

**ORANGE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION • SPECIAL MEETING  
1401 North Handy Street • Orange, California**

**Thursday • August 14, 2006  
6:30 P.M. • Closed Session  
7:00 P.M. • Open Session**

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**MINUTES**

*An audio tape of this meeting is on file in the Superintendent's Office  
for three years after the meeting date.*

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Board President, Kimberlee Nichols, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**ESTABLISH QUORUM**

A quorum was established with the following Board members: Mrs. Moffat, Mrs. Nichols, Mr. Poutsma and Mrs. Smith. Mr. Rocco was not present for the meeting. With the exception of Mr. Rocco, all Board members were present for open session.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION AGENDA ITEMS**

**Speakers**

There were no speakers.

**ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

The meeting adjourned to closed session at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the following items:

- A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT  
Government Code 54957  
Title: Assistant Principal, High School (Four Appointments)

**CALL TO ORDER – REGULAR SESSION**

Mrs. Nichols called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mrs. Nichols invited the audience and staff to join the Board in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION DECISIONS AS REQUIRED BY THE BROWN ACT**

The Board of Education took action to appoint Christina Lin, Christine Hale, Ed Howard and Sheldon Glass to the positions of Senior High School Assistant Principal. The vote was 6-1 (Absent: Mr. Rocco).

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## **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

### **Motion No. 11**

It was moved by Mr. Ortega, seconded by Mrs. Moffat and carried by a vote of 6-1 (Absent: Rocco) to adopt the August 14, 2006 agenda.

## **COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD**

### **Speakers**

No speakers.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **Item 10.A. District Strategic Plan**

Dr. Godley noted that on May 22-23, 2006, the District conducted a strategic planning workshop to chart a course and strategies for the future. Participants in this strategic planning workshop included approximately 100 members of a diversified group – Members of the Board of Education, business leaders, community members, parents, teachers, counselors, classified staff, administrators and students. Since that time, Executive Cabinet has been refining the strategies and timelines of the four priority areas that were created in the group sessions. The four priority areas are:

- 1) Facilities
- 2) Partnerships
- 3) Personalization
- 4) Technology

### **Motion No. 12**

It was moved by Mr. Ortega and seconded by Mr. Poutsma to approve the District Strategic Plan and authorize staff to develop the strategies, activities, and sub-activities to be presented according to the milestones and calendar as attached.

### **Discussion**

Mrs. Moffat complimented staff for their work on the strategic plan. Mrs. Moffat questioned how the District Priority Areas of 1) Student Achievement; 2) Student Safety; 3) Fiscal Responsibility and 4) Community Involvement fit in with the strategic plan, as there are four new categories. Dr. Godley responded that many of these areas overlap. After approval of the strategic plan, staff will revise the goal setting calendar from a two-year cycle to a three-year cycle. Mrs. Moffat cautioned that she did not want the District to lose sight of the four Priority Areas.

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With regard to the technology expansion, Mrs. Moffat stated that concern had been expressed from teachers regarding the use of Aeries and grade books. Dr. Godley advised that a teacher training program will be in place to provide support to the teachers.

With regard to the section on partnerships, Mrs. Moffat asked if there was a source of funding for the position of Director of Community Development. Dr. Godley responded that some of the funding would come from the funding returns of grants and the District would also fund the position. A job description is being developed.

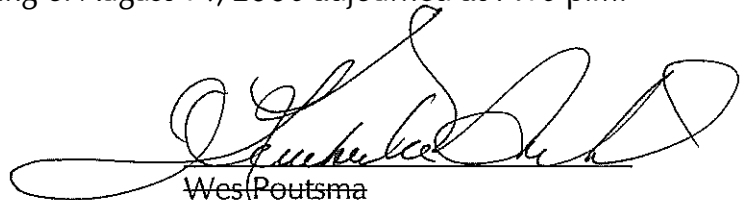
Mrs. Nichols acknowledged Dr. Godley and staff for their work in developing the strategic plan. Mrs. Nichols communicated that she believed that the District needs to make a conscientious effort to recruit for a grant writer. Mrs. Nichols referred to discussions she had with teachers who expressed concerns about the length of the grading process. Dr. Godley stated that the District is aware of the concern and does not want the grading process to be a burden on the teachers.

Mr. Ledesma wanted to be sure that a system would be in place to monitor the milestones accomplished in the strategic plan. Dr. Godley advised that quarterly reports would be made.

**Motion No. 12** carried by a vote of 6-1 (Absent: Rocco) to approve the District Strategic Plan and authorize staff to develop the strategies, activities, and sub-activities to be presented according to the milestones and calendar as attached.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

By call of the Chair, the special Board meeting of August 14, 2006 adjourned at 7:16 p.m.



Wes Poutsma  
Clerk of the Board  
Kimberlee Nichols  
President (in lieu of the Clerk)