

**FULLERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT****Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees****District Board Room****Tuesday, October 26, 1999****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 Pogue on Tuesday, October 26, 1999 at 6:30 p.m. President Pogue led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**1b. ROLL CALL**

Board Members:

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

Administration:

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

**1c. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments at this time.

**CLOSED SESSION (6:30 P.M.)**

The Board recessed into Closed Session at 6:35 p.m. to discuss labor negotiations.

**OPEN SESSION**

The Board returned to Open Session at 7:15 p.m. Dr. Patricia Godfrey led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. President Pogue announced that the Board approved a Memorandum of Understanding with CSEA dated October 26, 1999.

## **INTRODUCTIONS**

Ellen Fisher introduced students Martin Skinner, Matt Johnson, and Steven Johnson, who presented an innovative "rap" summary of the Red Ribbon Week activities happening at Pacific Drive School.

Dr. Patricia Godfrey introduced the District's new Warehouse and Purchasing Supervisor, Ron Mullins. Mr. Mullins has broad experience in the aerospace industry and as a senior buyer with Jurupa Unified School District.

## **2. CONSENT ITEMS**

Moved by Hilda Sugarman, seconded by Kim Guth and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees approve the Consent Items with the corrections and the additions.

### **2a. APPROVE MINUTES OF REGULAR AND SPECIAL BOARD MEETINGS**

That the Board of Trustees approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on October 12, 1999 and Special Meeting on October 14, 1999.

### **2b. APPROVE CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL REPORT**

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

### **2c. APPROVE/RATIFY PURCHASE ORDERS**

That the Board of Trustees approve/ratify purchase orders numbered 022B0250 through 022X0158 for 1999/2000.

### **2d. APPROVE/RATIFY FOOD SERVICES PURCHASE ORDERS**

That the Board of Trustees approve/ratify Food Services purchase orders numbered 200220 through 200299 for 1999/2000.

### **2e. APPROVE/RATIFY WARRANTS**

That the Board of Trustees approve/ratify warrants numbered 8036 through 8220 in the amount of \$837,392.42 for 1999/2000.

### **2f. APPROVE/RATIFY FOOD SERVICES WARRANTS**

That the Board of Trustees approve/ratify Food Services warrants numbered 8618 through 8715 in the amount of \$155,283.27.

### **2g. ADOPT RESOLUTIONS 99/00-B015 THROUGH 99/00-B019**

That the Board of Trustees adopt Resolutions 99/00-B015 through 99/00-B019 authorizing budget transfers and recognizing unbudgeted revenue according to the Education Code Sections 42600 and 42602 for submission to the Orange County Superintendent of Schools.

#### 2h. ACCEPT GIFTS TO THE DISTRICT

That the Board of Trustees accepts gifts to the District and authorize District staff to express the Board's appreciation to all donors as listed on 2h-2.

#### 2i. APPROVE 1999/2000 CHILD DEVELOPMENT CONTRACT

That the Board of Trustees approve the 1999/2000 Child Development Contract for One-Time-Only Instructional Materials Funding.

Trustee Guth questioned which materials will be funded through this contract. Glenda Thompson, Principal of Maple School, explained that the materials funded will be anything used in normal classroom instruction (i.e., paper, crayons, paint, scissors) that is not a piece of major equipment, an instructional aid or technological equipment.

#### 2j. RATIFY/APPROVE LECTURERS

That the Board of Trustees ratify/approve lecturers: 1) Campfire Boys & Girls from November 11, 1999 through June 15, 2000 at a cost not to exceed \$4,500; 2) Vicki Schindele from November 22, 1999 through December 16, 1999 at a cost not to exceed \$1,500; 3) Aaron Beaver, Michelle Hamilton-Halsband, Valerie Jensen, and Riki Liufau from October 27, 1999 through June 15, 2000 at a cost not to exceed \$25,220; 4) The Imagination Machine on October 12, 1999 at a cost not to exceed \$550.

Trustee Guth asked for an explanation of the teachers' duties. Glenda Thompson explained that the four artist teachers will be implementing the District's new visual performing arts curriculum through art, dance, music and drama.

Trustee Sugarman mentioned that parents can purchase a preschooler packet which encourages the use of "Music to make Children Smarter", and noted that the District encourages this theory.

#### 2k. APPROVE STUDENT TEACHING AGREEMENT WITH SIMPSON COLLEGE

That the Board of Trustees approve the Student Teaching Agreement with Simpson College for placement of student teachers in the Fullerton School District from November 1, 1999 through June 30, 2002.

#### 2l. APPROVE AUTHORIZATION OF RON MULLINS, WAREHOUSE AND PURCHASING SUPERVISOR

That the Board of Trustees approve authorization of Ron Mullins, Warehouse and Purchasing Supervisor to sign District Purchase Orders under Educational Code 17065 and as a signature for Revolving Cash and ASB Checking Accounts. Also authorize a monthly mileage stipend for this supervisory position of \$50.00 per month.

### 3. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

#### 3a. FINANCIAL AUDIT 1998/99

President Pogue presented Renee Graves, partner of the auditing firm of

Vicenti, Lloyd, & Stutzman. Ms. Graves stated that the Financial statements show both prospective Inflow/Outflow measurements and longer term measurement based on the commitments that are made on these assets.

The Board discussed the Financial Audit as presented, recommending the District have an actuarial study completed to determine what the outstanding liability is to the District for future retirees from the date of retirement to the age of 65.

#### 3b. 1999 THIRD QUARTER INVESTMENT REPORT

The Third Quarter Investment Report for the calendar year covering the months of July, August, and September, 1999 is available for review in the Business Office during regular business hours.

#### 3c. REPORT TO BOARD ON GOALS OF D.A.R.E. PROGRAM

Ellen Fisher introduced Sgt. Joe Klein of the Fullerton Police Department, Community Services Bureau. Sgt. Klein stated that the D.A.R.E. Program is a series of officer-led K-12 grade lesson plans to help children avoid involvement in gangs, drugs, and violence. The mission of D.A.R.E. America is "To provide children with the information skills they need to help them live drug and violence free lives and to establish positive relationships between law enforcement, students, teachers, parents, and other members of the community". Sgt. Klein concluded his presentation by reading a letter that he received from a parent specifically thanking him and the D.A.R.E. Program.

Trustee Guth commended Sgt. Klein for the presentation. She noted her appreciation of the Fullerton Police Department for their commitment and campus presence. Trustee Guth stated that she will continue to ask questions and monitor the D.A.R.E. program.

Trustee Ballard stated that no program should stand alone and should be part of a comprehensive drug, alcohol and tobacco education program and violence prevention education program. Trustee Ballard also stated that the D.A.R.E. program is tied directly into the District's health care curriculum workbooks.

Speaker Beth Lamb, parent of students at Valencia Park School, spoke favorably about the D.A.R.E. program. She stated that there would be public outrage if this program was removed from the City of Fullerton. She also stated that even if the D.A.R.E. program helps just one person, it is worth it.

Trustee Sugarman stated that the D.A.R.E. program presentation which combined accurate, specific information with strong personal feeling, is needed for the Board's determination.

Trustee Fisler informed the Board that the D.A.R.E. graduation ceremonies have the largest parent turnout, indicating that they are pleased with the program.

#### 4. ACTION ITEMS

##### PUBLIC HEARING AND REAPPOINTMENT OF RICHARD MATHEWSON

Moved by Ellen Ballard, seconded by Hilda Sugarman and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees approve the reappointment of Richard Mathewson to the Personnel Commission.

Dr. Cooper expressed his appreciation of Mr. Mathewson and the Personnel Commission for their dedication and hard work. Dr. Cooper reported that Mr. Mathewson has served on various committees in the community since 1972 and is currently serving as the Chairperson of the Personnel Commission. Dr. Cooper also expressed his thanks to Mr. Mathewson on Kathi Carroll's behalf in her absence.

##### 4b. APPROVE APPLICATION FOR SCHOOL SAFETY AND VIOLENCE PREVENTION BLOCK GRANT FUNDING

Moved by Robert Fisler, seconded by Hilda Sugarman, and carried 4-1 (Kim Guth voted "no") that the Board of Trustees approve the application for School Safety and Violence Prevention Block Grant funding.

Ellen Fisher informed the Board that Assembly Bill 1113 was approved after the Columbine School tragedy for Grades 8-12 in an attempt to make campuses safe. An after school detention program, a Saturday School program, and an in-school suspension program will be implemented at the District's three junior high school campuses. A phone/walkie-talkie communication system will also be purchased for use at special events and campus supervision on regular school days. Mrs. Fisher stated that the funding will be approximately \$49,000 for the three sites, and that the District Safe Schools Committee, which helps to write and revise the District's Safe School Plans, the police department, and other agencies have participated in the process of implementing this program.

Trustee Guth questioned whether the funding is going to increase the school's budget at the time implementation occurs. Trustee Guth is concerned these funds may supplant existing resources meant for school safety.

Mrs. Fisher explained that supplanting is a reference to funding that the District receives specifically for the purpose of school safety, and if the District assigns other funds to programs that are already occurring, those funds become supplanting funds. Ongoing funding from AB113 may be reduced, but the District will investigate using Title IV funds when there is a need.

##### 4c. ACCEPTANCE OF COMMUNITY-BASED TUTORING PROGRAM FUNDING AND ASSURANCES

Moved by Hilda Sugarman, seconded by Robert Fisler and carried 4-1 (Kim Guth voted "no") that the Board of Trustees approve acceptance of

Community-Based Tutoring Program Funding and Assurances per Education Code 300-340, and Title 5, California Code Regulations Sections 11300-11305, for the purposes

of providing English-language instruction to parents and other community members who pledge to provide personal English language tutoring to children and school-aged youth from limited-English proficient (LEP backgrounds) for the 1999/2000 school year.

The Board members discussed the allocation of these funds to this program by the State legislation and concluded that this program should be a positive one.

#### 4d. APPROVE CHANGE OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING DATE

Moved by Hilda Sugarman, seconded by Ellen Ballard and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees approve change of the regular Board Meeting date from November 30, 1999 to November 23, 1999.

### **PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS**

Mr. Greg Giemont, Fullerton resident, expressed his concern to the Board regarding the modernization of the restrooms at Acacia School. Mr. Giemont stated that the restroom tiles and fixtures do not match, which is very unappealing. Mr. Giemont requested that the contractor's 10% retention fee be held until the restrooms are finished.

### **REPORTS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT**

Dr. Ron Cooper was pleased to announce that the District will be getting 100 computers from the Detwiler Foundation. The District received approximately \$60,000 last year from the Phelps Foundation for Acacia School (technology) and approximately \$60,000 more is expected for Hermosa Drive School this year. Chris Lowe, Executive Director of the Fullerton Chamber of Commerce, is working with John Phelps of the Phelps Foundation, to try to secure computers from businesses in the area.

Dr. Cooper informed the Board that eight District schools have qualified for application to the California Distinguished Schools Recognition: Acacia, Commonwealth, Fern Drive, Hermosa Drive, Golden Hill, Raymond, Rolling Hills, and Sunset Lane.

Dr. Cooper commended Ellen Ballard for the newspaper article on student "heroes" which appeared in the Fullerton Observer.

Dr. Cooper announced that Jim Lucey, Director of Facility Services, is retiring from the District in December and will be missed.

Dr. Cooper also announced that Marjorie Pogue, Harold Sullivan, and Randa Schmalfeld and her family are going to Washington D.C. on October 27 for the National Blue Ribbon School Ceremony. Dr. Cooper reported that he and several Board members attended the Teacher of the Year event at the Disneyland hotel to honor Randa Schmalfeld. Jeff Hawkins, Sonora High School science teacher, won the Teacher of the Year award for the State of California.

Dr. Cooper reported that the Beechwood Rededication Ceremony is November 3 at 9:30 a.m., and everyone is invited. October 26, 1999

Dr. Cooper introduced Lauralyn Eschner, Coordinator of Fine Arts, to promote the Artist Pin Auction which will be held at the Fullerton Elks Lodge at 6:00 p.m. on November 6. Ms. Eschner stated that the auction will have over 100 artist's magical miniature works of art for sale, many of which are wearable. These handcrafted pins will raise funds for the arts programs in the schools.

## **REPORTS FROM BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

President Pogue stated that she enjoyed the Teacher of the Year program and was impressed that the teachers honored are so dedicated and inspiring to pupils, colleagues, and parents.

Trustee Sugarman commented on her concerns about the funding needed for the District's restrooms. Trustee Sugarman informed the Board that the HOST Program at Nicolas School is doing well, and the staff there is to be commended. Trustee Sugarman noted that the new crossing guard signs are much more visible and colorful.

Trustee Guth commended Billie Holt, Program Specialist, for the informational flyer which explains the new report card very succinctly. She also commended the teachers at Ladera Vista who are teaching in very hot weather during the Modernization period. Trustee Guth expressed concern that there is a shortage of algebra books at Nicolas Junior High School, and Dr. Cooper informed her that there are enough algebra books there now.

Trustee Fisler also attended the Teacher of the Year program. Mr. Fisler commented that many female principals and superintendents attended, representing a remarkable number of years of service. Mr. Fisler encouraged the Board to attend the next PAGE meeting.

## **5. INFORMATION WITH ACTION POSSIBLE**

### **5a. DISTRICT ACTIVITIES CALENDAR**

The Board reviewed the District calendar of events from October 27, 1999 through November 9, 1999. A Special Board Meeting has been scheduled for 8:30 a.m. on October 27, 1999.

## **BOARD MEMBER REQUEST(S) FOR POSSIBLE FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no requests for possible future agenda items.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

President Pogue adjourned the meeting on October 26, 1999 at 9:33 p.m.

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Ellen Ballard, Clerk

## Board of Trustees