

Fountain Valley School District
Superintendent's Office

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

10055 Slater Avenue
Fountain Valley, CA 92708

September 12, 2013

MINUTES

President Crandall called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 6:30pm.

CALL TO ORDER

The following board members were present:

ROLL CALL

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

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

Second: Mrs. Edwards

Vote: 5-0

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mrs. Crandall 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.
- Conference with Legal Counsel: Anticipated Litigation: *Government Code Section 54956.9*
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9: 1 case. Attorney Karen Van Dijk will join Support Services Director,

Abby Wright and WOCCE Director Dr. Crystal Bejarano in updating the Board of Trustees.

The public portion of the meeting resumed at 7:00pm.

**PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE**

Mrs. Edwards led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

A public hearing was held for the purpose of receiving public comment on the California Environmental Quality Act. Public input was welcomed. There were no requests to address the Board and the hearing was closed.

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR
CALIFORNIA
ENVIRONMENTAL
QUALITY ACT**

STAFF REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Director, Fiscal Services, Scott Martin reviewed for the Board of Trustees the unaudited actuals for the Fountain Valley School District for the fiscal year 2012-13. Mr. Martin reviewed the State economy, noting that the State is up year over year. He noted that State General Fund revenues are down roughly \$334 million with this shortfall being mainly due to less than expected personnel income tax revenue. He reviewed the economic indicators and state unemployment, noting improvements over last year. He reviewed the District's unaudited actuals including revenues and expenditures. He noted that we are \$1.4 million below what was originally estimated for expenditures. With this our deficit was also reduced, requiring only \$1 million into the general fund, \$309,701 less than estimated. He reviewed the Local Control Funding Formula and our projected funding at full implementation in 2020-21 of \$48.1 million and for 2013-14 at \$36.7 million, an increase over last year's funding of \$1.5 million. Final funding will be based on 2013-14 attendance reporting and could change significantly. As the State is behind in implementing LCFF, 2013-14 funding will be trued up in July 2014. He reviewed Local Control Accountability Plans (LCAP), noting that districts are required to adopt a LCAP using a template developed by the State Board of Education before July 1, 2014. The plan will be effective for a period of three years and must be updated yearly. The plan must also include annual goals for all pupils based on eight state priorities as well as any local priorities identified by the Board.

**UNAUDITED ACTUALS
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-
13 (ORAL AND
WRITTEN)**

Assistant Superintendent, Instruction, Anne Silavs presented the 2013 STAR Tests Results for the Fountain Valley School District to the Board of Trustees. She reviewed the statewide drop in

**STAR TEST RESULTS
2013 (ORAL AND
WRITTEN)**

student performance as measured by the California Content Standards Test, noting that State Superintendent of Education Tom Torlakson attributes this slight dip to this being a time of transition and the lack of appropriate school funding. She reviewed California's results statewide for ELA, with a NCLB target for 2013 of 89.2% proficient or better. FVSD results in ELA were 79.9% proficient and above for 2013, a slight decline from last year. She broke down our results by grade level and by subgroup, noting that in all grades except 4th and 6th there was some decline. She also reviewed statewide results in math, noting a slight drop statewide to 51.2% proficient or better with a NCLB target of 89.5%. In FVSD we did grow a fraction of a percent in math to 79.8% in 2013. She again broke down the results by grade level and subgroup, noting that in most grades the district did see growth. She explained that under NCLB, failure to meet Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) does place a district in Program Improvement (PI). She noted that 25 out of 28 school districts in the county are in PI. Of the 321 Title I schools in the county, 87% are in PI. Fountain Valley is in year three of PI, requiring us to rewrite our LEA Plan this year, and while no district Title I schools are in PI, both are at risk in 2014. She also reviewed Academic Performance Index (API), noting that in 2012-13, 36.6% of schools increased in API while 58.1% decreased and 2.5% remained the same versus 2011-12 where 63.1% of schools increased and only 32.1% decreased. She noted as well that FVSD continues to be the highest performing elementary school district, and 4th overall in the county.

BOARD REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Templin attended State SELPA and participated in two trainings on Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR) and district budgets in general and specifically Maintenance of Effort (MOE).

BOARD REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Collins attended the OCSBA fiscal meeting on LCFF and the district's Common Core State Standards staff development. He thanked Dr. Ecker for hosting the Board for our annual dinner. He attended the first SPC meeting, the FVEF meeting, the music demonstration at Oka and the Assistance League's grant presentation to our teachers. He commended the Assistance League's donation to our teachers of grants totaling \$42,000. He thanked Mr. Martin and Ms. Silavs for their presentations this evening and also noted the importance of Patriot's Day yesterday. He commended as well Keoni Gandall, former Talbert student, who has reached the National Science Finals.

Mrs. Galindo attended the first SPC meeting. She noted the recent *OC Register* article, announcing students who achieved PSAT merit, noting that Fountain Valley had the most students.

Mrs. Edwards attended the CCSS staff development trainings, the Assistance League's presentation of grants, Plavan's music demonstration, and a CSBA planning meeting regarding upcoming LCFF and CCSS panels.

Mrs. Crandall congratulated Mrs. Green on the awarding of a \$35,000 grant for her State Preschool Program. She attended the Thinking Maps presentation for two of our school sites, the CCSS staff developments, the Assistance League grant presentation, the Patriot's Day presentation at Courreges, the Hyundai Motor America 5K Run, the Kelly Osborn Memorial Fundraiser where an FVLA-sponsored team participated, the Festival of Children event, as well as the cabinet meeting for tonight's agenda, a CSBA webinar on all of the back to school issues and she presented a CVA training for Kindergarten parents. She thanked all of the trustees for their service.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were three requests to address the Board. Two community members addressed the Board regarding the Common Core. One community member and past trustee addressed the Board regarding the need for a public information consultant.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Motion: Mrs. Galindo moved to approve the Public Information Outreach Consultant and enter into a contract with Mr. Tom DeLapp.

**PUBLIC
INFORMATION
OUTREACH
CONSULTANT**

Second: Mrs. Crandall

Mrs. Galindo noted that she has spent the last week interacting with Mr. DeLapp and testing his response time. She explained her discussion with him regarding the focus of hiring a PIO as foundation development and while this was not his original understanding of the focus, he shared his skills with her in this regard, noting that he would focus on development in addition to building our base of volunteers, and provide coaching, including designing fundraising materials and campaigns, in addition to guiding corporate donation request calls. She urged the Board to consider him for this position with an open mind. Mrs. Crandall

noted her agreement that a capital investment should be made for a consultant. She noted her research regarding this decision and her preference for Mr. DeLapp given his ability to analyze crisis situations, his efficiency, and his depth and breadth of experience, as noted by several references. She noted that her concerns over accessibility were resolved in that face to face time would be included in his services, and severability, noting that a 30-day notice would be required. Mr. Templin noted that he has done his own homework including research with individuals that have used both companies. He noted that the feedback was all good and he is being very open-minded. He noted his feeling that everyone has done their research on this item.

Vote: 2-3 (Edwards, Templin, Collins)

Motion: Mr. Templin moved to approve the Public Information Outreach Consult with the superintendent's recommendation (entering into a contract with Clifford Moss).

Second: Mr. Collins

Mr. Collins noted that Mr. DeLapp's presentation was very slick and he is an extremely busy person, occupied in a lot going on at the same time. He noted that he would like the focus to be on the Foundation. He noted his concern that Mr. DeLapp did not know what the focus of hiring a PIO would be for the district. He noted that Mr. Davis has been present at several meetings, has already won over the admiration of the FVEF and offered several ideas already. He noted the role of Mr. Mike Davis as well, as our fundraising chair. He noted the value of the superintendent and senior staff's recommendation and the research behind this. Mr. Templin explained that either could do a good job for us. Mrs. Edwards agreed, noting her research of both firms as well. She agreed with Mr. Collins as well in the importance of the superintendent's recommendation. She noted that she is not blindly following and that it comes with a lot of thought.

Vote: 3-2 (Crandall, Galindo)

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

Second: Mr. Collins

Vote: 5-0

CONSENT
CALENDAR/
ROUTINE ITEMS OF
BUSINESS

The Consent Calendar included:

- Board Meeting Minutes from the August 15th meeting
- Board Meeting Minutes from the August 29th special meeting
- Personnel Items (Employment Functions, Workshops/Conferences, and Consultants)
- Donations
- Warrants
- Purchase Order Listing
- Budget Adjustments
- Approval of Unaudited Actuals for Fiscal Year Ending 2012-13
- Adoption of Resolution 2014-13 GANN Amendment Appropriations Limitation
- Approval of Annual Copier Maintenance Contract
- Adoption of Resolution 2014-14: California Environmental Quality Act – Moiola
- Approval of 504 Handbook
- Approval of Notice of Layoff for Classified Position
- Approval of Tobacco-use Prevention Education (TUPE) Cohort F Competitive Grant
- Approval of Moiola Surplus Property Recommended Lease Terms
- Approval of Contract for Services Between Pivot Learning Partners and the Fountain Valley School District for Professional Development Services
- Non-Public Agency Contracts

Non-Public School/Agency	100% Contract Cost	Effective Dates
Cornerstone Therapies	\$3,350	7/1/13-6/30/14
Sandra Shigetomi-Toyama, M.S.	\$3,080	7/1/13-6/30/14
Cornerstone Therapies	\$3,060	9/4/13-6/30/14
Autism Partnership, Inc.	\$6,270	9/4/13-5/3/14
Cornerstone Therapies	\$960	7/1/13-6/30/14
Jose D. Rios, MS	\$2,700	7/1/13-6/30/14

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS/NEW ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Mr. McMahon Noted the upcoming groundbreaking event for our energy project on October 17th. He asked if a 3pm start time would be okay. All agreed. He noted that it will be at Talbert Middle School.

Dr. Ecker Congratulated Mr. Davis, Mr. Davis and Clifford Moss. He noted how thrilled we all

are in having them a part of our team. He noted that the Tustin Public Schools Foundation will be hosting a State of the School breakfast, something that perhaps the FVEF would be interested in attending as perhaps in not too long of a time this will be something that we will be hosting.

Dr. Ecker Welcomed Mrs. Allcorn to the meeting, noting how great it is to see her here this evening.

Dr. Ecker Thanked both Ms. Silavs and Mr. Martin for their reports this evening.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Mr. Templin moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm.

Second: Mrs. Edwards

Vote: Unanimously approved

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