

**FULLERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees**

**Wednesday, October 31, 2001**

**8:00 a.m.**

**District Board Room**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

A Special meeting of the Fullerton School District Board of Trustees was called to order by President Sugarman at 8:00 a.m. Gary Drabek, Director of Maintenance, Operations and Facility Services, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments at this time.

Board Members present: Hilda Sugarman, Ellen Ballard, Marjorie Pogue, Robert Fisler, Lynn Thornley

Administration present: Dr. Cameron M. McCune, Superintendent, Dr. Linda Caillet, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services, Dr. Patricia Godfrey, Assistant Superintendent Business Services, Mr. Mark Douglas, Assistant Superintendent Personnel Services

Dr. McCune stated that the District is placing more emphasis on school site improvement, and staff is continuing to look at additional ways of evaluating teachers and students individually.

**TEST SCORE PRESENTATION:** Dr. Linda Caillet stated that Ana Stover and staff spent many hours preparing the District's Stanford 9 Test Results Report. Dr. Caillet and staff reported on the significance of the scores: 1) Districtwide Data (Historical Enrollment by Ethnicity and Percentile Scores Comparison); 2) Comparison Charts; 3) Matched Student Scores - By District; 4) Matched Student Scores - By School (All Students, English Learners, Title I Students, Gate Cluster Students); 5) API Growth Targets Evaluation.

Dr. Caillet noted that State legislature recently changed the one point growth target for schools with APIs over 800. Each of these schools are responsible for five schoolwide growth points, and sub groups must increase four points in order to receive awards. Dr. Caillet stated some District schools were impacted by this change and will not qualify for API money. President Sugarman stated that more than half of the District's schools have shown improvement and the Board is proud of them, but the District's focus is to discuss

students who have been enrolled in the District four years in a row who have not shown improvement.

Ana Stover, Director of Instructional Support Services, presented information on Immediate Intervention/Underperforming Schools Program (II/USP). Four sites qualify for this program (Maple, Nicolas, Pacific Drive, Richman), and have elected not to participate this year.

Richman School Principal Yolanda McComb presented information on the school's academic vision: 1) Analysis of School Data 2) Seven Goals for Successful Schools; 3) Action Plan. Dr. Caillet noted the significance of Richman's high transiency rate which is affecting learning. Mrs. McComb stated that staff will look at each student individually above, at, or below the API target and every teacher will be committed to the plan presented.

Nicolas Junior High Principal Allan Waterman, stated that the school tripled their API score the previous year but did not meet it this year. Staff is implementing plans to reach goals. Mr. Waterman noted that Nicolas School's high occurrence of student absences is a problem that is being addressed, noting the importance of educating parents not to keep students home from school. Nicolas School has hired consultants to work with teachers to improve reading and writing instruction, and a math consultant to focus on strategies to reach second language students.

Trustee Ballard encouraged the use of District staff development specialists to support the improvement efforts at the sites.

Janet Steger, Coordinator of Staff Development and Curriculum, presented information on the District's Staff Development Master Plan including the new teacher training program, development academies, intervention support, and administrative support. Mrs. Steger stated that all student data is reviewed to determine what type of staff development will be provided.

Jackie Pearce, Principal, Raymond School briefly discussed the school site's analysis day, reading action plans, and improvement process.

Due to time constraints, Billie Holt and Ana Stover will present further information at a future Board Meeting.

## **FACILITIES WORKSHOP**

Larry Tramutola, Tramutola and Associates, and Gene Bregman, Gene Bregman and Associates (via conference call), presented bond polling results information, noting that the first step in the process is to identify the needs of the District. Mr. Tramutola noted that one challenge the District will face is whether to go ahead with a bond in March 2002 or wait until November 2002 where there will be competition from a State bond. Mr. Tramutola stated that the bond polling results have given the District a better perspective in order to move ahead with decisions.

Rob Anslow, Bowie, Arneson, Giannone and Wiles, presented a general obligation bond

overview.

Dr. Patricia Godfrey presented criteria recommended by the Orange County Treasurer.

Dr. Fred Good distributed a revised summary of site specific improvements. Dr. McCune stated that the facilities lists reflected items that will directly impact the school's ability to be more effective and safe, with unique needs depending on each school. Dr. McCune noted that inflation will affect the costs of the items to increase each year, which the District must consider for the bond.

Dr. Good noted that principals felt passionately justified for putting items on the list. The Board discussed each item and the equity standpoint of each school's request.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

President Sugarman adjourned the meeting on October 31, 2001 at 12:00 p.m.

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Marjorie Pogue, Clerk

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