



NOTES FROM THE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING - February 18, 2014

At the regular meeting of the Oak Park USD Board of Education held on February 18th, the Board recognized students from the Oak Park High School Academic Decathlon Team and their teacher/advisor Robin Midiri for their achievement in the Academic Decathlon competition this year. The Board also recognized OPHS student Tushar Jois for becoming a Microsoft Master and Expert.

The Board heard reports and discussed the following:

- School safety update shared by Dr. Knight, Superintendent – In regard to the surveillance camera project, the District is reviewing the site maps and proposal from a vendor with the expectation of making changes to ensure that areas where students congregate during the school day are monitored.
- 2014-15 budget report under the new Local Control Funding Formula shared by Martin Klauss, Assistant Superintendent - It showed that OPUSD will be receiving a substantial increase in funding for next year of over \$500 per student, but funding will be well below the state average due to the nature of the formula that provides more funding for school districts that serve an increased number of disadvantaged, non-English speaking students. It should be cautioned that this report is based on a proposal from the Governor, with final funding numbers undetermined until June, when the state budget is passed and approved.
- Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) report shared by Assistant Superintendent, Leslie Heilbron – This plan must be developed and approved alongside, yet prior, to the District budget.

The Board took action and/or approved the following:

- Overnight trips for student athletes at Oak Park High School.
- Purchase orders and changes to personnel.
- Disposal of obsolete property – e-waste to be recycled.
- Notice of completion for Main Gas Line replacement at Oak Park High School.
- Amendment to E-Rate consultant agreement.
- Due to the absence of one Board member, the emergency repair resolution for the water line repair at Medea Creek Middle School, and the Notice of Completion for the same repair, were tabled until the next meeting. Law requires unanimous approval by all five members for such resolutions.
- A bid was approved for parking lot and playground repairs at Brookside and Red Oak Elementary Schools, repairs that will occur this summer under Measure R. The bid was lower than the anticipated expense for these projects.
- Expenditure of \$100,000 in Measure C6 funds towards the purchase of musical instruments, a portable PA, acoustic cabinets and other equipment and furnishings for the new Oak Park High School marching band program

that will begin in the fall. The balance of the funds will come from a variety of parent support organizations.

- Architectural services required for the replacement of the Building R portable classrooms at Oak Park High School.
- The acquisition of new modular classrooms at Oak Park High School under Measure R to replace the aging Building R portables on that campus.
- Friends of Oak Park fee-based summer school resolution for grades 6-12. The Board also requested that the District pursue some form of intervention program through the use of ipads for elementary students who need remediation.
- School Accountability Report Cards and Single Plans for Student Achievement for all of the schools were approved.
- The Consolidated Application Winter Release was approved. This is a mandated state application for categorical funding.
- A revised job description for the Director of Educational Technology and Information Systems was approved that adds responsibilities related to Smarter Balanced Assessments administration, District-wide VOIP telephone systems, networked video surveillance cameras, and entry ID badge systems. The salary schedule placement for this position was moved from H to L.
- The board voted for all four candidates from various Ventura County districts who are running for the California School Board Association Delegate Assembly
- Bleacher replacement in the gym at Oak Park High School funded by a donation from Agoura Youth Basketball Association to Oak Park High School.
- Non-re-election of 13 temporary certificated employees was approved. These employees are replacing teachers on leave. Most of these employees are expected to be needed for next year and should be rehired.

Policies related to the approval of the school district budget, the operation of the Child Nutrition program; promotion, retention, and acceleration of students; administration of medicines and monitoring of health conditions; and addressing the needs of married, pregnant, and parenting students were all approved.