

**Irvine Unified School District
Irvine, California**

**Minutes of Regular Meeting
March 5, 1996**

Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Hadley at 7:10 p.m., in the District Administration Center, 5050 Barranca Parkway, Irvine, CA.

Roll Call

Members Present:

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

Members Absent:

None

Closed Session

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 7:10 p.m., to discuss a Personnel Item and an Item of Potential Litigation. The following action was taken:

Personnel Item

On the motion of Member Wakeham, seconded by Member Burnham and carried, the Board authorized the Superintendent to send notices to those administrators who may be reassigned for 96-97.

Reconvene Regular Meeting

President Hadley reconvened the meeting at 7:40 p.m., and reported on the Closed Session discussion regarding Potential Litigation, and the action taken relative to the Personnel Item.

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

Members Absent:

None

Student Members Present:

Jolie LeBlanc, Carolyn Pao, Manuel Schwab

Student Members Absent:

None

Staff:

Dennis M. Smith, Superintendent
Paul Reed, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services
Sue Long, Deputy Superintendent, Human Resources
Dean Waldfogel, Deputy Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction
Donna Wilkerson, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

Other Staff:

Fran Antenore, Don Babitz, Don Chadd, Mary Cliff, Rick Curtis, Cee Edmundson, Steve Garretson, Dennis Gibbs, Don Grudem, Al Kaufman,

Steve Keith, Karen Klinek, Corinne Loskot, Tim Marsh, Paul Mills, Gail Richards, Sally Snyder, Mike Tague, Adelle Yeaton

Video Technicians:
Jon Finen, Ken Bishop

Approval of Minutes

On the motion of Member Burnham, seconded by Member Regele and carried, the Board approved the Minutes of the February 20 Regular Meeting, as presented.

Oral Communication

The following Irvine High School community members requested the Board's consideration of their proposal to use the funds from the sale of the Yale Site to build a second gymnasium at Irvine High School:

Mike Hanson, 9 Golden Star
Tony Hanlin, 13 Snapdragon
Rick Curtis, IHS Athletic Director
John Mavros, 14911 Yucca Street

Paul Harvey, 16 Red Rock, expressed appreciation for the hard work of Joslyne Blasdel and parent volunteers for the successful Woodbridge High School dance tournament. Harvey also informed the Board that students with disabilities were able to perform, the seniors danced with them, and the entire group has now been invited to perform during the California Miss Dance Drill Pageant.

Special Presentation Invest Project Report

Don Babitz from Maintenance and Operations and Christine Martini, from ENVEST (a division of Southern California Edison -- SCE) presented a summary on the ENVEST Program, the work that has been done in upgrading IUSD facilities to make them energy efficient, and the resulting energy and cost savings. Martini also presented the Board with the "Energy Solutions for Schools 1995 Leadership Award" for having the foresight to pilot this very successful project and being a model for others to follow.

Adoption of the Agenda

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

Announcements and Acknowledgments

Member Burnham mentioned his participation in Assemblywoman Brewer's meeting on school facilities, hosted by Allergan. Burnham discussed the work groups being formed to develop legislation to change how financing is handled for school facilities, and the long range strategic changes that need to occur. Burnham also thanked Assemblywoman Brewer for her leadership in taking a forward look at long term financing vehicles for the State's schools.

Member Wakeham affirmed that the discussion on capital facility needs, including the concern regarding a second gym at Irvine High, would be on the March 19 Board agenda.

Member Adler passed on the Challenge Schools book, being reviewed by Board members, saying, "There were some good ideas, some bad ideas, but no new ideas."

President Hadley discussed her attendance at the recent CAC meeting for Special Education, and commended Al Kaufman for doing a terrific job.

Hadley also announced the following upcoming events:

March 12, Legislative Action Steering Committee Meeting
March 14, IUSD Science Fair
March 20, OCSBA Dinner and presentation -- Educational Technology
May 9, Excellence in Teaching Banquet, sponsored by the Exchange Club

In closing, Hadley commended Paul Harvey for his hard work with the Woodbridge High School Dance Competition, saying it was an excellent event.

Superintendent's Report

Dennis Smith reported on his attendance, along with Chief Brobeck, at the Orange County Police Chiefs/Superintendents Meeting. The purpose of the group is to share information and ideas on maintaining safe communities. Smith expressed pride in the fact that many of the items discussed, relative to student safety, were already in place in Irvine as a result of the positive collaboration between the City and the school district.

Irvine will hold its first District Vocal Music Festival on Friday, March 22, from approximately 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Irvine High School. Smith encouraged attendance at this event which will showcase select groups from Irvine's elementary through high school vocal music programs.

Smith also announced that Taryn Sanchez, Brywood Fifth Grader, was on the David Letterman Show with her "Musical Tapshoes" invention. In addition, Linus Siska, Fifth Grader in Irvine Home School has been named the Grand Prize Winner in the Intel Corporation's "Invention of the Future Contest" for his invention of the "Turtle Bridge Painter." Smith commended Dorothy Terman for her coordination of the annual Astounding Inventions competition, and said that IUSD's coordinators make a tremendous difference to IUSD's instructional program and student experiences.

In closing, Smith announced that six fifth graders from Greentree Elementary School, will be interviewed on the Leeza Gibbons Show, sometime in April, to read their articles included in the book Random Acts of Kindness, and share how these acts of kindness have changed their lives.

Student Board Members' Report

Student Members Jolie LeBlanc, Carolyn Pao, and Manuel Schwab reported on school activities.

Consent Calendar

On the motion of Member Burnham, seconded by Member Regele and carried (Student Members LeBlanc, Pao, and Schwab voting "Yes"), the Board took the following action on the Consent Calendar:

1. Acceptance of Gifts

Accepted the following gifts to the district (value assessed by donor):

FOR DISTRICT'S HEALTH SERVICES

Donation: three copies of *Physician Desk Reference* (1995 Ed.)

Value: \$225.00

Donor: Dr. Thomas Sweet

25 Diamante, Irvine, CA 92720

FOR DISTRICT'S SCIENCE EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Donation: \$1,000.00

Donor: Huck International, Inc.

ATTN: Roy L. Taylor, Vice Pres., Controller

6 Thomas, Irvine, CA 92718

FOR MONTESSORI INTERNATIONAL ECE PROGRAM

Donation: \$120.00

Donor: Anonymous

Donation: computer equipment

Value: \$1,350.00

Donor: Mazda Motor of America, Inc.

ATTN: Yvonne Burkhouse

7755 Irvine Center Drive, Irvine, CA 92718

FOR USE AT SCHOOL SITES

Donation: 12 service carts

Value: \$3,200.00

Donor: St. John Company, ATTN: Robert Simpson
2272 Michelson, Irvine, CA 92715

FOR USE AT COLLEGE PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Donation: an Imagewriter printer

Value: \$100.00

Donor: Mr. Carl Carlson

14891 Mayten, Irvine, CA 92714

FOR USE AT EASTSHORE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Donation: books for classroom (*Pigs in Hiding, The Story About Ping, Alexander Who Used to Be Rich Last Sunday, As the Crow Flies, The Go-Around Dollar, Tuesday, Anno's Counting Book, Anno's Math Games II, Incredible Cross-Sections*)

Value: \$200.00

Donor: Mrs. Rena Stone

3 Suncreek, Irvine, CA 92714

FOR USE AT LOS NARANJOS PRESCHOOL

Donation: IBM compatible computer and monitor and Canon electric typewriter

Value: \$1,000.00

Donors: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ferrante

1 Lindberg, Irvine, CA 92720

FOR USE AT RANCHO SAN JOAQUIN MIDDLE SCHOOL

Donation: \$8.50 for field trip expense

Donors: Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs

4882 Rain Tree, Irvine, CA 92715

FOR USE AT SANTIAGO HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Donation: two IBM proprinters

Value: \$150.00

Donor: Mazda Motor of America, Inc.

ATTN: Yvonne Burkhouse

7755 Irvine Center Drive, Irvine, CA 92718

Donation: *Physician Desk Reference* (1995 Ed.) for health office

Value: \$75.00

Donor: Dr. Rick Morimoto

14932 Merced, Irvine, CA 92714

Donation: Panasonic 24-pin dot matrix printer for Montessori Program

Value: \$150.00

Donor: Shirley Zanton

18 Abeto, Irvine, CA 92720

FOR USE AT SOUTH LAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Donation: a variety of equipment for applied technology lab

Value: \$6,732.97

Donor: GYYR, An Odetics Division

ATTN: Steve Kuntz, Technical Sales Mgr.

1515 S. Manchester Avenue

Anaheim, CA 92802-2907

Donation: 18 graphic calculators for the mathematics department

Value: \$957.53

Donor: South Lake PTSA

c/o South Lake Middle School

FOR USE AT TURTLE ROCK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Donation: computer equipment and software

Value: \$1,000.00

Donors: Mr. and Mrs. James Eastman

16552 Mariana Circle

Huntington Beach, CA 92649

Donation: an Apple II GS computer and printer

Value: \$450.00

Donor: Melanie Singer

3 Nova, Irvine, CA 92715

FOR USE AT UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL

Donation: equipment and supplies for science department

Value: \$1,500.00

Donor: Allergan

ATTN: Ms. Yu-Mei Lu

Hazardous Waste Coordinator

P.O. Box 19534, Irvine, CA 92713-9534

Donation: computer equipment

Value: \$500.00

Donor: Todd Anderson

14 Autumn Leaf, Irvine, CA 92714

Donation: computer equipment

Value: \$500.00

Donor: Ms. Sandee Bailey

4900 Rutgers Drive, Richmond, VA 23233

Donation: \$200.00

Donor: Chen Ping-Ju Lee

19201 Edgehill Drive, Irvine, CA 92715

FOR USE AT UNIVERSITY PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Donation: computer equipment

Value: \$500.00

Donor: Mr. and Mrs. Pau

18 Almond Tree Lane, Irvine, CA 92715

FOR USE AT VISTA VERDE SCHOOL

Donation: computer equipment

Value: \$200.00

Donor: Yates & Associates Insurance Services

ATTN: Mr. Michael Ravelo, Operations Mgr.

1570 Brookhollow Drive, Suite 212

Santa Ana, CA 92705

2. Personnel Action Report

Approved the Personnel Action Report #95-96/15 as submitted for ADMINISTRATIVE - Leave of Absence; CERTIFICATED - Employment - Regular, Substitutes, Leaves of Absence; and CLASSIFIED - Employment - Regular, Hourly, Substitutes, Leaves of Absence, Resignation, and Separations.

3. Contract Services Report

Approved the Contract Services Report 1995-1996-13 as submitted. A copy is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

4. Notice of Completion for Phase II of ENVEST Energy Solutions Project

Accepted Phase II of the ENVEST Project as complete and authorized filing of the Notice of Completion with the Office of the County Recorder.

5. Authorization for Agreement Between the Irvine Unified School District and the California Department of Education for Marketing and Sales Services for Self-Determination Coaching Guide and STAR and STAGES Curriculum and Handbook

Authorized the Superintendent to execute the agreement between Irvine Unified School District and the California Department of Education for marketing and sales services for Self-Determination Coaching Guide and STAR and STAGES curriculum and handbook.

6. Summer School/Intersession 1996/97

Approved the 1996 Summer Session and Intersession Programs.

7. Reimbursement to Parents Resulting From a Due Process Hearing/Mediation

Authorized payment to the parents for the agreed upon expenses.

8. Submission of Computer Education for Language Learning (CELL) Proposal to Multiple Foundations, Including Sega, Thagard, Union Bank, Unocal, and Weingart

Approved the submission of the Computer Education for Language Learning proposal to the following foundations: Sega, Thagard, Union Bank, Unocal, and Weingart.

9. Checks and Purchase Orders

Approved check numbers 76448 through 76832 for previously approved purchase orders, contracts and bids and the new purchase orders as submitted per the 2/26/96 listing. A copy is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Items of Business

Ninth Grade Opportunities Program

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

Paul Mills provided a community information report, at the Board's request, on the previously approved Ninth Grade Opportunities Program. Mills highlighted the need to assist academically high-risk ninth grade students who have complex social, emotional, and behavioral needs which are not being met by traditional, comprehensive high school programs. Mills discussed the course of study and said the ninth grade Opportunity Program now serves 25 students, who attend class during the afternoon, with a teacher and an instructional assistant. The ultimate goal of the program is to assist those students, who have fallen behind their peers, to effectively transition academically, socially, and behaviorally from ninth to tenth grade.

Irvine High School: Academic Focus 4/4 Semester Plan

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

Gail Richards provided an overview of Irvine High School's proposal for moving to an Academic Focus 4/4 Semester Plan. This plan will change the Irvine High School schedule, providing an opportunity for the school to offer four ninety minute class periods, which will give students time to think, time for cooperative learning, time to learn by doing, and time to talk individually with teachers. Dennis Smith also commented on the staff and community involvement in recommending this change.

Then, on the motion of Member Burnham, seconded by Member Regele and carried, the Board approved the Irvine High School Academic Focus 4/4 Semester Plan for first reading, providing the community an opportunity to speak to this plan prior to the March 19 second reading and Board endorsement.

Speaking to the Topic:

Dave Hamilton, 4051 Manzanita
Lori Richter, Irvine High Site Council

First Reading of Board Policy Regarding Placing Structures of Non-Education Use at Existing School Sites

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

On the motion of Member Burnham, seconded by Member Regele and carried (Member Adler "Abstained"), the Board accepted the policy regarding placing structures of non-education use at existing school sites for first reading and directed staff to agendize this item for second reading and adoption at the March 19 Regular meeting.

Public Hearing: Easement Agreement With Pacific Bell Mobile Services to Establish Mobile Cellular Transceiver Antenna at Rancho San Joaquin Middle School

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

On the motion of Member Burnham, seconded by Member Regele and carried (Member Adler "Abstained"), the Board, after conducting a public hearing, authorized the Deputy Superintendent of Business Services to execute the Easement Agreement with Pacific Bell Mobile Services at Rancho San Joaquin Middle School. In addition, the Board directed staff to work with Pacific Bell to ensure the completion of landscaping work designed to mitigate the aesthetic impact of the placement of the tower.

RESOLUTIONS NOS. 95-96-26 and 95-96-27: Notice of Intention to Grant Easement to Pacific Bell Mobile Services to Establish a Mobile Cellular Transceiver Antenna at Irvine High School; Determining Structures Resulting From Easement Granted to Pacific Bell Mobile Services Will Not House Students or Teachers

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

On the motion of Member Burnham, seconded by Member Regele and carried (Member Adler "Abstained"), the Board agreed to table consideration of this item until a master plan for considering such requests, while protecting the aesthetics of the community, is complete.

CSBA Delegate Assembly Election

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

On the motion of Member Hadley, seconded by Member Burnham and carried, the Board cast its vote for the following Delegate Assembly candidates:

Shirley Carey, Huntington Beach City School District
Martha Fluor, Newport-Mesa Unified School District
Judith Franco, Newport-Mesa Unified School District
Crystal Kochendorfer, Capistrano Unified School District
Donna McDougall, Cypress School District
Margie Wakeham, Irvine Unified School District
Virginia Wilson, Los Alamitos Unified School District

Oral Communication

None

Adjournment

There being no further Board of Education business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Mary Ellen Hadley Dennis M. Smith

President Superintendent