



BOARD *Notes*

November 12, 2009

Board of Education Meeting

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION DECISIONS AS REQUIRED BY THE BROWN ACT

The Board authorized the release of two temporary certificated employees.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Dreier remarked on commemorations that took place in Orange Unified with regard to Veteran's Day. On Tuesday, Orange High School's Marine Corps JROTC performed a flag raising ceremony to celebrate not only Veteran's Day, but also the Marine Corps' 234th birthday. The ceremony included the raising of the American flag while the OHS choir led in the singing of the National Anthem. It was a beautiful ceremony. Additionally, a number of District schools developed *Walls of Honor* where students and staff brought pictures of members of their families who have served or are currently serving in the Armed Forces. Several of the schools have sent their displays to the Nixon Library to be included in their public celebration of Veteran's Day.

Board President's Report

Mr. Ledesma stated that this meeting will be his last meeting to chair as Board President as the December meeting is the Annual Organizational meeting. He noted that serving as President has been a pleasure as well as been an interesting experience from this perspective. Mr. Ledesma had wished it to be differently than to be a Board President at a time when everything is all about the budget. He had hoped for his time as Board President to have been able to get involved in other areas of the District, but the majority of the time was devoted to the budget. Mr. Ledesma added that he will continue to proudly serve as a Board member. He expressed his appreciation to all those who assisted him during the year, especially the Superintendent with whom he had a good working relationship.

Board Recognition of Students, Staff & Community

Outstanding Customer Service Award

The Board of Education recognized **Anna Ryan**, Senior Food Service Assistant from Olive Elementary School, as the recipient of the Outstanding Customer Service Award for the month of October. On behalf of the Board of Education, Mr. Ledesma presented to Mrs. Ryan a Certificate of Recognition.

Board Recognition

Mrs. Moffat noted the passing Don Ebrite, who had been an active member and interested citizen of the Villa Park community.

Mrs. Moffat commented on the honoring of dedicated volunteers within the community by the Central Orange County Alumni Pan-Hellenic Committee.

Mrs. Nichols thanked fellow Board member, Mark Wayland, for providing the Board members with American Flags and recognized that Mr. Wayland is a veteran. She also noted that Mr. Wayland has indicated that he is providing new flags for classrooms in the District.

State of the School Report – Richland High School

Diana Gonzalez, SACBE Representative from Richland High School, presented her state of the school report highlighting academic, sports and social activities.

ACTION ITEMS

Resolution of the Board of Education of the Orange Unified School District Denying the Proposed Charter

A public hearing was held with respect to the charter school petition from the Barack H. Obama Leadership Academy Charter School. There were no speakers. At the December 10, 2009 meeting, the Board will take action to grant or deny the charter.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Budget Update

On October 29th, the Board received a report on the impact to the District of the State adopted revised 2009-10 budget. The revised budget caused the District to be short approximately \$32 million through 2011-12. Mr. Christensen provided a recommended budget detailing the necessary cuts and transfers to develop a balanced budget for the current and following two years as required by the Education Code and AB 1200. The Board will be asked to take action on the staff recommendations at the December 10, 2009, meeting. The power point presentation is posted on the District website under *Budget Update*.

Territory Transfer Request – Inter-Canyon League

On September 24th, the Board received a presentation from Deborah Johnson, Ph.D., president of the Inter-Canyon League, requesting Board of Education support in transferring the canyon community, including Silverado, Modjeska, Williams, Harding, Ladd, and Black Star canyons to Saddleback Valley Unified School District. Mr. Christensen presented a report on the impact to the District of the proposed territory transfer. No action is required by the Boards of either the Orange Unified School District or the Saddleback Valley Unified School District. The Inter-Canyon League may work through the County Committee on School District Organization and the Orange County Department of Education to pursue the proposed territory transfer.

Progress Update on the District’s Three-Year Strategic Plan, 2009-12

Dr. Dreier presented a progress update on the District’s three-year Strategic Plan. The update is posted on the District website under *District News – Strategic Plan*.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The Board of Education took action to **approve all consent items** as presented in the November 12th agenda. The complete agenda is available online at: www.orangeusd.org/board/calendar.asp

ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING – Thursday, December 10, 2009, 7:00 p.m.



Board of Education

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