measure N and the new item of business brought up by Mrs. Crandall at the last board meeting regarding the complaint filed against Measure N with the Fair Political Practice Committee.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mrs. Crandall noted that as this is a meeting in public and not a public meeting, she cannot respond although she is willing to meet with these individuals.

**LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

**Motion:** Mrs. Galindo moved to nominate Mrs. Crandall for Board President for 2013.

**ELECTION OF  
BOARD PRESIDENT  
FOR 2013**

Second: Mr. Templin

Mr. Templin noted that he had an opportunity to meet with Mrs. Crandall. He noted that he had similar concerns to those that have been shared, and after talking to her, he does not have the same concerns that he had prior to last week. He noted that it is important that we talk about our concerns. He noted that while he is uncomfortable with the way that this happened, he does not question to the level that he did a month ago Mrs. Crandall's commitment to the district.

Vote: 3-0, Abstain: Edwards and Collins

**Motion:** Mrs. Edwards moved to nominate Mr. Templin for President Pro Tem for 2013.

**ELECTION OF  
PRESIDENT PRO TEM  
FOR 2013**

Second: Mrs. Crandall

Vote: 5-0

**Motion:** Mrs. Crandall moved to nominate Mrs. Edwards for Board Clerk for 2013.

**ELECTION OF  
BOARD CLERK FOR  
2013**

Second: Mr. Collins

Vote: 5-0

Mrs. Collins opened for discussion the selection of representatives

**SELECTION OF**

to County committees and councils and District committees. The board discussed and reached consensus on the following selections:

REPRESENTATIVES  
TO COUNTY  
COMMITTEES AND  
COUNCILS AND  
DISTRICT  
COMMITTEES

1. Representative to the Nominating Committee on School District Organization:  
*Mr. Templin*
2. Representative to the Orange County School Boards' Association Political Action Committee:  
*Mrs. Crandall and alternate Mrs. Edwards*
3. Representative to the Fountain Valley Educational Foundation:  
*Mr. Templin and alternates Mrs. Crandall and Mrs. Galindo*
4. Representative to the Ad Hoc Committee for the City of Fountain Valley:  
*Mrs. Crandall*
5. Representative to the Ad Hoc Committee for the City of Huntington Beach:  
*Mr. Collins*
6. Representative to the ACE Committee:  
*Mr. Collins and alternate Mr. Templin*
7. Representative to the District Audit Committee:  
*Mrs. Crandall and alternate Mrs. Edwards*
8. Representative to the Superintendent Parent Council:  
*Mr. Collins and alternate Mrs. Galindo*
9. Representative to the Outstanding Service Award Committee:  
*Mr. Templin and alternate Mrs. Edwards*
10. Representative to the Fountain Valley Education Committee (FV Chamber of Commerce):  
*Mrs. Crandall*
11. Liaison to the Fountain Valley Chamber of Commerce:  
*Mr. Collins*

**Motion:** Mrs. Edwards moved to approve the selection of representatives to County committees and councils and District committees.

Second: Mrs. Crandall

Vote: 5-0

**Motion:** Mrs. Edwards moved to approve the Calendar of Board Meeting Dates for 2013.

SELECTION OF  
BOARD MEETING  
DATES FOR 2013

Second: Mr. Templin

Vote: 5-0

**Motion:** Mr. Templin moved to submit Mrs. Edwards' name in nomination for the CSBA Region 15 Delegate Assembly.

CSBA DELEGATE  
ASSEMBLY  
NOMINATIONS

Second: Mr. Collins

Vote: 5-0

**Motion:** Mrs. Edwards moved to approve the Consent Calendar.

CONSENT  
CALENDAR/  
ROUTINE ITEMS OF  
BUSINESS

Second: Mr. Collins

Vote: 5-0

The Consent Calendar included:

- Board Meeting Minutes from November 15<sup>th</sup> board meeting
- Personnel Items (Employment Functions, Workshops/Conferences, and Consultants)
- Warrants
- Purchase Order Listing
- Budget Adjustments
- Approval of 2012-13 First Interim Report
- Review and Approval of Financial Audit 2011-12
- Approval of Lease Addendums for Modular Classrooms
- Approval of Notice of Layoff for Classified Position
- Approval of Special Education Settlement Agreement
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- Adoption of New Board Policy 4112.24 Teacher Qualifications under the No Child Left Behind Act (Second Reading and Adoption)
- Adoption of New Board Policy 4121 Temporary/Substitute Personnel (Second Reading and Adoption)
- Adoption of New Board Policy 4131 Staff Development (Second Reading and Adoption)



- Adoption of New Board Policy 4131.1 Beginning Teacher Support/Induction (Second Reading and Adoption)
- Adoption of New Board Policy 4312.1 Contracts (Second Reading and Adoption)
- Adoption of Board Policy 4119.41/4219.41/4319.41 Employees with Infectious Disease (Second Reading and Adoption)
- Adoption of Board Policy 4222 Teacher Aides/Paraprofessionals (Second Reading and Adoption)
- Adoption of New Board Policy 4112.9/4212.9/4312.9 Employee Notifications (Second Reading and Adoption)
- Non-Public Agency Contracts (Board Members Only)

Non-Public School/Agency	100% Contract Cost	Effective Dates
Devereux Florida	-10,585.00	7/1/12 to 6/30/13
Karen Schnee M.A. CCC-SLP/BCET	2,500.00	10/1/12 to 6/30/13
Behavior Solutions, Inc.	2,500.00	9/25/12 to 6/30/13
Behavior Solutions, Inc.	4,125.00	10/3/12 to 6/30/13

## NEW ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Dr. Ecker            Congratulated Mrs. Galindo on her election and Mr. Collins on his re-election.

Dr. Ecker            Noted that Dr. Al Mijares from the Orange County Department of Education sent him albums from the District's Music Festival that went on annually from 1969 to 1981. He felt that these were worthy to share with the board and noted that as we look at the albums, from a generation ago, it is interesting to see what the FVSD instrumental orchestra and band looked like. He noted that we can compare what we produced then with our struggle to put together a music program today, and see that it is because a generation ago we invested in the future at a time when California schools were funded at the top in the nation. He noted that then we actually had a director of music education and all teachers in the program were credentialed and trained music teachers. He noted that it is true that we are 60 % of the enrollment that we were then. But, when we think of the programs we hear Mr. McMahon, Mr. Martin and Dr. Hoefer speak of, we can think of how important it is for our community and State to invest in the future. Now California is at the bottom of funding per

students. He noted that as we move into 2013, it is our hopes and prayers that we see an increased interest at the State level in the value of investing in State education.

Mrs. Crandall announced that the Board would retire into a second Closed Session. No action was anticipated. The following would be addressed:

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**ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** Mr. Collins moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:52pm.

**Second:** Mr. Templin

**Vote:** Unanimously approved

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