

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING      5-19-09      #805**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**CALL TO ORDER/MEETING PLACE**

The Board of Education Vice President, Ms. Mary Rees, called the regular meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. at Oak Park High School Presentation Room, G9, 899 N. Kanan Road, Oak Park.

**BOARD PRESENT**

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

**BOARD ABSENT**

Ms. Jan Iceland, President

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:31 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER/MEETING PLACE**

The Board of Education Vice President, Mary Rees, reconvened the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Oak Park High School, Presentation Room, G9, 899 N. Kanan Road, Oak Park.

**BOARD PRESENT**

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

**BOARD ABSENT**

Ms. Jan Iceland, President and Student Board Rep Ben Pyle

**STAFF PRESENT**

Dr. Tony Knight, Superintendent, Mr. Martin Klauss, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, Mr. Cliff Moore, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, Ms. Laurel Ford, Director, Teaching and Learning, Ms. Jane Mintz, Director, Educational Technology, and Ms. Linda Sheridan, Executive Assistant.

**FLAG SALUTE**

Paula Stromquist 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 Marie Panec, seconded by Cindy Vinson, the Board of Education adopted the agenda. Motion carried 4-0-1 Absent.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

## **STUDENT PRESENTATION**

Brookside Elementary School Student Council explained their Pennies for Peace program to the Board and the Board presented Certificates of Recognition to the Student Council members.

Patti Handfinger, teacher at Oak Park High School, introduced attorneys Pellie Anderson, Diana Fields and Claudia McBride who worked with the Mock Trial Team. The Board presented them with Certificates of Recognition for their work.

## **REPORT FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

Board Member Cindy Vinson reported the Safe Kids Task Force summer school program is working hard to get a certificated teacher and now will be signing up students. The next step will be to get teachers and adults signed up for fall night classes. Mrs. Vinson attended the Oak Park Neighborhood School meeting where it was reported that enrollment is up and the school is getting an excellent reputation due to the excellent leadership from Dr. Knight. Board Member Barbara Laifman attended the Wellness Council “King Corn” presentation and the Friends of Oak Park Schools Slam ‘N Jam. She thanked Friends for supporting Debby West’s position. Ms. Laifman participated in the District wide walk-to-school day and clean-up day. She thanked the EEAC and principals for their support and hard work on these projects and also thanked Mike Greene for his support on the clean-up day. Ms. Laifman reported the EEAC is continuing their recycling work and looking into water stations for water bottle refills. The Wellness Council met where Julie reported that cafeteria sales are up and she is looking into utilizing school gardens more next year. Ms. Laifman attended the Oak View Open House and the Grandparents Day at Brookside Elementary School. She attended the DELAC meeting where they reviewed their year and discussed staff development. Ms. Laifman also attended a 4<sup>th</sup> grade transition parent meeting and the Walk-a-thon at the high school. Board Member Marie Panec reported the Curriculum Council received information on new State law that students must pass a physical fitness exam by 10<sup>th</sup> grade or continue to take P.E. in 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade. They are considering adding the physical fitness exam as a requirement for graduation. The schools will take this back to their SSC and report to the next Curriculum Council meeting. Ms. Panec attended the last SEAC meeting which was a dinner and also attended the Spring play at the high school, “Our Town”. Board Member Mary Rees remarked to take a moment to thank teacher, classified and administrators for educating our students with all the unknowns of our finances nothing is more important.

## **REPORT FROM SUPERINTENDENT**

Dr. Knight commented he is proud to announce the school dropout rate at Oak Park High School is 0%. There is a huge concern with the State budget. In February we thought we had a \$1.5 million deficit. We had been saving our categorical money and making other cost saving ideas and together with the Federal stimulus money we could bridge that deficit, but now the State has more bad news and we could have an additional \$2.1 million cut to our budget. However, our enrollment is no longer declining in fact it is increasing. Cliff Moore reported we are up approximately 228 students with a combination of interdistrict and Oak Park resident students. Martin Klauss gave an update on the Pavilion close out and seating process.

## **SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL REPORTS**

Brookside Elementary School – Nicole Elsokary reported the School Site Council discussed the Walk to School Bus idea. The SSC is interested but there were no volunteers. The math intervention aides have received good feedback. They discussed the State budget and were looking for what they can do especially if the music program is considered to be cut. They will be voting for new SSC members at the Open House next week and they are exploring a writers’ blog on their website.

Medea Creek Middle School – Lori Byers reported the School Site Council received reports from student reps. They held their last school dance on Friday that was a big success. Students reported the STAR

tests were easy. Mr. Benioff reported he will be attending the Distinguished School event and Open House is tomorrow. The Volunteer Tea is Friday and Teacher Appreciation will be next week.

Oak View High School – Randi Liepman reported the School Site Council discussed parent donations, moral imperatives, and WASC visit next year. Held STAR testing this week and parents volunteered to bring in food and staff offered students a party if they did well on the tests. End of the year BBQ will be May 22 and parents suggested they have a parent education group to meet with prospective parents to help them transition to Oak View.

Facilities Planning Committee – Peter Kristensen reported the Committee continues to meet the first Wednesday of the month. They discussed communication and summer programs, getting Board approval and then getting the information on the projects out to the public on websites, etc. The sub-committee will meet to look at the Master Plan and look at potential grants and other funding sources the district can pursue. The summer quick start projects are the roofs at OHES, ROES and MCMS and the parking lot at OPHS. They are also looking at the BES parking lot.

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

On motion of Mary Rees, seconded by Marie Panec, the Board of Education approved pulling item C.1.c and C.1.g from the Consent Agenda to Action. Motion carried 4-0-1 Absent.

On motion of Marie Panec, seconded by Barbara Laifman, the Board of Education approved the Consent Agenda. Motion carried 4-0-1 Absent

- a. Approve Regular Board Meeting of April 21, 2008
- b. Public Employee/Employment Changes 01CL2011-01CL2015 & 01CE04231-01CE04315
- d. Approve Designation of the 2009-2010 District/School Representatives to California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) Leagues
- e. Approve 2009-2010 Contracts with Ventura County Office of Education for Financial, Payroll, and Personnel Data Systems
- f. Approve Second Period (P-2) Attendance Report 1

### **ACTION**

#### **c. Approve Purchase Orders – April 1-30, 2009**

On motion of Marie Panec, seconded by Cindy Vinson, the Board of Education approved Purchase Orders-April 1-30, 2009. Motion carried 4-0-1 Absent.

#### **g. Approve Contract Renewal for Crossing Guard Services**

On motion of Cindy Vinson, seconded by Marie Panec, the Board of Education tabled this item until it could be reviewed by the MAC. Motion carried 4-0-1 Absent.

### **2. CURRICULUM**

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

On motion of Cindy Vinson, seconded by Marie Panec, the Board of Education approved the new Physical Education courses at Oak Park High School. Motion carried 4-0-1 Absent.

### **3. BUSINESS SERVICES**

#### **a. Approve Agreement for Measure R Bond Program/Construction Management Services**

On motion of Cindy Vinson, seconded by Marie Panec, the Board of Education approved the Agreement for Measure R Bond Program/Construction Management Services. Motion carried 4-0-1 Absent.

#### **b. Approve Award of Request for Proposal for Test and Inspection Service**

On motion of Cindy Vinson, seconded by Marie Panec, the Board of Education approved the Award of Request for Proposal for Test and Inspection Service to C.T.E. Motion carried 4-0-1 Absent.

**c. Approve Measure C6 Five-Year Phase Plan**

On motion of Marie Panec, seconded by Barbara Laifman, the Board of Education approved the Measure C6 Five-Year Phase Plan. Motion carried 4-0-1 Absent.

**d. Approve 2009-2010 Classified Holiday Calendar**

On motion of Marie Panec, seconded by Cindy Vinson, the Board of Education approved the 2009-2010 Classified Holiday Calendar. Motion carried 4-0-1 Absent

**4. BOARD POLICIES**

**a. Approve Adoption of Board Bylaw 9012 – Board Member Electronic Communications – Second Reading**

On motion of Marie Panec, seconded by Cindy Vinson, the Board of Education approved Adoption of Board Bylaw 9012 – Board Member Electronic Communications. Motion carried 4-0-1 Absent.

**b. Approve Annual Review of Board Policy 5117 – Interdistrict Attendance – First Reading**

On motion of Cindy Vinson, seconded by Marie Panec, the Board of Education approved the annual review of Board Policy 5117 – Interdistrict Attendance. Motion carried 4-0-1 Absent.

**c. Approve Amendment of Board Policy 3280 – Sale or Lease of District-Owned Real Property – First Reading**

On motion of Marie Panec, seconded by Cindy Vinson, the Board of Education approved the amendment of Board Policy 3280 – Sale or Lease of District-Owned Real Property. Motion carried 4-0-1 Absent.

**d. Approve Amendment of Board Policy 3320 – Claims and Actions Against the District – First Reading**

On motion of Marie Panec, seconded by Barbara Laifman, the Board of Education approved the amendment of Board Policy 3320 – Claims and Actions Against the District. Motion carried 4-0-1 Absent.

**e. Approve Amendment of Board Policy 4111.2/4211.2/4311.2 – Legal Status Requirement – First Reading**

On motion of Marie Panec, seconded by Barbara Laifman, the Board of Education approved the amendment of Board Policy 4112.2/4211.2/4311.2 – Legal Status Requirement. Motion carried 4-0-1 Absent.

**f. Approve Amendment of Board Policy 4113 – Assignment – First Reading**

On motion of Cindy Vinson, seconded by Marie Panec, the Board of Education approved the amendment of Board Policy 4113 – Assignment. Motion carried 4-0-1 Absent.

**g. Approve Amendment of Board Policy 5145.7 – Sexual Harassment – First Reading**

On motion of Marie Panec, seconded by Cindy Vinson, the Board of Education approved the amendment of Board Policy 5145.7 – Sexual Harassment. Motion carried 4-0-1 Absent.

**h. Approve Adoption of Board Policy 6142.2 – World/Foreign Language Instruction – First Reading**

On motion of Marie Panec, seconded by Barbara Laifman, the Board of Education approved the adoption of Board Policy 6142.2 – World/Foreign Language Instruction. Motion carried 4-0-1 Absent.

**VII. INFORMATION ITEMS**

1. Monthly Budget Update

**VIII. OPEN DISCUSSION**

**IX. ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business before this Board, the meeting is declared adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

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President of the Board

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Clerk or Secretary of the Board