



# BOARD *Notes*

August 20, 2009

Board of Education Meeting

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

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No action taken.

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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#### Superintendent's Report

**Dr. Dreier** remarked that today was a great beginning to the school year. She commented that she was at **Chapman Hills** to welcome the Silverado students and parents; afterward she stopped by **Yorba Middle School** to see them transferred into their pod of portables as their school is undergoing modernization; and lastly, she stopped by **Sycamore Elementary School** where they have just moved into their modernized school. Sycamore will be holding a Grand Opening for their modernization later in the month.

Dr. Dreier reported that **Santiago Community College** allowed the District to use their Orange Education Center last week for the Administrative Conference. It was a beautiful facility and was complementary for the District as we are community partners.

Dr. Dreier also remarked that the District continues to work on communication and that with the technology we have in place, she was able to deliver a **podcast** to welcome everyone to school. The podcast is also available on the District's website. As Dr. Dreier noted, "It's exciting to see the way we can use the resources we have to improve our communication and use technology and always be thoughtful about how we are communicating and getting our word out."

At a future meeting there will be a report on the **STAR** test results. Dr. Dreier reported that she was very pleased with the test results this year. The progress being made reflects the focus our teachers and principals have in the area of instruction and they are doing very well.

In the spirit of communication, Dr. Dreier wanted to advise that letters are currently being prepared for mailing to all certificated retired and active employees regarding insurance plans. The District and OUEA have agreed to go from Anthem Blue Cross to **Health Net of California**, a relatively comparable plan. The decision to switch is a result of the insurance committee meetings. Not only will all the information be mailed to employees, the information is available on the website under Risk Management.

#### Board President's Report

**Mr. Ledesma** noted that as we begin the school year, it's nice to know that Sacramento has settled on a budget and we can begin to settle down on numbers at the District. Mr. Ledesma added that for the last eight months, it has been all about the budget, but now we can shift our focus to students and education.

#### Board Recognition

**Mrs. Moffat** shared that during her recent trip to Maryland, she was able to meet up with Paul Loeffler who is a Plebe at the Naval Academy. Paul was last year's SACBE representative from Canyon High School.

**Dr. Deligianni** commended the Superintendent for her "Welcoming" podcast.

**Mrs. Nichols** commended Leadership staff who met at the Administrative Conference last week. She thanked staff for their efforts and for taking their time to attend the conference.

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## ACTION ITEMS

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**12.A.** The Board **approved a two percent reduction** in salary compensation for **all leadership employees**, retroactive to July 1, 2009.

**12.B.** The Board of Education **approved** the First Amendment to **Dr. Dreier's** Employment Agreement providing:

1. Effective July 1, 2009, the annual salary of the Superintendent shall include a two percent reduction in compensation.
2. All other terms and conditions of Dr. Dreier's Employment Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

**12.C.** Board member Deligianni requested that the **Board of Education** consider reducing the Board stipend by the same percentage as the proposed salary cuts of the District's employees. **This motion failed.** (*It was noted that Board members **Moffat, Nichols and Smith** have previously reduced their stipend by 10%.*)

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## INFORMATION ITEMS

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**13.A Davis Demographics and Planning** (DDP) has been working with the District for the last 14 years, providing enrollment and demographic projections congruent with the District's own student database. On August 21, 2008 the Board approved a contract with DDP to update the Geographic Information Systems (GIS) data layers (streets, boundaries, student geocoding and residential development). Additional tasks included providing seven-year enrollment projections, both District-wide and by school. In March 2009, DDP submitted to the District the Fall 2009-2015 Student Projections Report. The report is based on the California Basic Educational Data System (CBEDS) reporting, which is a snapshot of the District's enrollment on the October 1, 2008. Davis Demographics presented an overview of the report.

**13.B. Mike Christensen** presented a report regarding **surplus properties** in the District. The Board discussed the sale and/or lease of the surplus sites. Through consensus of the Board, staff will provide additional information regarding future growth projections in the District.

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## CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

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The Board of Education took action to **approve all consent items** as presented in the August 20<sup>th</sup> agenda.

The complete agenda is available online at: [www.orangeusd.org/board/calendar.asp](http://www.orangeusd.org/board/calendar.asp)

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**NEXT REGULAR MEETING – Thursday, September 10, 2009, 7:00 P.M.**

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