

**FULLERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT****Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees****District Board Room****4:30 p.m. (CLOSED SESSION)****5:30 p.m. (OPEN SESSION)****Tuesday January 16, 2001****MINUTES****CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Regular meeting of the Fullerton School District Board of Trustees was called to order by Vice President Ellen Ballard at 4:30 p.m. Vice President Ellen Ballard led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments at this time.

**Board Members:**

- Hilda Sugarman, President (absent at Call to Order only)
- Ellen Ballard, Vice President
- Marjorie Pogue, Clerk
- Robert Fislser, Member
- Lynn Thornley, Member

**Administration:**

- Ron Cooper, Superintendent
- Linda Caillet, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
- Patricia Godfrey, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
- Sue Pickup, Assistant Superintendent, Personnel Services (interim)

**CLOSED SESSION**

Trustee Ballard announced that the Board would recess into Closed Session to discuss Pupil Discipline: consider modification to expulsion finding [Education Code sections 48918 and 48912(c)]; Pupil Readmission [Education Code section 35146]; Pupil Personnel

[Government Code sections 7572.5 and 7572.55]; Public Employee Appointment [Government Code sections 54954.5(d), 54957]; Public Employee Discipline, Dismissal, Release [Government Code sections 54954.5(d), 54957]; Superintendent and Assistant Superintendents' Evaluations [Education Code section 44664]; Conference regarding FETA (Fullerton Elementary Teachers Association) and CSEA (California School Employees Association); District Representative - Dr. Ron Cooper [Government Code sections 54954.5(f), 54957.6].

## **REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

President Sugarman announced that the Board unanimously approved that pursuant to California Education Code Section 48916, student #9900-5 be readmitted to the schools of the Fullerton School District having satisfied the conditions of the rehabilitation plan developed by the District at the time of expulsion. The Board unanimously ratified/approved an Out of State Nonpublic School Placement at Excelsior for Special Education Student (MIS ID #200001608) for educational placement. Also, a component was inadvertently omitted from the decision of the Board in Expulsion Case #0001-04. The Board unanimously voted to include the Rehabilitation Plan in an amended decision on this case.

## **CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Sugarman called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Acacia students led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

## **INTRODUCTIONS**

Acacia Elementary School teachers Veronica Carder, Andrew Clay, and Kathleen Kellerman led students in performing patriotic songs and a 50's music medley with singing and dancing.

President Sugarman introduced Dr. Sue Pickup, interim Assistant Superintendent of Personnel Services, and former Board member Dr. Jack Bedell.

## **INFORMATION FROM PTA, FETA, CSEA, FESMA**

There was no information reported at this time.

## **APPROVE MINUTES**

Moved by Ellen Ballard, seconded by Lynn Thornley, and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the Regular meeting on December 12, 2000 and the Special meeting on December 20, 2000, with the corrections presented.

## **DISTRICT ACTIVITIES CALENDAR - January 17, 2001 through February 13, 2001**

The Board reviewed the District calendar of events of January 17, 2001 through February

13, 2001. Sunset Lane "Author of the Month Tea" was moved from January 19 at 1:00 p.m. to January 26 at 1:00 p.m.

President Sugarman reminded the Board about upcoming D.A.R.E. graduations.

Trustee Pogue stated that colored flyers from the schools cannot be read from the fax machine. Also, the Board would like to be aware of school activities before they occur, in order to attend the activities.

### **INFORMATION FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT**

Dr. Cooper stated that he will be attending a meeting later in the week at which the Governor's proposed budget will be discussed, and the information will be shared with the Board. Dr. Cooper noted that Christopher Nance and Beechwood School will be on Channel 4 at 6:30 a.m. on January 17. Dr. Cooper welcomed Board members to join him in purchasing a tree for the garden at Golden Hill School.

### **INFORMATION FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Trustee Pogue stated that the Fullerton Assistance League and the District provided vision screening for 480 students and complimented the nurses who helped. Trustee Pogue attended Ladera Vista's annual "I Have a Dream" essay contest. Trustee Pogue noted that the students' speeches expressed issues such as name calling, racism, and treating one another with respect.

Trustee Ballard announced that the Fullerton Educational Foundation awarded \$20,000 to individual teachers and teams of teachers who submitted grant applications for incredibly wonderful, inventive projects in which so many children will benefit.

Trustee Thornley noted that three student-produced "CARE" program assemblies would be at Nicolas Junior High School on January 18, and invited the Board to attend.

Trustee Fisler attended a budget meeting and distributed information, noting that the budget is not concrete and is subject to change. Trustee Fisler stated his appreciation of the utility reports provided by M&O and noted differences in utility usage among similar school sites. Trustee Fisler requested the utility report as part of the agenda. Trustee Fisler requested reports from District staff on the programs/workshops they attend for the Board's knowledge, and to share in staff development. Trustee Fisler noted that the new posts at Valencia Park School, which prohibit vehicles from entering into the pedestrian area, are very helpful. Trustee Fisler noted that the District is putting new, fresh sand on site playgrounds.

President Sugarman commented that there are new sprinkler systems at some of the District's schools. President Sugarman gave special recognition to Andrea Reynolds, Director of Fiscal Services, who submitted an application for student rate increases during winter recess.

President Sugarman noted that the Board will have a Budget Workshop on January 30 and will prioritize District goals. President Sugarman stated that the District accomplished many

of their goals for this year and invited recommendations for the future. President Sugarman noted that the quality of the reports submitted from the Assistant Superintendents has improved, and is very useful in helping the Board make better decisions.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Theresa Collar, Raymond School teacher, stated that since the District started the Option 2 kindergarten program four years ago, teachers are experiencing work overload, worries and stress related illnesses. These problems seem to be related to the restrictiveness of the schedules, which is to adhere to Option 2 requirements. Ms. Collar asked if the Board would consider additional kindergarten funding when addressing the budget to help address the unique problems that implementing Option 2 involves.

Greg Giemont, Beechwood Parent, stated that the maintenance issues he previously had concerns about were handled by Gary Drabek and the Maintenance staff, and he is appreciative.

Ed Holler, Fullerton resident, stated his concerns regarding the noise and the aesthetics of the trash and recycling dumpsters at Acacia School. Mr. Holler recommended relocating the dumpsters to the rear of the property, and putting up a fence and locked gate. Mr. Holler stated that there is trash around the dumpsters, and the noise factor still exists, especially on weekend mornings. Mr. Holler's solution would be to move the dumpsters away from the front of the school or eliminate them, and stop violations of the Fullerton Noise Ordinance.

Chris Thompson, Fullerton resident, stated his concerns that a teacher in the District is under suspicion for guiding students to cheat on Stanford 9 testing. Mr. Thompson stated that if, in fact, this is the case the Board should not allow this person to be employed or allowed to teach in the District.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

### **3a. REPORT ON STAFF DEVELOPMENT**

Janet Steger, Coordinator of Curriculum and Staff Development, presented staff development information. She stated the purpose of staff development is to provide ongoing training for all of the teachers in order to support the reform efforts centered on establishing high and more rigorous academic standards to improve student achievement. Teachers must be introduced to new and/or revised curriculum and assessments, and to effective teaching strategies that support curriculum and assessment. All of the support for a standards-based curriculum requires staff training.

A variety of training opportunities for teachers new to the District is provided by orientation, Consortium on Reading Excellence (CORE) training, coaching, and lessons. The Beginning Teacher Support & Assessment (BTSA) Program is funded by the State, and is provided for first and second year new teachers.

Several days are used to train teachers three times during the year and optional release days are available for further improvement in comprehension skills, science, special education,

spelling, speech and language. Further programs are available for teachers on early release days which include Guided Language Acquisition Development (GLAD), Reciprocal Teaching, K-2 Grade Level Writing Representative Training, and Grades 3-8 Writing Training.

Ms. Steger stated that Wednesdays are restructured days in order to provide time for teachers to meet and attend trainings. The second and fifth Wednesdays of the month are reserved for District staff development and meetings in which the teachers have the opportunity to choose from 12 workshops on three specific dates.

Voluntary after school workshops and trainings are also provided by Mentor teachers and other District leaders. Updates on State documents and specific workshops to assist administrators in instructional leadership are available. Advanced Training for Teacher leaders, Peer Assistance & Review Program (PAR) and Mentor teachers, and teachers on special assignment are provided by training and workshops also.

### 3b. 2000 FOURTH QUARTER INVESTMENT REPORT

The Fourth Quarter Investment Report (October, November, and December, 2000) is available for review in the Business Office during regular business hours.

Dr. Godfrey stated that the District's interest earnings in the Orange County Treasury could be negatively affected due to treasury investments in Edison stock.

### 3c. PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING SUNTRUST AGREEMENT

President Sugarman requested the Board combine Item 3c with Consent Item 5w.

Andrea Reynolds stated that the Qualified Zone Academy Bond (QZAB) funds were not available, so an energy contract the District has entered into will be fully financed through Suntrust Leasing Corporation for \$3 million. President Sugarman noted the the District should pursue a future QZAB reimbursement, if allowable under a new QZAB program.

President Sugarman declared a public hearing in respect to the contract with SunTrust Leasing Corporation. There were no public comments. President Sugarman concluded the public hearing.

The following item was pulled from Consent to be heard at this time at the request of President Sugarman.

### 5w. ADOPT RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Marjorie Pogue, seconded by Ellen Ballard, and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees adopt Resolutions #00/01-06, #00/01-07, and #00/01-08 for approval of the execution of a master lease agreement with SunTrust Leasing Corporation and the District's intention to be reimbursed from QZAB Program if and when available.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### 4a. APPROVE PROPOSED CHANGES TO BOARD POLICY AND ADMINISTRATIVE

## REGULATION 5116 (INTRADISTRICT TRANSFERS)

Ellen Fisher, Coordinator of Child Welfare and Attendance, stated that parents will be informed of the modifications to the Board Policy and Administrative Regulations, and will be reminded to renew transfer applications.

Moved by Marjorie Pogue, seconded by Lynn Thornley, and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees approve proposed changes to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5116 (Intradistrict Transfers).

### 4b. APPROVE SUBMISSION OF MAPLE TITLE VII PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION GRANT

The Board stated that they are impressed with this Grant's focus on academics.

Moved by Marjorie Pogue, seconded by Ellen Ballard, and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees approve submission of Maple Title VII Program Development and Implementation Grant.

### 4c. RATIFY/APPROVE AUTHORIZATION TO ORDER UNDER STATE CALNET AGREEMENT FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

Tony Anderson, Director of Information Services, stated that in September the Board allocated \$500,000 from a District block grant for school networking. One of the Board's focus areas is to connect all classrooms to the Internet. Approximately half of the schools have been fully wired, but more wiring is needed in all schools as growth continues. Information Services Staff met with each site manager, principal, and technology coordinator to review and identify networking needs.

Mr. Anderson discussed the Calnet agreement which is reviewed annually by the California Department of General Services to ensure that rates and services remain cost effective and technologically competitive. Through this agreement, the District should receive savings of at least \$14,000 per year. Additional discounts available to public school districts through the federal Erate program and California Teleconnect Fund can be applied on top of the discounts in the CalNet contract, resulting in greatly reduced costs for telecommunications services.

Moved by Ellen Ballard, seconded by Marjorie Pogue, and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees ratify/approve authorization to order under State Calnet Agreement for Telecommunications Services.

### 4d. APPROVE PURCHASE OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES FROM PACIFIC BELL

Mr. Anderson stated that this upgrade will allow faster access to the Internet from school sites, and should allow more computers to be in simultaneous use over the District's network. This upgrade of the District's Wide Area Network (WAN) is necessary because of increased use of the Internet, and District expansion to include all classrooms. Mr. Anderson stated that the District will receive a 50% discount on this cost through the California Teleconnect Fund and should receive an additional discount of 64% through the federal

Erate program.

Moved by Ellen Ballard, seconded by Marjorie Pogue, and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees approve the purchase of telecommunications services from Pacific Bell under the terms and conditions of the State CalNet agreement, and find and determine that it is in the best interest of the District to make this purchase through the CalNet agreement.

**4e. APPROVE PURCHASE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PRODUCTS AND SERVICES FROM UNISYS CORPORATION**

Moved by Marjorie Pogue, seconded by Ellen Ballard, and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees approve the purchase of information technology products and services from Unisys Corporation under the terms and conditions of CMAS contract number 3-95-00-0003A, and find and determine that it is in the best interest of the District to make this purchase through the California Multiple Award Schedules of the California Department of General Services.

**4f. APPROVE PURCHASE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PRODUCTS AND SERVICES FROM DATATEL WIRING PROJECTS, INC.**

Mr. Anderson recommended Datatel Wiring Products based upon previous work completed at two other sites and the low quote received on this project. The anticipated length of construction will be approximately six to seven months.

Moved by Marjorie Pogue, seconded by Ellen Ballard, and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees approve purchase of information technology products and services from Datatel Wiring Projects, Inc. under the terms and conditions of CMAS contract number 3-00-00-0153H, and find and determine that it is the best interest of the District to make this purchase through the California Multiple Award Schedules of the California Department of General Services.

**4g. APPROVE PURCHASE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PRODUCTS AND SERVICES FROM DATATEL WIRING PROJECTS, INC.**

Mr. Anderson stated that this is the only project not funded out of the block grant because it is part of the Maple expansion. The expansion includes three new buildings which will house a multipurpose room, media center and additional classroom, requiring additional networking technology. The District is applying for Erate funding to subsidize the cost of this network expansion, and should receive an Erate funded subsidy of 90%.

Moved by Marjorie Pogue, seconded by Ellen Ballard, and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees approve purchase of information technology products and services from Datatel Wiring Projects, Inc. under the terms and conditions of CMAS contract number 3-00-00-0153H, and find and determine that it is the best interest of the District to make this purchase through the California Multiple Award Schedules of the California Department of General Services.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

Moved by Marjorie Pogue, seconded by Ellen Ballard, and carried unanimously to approve the Consent Items as presented, with the exception of Consent Item 5w, which was voted on previously with Agenda Item 3c.

**5a. APPROVE/RATIFY CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL REPORT**

That the Board of Trustees approve/ratify the Certificated Personnel Report as submitted (New Hires, Extra Duty Assignments, Variable Term Waiver Request, End of Temporary Assignment, Leave of Absence, Resignation).

**5b. APPROVE CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL REPORT**

That the Board of Trustees approve the Classified Personnel Report as submitted (Add Stipends, Add/Remove Classifications, Begin Catastrophic Sick Leave, Change to Substitute/Regular Status, Increase/Decrease Hours, New Hires, Resignations, Service Retirements, Step Raises, Terminations, Transfers, and Working out of Classification).

**5c. APPROVE CLASSIFIED TUITION REIMBURSEMENT FOR MICHAEL SOSNKOWSKI**

That the Board of Trustees approve classified tuition reimbursement for Michael Sosnkowski.

**5d. APPROVE/RATIFY PURCHASE ORDERS**

That the Board of Trustees approve/ratify purchase orders numbered 122B0383 through 122Z0081 for 2000/2001.

**5e. APPROVE/RATIFY FOOD SERVICES PURCHASE ORDERS**

That the Board of Trustees approve/ratify Food Services purchase orders numbered 300407 through 300502 for 2000/2001.

**5f. APPROVE/RATIFY WARRANTS**

That the Board of Trustees approve/ratify warrants numbered 15217 through 15716 in the amount of \$2,542,717.92.

**5g. APPROVE/RATIFY FOOD SERVICES WARRANTS**

That the Board of Trustees approve/ratify Food Services warrants numbered 9840 through 9887 in the amount of \$99,526.12 for 2000/2001.

**5h. ADOPT RESOLUTIONS**

That the Board of Trustees adopt Resolutions 00/01-B044 through 00/01-B048 authorizing budget transfers and recognizing unbudgeted revenue according to Education Code Sections 42600 and 42602 for submission to the Orange County Superintendent of Schools.

**5i. ACCEPT GIFTS TO THE DISTRICT**

That the Board of Trustees accept gifts to the District and authorize District staff to express the Board's appreciation to all donors, as listed on 5i-2.

#### 5j. RATIFY/APPROVE LECTURERS

That the Board of Trustees ratify/approve lecturers: 1) Christopher Nance (C.P.I. Publishers) between January 23, 2001 and February 28, 2001 at a cost not to exceed \$3,708; 2) Vicki Schindele at Rolling Hills School from November 1, 2000 through December 21, 2000 at a cost not to exceed \$2,500; 3) Nancy Rathjen, Ed.D., on January 26, 2001 at a cost not to exceed \$1,500; 4) Patti Romero, Charlene Metoyer, Rod Ziolkowski, Pam Hutchins on January 29, 2001 at a cost not to exceed \$1,400; 5) Douglas Reeves, Judy Segal, Keri Leasure, Claudia Dunaway on January 29, 2001 at a cost not to exceed \$7,150.

#### 5k. APPROVE SUBMISSION OF AMENDMENT

That the Board of Trustees approve submission of amendment to the 2000/2001 State Preschool Contract.

#### 5l. RATIFY/APPROVE APPLICATION FOR THE 2000/2001 CALIFORNIA TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE PROJECT (CTAP) TEACHER GRANT PROGRAM

That the Board of Trustees ratify/approve application for the 2000/2001 California Technology Assistance Project (CTAP) Teacher Grant Program for: Christine Friemel, Diana Becker, Danna Brookman, Carol Shannon and Londa Comini.

#### 5m. APPROVE/RATIFY NONPUBLIC SCHOOL MASTER CONTRACT

That the Board of Trustees approve/ratify nonpublic School Master Contract with Mardan Center of Educational Therapy.

#### 5n. RATIFY AGREEMENT FOR DEFERRED PAYMENT OF DISPOSAL FEES

That the Board of Trustees ratify agreement for deferred payment of disposal fees with Integrated Waste Management Department.

#### 5o. APPROVE NOTICE OF COMPLETION

That the Board of Trustees approve Notice of Completion and accept as complete the exterior painting and sandblasting at Laguna Road School, FSD Project #00-01-3, (Bid A), for a total amount of \$24,470.00 and file the Notice of Completion with the Orange County Recorder's Office.

#### 5p. APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF PERIPHERAL EQUIPMENT, NETWORK DEVICES, SUPPLIES AND SUPPORT MATERIALS

That the Board of Trustees approve the purchase of peripheral equipment, network devices, supplies and support materials from Lexmark International, Inc. under the terms and conditions of a contract awarded by the Glendale Unified School District pursuant to the provisions of the Public Contract Code Section 20118. Furthermore, find and determine that it is in the best interest of the Fullerton School District to purchase these items using the

extension of bid number P-1099/00 awarded by the Glendale Unified School District for the duration of the bid agreement.

#### 5q. APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH THE ORANGE COUNTY HUMAN RELATIONS COUNCIL

That the Board of Trustees approve agreement with the Orange County Human Relations Council for overnight field trip to Bear Paw Reserve for Nicolas Junior High School at no cost to the District.

#### 5r. APPROVE 2000/2001 CHILD DEVELOPMENT CONTRACT

That the Board of Trustees approve 2000/2001 Child Development Contract for One-Time-Only Instructional Materials Funding.

#### 5s. APPROVE NOTICE OF COMPLETION

That the Board of Trustees approve Notice of Completion and accept as complete the service to install a new basketball court and playground asphalt at Richman School, FSD Project 97/98-9, Task Order #77, by Universal Asphalt Company for a total amount of \$15,698.31 and file the Notice of Completion with the Orange County Recorder's Office.

#### 5t. APPROVE CONTRACT

That the Board of Trustees approve a contract with Strategic Planning Services for Schools to conduct District communications to raise community awareness regarding the District's facility needs and financing options, and perform bond election consulting services to determine the District's ability to pass a general obligation bond.

#### 5u. RATIFY XEROX AGREEMENT

That the Board of Trustees ratify Xerox agreement, subject to final contract language approval by the Assistant Superintendent of Business Services.

#### 5v. APPROVE AUTHORIZATION OF THE POSITION

That the Board of Trustees approve authorization of the position, Assistant Superintendent of Personnel Services, as a signatory on the Property and Liability (250-450710) and the Workers' Compensation (250-418009) checking accounts.

#### 5w. ADOPT RESOLUTIONS

This Item was pulled and heard separately with Item 3c at the request of President Sugarman.

#### 5x. APPROVE ADDITIONAL 2000/2001 OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP

That the Board of Trustees approve additional 2000/2001 overnight field trip for Nicolas Junior High School.

#### 5y. APPROVE 2001/2002 CHILD DEVELOPMENT CONTRACT

That the Board of Trustees approve 2001/2002 Child Development Contract for the State Child Care and Development Program.

**BOARD MEMBER REQUEST(S) FOR INFORMATION AND/OR POSSIBLE FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no requests for possible future agenda items.

**ADJOURNMENT**

President Sugarman adjourned the meeting on January 16, 2001 at 8:20 p.m. President Sugarman announced that the Board would reconvene into Closed Session for further discussion.

**REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

President Sugarman announced that there was nothing to report from Closed Session.

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Marjorie Pogue, Clerk

Board of Trustees