



# BOARD *Notes*

May 28, 2009

## Board of Education Meeting

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

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The Board took action to schedule a hearing in response to a request for a hearing filed by a permanent certificated employee.

The Board authorized the release and reassignment of 18 certificated administrators, effective June 30, 2009.

*(Dr. Dreier clarified that the release and reassignments and the appointments are part of a \$1.8 million cut in administration. We will have a new administrative staff, more lean than ever, and there is no negative budget impact at all.)*

The Board is pleased to announce the appointment of **Aileen Sterling** to the position of Executive Director, Secondary Education; **Joe Sorrera** to the position of Executive Director, Business Services; **Larry Hausner** to the position of Administrative Director, Communications & Technology; **Kevin Emenaker** to the position of Director, Facilities Planning; **Steve Harlin** to the position of Director, Maintenance & Operations; and **Debbie Backstrom** to the position of Middle School Principal. These appointments are effective June 30, 2009.

*(Dr Dreier reiterated that this is part of a reduction in administration, something made necessary by the extreme shortfalls that the state and the District have.)*

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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#### Superintendent's Report

**Dr. Dreier** commented on the many celebrations that are taking place in the District, including graduation next week. She thanked the staff, teachers, principals and everyone who makes education the great experience that it is in Orange Unified. Dr. Dreier thanked **Linda Stoterau** and all those involved in the Exposition of the Arts. Dr. Dreier congratulated **Canyon High** School for being selected as a Bronze Medal High School and **Panorama Elementary** School for being recognized as a 10-10 school with the new release of the API scores. Dr. Dreier recognized the sponsors who supported the Strategic Planning Session: Citizens Business Bank, Orange Education Foundation, Parker & Covert, Schools First Federal Credit Union, and Ashraf Schrams from Xerox. She added that the conference was a successful learning session and that the team leaders have been working with teams of their own to take the suggestions and put them in a format for the Strategic Plan that will be brought to the Board on June 18<sup>th</sup>. Finally, Dr. Dreier read a letter from Mr. Wayland who was on a motorcycle trip to Washington, D.C. to join the "Run for Wall" mission. The letter was with regard to the unaccounted servicemen and the ultimate sacrifices they made for our country for all of us to enjoy the freedoms we have.

#### Board President's Report

**Mr. Ledesma** commented on the Exposition of the Arts and the ceremony that took place today and the many wonderful pieces of art on display.

Mr. Ledesma commented that he and Dr. Dreier visited Villa Park High School where they toured the campus with Principal Ed Howard.

#### Board Recognition

##### State of the School Report

###### **1. Recognition of 2008-09 SACBE Representatives**

Mr. Ledesma recognized and thanked the 2008-09 SACBE representatives for their excellent service to the District as participants in the Board meetings. A commemorative plaque was presented to each representative.

###### **2. Introduction of 2009-10 SACBE Representatives**

The SACBE representatives for 2009-10 were introduced as follows:

- **Canyon High** Alex Adams
- **El Modena High** Mary Ellen Havana
- **Orange High** Lorraine Ngin
- **Villa Park High** Collier Beardsley
- **Richland High** *(To be announced in September)*

**Recognition of High School Students from the Class of 2009 – Outstanding Academic Achievement**

The Board congratulated the following students from the class of 2009 for their outstanding scholastic achievements. Each high school selected their honorees from the group of students with the highest academic grade point average.

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| • <b>Canyon High</b>     | Roshni Guha Thakurta<br>David Meyer                                      | Highest Achiever<br>Highest Achiever                          |
| • <b>El Modena High</b>  | Michelle Lissner<br>Stephanie Keating<br>Madison Pinto<br>Max Saltarelli | Valedictorian<br>Salutatorian<br>Salutatorian<br>Salutatorian |
| • <b>Orange High</b>     | Anthony Tran<br>Cecilia Dinh<br>Duane Luu                                | Valedictorian<br>Salutatorian<br>Salutatorian                 |
| • <b>Villa Park High</b> | Alexander Zahn   | Highest Achiever  |

**ACTION ITEMS**

The motion failed to approve a reduction in the Board of Education’s monthly stipend by ten percent for a period of three years.

The motion failed to revise Board Bylaw 9250, *Remuneration, Reimbursement and Other Benefits*, to allow for health and welfare benefits for members of the Board, but that the cost would be assumed entirely by the individual Board member who participates.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

The Board of Education took action **to approve all consent items** as presented in the May 28<sup>th</sup> agenda. The complete agenda is available online at: [www.orangeusd.org/board/calendar.asp](http://www.orangeusd.org/board/calendar.asp)

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING – Thursday, June 18, 2009, 7:00 P.M.**



**Board of Education**

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Alexia Deligianni, Member • Kathryn A. Moffat, Member • Kimberlee Nichols, Member • Melissa Smith, Member

• Renae Dreier, Ed.D., Superintendent •  
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