

Irvine Unified School District

Irvine, California

Board of Education Minutes of Regular Meeting February 17, 2004

Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President McInerney at 6:15 p.m., in the District Administration Center, 5050 Barranca Parkway, Irvine, CA.

Roll Call

Members Present:

Steven Choi, Debbie Coven, Sue Kuwabara, Sharon Wallin, Carolyn McInerney

Members Absent:

None

Closed Session

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 6:17 p.m.

Student Discipline Issues

The Board discussed two student discipline issues.

Astounding Inventions of the Future

The Board adjourned to the "Astounding Inventions of the Future" display at 6:30 p.m.

Reconvene Regular Meeting

President McInerney reconvened the meeting at 7:07 p.m. and reported on the discussion in Closed Session.

Student Discipline Issues

On the motion of Member Wallin, seconded by Member Choi and carried 5-0, the Board expelled Student No. 005877 for violation of Ed. Code Sections 48915(a)(3), 48900(c), and 48900(j) through the first semester of the 2004-05 school year, with suspension of the expulsion at the end of this school year, allowing the student to return to the District with probationary status.

On the motion of Member Kuwabara, seconded by Member Wallin and carried 5-0, the Board expelled Student No. 005591 for violation of Ed. Code Sections 48900(a)(1) and 48900(a)(2) through the first semester of the 2004-05 school year.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Roll Call

Members Present:

Steven Choi, Debbie Coven, Sue Kuwabara, Sharon Wallin, Carolyn McInerney

Members Absent:

None

Student Members Present:

Chris Arkin, Marissa Gilman, Kendra Kadam, Matthew Miede

Student Members Absent:

None

Staff:

Dean Waldfogel, Superintendent
Vern Medeiros, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services
Lee Brooks, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

Other Staff:

Fran Antenore, Jim Antenore, Anne Caenn, Mary Cliff, Connie Courtney, Jeanie Fritzsche, Beverley Khalil-White, Dennis Gibbs, Fieona Heringer, Erica Hoegh, Barbara Kelley, Lloyd Linton, Alice Mariahazy, Nancy Melgares, Kris Moore, Gail Richards, Mark Sontag, Nancy Tona, Terry Walker, Adelle Yeaton

Video Production Services:

Mike McIntyre, Teleios Services

Approval of Minutes

On the motion of Member Choi, seconded by Member Coven and carried 5-0, the Board approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 3, 2004, as presented.

Adoption of the Agenda

On the motion of Member Wallin, seconded by Member Coven and carried 5-0, the Board adopted the agenda, as presented.

Special Presentations/Recognitions

Astounding Inventions of the Future

Curriculum Coordinator Mark Sontag introduced the 41 "Astounding Inventions of the Future" blue ribbon award winners, following a viewing of the projects prior to the meeting. He expressed appreciation to the judges of the event, which included Members Choi and McInerney.

Wells Fargo Fund Raising Campaign

IPSF CEO Tim Shaw introduced Wells Fargo representatives Scott Lanning and Rob Myers who reported on the Wells Fargo "Team Up with Our School Campaign," and presented a check in the amount of \$7,040. Member Choi, who was instrumental in the campaign idea, expressed appreciation to Wells Fargo for their partnership with local schools.

Via Vaqueros and Effective Behavior Support at Irvine High School

Asst. Principal Fran Antenore and Psychologist Barbara Kelly provided an overview of the "Effective Behavior Support" program being implemented at IHS, focusing on individualized strategies for achieving important social and learning outcomes while preventing problem behaviors. Eric Patterson, Centenary Committee Chair of the Newport-Irvine Rotary, which is funding the program, presented \$250 checks to Jim Antenore, Linda Davis, Flip Larnard, and Gordon Yeaton for their personal contributions. All four recipients donated their awards back to the program.

Oral Communication

ITA President Anne Caenn and Eastshore Principal Erica Hoegh announced March 2 as "Read Across America" Day for 2004 and invited the Board and community to participate.

Michael Parham, 554 Cardiff 92606, announced a Town Hall Meeting on February 23, 2004, 7:00 p.m., at the Lakeview Senior Center, with a guest panel including Assemblyman John Campbell and former Secretary of Education Marion Bergeson to discuss the impact of the State budget on Irvine schools.

David Zhang, 28 Laconia 92614, addressed the Board regarding high school boundary changes.

John Burger, 2 Treeridge Lane 92620, requested the community's support for SB311 - Class Size Reduction Flexibility.

Student Board Member Reports

Student Members Gilman, Arkin, Miede, and Kadam reported on school activities.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Waldfogel provided a status report on SB311, advising endorsement by CSBA and PTA, as well as passage by both Houses. He further stated that if the bill passes, he would recommend maintaining Class Size Reduction at Grade 3.

Announcements and Acknowledgments

Members Kuwabara, Choi, Coven, Wallin, and McInerney reported on school visits, conference attendance, and meeting participation.

Consent Calendar

On the motion of Member Wallin, seconded by Member Kuwabara and carried 5-0 (Student Members Arkin, Gilman, Kadam, and Miede voting "Yes"), the Board took the following action on the Consent Calendar:

1. **Payment for Nonpublic School/Agency Services for Special Education Students**

Approved the individual pupil service contract(s) for disabled student(s) negotiated between the Irvine Unified School District and State Certified Nonpublic Schools/Agencies.

2. **Contract for Special Education Related Services**

Authorized payment for special education related services in an amount not to exceed \$9,427.00.

3. **Submission and Signature Authorization for the Transition Partnership Project Contract with the California Department of Rehabilitation for Irvine Unified School District Services FY 04-05**

Approved submission and signature authorization for the Transition Partnership Project Contract with the California Department of Rehabilitation for fiscal year 2004-2005 for the purpose of employment preparation, career development, and transition planning for youth with disabilities.

4. **Grant Proposal: Irvine Prevention Coalition Drug-Free Communities Support Program**

Approved the submission of the 2004 Guidance Resources grant proposal to the Offices of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) and Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) for the purpose of reducing substance abuse among K-12 students at all district schools.

5. **Purchase Order Detail Report**

(A copy is attached to and made a part of these minutes.)

Approved the Purchase Order Detail Report dated February 5, 2004.

6. **Check Register Report**

Ratified issuance of check numbers as listed, representing Board authorized purchase orders, invoices and contracts:

District 75, Irvine Unified School District - Numbers 00066058 through 00066604

District 50, Community Facilities District No. 01-1 - Number 00001042

District 44, Community Facilities District No. 86-1 - Numbers 00002328 through 00002341

Revolving Cash - Numbers 24520 through 24585

7. **Contract Services Action Report**

(A copy is attached to and made a part of these minutes.)

Approved and/or ratified the Contract Services Action Report 2003-04/11, as submitted.

8. **Additional Environmental Services Due to Harvard/Barranca Program Change**

Authorized the Deputy Superintendent of Business Services to contract with The Planning Center for additional environmental hazards services to accommodate the program change of the Harvard/Barranca school site.

9. **Piggy Back Authorization - Computers and Related Products**

Authorized the purchase of Computer Systems, Peripherals, Accessories, Software and Integration Options from the Kern High School Bid No. 1016 as the need is identified for fiscal year 2003-2004.

10. **Classified Personnel Action Report**

(A copy is attached to and made a part of these minutes.)

Approved and/or ratified the Classified Personnel Action Report 2003-04/11 as submitted for Employment.

11. **Certificated Personnel Action Report**

(A copy is attached to and made a part of these minutes.)

Approved and/or ratified the Certificated Personnel Action Report 2003-04/11 as submitted for Employment, Retirements and Separation.

12. **Gifts**

(A copy is attached to and made a part of these minutes.)

Accepted gifts to the District as submitted.

13. Conference Attendance

Approved out-of-state conference attendance for the following staff:

- 1) Nancy Colocino, Susan Holt, Mark McKenzie and Pat McKenzie to Kansas City, Kansas, April 26-30, 2004 for \$5,110.00;
- 2) JoAnne Hale to Reno, Nevada, May 2-6, 2004 for no cost to IUSD.

14. Field Trips and Excursions

Approved the following field trips funded by donations:

- 1) WHS Dance Team to Westlake Village, California, February 20-21, 2004 for \$900.00;
- 2) NHS MUN students to Berkeley, California, March 12-14, 2004 for \$7,000.00;
- 3) NHS speech and debate/forensics club students to Mountain View, California, April 22-26, 2004 for \$2,600.00.

Consent Calendar Resolutions

On the motion of Member Kuwabara, seconded by Member Coven and carried 5-0 (Student Members Arkin, Gilman, Kadam, and Miede voting "Yes"), the Board took the following action on the Consent Calendar Resolutions:

RESOLUTION NO. 03-04-26: California Department of Education, Office of Child Development, Instructional Materials Grant, Early Start, Early Childhood Learning Center, FY 2003-2004

Adopted Resolution No. 03-04-26 for signature approval for IUSD contract with the California Department of Education, Office of Child Development, Instructional Materials Grant, Early Start, Early Childhood Learning Center, FY 2003-2004.

RESOLUTION NO. 03-04-28: Read Across America Celebration

Agreed to co-sponsor with the Irvine Teachers Association a celebration of reading on March 2 and adopted Resolution No. 03-04-28, proclaiming March 2, 2004 as "Read Across America Day" in the Irvine Unified School District.

AYES: Members Choi, Coven, Kuwabara, Wallin, McInerney

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

CFD Consent Calendar

On the motion of Member Choi, seconded by Member Coven and carried 5-0, the Board, acting as the governing body of Community Facilities District No. 01-1, took the following action on the CFD Consent Calendar:

1. **Retention of Consultant – Civil Engineering Services – University High Pedestrian and Vehicle Circulation Improvement Project**
Authorized the Deputy Superintendent of Business Services, to contract with RBF Consulting to prepare a topographic survey, preliminary design, construction documents and for construction administration services, for a fee of \$49,000.
2. **Additional Environmental Services for the Removal Action Work Plan for the Proposed Turtle Ridge Elementary School Site**
Authorized the Deputy Superintendent of Business Services to contract with Haley & Aldrich, Inc. to perform additional environmental services for the Turtle Ridge elementary school site for an amount of \$15,000.

Items of Business

(Written reports were included with the agenda and are on file in the District Office.)

First Reading: School Grade Level Configuration – K-5 / 6-8

Superintendent Dean Waldfogel introduced Curriculum Coordinator Mark Sontag, who provided an overview of the educational and developmental issues considered in support of the recommendation, then responded to Board questions.

Speaking to the topic:

Michael Haggin, 17 Ashbrook Place, 92604

The Board discussed educational and developmental advantages and trade-offs, as well as new construction opportunities and possible facility limitations at existing sites. The Board also expressed interest in additional information relative to K-8 grade level configuration and current departmentalization being done at grade 6.

On the motion of Member Kuwabara, seconded by Member Choi and carried 5-0 (Student Members Arkin, Gilman, Kadam, and Miede voting "Yes"), the Board approved for first reading as a long-range facilities planning goal the construction and operation of middle schools that serve grades 6-8 and elementary schools that serve grades K-5. Specifically:

- 1) design and construct new schools to serve grades K-5 or 6-8, or K-8
- 2) consider existing schools for transition to these grade level configurations as opportunities present themselves.

RESOLUTION NO. 03-04-27: In Support of Propositions 57 and 58

On the motion of Member Kuwabara, seconded by Member Wallin and carried 5-0 (Students Members Arkin, Gilman, Kadam and Miede voting "Yes"), the Board adopted Resolution No. 03-04-27 in support of Propositions 57 and 58.

AYES: Members Choi, Coven, Kuwabara, Wallin and McInerney

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

2004 California School Boards Association Delegate Assembly Election

On the motion of Member Kuwabara, seconded by Member Choi and carried 5-0, the Board cast votes for eight (8) CSBA Delegate Assembly candidates:

Shirley Carey, Huntington Beach City SD

Martha G. Fluor, Newport-Mesa USD

Judith A. Franco, Newport-Mesa USD

Mary C. Fuhrman, Buena Park SD

Donna McDougall, Cypress SD

Gayle K. Rogers, Lowell Joint SD

Esther H. Wallace, Magnolia SD

Sharon Wallin, Irvine USD

Oral Communication

None

Adjournment

On the motion of Member Kuwabara, seconded by Member Coven and carried 5-0, there being no further Board of Education business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Carolyn McInerney
President

Dean Waldfogel
Superintendent