

Irvine Unified School District

Irvine, California

Board of Education Minutes of Regular Meeting March 2, 2004

Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President McInerney at 6:05 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 6:07 p.m.

Student Discipline Issues

The Board discussed three student discipline issues.

Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation

The Board met with legal counsel regarding an anticipated litigation issue and gave direction to staff.

Reconvene Regular Meeting

President McInerney reconvened the meeting at 7:06 p.m. and reported on the discussion in Closed Session.

Student Discipline Issue

On the motion of Member Wallin, seconded by Member Kuwabara and carried 5-0, the Board expelled Student No. 968554 for violation of Ed. Code Sections 48900(b) and 48915(a)(2), through the first semester of the 2004-05 school year.

On the motion of Member Kuwabara, seconded by Member Wallin and carried 5-0, the Board expelled Student No. 003113 for violation of Ed. Code Section 48900(c), through the first semester of the 2004-05 school year, with suspension of the expulsion at the start of the 9th grade year.

On the motion of Member Choi, seconded by Member Wallin and carried 5-0, the Board expelled Student No. 003706 for violation of Ed. Code Sections 48900(b) and 48900(m), through the first semester of the 2004-05

school year, with suspension of the expulsion at the start of the 8th grade year.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Member Choi 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, Katie Webber

Student Members Absent:

Matthew Miede

Staff:

Dean Waldfogel, Superintendent
Sue Long, Deputy Superintendent, Human Resources
Vern Medeiros, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services
Leah Laule, Asst. Superintendent, Education Services
Lee Brooks, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

Other Staff:

Jim Antenore, Anne Caenn, Mary Cliff, Janelle Cranch, Colleen Cross, Gary Downes, Tony Ferruzzo, Jeanie Fritzsche, Dennis Gibbs, Pat Gibson, Erica Hoegh, Lynn Kaminsky, Beverley Khalil-White, Lloyd Linton, Susan Mehrrens, Nancy Melgares, Paul Mills, Julie Mitchell, Jean Mylen, Mark Reider, Craig Ritter, Diana Schmelzer, Lauren Sipelis, Mark Sontag, Terry Walker

Video Production Services :

Mike McIntyre, Teleios Services

Approval of Minutes

On the motion of Member Choi, seconded by Member Wallin and carried 5-0, the Board approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 17, 2004, as presented.

Adoption of the Agenda

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

Special Recognition

PACE Messaging System Donors

Elementary Education Director Dennis Gibbs introduced Evan Arguelles, Vice President of Partnership for Academic and Community Excellence (PACE), who presented Certificates of Appreciation to the business donors for their financial support of the PACE messaging system.

Oral Communication

John Burger, 2 Treeridge Lane 92620, addressed the Board regarding last year's Grade 3 Class Size Reduction campaign and reported strong parental interest in a similar campaign for 2004-05.

Janelle Cranch, CSEA President, provided clarification regarding SB 1419 and stated CSEA's support for the bill to remain in place.

Student Board Member Reports

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

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Waldfogel reported on current district activities, awards and recognitions, including the selection of Vista Verde students Jospeh Chen and Haly Rogers to be featured on the Tonight Show on March 4 for their "Astounding Inventions of the Future."

Announcements and Acknowledgments

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

Consent Calendar

On the motion of Member Wallin, seconded by Member Coven and carried 5-0 (Student Members Arkin, Gilman, Kadam, and Webber 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 \$2,519.30.
- 3. Submission of the 2003-2004 Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Plan**
Approved the submission of the 2003-2004 Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Plan to the California Department of Education, under the provisions of the Carl D. Perkins Act (P.L. 105-332) of 1998 for Irvine, Northwood, Creekside, University, and Woodbridge high schools.
- 4. Purchase Order Detail Report**
(A copy is attached to and made a part of these minutes.)
Approved the Purchase Order Detail Report dated February 19, 2004.

5. **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 00066605 through 00067245

District 50, Community Facilities District No. 01-1 - Numbers 00001043 through 00001046

District 44, Community Facilities District No. 86-1 - Numbers 00002342 through 00002362

District 43, Community Facilities District No. 85-1 - Numbers 00001010 through 00001012

District 41, Irvine Child Care Project - Numbers 00001748 through 00001756

Revolving Cash - Numbers 24586 through 24660

6. **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 2003-04/12, as submitted.

7. **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 2003-04/12, as submitted for Employment and Retirement.

8. **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 2003-04/12, as submitted for Employment, Resignations, and Retirements.

9. **Field Trips and Excursions**

Approved the following field trips funded by donations:

1) Turtle Rock 6th graders to Los Angeles, California on April 20, 2004 for \$1,200.00;

2) College Park 1st graders to Dana Point, California on April 22, 2004 for \$1,200.00;

3) College Park 1st graders to Dana Point, California on June 3, 2004 for \$1,200.00;

4) NHS varsity ladies golf team to Palm Springs, California, August 24-26, 2004 for \$3,000.00.

Consent Calendar Resolutions

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

RESOLUTION NO. 03-04-29: Fund Closure

Adopted Resolution No. 03-04-29 closing the Special Reserve Other Fund.

RESOLUTION NO. 03-04-30: Orange County Head Start Inc., Head Start Services Application, FY 2004-2005

Adopted Resolution No. 03-04-30 for signature authorization and approval of the IUSD application with Orange County Head Start, Inc. for Head Start services at the Early Childhood Learning Center, FY 2004-2005.

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

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

CFD Consent Calendar

On the motion of Member Kuwabara, seconded by Member Coven and carried 5-0, the Board, acting as the governing body of Community Facilities Districts No. 86-1 and No. 01-1, took the following action on the CFD Consent Calendar:

1. **Consultant Services for Removal Action Work Plan/Public Participation Program for Turtle Ridge K-8**
Authorized the Deputy Superintendent of Business Services to contract with Haley & Aldrich, Inc. to provide Work Plan/Public Participation Program consulting services for the Turtle Ridge K-8 site, in accordance with the Department of Toxic Substances Control.
2. **Change Order No. 2 University High School Modernization Project – Phase 3**
Approved Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$149,000.00 to Sea Pac Engineering, Inc. for the modernization project at University High School. The revised contract amount to be \$3,691,832.47. No change to the completion date.
3. **Change Order No. 3 – University High School Modernization Project – Phase 3**
Approved Change Order No. 3 in the amount of (\$50,000.00) to Sea Pac Engineering, Inc. for the modernization project at University High School. The revised contract amount to be \$3,641,832.47. No change to the completion date.
4. **Notice of Completion – University High School Modernization Project – Phase 3**
Accepted the modernization project at University High School project as complete, subject to completion of punch list, and authorized staff to file a Notice of Completion with the County of Orange Recorder's Office.

Items of Business

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

Second Reading and Adoption: School Grade Level Configuration – K-5 / 6-8

Assistant Superintendent Leah Laule introduced staff panelists Jean Mylen, Jeanie Fritzsche, Lauren Sipelis, and Lynn Kaminsky who reported on the developmental, social and educational impacts and benefits relative to placing 6th graders in a middle school environment. Following Board discussion, the panel responded to questions.

On the motion of Member Choi, seconded by Member Wallin and carried 5-0, the Board approved for second reading and adoption 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.

Public Hearing: Algebra I Waiver Request

President McInerney opened the public hearing and Assistant Superintendent Leah Laule explained the need for the waiver, based on the short implementation timeline, making it difficult for schools to provide sufficient programs for all students to meet the Algebra I requirement by 2004.

On the motion of Member Kuwabara, seconded by Member Coven and carried 5-0, the Board, after holding a public hearing and considering all comments, approved the Algebra I Requirement for High School Diploma

waiver request.

Secondary Course of Study, Grades 7-12, 2004-2005

Assistant Superintendent Leah Laule reviewed changes to the Secondary Course of Study, Grades 7-12, for 2004-05. The Board discussed various issues including the alignment of curriculum to testing, impacts of U.C. and Cal State entrance requirements, decreasing opportunities for exploratory classes, and opportunities for alternative education students to take college prep courses.

On the motion of Member Kuwabara, seconded by Member Choi and carried 5-0, the Board approved the Secondary Course of Study - Grades 7-12 for the 2004-2005 school year.

Oral Communication

None

Adjournment

There being no further Board of Education business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Carolyn McInerney
President

Dean Waldfogel
Superintendent