

BOARD Notes

September 24, 2009

Board of Education Meeting

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION DECISIONS AS REQUIRED BY THE BROWN ACT

No action taken.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Dreier congratulated the following OUSD students who have been recognized as National Merit Semi-Finalists:

- Villa Park HS: Brian Clifford, Diane Marcus, Bryan Nguyen, Kevin Nguyen, and Chloe Sue
- Canyon HS: Annie Huynth, Sabran Masoud, Katherine Muller, and Lindsay Newton

Dr. Dreier remarked on tonight's presentation regarding the District's API and AYP scores. The report will include a number of schools that scored in the 800 and 900 ranges. Dr. Dreier also recognized those schools that are making remarkable growth in challenging situations and noted that improvement came from "all corners" of our District. It is evident that students and staff are working very hard and our community should be very proud of its schools. She expressed pride in our students, teachers and staff for their support.

On September 15th, Mr. Madrid, principal at Richland High School, reported that the North Orange Rotary provided and served lunch to the Richland students. The members of the Rotary club talked to the Richland students about their goals. It was a great event for Richland High School.

Dr. Dreier thanked the Orange Chamber of Commerce for sponsoring their annual golf tournament benefit. The beneficiaries of that event were the elementary hands-on science program and the Rotary teacher mini-grant program.

Dr. Dreier thanked the Orange Unified Education Foundation for providing hand sanitizers to each classroom in the entire District. The sanitizers will be delivered within the next two weeks.

Dr. Dreier acknowledged how grateful she was to have a teacher organization that is as much of a team as OUEA is. The Board will be asked to ratify an agreement that provides a pay cut for all certificated employees. The fact that our entire District is working together in such a collaborative way is greatly appreciated.

Board President's Report

No report.

Board Recognition

Mrs. Moffat noted that Mrs. Peg Benzie, Teacher on Special Assignment who handles the elementary hands-on science program, was an active supporter of the Orange Chamber's golf tournament. Mrs. Benzie arranged for a teacher from La Veta Elementary to be there with two students to demonstrate a science project. Mrs. Moffat acknowledged and thanked Mrs. Benzie for her dedication to the science program.

Mr. Ortega remarked that he has been absent for the past few meetings due to his being selected to attend the FBI National Academy in Quantico, VA. It was a huge honor to have been selected. Mr. Ortega elaborated on the course of study and leadership training he received.

Student Advisory Council to the Board of Education (SACBE)

Mrs. Sterling introduced Diana Gonzalez, Richland High School's 2009-10 SACBE representative. Following Diana's introduction, each SACBE representative gave a brief update of events occurring at their high school.

Outstanding Customer Service Award

The Board of Education recognized Patty Smith, Senior Information Systems Specialist, as the recipient of the Outstanding Customer Service Award for the month of September. On behalf of the Board of Education, Mr. Ledesma presented to Ms. Smith a Certificate of Recognition.

"Walk to School Week/Walk to School Day" – The Board adopted a proclamation declaring "Walk to School Week" is October 5-9, 2009 and "Walk to School Day" is October 7, 2009.

ACTION ITEMS

- **12.A.** The Board ratified the Tentative Agreement between the District and the Orange Unified Education Association. This Tentative Agreement concludes re-opener negotiations between the District and the OUEA for the 2009-10 school year and reduces the rates of compensation for all employees represented by the OUEA.
- **12.B&C**. The District's Board Policies are reviewed and updated periodically. As new state and federal laws and regulations are enacted, affected policies must be revised or updated. The Board approved the proposed Board Policy revisions for the 6000 series, *Instruction*, as listed in the agenda and Board Policies 1312.1, *Complaints Concerning District Employees*, and 1312.3, *Uniform Complaint Procedures*, for a second and final reading.

INFORMATION ITEMS

- **13.A.** An overview of the District's student achievement data from the State of California's spring assessments was presented.
- **13.B.** Dr. Deborah Johnson, from the Inter-Canyon League, requested to have an item placed on the agenda with regard to transferring the OUSD school territory of the Silverado Canyon community to the Saddleback Valley Unified School District. Dr. Johnson presented her request to the Board of Education.
- **13.C.** A public hearing was held with respect to the on-line e-charter school petition from Global Tides, Inc. Following review of the petition, the Board of Education shall either grant or deny the charter. There is a scheduled meeting of the Board of Education on October 29, 2009.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The Board of Education took action to **approve all consent items** as presented in the September 24^h agenda.

The complete agenda is available online at: www.orangeusd.org/board/calendar.asp



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