

**FULLERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT****Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees****District Board Room****Tuesday, April 28, 1998****7:00 P.M.****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 Robert Fisler on Tuesday, April 28, 1998 at 7:00 p.m. The audience pledged allegiance to the flag.

**1b. ROLL CALL****Board Members:**

- Robert Fisler, President
- Marjorie Pogue, Vice President
- Hilda Sugarman, Clerk
- Kim Guth, Member
- Anthony Valla, Member

**Administration:**

- Ron Cooper, Superintendent
- Karin Lynch, Assistant Superintendent, Administrative Services
- Linda Caillet, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
- Patricia Godfrey, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
- Marie Sweet, Secretary to the Superintendent

**INTRODUCTIONS**

Lauralyn Eschner, Fine Arts Coordinator, introduced Danielle Lee and Brittany Naranjo, Fern Drive student artists. Danielle won the AAA National Safety Poster Contest and Brittany won the Child Abuse Prevention Poster contest. President Fisler, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, presented the students with certificates of appreciation.

Andre Sauvageau, Ladera Vista Junior High School principal, introduced the Ladera Vista

Academic Pentathlon Team consisting of students and teacher coaches. In County competition the team placed third overall and received first place in the Super Quiz. President Fislser, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, presented students and coaches with certificates of appreciation.

Mike Brito, Transportation Manager, introduced Bus Roadeo participants, Homer Sanchez, James Cummer, and Curtis Lehn. Curtis placed fourth in the competition. Mr. Fislser, on behalf of the Board of Trustees, presented each driver with a certificate of appreciation.

## **2. CONSENT ITEMS**

Moved by Anthony Valla, seconded by Kim Guth and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees approve the Consent Items as corrected and presented, with the exception of Item 2c which was pulled and heard separately.

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

That the Board of Trustees approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on April 14, 1998 and Special Board Meeting on April 15, 1998, as presented.

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

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

### **2c. APPROVE REIMBURSEMENT TO BOARD MEMBERS FOR ATTENDANCE AT A PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE WORKSHOP**

This item was pulled and heard separately at the request of Trustee Guth.

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

That the Board of Trustees approve/ratify Purchase Orders numbered 74454 through 74672 for 1997/98.

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

That the Board of Trustees approve/ratify Food Services Purchase Orders numbered 978516 through 978541 for 1997/98.

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

That the Board of Trustees approve/ratify warrants numbered 42396 through 42576 in the amount of \$449,616.53.

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

That the Board of Trustees approve/ratify Food Services warrants numbered 7414 through 7424 in the amount of \$31,550.33.

### **2h. 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 2h-2.

#### 2i. APPROVE LECTURER

That the Board of Trustees approve the following lecturer: Camp Fire Boys and Girls at Woodcrest School from May 11-18, 1998 at a total cost not to exceed \$300.00.

#### 2j. AMEND NONPUBLIC SCHOOL CONTRACT

That the Board of Trustees amend a nonpublic school contract with Rossier School for a special education student (MIS ID #96-00054) effective May 25, 1998 through June 30, 1998 at a total amended contract cost not to exceed \$9,318.60.

#### 2k. RATIFY NONPUBLIC SCHOOL CONTRACTS

That the Board of Trustees ratify nonpublic school contracts for special education students with: 1) Rossier School (MIS ID #97-00702) effective April 15, 1998 through June 30, 1998 at a cost not to exceed \$7,364.70; 2) Barbara Dawson Educational Center (ID #0498-02) effective April 13, 1998 through June 30, 1998 at a cost not to exceed \$6,583.50; 3) Florence Crittenton School (MIS ID #94-01532) effective April 17, 1998 through June 30, 1998 at a cost not to exceed \$8,796.00; and 4) Speech and Language Development Center (MIS ID #98-00395) effective March 17, 1998 through June 30, 1998 at a cost not to exceed \$7,488.75.

### **ITEM PULLED FROM CONSENT**

#### 2c. REIMBURSEMENT TO BOARD MEMBERS FOR ATTENDANCE AT A PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE WORKSHOP

Moved by Kim Guth, seconded by Hilda Sugarman and carried 4-1 (Anthony Valla voted "no") that the Board of Trustees not approve reimbursement to Board members for attendance at a Parliamentary Procedure Workshop on April 17, 1998.

### **3. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

#### 3a. PROPOSITION 223 (95/5 INITIATIVE)

Mike Kilbourn, Director of Special Services at the Orange County Department of Education distributed and reviewed information on Proposition 223 (95/5 Initiative) and answered questions from Board members. Mr. Kilbourn noted that if Proposition 223 were to pass it would cost the Fullerton School District \$1.8 million.

Anita Smiley, Fullerton Elementary Teachers Association (FETA) President, stated that the Fullerton Elementary Teachers Association and the North Orange County United Teachers have taken the position of nonsupport.

Trustee Sugarman suggested that staff be directed to prepare a resolution for the next agenda opposing Proposition 223.

### 3b. IDENTIFICATION OF THE CORE READING INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS PURCHASED WITH K-3 AB 3482 FUNDS

Dr. Linda Caillet, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services, briefly reviewed information identifying the numbers, titles, costs and budgets of the core reading instructional materials for purchase with AB 3482 dollars from Scholastic and Harcourt Brace, Grades K-3.

Trustee Guth expressed her concern that the approved/adopted books are not in compliance with the law. She also noted that some of the adopted books are paperbacks and very costly.

Dr. Linda Caillet responded to each of Trustee Guth's concerns.

Trustee Sugarman gave special thanks to Dr. Caillet and her staff for compiling the information that was requested. She noted that the District is receiving instructional materials funds for 817 students less than the District's actual student enrollment. Trustee Sugarman stated that the District received two letters from the California Department of Education notifying the District that the adoption is in compliance with the law.

Trustee Guth moved that the time limit for this item be extended. The motion died due to a lack of a second.

### 3c. THIRD QUARTER CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE REPORT (JANUARY-MARCH, 1998)\*

The Board reviewed the third quarter Conference Attendance Report covering the months of January, February and March, 1998.

## 4. ACTION ITEMS

### 4a. RESOLUTION 97/98-98 PROCLAIMING DAY OF THE TEACHER

Dr. Karin Lynch, Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services, presented books donated to each school on behalf of "Day of the Teacher."

Moved by Hilda Sugarman, seconded by Marjorie Pogue and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees adopt Resolution 97/98-98 proclaiming May 13, 1998 as "Day of the Teacher" in the Fullerton School District."

### 4b. RESOLUTION 97/98-99 PROCLAIMING CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE WEEK

Dr. Karin Lynch, Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services, presented books donated to each school on behalf of "Classified Employee Week."

Moved by Marjorie Pogue, seconded by Hilda Sugarman and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees adopt Resolution 97/98-99 proclaiming May 17-23, 1998 as "Classified Employee Week" in the Fullerton School District.

### 4c. THIRD READING AND ADOPTION OF PROPOSED NEW BOARD POLICY, ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION AND EXHIBIT 5131.9 (ACADEMIC HONESTY)

Anita Smiley, Fullerton Elementary Teachers Association President, spoke to the Board on her concern that this policy takes away from the discretion of the teacher. She recommended that the proposal be suggested and not policy.

Mark Pavlovich, Acacia parent, urged the Board to allow teachers to individually develop their own classroom guidelines for academic honesty.

Trustee Guth suggested that the policy be sent to schools as a draft policy. She expressed her support to have teachers develop classroom guidelines for academic honesty.

Trustee Sugarman suggested that the 4th offense for students in Grades 4-6 be an optional two-day suspension and not a mandatory suspension.

Moved by Marjorie Pogue, seconded by Anthony Valla and carried 4-1 (Kim Guth voted "no") that the Board of Trustees adopt proposed new Board Policy, Administrative Regulation and Exhibit 5131.9 (Academic Honesty), as amended by Trustee Sugarman.

The Board requested that this policy be evaluated midyear next year.

#### 4d. ADOPT RESOLUTION 97/98-97 TO ISSUE 1998 TAX AND REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTES

Moved by Hilda Sugarman, seconded by Marjorie Pogue and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees adopt Resolution 97/98-97 to Issue 1998 Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes for the District.

### **PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS**

Ursula Oleksyn, Raymond parent requested to be informed about the status of reopening Beechwood School. Mrs. Oleksyn expressed concern that the District is not moving fast enough.

### **REPORTS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT**

Superintendent Cooper announced that Laguna Road School has been designated as a "Distinguished School." Dr. Cooper congratulated Mr. Sullivan, Laguna Road principal, and his staff.

Superintendent Cooper referenced the March CASH (California Association of School Housing) newsletter in which Fullerton was 43rd in the state for the fastest growing districts.

Superintendent Cooper informed Board members that the artwork on the Imagination Celebration brochure that Board members received had been signed by the student artist.

Superintendent Cooper informed Board members that the May 12, 1998 Board meeting will be held at Nicolas Junior High School. Dr. Cooper recommended that the May 26 and June 9 Board meetings also be held at Nicolas Junior High School due to the anticipated number of recognitions.

Dr. Linda Caillet introduced Janet Steger who was recently appointed as Curriculum Coordinator.

Superintendent Cooper briefly reported on the meetings District staff has had with the City. The City and District very strongly recommended that a traffic impact study be done before proceeding any further in the reopening of Beechwood. Superintendent Cooper informed the Board of an upcoming meeting scheduled with the District Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, Board President and one Board member, District consultant, the City Manager and one City staff member, the Mayor and a City Council member to discuss future development in Fullerton and housing needs.

## **REPORTS FROM BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Trustee Pogue reported she attended Arbor Day at Fern Drive, Day of the Reader at Valencia Park, Curriculum Steering Committee, Rolling Hills Tom Sawyer musical, the Parliamentary Workshop at the Ebell Club, Valencia Park Spring Fling, CROP Walk to raise funds for Fullerton Interfaith Emergency Services (FIES), and PTA Council meeting.

Trustee Sugarman reported she attended Ladera Vista and Nicolas 6th grade information night, Tom Sawyer musical, Laguna Road Distinguished School interview, and Assistance League Philanthropic luncheon.

Trustee Guth announced that May 7 is the National Day of Prayer and invited the audience to meet at the City Hall flag pole at 12:20 p.m. Trustee Guth reported on Night in Fullerton and the Youth Expo and encouraged schools and families to participate in the Youth Expo. Trustee Guth also reported she attended the Parliamentary Workshop.

Trustee Valla reported he attended Laguna Road Distinguished School interview; visited Raymond, Fern Drive and Acacia Schools, and attended the Foundation meeting. Trustee Valla announced that Sunny Hills High School AIDS Awareness group will have an "AIDS" quilt displayed.

President Fisler reported he attended Retired Teacher Day of the Reader at Valencia Park, the Sallie Mae teacher nominee presentations at Richman and Raymond Schools, a full inclusion lecture at Chapman, the Green Scene at the Arboretum; and the installation of the new President at the School of Optometry.

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

### **5a. PUBLIC HEARING ON INITIAL CONTRACT PROPOSAL FROM THE FULLERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT TO THE FULLERTON ELEMENTARY TEACHERS ASSOCIATION (F.E.T.A.)**

President Fisler declared a Public Hearing to allow citizens to speak to the initial contract proposal from the Fullerton School District to the Fullerton Elementary Teachers Association (F.E.T.A.).

### **5b. FIRST READING OF PROPOSED NEW BOARD POLICY AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION 3541.2 (TRANSPORTATION FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES)**

The Board reviewed for first reading, proposed new Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 3541.2 (Transportation for Students with Disabilities).

**5c. APPROVE SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FOR CHILD NUTRITION PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT GRANT**

Moved by Anthony Valla, seconded by Hilda Sugarman and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees approve the submission of the application for the Child Nutrition Professional Development Grant.

**5d. FIRST READING OF PROPOSED REVISION TO BOARD POLICY 5117 (INTERDISTRICT TRANSFERS)**

The Board reviewed for first reading, proposed revision to Board Policy 5117 (Interdistrict Transfers). Trustee Sugarman noted she would like to see a statement signed by a parent that they have read the information. She also suggested that wording be included on 5d-2 (i.e. "it is important that a parent understand if there is not sufficient room").

Trustee Guth noted her objection to grandfathering children currently on interdistrict transfers, stating that they should not be given any special consideration and that any wording referring to special consideration should be deleted. She also commented that the wording on 5d-2, last paragraph, is not clear.

Trustee Sugarman noted her desire to grandfather currently enrolled interdistrict transfer students.

Superintendent Cooper noted that his rationale for including the grandfathering language is to maintain the instructional continuity for students who are currently on interdistrict transfers.

**5e. APPROVE PURCHASE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PRODUCTS AND SERVICES UNDER THE CALIFORNIA MULTIPLE AWARD SCHEDULES**

Moved by Kim Guth, seconded by Hilda Sugarman and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees approve the purchase of information technology products and services from Anixter Corporation under the terms and conditions of the California Multiple Award Schedules (CMAS) contract numbers 3-97-00-0070C, 3-96-70-0028AF and 3-97-00-0070B. The Board found and determined that it is in the best interest to purchase these products and services through the California Multiple Award Schedules of the California Department of General Services.

**5f. APPROVE SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS TO CALIFORNIA TECHNOLOGY ASSISTANCE PROJECT TEACHER GRANT PROGRAM**

Moved by Hilda Sugarman, seconded by Kim Guth and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees approve the submission of California Technology Assistance Project Teacher grant applications by: Kyle Stava, Mary Hood, Diana Becker, Chris Friemel (with additional wording), Ken Meints/Karla Turner, Coreen Kimble, Patt Hawkey, Elaine Swank, Deborah Michels, and Sandra Wolf.

Trustee Guth requested that the Board receive a report at the end of the year for all the grant applications which receive funding.

#### 5g. DISTRICT ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

The Board of Trustees reviewed the District calendar of events from April 29, 1998 through May 12, 1998.

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

Trustee Sugarman requested that an item be placed on a future agenda to discuss a statement to the legislature for funding the real cost of textbooks.

President Fisler requested that an item be placed on a future agenda to consider a revised salary schedule for elementary and junior high school principals.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

At 10:30 p.m. President Fisler announced that the Board of Trustees would recess into Closed Session to discuss: 1) Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release; and 2) Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services; Assistant Superintendent of Business Services) and that no action was anticipated.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

President Fisler adjourned the meeting at 10:30 p.m. on April 28, 1998.

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Hilda Sugarman, Clerk

Board of Trustees

