

FULLERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT**Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees****District Board Room****Tuesday, January 25, 2000****6:00 P.M. (CLOSED SESSION)****7:00 P.M. (OPEN SESSION)****MINUTES****1. GENERAL INFORMATION****1a. CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular meeting of the Fullerton School District Board of Trustees was called to order by President Hilda Sugarman on Tuesday, January 25, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. Trustee Guth led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Board Members:

- Hilda Sugarman, President
- Ellen Ballard, Vice President
- Kim Guth, Clerk
- Robert Fisler, Member
- Marjorie Pogue, Member

Administration:

- Ron Cooper, Superintendent
- Karin Lynch, Assistant Superintendent, Administrative Services
- Linda Caillet, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
- Patricia Godfrey, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

1b. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at this time.

2. CLOSED SESSION

President Sugarman announced that the Board would recess into Closed Session to conference with labor negotiator Don Becker regarding FETA (Fullerton Elementary

Teachers Association) and that no action was anticipated.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 7:00 p.m., and President Sugarman stated that there was nothing to report from the Closed Session.

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ashli Alexander and Nancy Chung, teachers at Golden Hill School, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

INTRODUCTIONS

President Sugarman introduced Susan Fendell, Principal of Golden Hill School. Mrs. Fendell reinstated, and Ashli Alexander and Nancy Chung organized, the Districtwide

Spelling Bee. President Sugarman presented both teachers with "Certificates of Appreciation". Mrs. Fendell introduced the teachers and Spelling Bee Winners:

- Raquel Santos, Pacific Drive (teacher - Gordana Giampa) - 3rd grade champion
- Nick Niehaus, Hermosa Drive (teacher - Barbara Mohr) - 4th grade champion
- Danielle Mastromatteo, Raymond (teacher - Beth Ellison) - 5th grade champion
- Laura Hendrickson, Hermosa Drive (teacher - Janny Meyer) - 6th grade champion.

Laura Hendrickson will represent Fullerton School District in the County Spelling Bee.

Lourene Happoldt, Director of Student Support Services, stated that January 26 is National Nurses Day and described the vital role of the professional nurse in the District. Mrs. Happoldt introduced the five District Nurses to the Board: Charlene Kisner, Lead Nurse, Melodie Balsbaugh (not present), Jane Bockhacker, Paula Campbell (not present), and Nancy Rader.

Yolanda McComb, Richman School Principal, introduced the "Above and Beyond" Recognition Awards recipients, Kathy Robinson and Celeste Jensen. Mrs. McComb stated that Celeste Jensen has volunteered at Richman School for four years, working closely with 3rd grade students. Kathy Robinson is a volunteer in the Richman School library, PTA vice president, and is involved in other school programs. President Sugarman presented both recipients with awards for their outstanding dedication.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mimi Gaudette, President of FETA, stated that the formal proposal from the District was not acceptable to the teachers. Mrs. Gaudette stated that the priorities of District spending does not include the teachers' salaries and increased cost of living.

Dottie Ruhnke, CSEA Chapter 120, thanked the Board members for the support received at the CSEA Installation Brunch.

Elizabeth Ellison, teacher at Raymond School, stated she is very dedicated to the District,

but is unable to make ends meet financially.

Tony Valla, former Board member, stated his concern that Board member Trustee Guth may have encouraged her neighborhood to seek interdistrict transfers, rather than have their children attend Raymond School. Mr. Valla beseeched the Board to support Raymond School.

Robin Ruble, teacher at Orangethorpe School, noted that the ranking of the API scores correlates with the affluence and poverty of the schools. Mrs. Ruble challenged the Board to look at the API scores where the students are the neediest, and find solutions.

APPROVE MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Trustee Guth stated that her comment on page 92 of the January 11 Board Meeting Minutes was listed under the Superintendent's Report and should be listed under the Reports from the Board of Trustees. Trustee Guth further stated that her comment should include "Trustee Guth stated her opposition to support the Superintendent's campaign information presented".

Moved by President Sugarman, seconded by Marjorie Pogue, and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on January 11, 2000, as corrected.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

3a. COORDINATED COMPLIANCE VALIDATION REVIEW

Dr. Patricia Godfrey, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, presented a brief summary on Governor Gray Davis' initial proposals for the upcoming 2000-20001 state budget. Dr. Godfrey stated that the May Revise may yield more money for education, but the governor has proposed a \$1.9 billion increase over the current year to K-12 schools. The K-12 proposition 98 pot increases from a little over \$6,000 to a little over \$6,300 per pupil expenditure. The \$6,300 per pupil expenditure includes funding for costs such as county schools and juvenile schools. The state is projecting an enrollment increase of 1.26% and the District enrollment has grown a little over 2%. Annually the cost of living adjustment is proposed at 2.84% for unrestricted programs and special education funding.

Dr. Godfrey stated that the Governor has drawn a focus to areas such as additional testing, teen pregnancy, teacher recruitment and training, and housing incentives. Specific to Fullerton School District there is a \$119 per ADA increase in unrestricted funding to elementary districts. However, the state applies 7% deficit to this money, resulting in \$111 per ADA. This increase will generate new unrestricted funding next year of approximately 1.3 million to pay for all the additional expenses it will take to run the District next year compared to this year.

Tony Valla stated his disappointment in the way Governor Davis designated the state budget. Davis campaigned favoring school site management and now gives a budget that is so restricted.

3b. 1999 FOURTH QUARTER INVESTMENT REPORT

The Fourth Quarter Investment Report for the calendar year covering the months of October, November, and December, 1999 is available for review in the Business Office during regular business hours.

4. ACTION ITEMS

4a. APPROVE REVISION TO BOARD BYLAW 9311

Konnie Gault, Assistant to the Superintendent, stated that this Board Bylaw pertains to the adoption of new Board policies and the revision of existing ones. This Bylaw would enable the Board to adopt a policy upon first reading, if desired.

Moved by Robert Fisler, seconded Ellen Ballard and carried 5-0 that the Board of Trustees approve the revision to Board Bylaw 9311 (formerly Formulation, Adoption, Amendment of Policies) and Administrative Regulation.

5. REPORTS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dr. Ron Cooper noted that the API scores focus on similar schools in the state, which is a more reasonable comparison.

6. REPORTS FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Trustee Pogue attended several programs at the schools and commented favorably on them.

Trustee Guth stated that she was not involved in the neighborhood survey regarding Raymond School. Trustee Guth stated that the Board's efforts have greatly improved the standards at Raymond School, and she supports the parents and the students who attend. Trustee Guth commented on the API scores and stated that Raymond School is out-performing other schools with the same demographics. Trustee Guth noted that District teachers are paid \$31.12 per hour for extra teaching assignments.

Trustee Ballard commented on the API scores and commended Raymond, Commonwealth and Richman Schools on the growth shown in the rankings.

President Sugarman noted that the Board Room bulletin board now displays the various standards, testing, and intervention materials used by the District. President Sugarman stated that the Board will investigate ways to encourage successful learning methods at the lower socioeconomic schools.

7. CONSENT ITEMS

Moved by Hilda Sugarman, seconded by Marjorie Pogue, and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees approve the Consent Items as presented.

7a. APPROVE CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL REPORT

That the Board of Trustees approved the Certificated Personnel Report as submitted (New Hires, Extra Duty Assignments).

7b. APPROVE/RATIFY PURCHASE ORDERS

That the Board of Trustees approve/ratify purchase orders numbered 022B0359 through 022X0258 for 1999/2000.

7c. APPROVE/RATIFY FOOD SERVICES PURCHASE ORDERS

That the Board of Trustees approve/ratify Food Services purchase orders numbered 200562 through 200636 for 1999/2000.

7d. APPROVE/RATIFY WARRANTS

That the Board of Trustees approve/ratify warrants numbered 9465 through 9729 in the amount of \$405,096.61.

7e. APPROVE 1999/2000 NONPUBLIC SCHOOL MASTER CONTRACT

That the Board of Trustees approve the 1999/2000 Nonpublic School Master Contract with Pyramid Autism Center.

7f. ADOPT RESOLUTIONS

That the Board of Trustees adopt resolutions 99/00-B042 through 99/00-B047 authorizing budget transfers and recognizing unbudgeted revenue according to Education Code Sections 42600 and 42602 for submission to the Orange County Superintendent of Schools.

7g. 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 7g-2.

7h. APPROVE LECTURERS

That the Board of Trustees approve lecturers Damon Kupper, Jeff Paul, and Cynthia Wilson for the "All the Arts for All the Kids" program from January 26 through June 15, 2000 at a cost not to exceed \$12,960.

8. BOARD MEMBER REQUEST(S) FOR POSSIBLE FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no requests for possible future agenda items.

Trustee Guth requested that schools are reminded to perform a patriotic exercise before the first period of instruction, as stated in Article 2 of the Education Codes.

9. DISTRICT ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

The Board reviewed the District calendar of events for the period of January 26 through

February 8, 2000.

10. CLOSED SESSION

President Sugarman stated that the Board would recess into Closed Session to discuss employee discipline and student discipline.

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 9:08 p.m., and President Sugarman stated that there was nothing to report from Closed Session.

11. ADJOURNMENT

President Sugarman adjourned the meeting on January 25, 2000 at 9:08 p.m.

Kim Guth, Clerk

Board of Trustees