

IRVINE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Irvine, California

Special Meeting
February 15, 1995

CALL TO ORDER

The Special Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Burnham at 6:35 p.m., in the District Administration Center, 5050 Barranca Parkway, Irvine, CA.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Margie Wakeham and was followed by a moment of silence.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Hank Adler, Mary Ellen Hadley, Mike Regele, Margie Wakeham, Tom Burnham

Members Absent:

None

Staff:

Dean Waldfogel, Interim Superintendent and
Deputy Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction
Sue Long, Deputy Superintendent, Personnel Services
Paul Reed, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services
Donna Wilkerson, Superintendent's Executive Assistant

Other Staff:

Nancy Atlee, Don Babitz, Judy Baldwin, Bruce Baron, Robin Beacham, Gene Bedley, Lynn Bogart, Natalye Black, Lee Brooks, Mary Cliff, Dianne Daugherty, Sharon DeNisi, Rosa Drew, Cee Edmunson, Steve Garretson, Dennis Gibbs, Pat Gibson, Dan Grider, Bev Huff, Ar Karnick, Theresa Lewis, Rosalie Mayberry, Woodie Mayberry, Jerry Rayl, Gail Rothman, Dan Schmenk, Dorothy Terman, Bruce Terry

ORAL COMMUNICATION

The following community and staff members spoke in support of library media specialists:

Kathy Corbett, 15136 Touraine
Lisa Friedberg, 16 Woodfall
Bruce Terry, Vista Verde Principal
Gail Rothman, Woodbridge High School, shared her concerns about reductions and the impact to negotiations.
Sam Odell, 20 Palmatum, spoke on behalf of GATE/APAAS staff.

ADOPT AGENDA

On the motion of Member Wakeham, seconded by Member Regele and carried, the Board adopted the agenda as presented.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Member Wakeham displayed the CROP Catalog of Spring class offerings. CROP is now providing opportunities for career pathways and a market analysis of careers.

Member Regele discussed his company business trip to Washington D.C., during which he took the opportunity to speak with Peter Uhlmann, Education Assistant to Christopher Cox, on the possible loss of Impact Aid to schools. Regele was provided assurance that Cox will continue his support of Impact Aid, a topic that will once again be in legislative hearing by the end of this month.

Regele also shared his personal regret in not having expressed his appreciation of and belief in the value of library media programs for students.

Member Hadley provided a reminder of the Legislative Action Steering Committee Meeting to be held on Friday, February 24, 4:15 p.m. Hadley stressed the importance of continuing to send a strong message to keep school districts financially solvent with the return of 100 cents on

the dollar.

Hadley also provided information on the Special State Legislative Session that will be held to discuss the State's position relative to the Orange County bankruptcy crisis.

In closing, Hadley mentioned her attendance at the DARE graduation ceremony held at Bonita Canyon, which she felt was a very positive and worthwhile experience.

President Burnham expressed his feeling and that of fellow board members that the proposed reductions for planning purposes are all unpalatable, and reminded community and staff members that no final decisions have been reached.

Burnham also thanked the many parents and staff who have taken the time to write, provide input, and express concerns.

INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dean Waldfoegel thanked all community members who participated in the Open Forums, saying the feedback from group brainstorming and from the completed surveys will prove very useful.

Waldfoegel also congratulated Maureen Allen, IUSD Elementary Science Specialist, who was honored by the Toshiba America Companies of Southern California for her innovative teaching methods.

OLD BUSINESS

Financial Crisis Update

Paul Reed provided a brief overview of the County's financial crisis, explaining the continued discussions relative to the County's plan and school district's needing full fund recovery. In the meantime, staff will continue to make plans for both best case and worst case scenarios in responding to the financial uncertainties.

Member Hadley added the information that funds returned would take approximately 40 days before the transfer would be complete, and indicated cash flow implications of the County timeline.

Member Adler asked that information on IUSD's cash flow be presented at the February 21 Regular Meeting.

Midyear Budget Review

A written report was provided with the agenda and is on file in the District Office.

Paul Reed provided a midyear budget review and forecast for the 1995-96 budget. This item was presented for the Board's information; no action was taken.

Joint Use of Facilities Agreement Between the Irvine Unified School District and the City of Irvine

A written report was provided with the agenda and is on file in the District Office.

On the motion of Member Hadley, seconded by Member Wakeham and carried, the Board authorized the Deputy Superintendent, Business Services to enter into the Joint Use of Facilities Agreement, as outlined in the Board report, between the Irvine Unified School District and the City of Irvine. In addition, Members Adler and Wakeham were thanked for their work on the Joint Use Task Force.

Possible Future Joint Ventures Between the City of Irvine (COI) and Irvine Unified School District (IUSD)

A written report was provided with the agenda and is on file in the District Office.

On the motion of Member Wakeham, seconded by Member Hadley and carried, the Board authorized the Deputy Superintendent, Business Services to enter into negotiations with the City of Irvine, with specific direction, contracts, and other necessary approvals to be brought back for Board action at a later date in the areas of 1) landscaping and grounds; 2) tree maintenance; 3) slurry seal and striping; 4) capital expenditures, vehicles; 5) graffiti removal; and 6) pest/rodent control.

The Board further requested continued exploration and discussions at the policy making level on JPA's for youth athletic activities, parks and recreation. The Board expressed interest in pooling resources and sharing expertise in all possible arenas to benefit both agencies and the members of the community.

ORAL COMMUNICATION

Patricia Cahill, M.D., 16 Perkins Court, encouraged the Board to seek professional assistance in examining financial assistance possibilities.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 8:15 p.m., to discuss a Potential Litigation, a Personnel Item (Administrative Reassignments), and Negotiations. No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Tom Burnham Dean Waldfogel

President Interim Superintendent