

NOTES FROM THE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – June 17, 2014

At the regular meeting of the Oak Park USD Board of Education held on June 17, the Board heard reports from members and the superintendent. The Facilities Planning Committee reported about upcoming projects scheduled for this summer. The Board heard

a presentation by two OPHS students who are part of the Conejo/Las Virgenes Future Foundation about their experience this year.

In the school safety update by Dr. Knight, Superintendent, it was reported that the Rancho Simi Recreation and Parks Department Oak Park Committee voted to recommend removal of the oleander trees between Mae Boyer Park and the Brookside lower field. A fence has been erected by OPUSD already in this area. The major school security camera project will be completed over the summer that will include 118 new cameras. The new ID badge kiosks will be installed at all of the schools to be ready on the first day of school.

The Board took action and/or approved the following:

- Overnight trips for the OPHS ASB retreat, OPHS Cross Country Team, and OPHS Volleyball Team.
- Agreement with Ventura County Office of Education data processing services.
- A resolution for appropriation and budgeted transfers for the fiscal vear 2014-15.
- A resolution for temporary loans between District funds for fiscal year 2014-15.
- A resolution for year end budget and interfund transfers for fiscal year 2013-14.
- Renewal of agreement for crossing guard services.
- Renewal of agreement with School Services of California for fiscal information services.
- Certification of school bell schedules and minimum instructional minutes for the 2014-15 school year.
- District of Choice reporting requirements that show how many students come from neighboring school districts and a projection for the future showing a decline in students that will be accepted under the program due to lack of space and an increasing number of resident students.
- Filing of a CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) exemption for the relocation of the OPIS program to the new Alternative School campus on Conifer Street.

- Mitigation plan for the Alternative School Campus that includes major landscaping work, directions to parents and students, etc. This was developed in collaboration with the surrounding residents.
- Solar power design/build contract with SK Solar, Inc. for a shade structure at OPHS and panels on new modular classrooms at the school, after hearing a report from a third party solar evaluator. This is pending DSA approval and the addition of two elements to the contract.
- Employer health benefit plans for 2014-15 based on the recommendation of the Health Benefits Committee.
- The 2014-15 Local Control Accountability Plan.
- The adoption of the 2014-15 annual budget. A report about the most recent information from the joint committee was also shared. A calculation of revised figures will be shared after the budget is signed by the Governor.
- The spending plan for the Education Protection Account funds.
- Safe School Plans for the 2014-15 school year were reviewed and approved.
- Purchase of a 3D printer and supporting computers, software, and materials to be funded from Measure C6 bond funds.
- Revised job description for the Support Services Coordinator position.
- Award of Contract for District-wide Wireless Network Installation

Policies related to the following were approved:

- Nondiscrimination in District programs and activities.
- Local Control Accountability Plan.
- General accountability.
- Nondiscrimination and harassment to reflect AB 1266.
- Fees and charges to reflect Title 5 regulations.
- Wellness policy and associated Administrative Regulations. This represents a continued evolution toward a healthier school experience for our students. The new AR's move the cafeteria selections toward more plant-based options yet still provide for poultry offerings, however, efforts will be made to ensure the animals are not sourced from 'factory or 'industrial' farms. The policy also moves the program completely away from foods that contain additives, excessive sugar and salt, and towards more natural and whole foods with non-GMO ingredients. Physical education programs at the elementary schools will be enhanced due to the policy and nutrition education will be greatly enhanced, K-12. Farm to school programs will also be enhanced.

