

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING      3-16-10      #817**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**CALL TO ORDER/MEETING PLACE**

The Board of Education President, Ms. Mary Rees, called the regular meeting to order at 5:03 p.m. at Oak Park High School Presentation Room, G9, 899 N. Kanan Road, Oak Park.

**BOARD PRESENT**

Ms. Mary Rees., President, Ms. Barbara Laifman, Vice President, Ms. Marie Panec, Clerk, Ms. Jan Iceland, Member, and Ms. Cindy Vinson, Member.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:04 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER/MEETING PLACE**

The Board of Education President, Mary Rees, reconvened the regular meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. in the Oak Park High School, Presentation Room, G9, 899 N. Kanan Road, Oak Park.

**BOARD PRESENT**

Ms. Mary Rees., President, Ms. Barbara Laifman, Vice President, Ms. Marie Panec, Clerk, Ms. Jan Iceland, Member, Ms. Cindy Vinson, Member and Ms. Dani Gold, Student Board Rep.

**STAFF PRESENT**

Dr. Tony Knight, Superintendent, Mr. Martin Klauss, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, Mr. Cliff Moore, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, and Ms. Linda Sheridan, Executive Assistant.

**STAFF ABSENT**

Ms. Cathy Skiba, Director, Pupil Services and Ms. Jane Mintz, Director, Technology

**FLAG SALUTE**

Russ Peters led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

**REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION**

During Closed Session held this evening the Board took no action.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

On motion of Barbara Laifman, seconded by Cindy Vinson, the Board of Education adopted the agenda except to pull item C.1.g from the Consent Calendar and make it Action Item C.4.e and pull item C.3.d. Motion carried 5-0.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None for Non-Agenda Items.

**REPORT FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

Board Member Cindy Vinson reported she attended “The Sound of Music” performance at the high school on Saturday. The seating was great and really added to the appreciation of the performance. The quality of the performance was great and the students expressed their appreciation to the staff who

worked so hard on the production. Board Member Barbara Laifman reported she attended the Chinese New Year performance at the Civic Arts Plaza which was great. Ms. Laifman also attended the EEAC meeting who continued their work on the Earthfest activities. She also attended the EEL meeting where testing issues continued to be discussed. Ms. Laifman also participated in the “Start Your Day for Schools” at the high school and was impressed with the number of parents, students and staff who participated throughout the District. She also attended the Open House at the high school as a parent and found it very informative and helpful. Ms. Laifman was a judge for the MCMS persuasive video contest which was well done and also attended the Saturday matinee of “The Sound of Music” at the high school. Board Member Marie Panec reported she also attended “The Sound of Music” at the high school. She also participated in the Distinguished School site visit at Brookside. The team was very impressed with the school. Ms. Panec also attended the Facilities Committee meeting who are very active and moving forward with their plans, in fact they continue to get requests from the schools for additional summer projects. Board Member Jan Iceland reported she attended the Finance Committee meeting who have met twice, the Chinese New Year’s Program and the Curriculum Council meeting where they approved core lit books for several grade levels. The Curriculum Council also discussed staff development day activities and approved two new high school courses. Ms. Iceland also attended the Health Benefits Committee who recommended the District check another insurance company to compare rates even though employees like the present insurance company. Board Member Mary Rees expressed thanks to parents and volunteers on the finance committee, facilities committee, play, and all activities because it would not be possible for all these wonderful things to be happening in the District without them. Ms. Rees also reminded everyone that Friends of Oak Park Schools will be holding their fundraiser this weekend at Dole and hoped everyone would consider coming. This is another dimension of support and help the District receives from the community.

#### **REPORT FROM STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE**

Ms. Gold reported the ASB would be sponsoring an Oak Park Golf Classic fundraiser which is miniature golf, there will be a Future Freshmen night this Thursday, and Monte Carlo night and the Powder Puff football game is coming up.

#### **REPORT FROM SUPERINTENDENT**

Dr. Knight reported that eight Edison Challenge groups were sent it in including a solar project that was installed at Oak Hills Elementary. Dr. Knight reported there will be a Farmers Market at Oak Hills tomorrow selling produce grown at the garden by the students. The high school rocket club was going to the desert on Sunday to try to qualify their rocket for competition in the next level.

#### **SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL REPORTS**

Oak Hills Elementary School – Leslie Heilbron reported the School Site Council met together with the PTO Council to discuss the Principal selection process and timeline with Cliff Moore.

Medea Creek Middle School – Lori Byers reported the School Site Council reviewed the handbook, discussed adding a technology honors award at culmination, the success of the four-way stop signs and the possibility of having buses for interdistrict students.

Oak Park High School – Cathy Lory reported the School Site Council discussed the Special Education classrooms being replaced with new relocatable classrooms, the Science Lab remodel being delayed, the cell phone policy revision, ASB fundraisers, new courses for the Fall, and the WASC action plans.

**Facilities Planning Committee** – Peter Kristensen reported the Facilities Planning Committee is on schedule and the modernization packages for Brookside and Oak Park High School are almost ready to be submitted. Some of the summer projects are almost ready to go to bid and will be brought to the Board for approval over the next few months, including door locks, controls for HVAC, new fire safety,

OPHS/MCMS HVAC upgrades, new portables at the high school, BES parking lot reseal and the D.O. and OHES parking lot reseal.

### **C.1. CONSENT AGENDA**

On motion of Marie Panec, seconded by Barbara Laifman, the Board of Education approved the Consent Agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

- a. Approve Minutes of Regular Board Meeting February 16, 2010 and Special Closed Session and Board Meeting March 1, 2010
- b. Public Employee/Employment Changes 01CL2168-01CL2177 & 01CE04680-01CE04694
- c. Approve Purchase Orders – February 1 – February 28, 2010
- d. Approve Acceptance of Donations
- e. Ratify/Approve Overnight Trip for Oak Park High School Junior Statesmen of America Convention February 13-14, 2010 and April 16-18, 2010
- f. Approve Summer School Meal Waiver Request
- h. Approve Notice of Completion, Bid #08-02, Telescopic Seating at Oak Park High School
- i. Approve Student Teacher Agreement with California State University Northridge March 10, 2010 – June 30, 2010

### **ACTION**

#### **2. CURRICULUM**

##### **a. Approve Additional New Novels for Oak Park High School**

Carrie Glicksteen addressed the Board regarding her approval of adding *The Bible* onto the approved list of novels at Oak Park High School.

Rabbi Paul Kipnes addressed the Board about his concerns regarding adding *The Bible* onto the approved list of novels at the Oak Park High School.

On motion of Marie Panec, seconded by Cindy Vinson, the Board of Education approved the additional new novels for Oak Park High School. Motion carried Ayes: Panec, Rees, Vinson Noes: Iceland, Laifman.

##### **b. Approve New Courses for Oak Park High School**

On motion of Marie Panec, seconded by Jan Iceland, the Board of Education approved the new courses for Oak Park High School. Motion carried 5-0.

##### **c. Approve Core Literature Book List for Oak Hills Elementary School**

On motion of Cindy Vinson, seconded by Marie Panec, the Board of Education approved the Core Literature Book List for Oak Hills Elementary School. Motion carried 5-0.

##### **d. Approve New Novel for Oak Park Independent School**

On motion of Cindy Vinson, seconded by Barbara Laifman, the Board of Education approved the new novel for Oak Park Independent School. Motion carried 5-0.

#### **3. HUMAN RESOURCES**

##### **a. Approve 2010-2011 Classified Employee Holiday Calendar**

On motion of Jan Iceland, seconded by Marie Panec, the Board of Education approved the 2010-2011 Classified Employee Holiday Calendar. Motion carried 5-0.

##### **b. Public Disclosure and Approve Collective Bargaining Agreement between Oak Park Unified School District and Oak Park Classified Association**

On motion of Marie Panec, seconded by Cindy Vinson, the Board of Education tabled this item. Motion carried 5-0.

On motion of Marie Panec, seconded by Barbara Laifman, the Board of Education approved the Collective Bargaining Agreement between Oak Park Unified School District and Oak Park Classified Association. Motion carried: Ayes: Iceland, Laifman, Panec, Rees, Noes: Vinson.

**c. Approve 2010 Summer School Program**

On motion of Marie Panec, seconded by Barbara Laifman, the Board of Education approved the 2010 Summer School Program. Motion carried 5-0.

**4. BUSINESS SERVICES**

**a. Approve 2009-2010 Second Interim Financial Report, Certification and Budget Revisions**

On motion of Marie Panec, seconded by Jan Iceland, the Board of Education approved the 2009-2010 Second Interim Financial Report, Certification and Budget Revisions. Motion carried 5-0.

**b. Approve Authorization to Purchase Relocatable Classrooms Pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 20118**

On motion of Cindy Vinson, seconded by Jan Iceland, the Board of Education approved the authorization to purchase six new relocatable classrooms to replace existing relocatable classrooms pursuant to Public Code Section 20118. Motion carried 5-0.

**c. Approve Safe School Plans**

On motion of Cindy Vinson, seconded by Marie Panec, the Board of Education tabled this item to April. Motion carried 5-0.

**d. Approve Authorization of Adjustment to Assessment for Bond Measures R and C6**

On motion of Jan Iceland, seconded by Cindy Vinson, the Board of Education approved the authorization of adjustment to assessment for Bond Measures R and C6. Motion carried 5-0.

**e. Approve Resolution #10-12 Participation in 2010-11 CSBA California School Cash Reserve Program**

On motion of Cindy Vinson, seconded by Jan Iceland, the Board of Education approved Resolution #10-12 Participation in 2010-11 CSBA California School Cash Reserve Program. Motion carried 5-0.

**5. BOARD POLICIES**

**a. Approve Amendment to Board Policy 6145 – Extracurricular and Co-curricular Activities – Second Reading**

On motion of Cindy Vinson, seconded by Marie Panec, the Board of Education approved the amendment to Board Policy 6145 – Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities. Motion carried 5-0.

**b. Approve Amendment to Board Policy 6145.2 – Athletic Competition – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

On motion of Cindy Vinson, seconded by Marie Panec, the Board of Education approved the amendment of Board Policy 6145.2 – Athletic Competition. Motion carried 5-0.

**c. Approve Amendment to Board Policy 6146.4 – Differential Graduation and Competency Standards for Students with Disabilities – Second Reading**

On motion of Cindy Vinson, seconded by Barbara Laifman, the Board of Education approved the amendment of Board Policy 6146.4 – Differential Graduation and Competency Standards for Students with Disabilities. Motion carried 5-0.

**d. Approve Amendment to Board Policy 6161.1 – Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials – Second Reading**

On motion of Cindy Vinson, seconded by Barbara Laifman, the Board of Education approved the amendment of Board Policy 6161.1 – Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials. Motion carried 5-0.

**e. Approve Amendment to Board Policy 6173.1 – Education for Foster Youth – Second Reading**

On motion of Jan Iceland, seconded by Barbara Laifman, the Board of Education approved the amendment of Board Policy 6173.1 – Education for Foster Youth. Motion carried 5-0.

**f. Approve Amendment to Board Policy 3100 – Budget – First Reading**

On motion of Jan Iceland, seconded by Cindy Vinson, the Board of Education approved the amendment of Board Policy 3100 – Budget. Motion carried 5-0.

**g. Approve Amendment to Board Policy 6158 – Home Independent Study – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

On motion of Cindy Vinson, seconded by Jan Iceland, the Board of Education approved the amendment of Board Policy 6158 – Home Independent Study. Motion carried 5-0.

**VII. INFORMATION ITEMS**

None

**VIII. OPEN DISCUSSION**

Ms. Panec suggested the Board consider changing auditors when the contract is completed with current auditors.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business before this Board, the meeting is declared adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

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President of the Board

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Clerk or Secretary of the Board