

IRVINE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Irvine, California

Regular Meeting
September 5, 1995

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Burnham at 6:10 p.m., in the District Administration Center, 5050 Barranca Parkway, Irvine, CA.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

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

Members Absent: None

CLOSED SESSION

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 6:10 p.m. to discuss a Student Discipline Issue and Negotiations. The following action was taken:

Student Discipline Issue

On the motion of Member Hadley, seconded by Member Wakeham and carried, the Board expelled a student (Student Nos. 890567/944389) from the Irvine Unified School District for the duration of the 1995-96 school year.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

President Burnham reconvened the Regular Meeting at 7:30 p.m., and reported on the discussion regarding Negotiations and the Closed Session action taken relative to the student discipline issue.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Members Present:

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

Members Absent:

None

Staff:

Dennis M. Smith, Superintendent

Sue Long, Deputy Superintendent, Human Resources

Paul Reed, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services

Dean Waldfogel, Deputy Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction

Donna Wilkerson, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

Other Staff:

Vicki Artiano, Don Chadd, Mary Cliff, Steve Garretson, Dennis Gibbs, Leah Laule, Pam LeBleu, Mark Sontag, Dorothy Terman

Student Technicians:

Jon Finen, Rob MacKinnon

ORAL COMMUNICATION

Barbara Arhon, 41 Whistling Swan, requested carpeting for the choral music room at Woodbridge High School.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Jonathan Blum, Vice President of Public Affairs at Taco Bell, discussed Taco Bell's \$20,000 contribution to the Irvine Unified School District (\$10,000 for the Discovery Science Center field trip and \$10,000 for use in Special Education), and explained that this gift was a symbol of Taco Bell's support for IUSD.

Dennis Smith expressed appreciation, on behalf of the district, for Taco Bell's generosity and willingness to give.

ADOPT AGENDA

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

MOVE Item 11d, Payment for Related Services for Special Education Students, to NEW BUSINESS Item 12a

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Hank Adler discussed his attendance, along with 300 Turtle Rock School residents, at the wedding of David Hofseth.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dennis Smith reminded board and staff members about the all staff welcome back activity being held at South Coast Community Church, Wednesday, September 6, 7:30 a.m. Tom Burnham will be providing remarks on behalf of the Board. Steve Garretson, Vicki Artiano, Jean Mylen, and Dennis Smith, will have the opportunity to welcome staff to the 1995-96 school year.

Smith also remarked on the evident dedication of the teaching staff. Teachers are already putting in days and weeks of their own time to prepare for the opening of school.

In closing, Smith mentioned that the Summer School Report and the Pupil Attendance Report, continued during the August 29 meeting, would be returned for Board review and action in October.

CONSENT CALENDAR

On the motion of Member Hadley, seconded by Member Regele and carried, the Board took the following action on the amended Consent Calendar:

1. Gifts

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

FOR USE AT SOUTH LAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Donation: \$50.00
Donor: Matching Gift Program Director
Times Mirror
Times Mirror Square
Los Angeles, CA 90053

FOR USE AT TURTLE ROCK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Donation: an Image Writer II
Value: \$50.00
Donor: Jenny Bryan
5302 Palo Verde Road, Irvine, CA 92715

FOR USE AT UNIVERSITY HIGH SCHOOL

Donation: two 50" TVs and two 4-head VCRs for athletic program
Value: \$4,508.26
Donor: ATTN: Mike Stoker
Mitsubishi
6100 Atlantic Blvd., Norcross, GA 30071

2. Excursions/Field Trips

Approved the following field trip/excursion:

Sponsoring School: Woodbridge High School

Excursion: Cross Country Invitational

Destination: Las Vegas, Nevada

Dates: September 9, 1995

Participants: 14 students/3 adults

Cost: \$420.00

3. Personnel Action

Approved the Personnel Action Report #94-95/4, as submitted for CERTIFICATED - Employment - Regular, Substitute, Leaves of Absence, Resignations; and CLASSIFIED - Employment - Regular, Hourly, and Substitutes.

4. Orange County Department of Education Inside the Outdoors Program

Approved/ratified the participation for schools listed in Inside the Outdoors Program with the Orange County Department of Education for the 1995/96 school year.

5. Orange County Department of Education Outdoor Science School

Approved/ratified the participation for schools listed in Outdoor Science School with the Orange County Department of Education for the 1995/96 school year.

6. Checks and Purchase Orders

Approved check numbers 70897 through 71035 for previously approved purchase orders, contracts and bids, and the new purchase orders as submitted per the 8/29/95 listing.

OLD BUSINESS

Public Hearing: Adoption of the 1995-96 Publication Budget

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

Janet Colclaser reported, on behalf of the Parcel Tax committee (comprised of members Hank Adler, Janet Colclaser, Mike Regele, with support from consultant Ann Nock, and staff members Dennis Smith and Dean Waldfogel), the committee's unanimous recommendation that the District not pursue a parcel tax at this time. Given that the bankruptcy had provided the impetus for the feasibility study of a parcel tax, and given the budget cuts that have been made made, and the relative success of schools in recouping more of the lost funds than originally indicated, the committee felt it would be inappropriate to approach the community with a parcel tax proposal at this time.

The Board extended its thanks to Ms. Colclaser, participants of the committee, Hugh Hewitt, and Mark Petracca for their hard work in examining this issue.

Then on the motion of President Burnham, seconded by Member Regele and carried, the Board, after due discussion and public hearing, adopted the 1995-96 Publication Budget. The Board further directed staff to initiate COPS financing at maximum levels, within the District's ability to handle the debt servicing, and obtain actuarial assistance in providing a full analysis of the IUSD reserves for the purpose of determining proper reserve levels.

Speaking to the Topic:

Sal Morreale, Chair, Finance Committee

Don Kelley, Finance Committee Member

Jeff Wagner, Finance Committee Member

Stephanie Russell, 4161 Fireside Circle

Janet Colclaser, Parcel Tax Committee Member

NEW BUSINESS

Payment for Related Services for Special Education Students

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

On the motion of Member Adler, seconded by Member Wakeham and carried, the Board approved the individual pupil service contract for the handicapped students negotiated between IUSD and the State certified nonpublic agencies listed. The Board further directed staff to examine the feasibility of taking legal action against the State or Federal government for failure to reimburse the school district for mandated special education services. Staff was asked to return this item in mid-October for further discussion.

ORAL COMMUNICATION

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Tom Burnham Dennis Smith

President Superintendent