

BOARD Notes

March 25, 2010

Board of Education Meeting

REPORT OF CLOSED SESSION

The Board took action to appoint Gunn Marie Hansen, Ph.D., to the position of Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services for the Orange Unified School District to be effective July 1, 2010.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Dreier thanked Christy Covington, kindergarten teacher at Serrano Elementary School, for providing her students' art work to display in Dr. Dreier's office.

Dr. Dreier commented on the *Principal for a Day* program that took place yesterday. The event partners a community member with a school principal to shadow them throughout the morning at their school site. The purpose of *Principal for a Day* is to foster relationships within the community and to share the outstanding work of OUSD teachers, students and staff. A brief reception was hosted at the District Office welcoming the Principals for a Day. Refreshments and decorations were sponsored by the Orange Education Foundation and the Original Pancake House.

Dr. Dreier noted that she delivered her State of the District third quarter podcast to all District employees regarding the impact the financial crisis has had on the District. This podcast is posted on the OUSD web site and is available free of charge on iTunes.

Dr. Dreier remarked on the various rotary clubs that have continued to be generous to our schools this year. Recently, Richland HS was awarded a \$2,100 grant from the North Orange Rotary for their library and Canyon Hills was the beneficiary of a \$1,600 donation from the Anaheim Hills Rotary Club for a new therapy room. Also, the Villa Park Rotary Club presented a number of OUSD teachers with mini-grants totally \$4,000.

Board President's Report

Mr. Ortega extended his appreciation to all OUSD employees who are doing a great job during these very challenging times.

Board Recognition of Students, Staff & Community

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Mrs. Smith thanked Larry Cohn, President of the Legislative Coalition, and Christina Bayles for their efforts to make the Sacramento trip such a success. Mrs. Smith also was a part of the trip and was appreciative of being able to attend and meet with the legislators. She added that the trip was productive and well worth the time that was necessary to present the platform.

Mrs. Moffat congratulated Serrano Elementary School for their Science Fair that took place on March 16. There were approximately 500 science projects, all very well done.

Mrs. Moffat congratulated the District's elementary science program for their Community Science Night that took place at Santiago Canyon College. Under the direction of Peg Benzie, many families attended and numerous hands-on activities. Many OUSD teachers volunteered to lead those activities that evening.



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Mrs. Moffat congratulated the Santiago Canyon College Woman's Soccer team who finished No. 1 in the nation for community colleges.

Mrs. Moffat noted that Mark Trumbo, a 2004 graduate of Villa Park High School, is on the regular roster of the Anaheim Angels.

Mr. Wayland noted that last Friday he was invited by Col. Ruthenberg from Orange High School to accompany the JROTC marines to Camp Pendleton for the annual "Battle of Colors." He remarked that there were a number of high schools present, but Orange High School stood out as the best and received many positive comments from others.

Dr. Deligianni remarked on her visit to Canyon High School last week. She thanked the Superintendent for assisting her as well as the principal and staff for the warm welcome she received.

Dr. Deligianni noted that Canyon High School alumni, Barry Nestande, passed away. She asked to adjourn the meeting in his memory.

Outstanding Employee of the Month

The Board of Education recognized Katie Baker, Purchasing Clerk in the Purchasing Department, as the recipient of the Outstanding Customer Service Award for the month of March. On behalf of the Board of Education, Mr. Ortega presented a Certificate of Recognition to Ms. Baker.

State of the School Report - Cerro Villa Middle School

Hayley Lu, student representative from Cerro Villa Middle School, presented information and updates regarding her school.

ACTION ITEMS

Public Hearing: Initial Reopener Proposal to the Orange Unified Education Association for 2010-11 Reopener Negotiations

A public hearing was held. Following the hearing, the Board took action to authorize the District's negotiators to submit the attached initial proposal to the OUEA for 2010-11 reopener negotiations.

$Public\ Hearing:\ Special\ Education\ Local\ Area\ Plan-2009-10\ Annual\ Service\ and\ Budget\ Plan-2009-10\ Annual\ Service\ Annual\ Annual\ Service\ Annual\ Service\ Annual\ Annual\ Annual\ Annual\ Service\ Annual\ An$

The Board adopted the 2009-10 Annual Service and Budget Plan.

Proposed Board Policy Revision BP 6112, School Day - First Reading

The Board received the proposed BP 6112 for a first reading. A presentation regarding extended day kindergarten will be presented at a future meeting.

INFORMATION ITEMS

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 presentation is also posted in the District's web site. Dr. Dreier noted that the expansion of the report includes a new organizational chart that creates another more effective use of our resources, which is the organization.



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CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The Board of Education took action to **approve all consent items** as presented in the March 25th agenda. The complete agenda is available online at: www.orangeusd.org/board/calendar.asp

OTHER BUSINESS

With regard to the Legislative Coalition trip, Mrs. Smith stated that most of the legislators that they met with in Sacramento were willing to verbally support continued flexibility. However, there is currently no legislation that backs that up. Currently, no one has written any legislation; there is no one supporting legislation; there are no bills currently before the senate, assembly, or education committees that would actually support the notion of continued flexibility in the categorical funding area and allowing school districts keep and/or increase their local control over their budget. Mrs. Smith wanted the public to understand that while you may hear from legislators that they support the idea, there is nothing backing it up.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – Thursday, April 22, 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.