

FULLERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Tuesday, April 1, 2003
District Board Room
1401 W. Valencia Drive, Fullerton, California
4:30 p.m.
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A Regular meeting of the Fullerton School District Board of Trustees was called to order by President Lynn Thornley at 4:38 p.m. President Thornley led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Board members present:

- Ellen Ballard
- Kevin Bass
- Minard Duncan
- Hilda Sugarman (Trustee Sugarman absent through agenda item #4a)
- Lynn Thornley

Administration present:

- Dr. Cameron M. McCune
- Dr. Linda Caillet
- Dr. Patricia Godfrey
- Mr. Mark Douglas

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at this time.

CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

The Board recessed to Closed Session at 4:39 p.m.: 1) Conference regarding FETA (Fullerton Elementary Teachers Association) and CSEA (California School Employees Association); District Representative - Dr. Cameron M. McCune [Government Code sections 54954.5(f), 54957.6]; 2) Public Employee Discipline, Dismissal, Release, and Personnel Matters [Government Code sections 54954.5(d), 54957]; 3) Potential Litigation [Government Code section 54956.9(b)(1)].

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Thornley called the meeting to order at 5:43 p.m.

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

President Thornley stated there was nothing to report from Closed Session.

INTRODUCTIONS

Brownie Troop #1630 from Rolling Hills School led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following community members expressed to the Board various reasons they feel Beechwood School should not become a junior high school, and they request the District consider other school sites: Ann Stoddard, Christa Skalla, Kelly Cisney, Chris Thompson, Michael McKay, and Bruce Chaderjian. District parent Maria Lafuente spoke about her concerns with regard to student bullying, and she feels there is insufficient discipline at Ladera Vista Junior High.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. McCune stated he and staff have visited several school sites recently, and they have been excellent visits. Superintendent McCune reported the All the Arts Bus is now in operation, and early reports back from students and staff that have participated say it is an outstanding experience. Dr. McCune also reported Ladera Vista Junior High tied for first place at the recent Science Olympiad.

INFORMATION FROM PTA, FETA, CSEA, FESMA

There was no information presented.

INFORMATION FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Trustee Bass stated that Valencia Park School worked very hard to get ready for the Superintendent and Staff site visit that went very well, and he is looking forward to upcoming visits going just as well.

Trustee Duncan stated he has been "royally" entertained since the last Board meeting: Jazz Concert at Woodcrest, the Barber of Seville at Pacific Drive, Cesar Chavez Day at Ladera Vista (Mr. Duncan noted he was very pleased that the professional dancers encouraged students to stay in school and get a good career), and the Wizard of Oz at Golden Hill.

Trustee Ballard stated she attended the Valencia Park site visit today and enjoyed the break dancing!

President Thornley stated she has recently enjoyed many of the events and thanked parents for their dedication in helping with the programs. Mrs. Thornley commented schools are preparing for upcoming Open Houses and testing.

INFORMATION ITEMS

The District Activities Calendar from April 2, 2003 through April 22, 2003 was presented with noted changes: Beechwood Open House on April 3 begins at 7:00 p.m., not 5:30 p.m., and the addition of Richman School Golden Bell Lunch Bunch at noon on April 3, 15, 17, and 22.

APPROVE MINUTES

Moved by Kevin Bass, seconded by Ellen Ballard and carried 4-0 to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting on March 11, 2003 and the Special meeting on March 26, 2003.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA AND/OR REQUEST TO MOVE AN ITEM TO ACTION

Moved by Ellen Ballard, seconded by Kevin Bass and carried 4-0 to approve the consent items as presented with the exception of item 1h which was pulled.

CONSENT ITEMS - DISTRICT 22

1a. APPROVE/RATIFY ASSIGNMENT OF CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL REPORT as submitted.

1b. APPROVE/RATIFY PURCHASE ORDERS numbered 322B0390 through 322B0457, 322C0229 through 322C0252, 322D0079 through 322D0093, 322L0019, 322M0381 through 322M0400,

322R1525 through 322R1681, 322S0151 through 322S0175, 322T0053, 322V0126 through 322V0139, and 322X0533 through 322X0554.

1c. APPROVE/RATIFY FOOD SERVICES PURCHASE ORDERS numbered 500740 through 500834 for 2002/2003.

1d. APPROVE/RATIFY WARRANTS numbered 30216 through 30667 in the amount of \$1,614,675.68.

1e. APPROVE/RATIFY FOOD SERVICES WARRANTS numbered 1566 through 1683 in the amount of \$405,493.33 for the 2002/2003 school year.

1f. ADOPT RESOLUTIONS 02/03-B058 through 02/03-B064 authorizing budget transfers and recognizing unbudgeted revenue according to Education Code Sections 42600 and 42602 for submission to the Orange County Superintendent of Schools.

1g. APPROVE/RATIFY CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL REPORT as submitted.

President Thornley pulled item #1h.

1h. APPROVE PROPOSED REVISIONS to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5144 (Student Discipline).

1i. APPROVE INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT with Albert Hall to transport his students to Fullerton School District schools.

1j. APPROVE CLASSIFIED TUITION REIMBURSEMENTS for Teresa G. Mejia, Deborah Mittelman, Flor Obregon, Kathleen Rowland, Marisa Sanchez, and Jennifer Scott.

1k. RATIFY/APPROVE 2002/2003 school year mileage reimbursement to the parents of a special education student (MIS ID#1996-00046) for transportation to and from school.

1l. RATIFY/APPROVE TEACHING AS A PRIORITY (TAP) Grant.

1m. RATIFY/APPROVE NATIONAL BOARD FOR PROFESSIONAL TEACHING STANDARDS (NBPTS) Grant.

1n. ADOPT ADDENDUM TWO of Edusoft License Agreement between Edusoft corporation and Fullerton School District commencing upon approval and terminating on June 30, 2006.

CONSENT ITEMS - DISTRICT 40

The Board Members are acting as the legislative body of the Community Facilities District No. 2000-1 (Van Daele) identified as District 40 for accounting purposes.

2a. ADOPT RESOLUTION 02/03-B40-002

Moved by Kevin Bass, seconded by Minard Duncan and carried 4-0 to adopt Resolution 02/03-B40-002 authorizing budget transfers and recognizing unbudgeted revenue according to Education Code Sections 42600 and 42602 for submission to the Orange County Superintendent of Schools.

CONSENT ITEMS - DISTRICT 48

The Board Members are acting as the legislative body of the Community Facilities District No. 2001-1 (Amerige Heights) identified as District 48 for accounting purposes.

3a. APPROVE/RATIFY Purchase Orders

3b. APPROVE/RATIFY Warrants

Moved by Minard Duncan, seconded by Kevin Bass and carried 4-0 to approve/ratify purchase orders numbered 348M0006 through 348R0004 for 2002/2003, and approve/ratify warrants numbered 1003 through 1006 in the amount of \$91,734.16 for 2002/2003.

ACTION ITEMS - DISTRICT 22

4a. ACCEPT GIFTS

President Thornley read aloud the gifts to the District and thanked donors for their contributions.

Moved by Minard Duncan, seconded by Kevin Bass and carried 4-0 to accept the gifts to the District.

4b. APPROVE BUDGET REDUCTIONS

Dr. McCune, Dr. Godfrey, Dr. Caillet, and Mr. Douglas discussed the "Phase 2" budget reduction line items as listed on supplemental page 4b-2.

Moved by Kevin Bass, seconded by Ellen Ballard and carried unanimously (5-0) to approve the budget reductions for 2002-03, 2003-04, and 2004-05.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS - DISTRICT 22

5a. FACILITIES UPDATE

Dr. Patricia Godfrey distributed a chart entitled "Fullerton School District - Modernization Projects - Project Costs" and stated the cost savings will be approximately \$1.8 million. Dr. Godfrey reported bids were opened today for Amerige Heights, ranging from \$8.4 million to \$10.8 million, and a recommendation will come to the Board at the April 22 Board meeting. Mr. Gary Drabek reported: there will be Modernization projects at six sites this summer, and because of the limited amount of general funds this year, some Capital Improvement projects that would have taken place in the summer have been halted; there will be a focus on Work

Orders this summer; Deferred Maintenance will proceed; anticipate completing \$100,000 in asphalt/concrete work including slurry sealing; \$150,000 painting exterior of three schools (Ladera Vista, Fern Drive, and Raymond); upgrade restrooms at Valencia Park School.

5b. BUDGET UPDATE

Dr. Patricia Godfrey discussed some of the effects of the Governor's mid-year budget cuts, one being the suspension of mandated cost income to a future year resulting in a \$300,000 drop in reserves this year. Dr. Godfrey also stated instructional materials and textbook funding was affected, and the PAR budget was cut by 20%.

5c. CLASS SIZE REDUCTION

Community member Chris Thompson complimented District staff and especially Dr. Patricia Godfrey regarding the District's operation of the Class Size Reduction Program.

Dr. Patricia Godfrey discussed the State's various funding mechanisms for Class Size Reduction Options and noted this District's operation of the Program has a lesser amount of negative financial impact. Dr. Godfrey reported there are a number of districts changing their program structure to operate like Fullerton School District.

5d. UPDATE ON PROPOSED SINGLE DISMISSAL/BELL CHANGE SCHEDULE, AND INCREASED PARENT PAY CHARGE PROPOSAL

Mr. Mike Brito presented and distributed a Powerpoint document entitled "Single Dismissal Proposal, 2003-2004 Bell Proposal, and Parent Pay Increase Proposal" which included information on the following topics: 1) Objectives, 2) Requirements, 3) Transportation Overview 2002-2003, 4) Bell Schedules, 5) Current Sequencing, 6) Elementary and Junior High Attendance Areas, 7) Proposed Sequencing, 8) Number of Students Transported, 9) Passes Issued 2002-2003, 10) Paid Pass Breakdown, 11) Average Parent Pay Fee Survey [eleven responding districts], 12) Income Comparisons, 13) Income Comparison Assumptions, 14) Pros & Cons, 15) Considerations.

The following community members, and two District employees, expressed to the Board their concerns regarding the dangers of students walking to and from school crossing major intersections and their opinions regarding what they feel are the negative aspects of changing the junior high school start and end times: Syed Hussaini, Jennifer Thompson, Pep Carrillo, Al Molina, Kanani Fong, Sherry Ringer, Melissa Zonne, Claudia Rock, Marsha Lamastus, Jose Manuel Nunez, Darla Foss, Randy Bartter, and Beth Lamb. Board consensus was to further study these proposals, and the Board and Superintendent reiterated that student safety is of paramount importance.

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

There were no requests.

ADJOURNMENT

President Thornley adjourned the Regular meeting on April 1, 2003, at 9:05 p.m.

Ellen Ballard, Clerk
Board of Trustees