

# **BOARD** Notes

# February 18, 2010

# **Board of Education Meeting**

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

The Board authorized the Superintendent or designee to provide notice of non-reelection to certificated temporary employees for the next succeeding year.

The Board authorized the Superintendent or designee to give notice of non-reelection to seven probationary certificated employees for the next succeeding school year.

The Board adopted the hearing officer's proposed decision dated February 1, 2010 to terminate a classified employee. The vote was 6-1 (No: Deligianni).

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

#### **Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Dreier recognized a number of our elementary schools that were ranked by the Orange County Register as either gold, silver or bronze: **Gold:** Panorama, Chapman Hills, Villa Park Elementary, Serrano; **Silver:** Crescent Elem., Nohl Canyon, Imperial; **Bronze:** Linda Vista, Crescent Intermed., Anaheim Hills, Running Springs. These are schools that have been noted as excellent, particularly in academic achievement in Orange County. Dr. Dreier expressed her pride in the teachers, students and leadership who have provided the education for those students.

Dr. Dreier recognized Canyon High School who received a six-year accreditation by WASC, a huge accomplishment. It's a matter of a year-long self-study and a visit from an outside of "eyes." A six-year accreditation is the best accreditation a high school can receive.

The District was notified by ACSA that Linda Stoterau has been selected a Region 17's Administrator of the Year in the area of instruction and curriculum and qualifies to go on to the state competition. Dr. Dreier extended her congratulations to Mrs. Stoterau.

Dr. Dreier commented on the budget presentation that will be made by Mr. Christensen. The process of going through what we should keep and no longer are able to keep is very painful. The process is always looking at what is mission critical for our students, what's important, but we could suspend for a while, and what we no longer need to keep. As we face next year's budget, there are no easy solutions; they are all very painful and difficult.

#### **Board President's Report**

On behalf of the Greater Orange Community Organization, Mr. Ortega presented the first annual *Greater Person of the Year Award* to Dr. Dreier. In reading the accompanying letter, he noted, "Dr. Dreier's outstanding working leading Orange Unified as the Superintendent during the difficult budget year of 2009 has most exemplified the award criteria of 'the person whose actions most influenced the Greater Orange Community'. To our communities benefit, those influential actions have been significantly positive during a year that has been challenging for the families, business and governments of the Greater Orange Communities."

#### **Board Recognition of Students, Staff & Community**

## Barona Band of Mission Indians Education Grant – Olive Elementary

Assemblyman Curt Hagman presented a "ceremonial" check for \$5,000 from the Barona Band of Mission Indians to Olive Elementary.

Mrs. Nichols recognized Mrs. June Hawkins, an active community member for many years and the first female member to serve on the Orange Unified Board of Education, who passed away at age 90 on February 4<sup>th</sup>.



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# **Outstanding Employee of the Month**

The Board of Education recognized Shelley Frauenberger, Instructional Coach at Handy and Prospect Elementary Schools, as the recipient of the Outstanding Customer Service Award for the month of February. On behalf of the Board of Education, Mr. Ortega presented a Certificate of Recognition to Mrs. Frauenberger.

## State of the School Report – School Updates

Mary Ellen Havana, SACBE Representative from El Modena High School, presented her state of the school report highlighting academic, sports and social activities.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

# Public Hearing and Adoption of Class Size Waiver Request

The Board authorized the Superintendent or designee to submit a first through eighth grades class size waiver request to the California Department of Education.

# California School Boards Association – 2010 Delegate Assembly Election

The Board nominated Kathy Moffat and eight other nominees from Region 15.

## INFORMATION ITEMS

## **Native American Program Presentation**

Kirk Ellis, President of the Orange Unified School District Title VII Native American Program Parent Advisory Committee made a brief presentation to the Board to explain the purpose of the committee, its activities, and how Orange Unified students benefit from this federal program.

## **Kaiser Permanente Insurance Rate Reduction**

Due to the influx of employees who changed from the Health Net PPO/HMO insurance plan to the Kaiser HMO plan, Kaiser will provide a rate reduction credit to the District. As per the bargaining agreements, the reduction will be passed on to the employees enrolled in the Kaiser plan. New rates will be reflected on employee payrolls beginning March 31<sup>st</sup> for certificated staff and April 10<sup>th</sup> for classified staff. At that time, employees will receive a cumulative six-month rate reimbursement and new, lower rates for the balance of the insurance contract period.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

The Board of Education took action to **approve all consent items** as presented in the February 18<sup>th</sup> agenda. The complete agenda is available online at: www.orangeusd.org/board/calendar.asp

NEXT REGULAR MEETING - Thursday, March 4, 2010, 7:00 p.m.

# **Board of Education**

John Ortega, President ● Melissa Smith, Vice President ● Mark Wayland, Clerk Alexia Deligianni, Member ● Rick Ledesma, Member ● Kathryn Moffat, Member ● Kimberlee Nichols, Member

**Superintendent of Schools Renae Dreier, Ed.D.**