

Irvine Unified School District

Irvine, California

***Board of Education
Minutes of Regular Meeting
October 2, 2001***

Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Preston at 5:31 p.m., in the District Administration Center, 5050 Barranca Parkway, Irvine, CA.

Roll Call

Members Present:

Steven Choi, Sue Kuwabara, Carolyn McInerney, Karen Preston

Members Absent:

Margie Wakeham (Member Wakeham joined the meeting at 5:40 p.m.)

Facilities Workshop

Deputy Superintendent Dean Waldfogel reviewed elementary school enrollments and capacities as background for a discussion regarding the possible closure of Los Naranjos Elementary School. Staff reported on the circumstances leading up to the proposal including the opening of Oak Creek Elementary School in 2002-03, termination of the Montessori Preschool lease at Irvine Valley College, and the impact of limited enrollment on the school program. Vern Medeiros provided an overview of potential cost savings and Sue Long reported on staffing implications. The Board expressed the need for further discussion of the small neighborhood school philosophy and associated costs.

Next steps and tentative dates were proposed including a Parent Information Meeting on 10/10, Public Hearing on 11/13, Final Board action on 12/11, and the possibility of conducting a new year round survey.

Closed Session

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 6:55 p.m.

Conference With Labor Negotiator - ITA

The Board discussed labor negotiations. No action was taken.

Reconvene Regular Meeting

President Preston reconvened the meeting at 7:17 p.m. and reported on the Facilities Workshop and the discussion in Closed Session.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Roll Call

Members Present:

Steven Choi, Sue Kuwabara, Carolyn McInerney, Margie Wakeham, Karen Preston

Members Absent:

None

Student Members Present:

Mike Choi, Tiffany Gates, Lauren Micek, Shelby Pollard

Student Members Absent:

None

Staff:

Patricia Clark White, Superintendent

Sue Long, Deputy Superintendent, Human Resources

Vern Medeiros, Deputy Superintendent/Chief Financial Officer

Dean Waldfogel, Deputy Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction

Lee Brooks, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

Other Staff:

Anne Caenn, Don Chadd, Mary Cliff, Nancy Colocino, Janelle Cranch,

Dianne Daugherty, Dennis Gibbs, Pat Gibson, Joanne Hodder, Lynn Kaminsky,

Al Kaufman, Leah Laule, Lloyd Linton, Susan Mehrrens, Diana Schmelzer,

Sandy Scott, Mark Sontag, Adelle Yeaton, Melodee Zamudio

Video Production Services:

Mike McIntyre, Teleios Services

Approval of Minutes

On the motion of Member McInerney, seconded by Member Kuwabara and carried 5-0, the Board approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 15, 2001, as presented.

Oral Communication

Drum Majors from Irvine and Woodbridge high schools invited Board and community members to the 8th Annual Irvine Invitational Field Tournament on Saturday, 10/20, 1:00 p.m. at Irvine Stadium.

Mary Leung, 32 Arbusto 92606, addressed the Board regarding classroom conditions at Deerfield Elementary School.

Maria Adams, 7 Sunridge 92604, addressed the Board regarding the advantages and challenges of multi-age classrooms.

Special Presentations/Recognitions

Framework for Strategic Initiatives 2002-2007

Superintendent White presented an overview of the "Strategic Initiatives Framework," developed over the past year by the Futures Force committee (including administrators, teachers, classified, parents and students). The framework will serve as the backbone for the District's Strategic Business Plan for 2002-07. Executive Cabinet members reviewed plan components including a newly written Vision Statement, Values and Strategic Initiatives.

The next phase will be to develop action plans and fiscal implications for each strategic initiative. Superintendent White expressed appreciation to executive staff for their leadership.

On the motion of Member Choi, seconded by Member McInerney and carried 5-0 (Student Members Choi, Gates, Micek and Pollard voting "Yes"), the Board, after providing an opportunity for community comment, approved the "Framework for Strategic Initiatives 2002-2007" and acknowledged Futures Force members for their outstanding contributions to the development of the District's Strategic Initiatives Plan. Each member received a Certificate of Recognition from the Board.

Math Adoption Implementation

Curriculum Coordinator Mark Sontag provided a comprehensive overview of the IUSD Math Adoption completed this fall for elementary and middle schools. The Board expressed appreciation to the teachers and administrators who participated in this challenging and extensive process.

Adoption of the Agenda

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

Student Board Members' Reports

Student Members Pollard, Micek, Gates and Choi reported on school activities.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent White reported on current district activities, awards and recognitions.

Consent Calendar

On the motion of Member Choi, seconded by Member Wakeham and carried 5-0 (Student Members Choi, Gates, Micek and Pollard 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. Contracts for Special Education Related Services

Authorized payment for special education related services in an amount not to exceed \$60.00.

3. District-wide School and Classroom Library Plan

Approved the District-wide School and Classroom Library Plan as submitted.

4. Orange County Department of Education Outdoor Science School

Approved participation for following schools in Outdoor Science School with the Orange County Department of Education for the 2001-02 school year: Alderwood, Brywood, Canyon View, Los Naranjos, Meadow Park,

Northwood, Santiago Hills, Springbrook, Turtle Rock, Vista Verde, Westpark, and Westwood.

5. Participation in Camp High Trails and Thousand Pines Outdoor Science Camp

Authorized the Deputy Superintendent/Chief Financial Officer to enter into contracts with Thousand Pines Outdoor School and Camp High Trails Outdoor Science School for the 2001-02 school year on behalf of the following schools: Thousand Pines - College Park (6th grade), Eastshore (5th grade), El Camino Real (6th grade), and Stone Creek (6th grade); Camp High Trails - Culverdale (6th grade), Deerfield (6th grade), Greentree (6th grade), and Plaza Vista (6th grade).

6. Orange County Department of Education Inside the Outdoors Program

Approved participation for the following schools in Inside the Outdoors Program with the Orange County Department of Education for the 2001-02 school year: Alderwood, Bonita Canyon, Brywood, Canyon View, College Park, Culverdale, Deerfield, Eastshore, El Camino Real, Greentree, Los Naranjos, Meadow Park, Montessori International, Northwood, Plaza Vista, Santiago Hills, Springbrook, Stone Creek, Turtle Rock, UCI Early Childhood, University Park, Vista Verde, Westpark, and Westwood.

7. Participation in Catalina Island Marine Institute

Authorized the Deputy Superintendent/Chief Financial Officer to enter into contracts with Catalina Island Marine Institute on behalf of Bonita Canyon (6th grade), Eastshore (6th grade) and Turtle Rock (5th grade) elementary schools for the 2001-02 school year.

8. Purchase Order Detail Report

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

Approved the Purchase Order Detail Report dated September 19, 2001.

9. 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 00038401 through 00038845

District 44, Community Facilities District 86-1 - Numbers 00001655 through 00001657

Community Facilities District No. 86-1, Bank of New York Western Trust Co.,

Bond Series 97, 98, 99 - Numbers 01598370 through 01598377, 01602623 through 01602636 and 3609, 3610 and 3612

Revolving Cash - Numbers 21422 through 21514

10. Contract Services Action Report

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

Approved the Contract Services Action Report 2001-02/03 as submitted.

11. 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 2001-02/03 as submitted for Employment and Resignations.

12. 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 2001-02/04 as submitted for Employment, Resignation, and Leaves of Absence.

13. Joint Bargaining Proposal -- Irvine Unified School District/California School Employees Association, Chapter 517

Accepted the joint proposal from the Irvine Unified School District and the California School Employees Association's negotiating teams and scheduled a public hearing at the regular Board meeting of October 16, 2001.

14. Joint Bargaining Proposal -- Irvine Unified School District/Irvine Teachers Association

Accepted the joint proposal from the Irvine Teachers Association and the Irvine Unified School District's negotiating teams and scheduled a public hearing at its regular Board meeting of October 16, 2001.

15. Gifts

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

Accepted gifts to the District as submitted.

16. Conference Attendance

Approved out-of-state conference attendance for Pat McKenzie to Chicago, Illinois, October 30-November 1, 2001, for \$450.00.

17. Field Trips, Tours and Excursions

Approved and/or ratified the following field trips funded by donations:

- 1) NHS Cross Country Team to San Francisco, California, September 14-16, 2001 for \$2,600.00;
- 2) WHS Cross Country Team to Palo Alto, California, September 27-30, 2001 for \$5,600.00;
- 3) Westpark Intersession Students to Anaheim, California on September 28, 2001 for \$3,150.00 (funded by fee-based program);
- 4) Westpark 1st Graders to Santa Ana, California on October 25, 2001 for \$1,180.00;
- 5) IHS Junior State of America Chapter to Costa Mesa, California, October 27-28, 2001 for \$900.00;
- 6) Westpark 4th Graders to San Juan Capistrano, California on November 7, 2001 for \$1,800.00;
- 7) UHS Boys Basketball Team to San Rafael, California, December 25-30, 2001 for \$5,000.00;
- 8) IHS Marching Band and Pageantry to San Francisco, California, February 21-24, 2002 for \$25,000.00;
- 9) WHS Dance Team to Anaheim, California, March 15-16, 2002 for \$2,100.00;
- 10) WHS Entertainers Choir to San Francisco, California, April 3-7, 2002 for \$27,665.00;
- 11) Vista Verde 7th- 8th Graders to Catalina Island, California, May 13-15, 2002 for \$12,000.00;
- 12) Eastshore 5th Graders to Oak Glen, California on May 17, 2002 for \$2,134.00;

13) Plaza Vista 5th Graders to Dana Point (Pilgrim), California, May 21-22, 2002 for \$2,400.00;

14) Plaza Vista 5th Graders to Dana Point (Newport), California, May 21-22, 2002 for \$2,400.00;

15) Plaza Vista 5th Graders to Dana Point, California, June 4-5, 2002 for \$2,400.00.

Consent Calendar Resolution

On the motion of Member Wakeham, seconded by Member Kuwabara and carried 5-0, (Student Members Choi, Gates, Micek and Pollard voting "Yes"), the Board took the following action on the Consent Calendar Resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 01-02-12 Adopting Gann Appropriations Limit

Adopted Resolution No. 01-02-12 adopting the Gann Appropriations Limit and declaring that the appropriations in the 2001-02 Budget do not exceed the limitations imposed by Article XIII B of the California Constitution.

AYES: Members Choi, Kuwabara, McInerney, Wakeham, Preston

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

CFD Consent Calendar

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

1. Change Order No. 1 -- Temporary Classrooms Power -- University High School

Approved Change Order No.1 in the amount of \$14,795.00 to Action Electric Corp., for the Temporary Classrooms Power project at the University High School. The revised contract amount to be \$391,455.00. No change to the completion date.

2. Change Order No. 1 -- Phase II Modernization -- Rancho San Joaquin Middle School

Approved Change Order No.1 in the amount of \$60,654.47 to DJM Construction Co., Inc., for the Phase II Modernization project at the Rancho San Joaquin Middle School. The revised contract amount to be \$2,094,133.47. No change to the completion date.

3. Change Order No. 1 -- Phase II Modernization -- University Park Elementary School

Approved Change Order No.1 in the amount of \$28,648.89 to DJM Construction Co., Inc., for the Phase II Modernization project at the University Park Elementary School. The new contract amount to be \$1,321,555.89. No change to the completion date.

4. Change Order No. 1 -- Entry Drive & Misc. Site Improvements -- Northwood High School

Approved Change Order No.1 in the amount of \$900.00 to S. Parker Engineering Inc., for the Entry Drive & Misc. Site Improvements project at the Northwood High School. The revised contract amount to be \$187,900.00. No change to the completion date.

5. Retention of Consultant -- Materials Testing & Inspection -- Northwood High School

Authorized the Superintendent or Superintendent's designee to enter into a contract with Universal Laboratories, Inc., for materials testing and inspection services for an amount not-to-exceed \$10,000.00.

6. Authorization to Purchase Two (2) Emergency Relocatable Classrooms at Los Naranjos Elementary School

Authorized staff to submit Application to Purchase State Relocatable Classroom(s) to Department of General Services, Office of Public School Construction, and authorize the purchase of two (2) Emergency Relocatable Classrooms located at Los Naranjos Elementary School, at a cost of \$8,000.

Recess

President Preston called a recess at 9:07 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 9:14 p.m.

Items of Business

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

Authorization to Proceed with Establishing a Permanent Facility Within Irvine Unified School District for the Orange County Department of Education Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program

Don Chadd provided background on the County's proposal to establish a permanent facility at University High School for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program and introduced County staff Larry Belkin, Director, Special Education, and Nina Winn, Director of Business Services. UHS Principal Diana Schmelzer spoke in strong support of the program.

The Board discussed district considerations including space availability for future growth, responsibility for operational costs, and reserving the right to relocate the program to an equivalent district facility, if needed.

On the motion of Member McInerney, seconded by Member Kuwabara and carried 5-0, the Board authorized staff to proceed with establishing a permanent facility within Irvine Unified School District for the Orange County Department of Education Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program at University High School.

Review of the Proposed Land Development South of the District Office Administration Building (Self Storage Unit)

Don Chadd introduced Gary Long, representing Jay Ray Construction, who provided an overview of the proposed self storage unit development on the land area south of the District Administration Center.

The Board discussed possible negative impact on district property values and inequitable mitigation agreements as compared to those offered to adjoining properties.

On the motion of Member McInerney, seconded by Member Choi and carried 3-2 (Members Kuwabara and Wakeham voting "No"), the Board directed the Assistant Superintendent of Facilities, Operations and Planning to meet with Jay Ray Construction to further discuss the proposed development and authorized the Assistant Superintendent of Facilities, Operations and Planning to secure an appraisal of the District administration building property, if deemed necessary.

First Reading -- Proposed Policy 3120: Use of Technological Resources

On the motion of Member Wakeham, seconded by Member McInerney and carried 5-0, the Board approved for first reading proposed Board Policy 3120: Use of Technological Resources, and related Administrative Regulations.

Proposed Revision to Policy 1312.3: Uniform Complaint Policy

On the motion of Member McInerney, seconded by Member Wakeham and carried 5-0, the Board approved the proposed revisions to Policy 1312.3: Uniform Complaint Policy.

Joint Meeting -- Irvine City Council and IUSD Board of Education

On the motion of Member Kuwabara, seconded by Member McInerney and carried 5-0, the Board directed staff to contact the City to identify a date for a joint meeting of the IUSD Board of Education and the Irvine City Council to discuss issues of mutual interest. Suggested agenda topics: 1) Safe Communities Task Force Update, and 2) Joint Use Agreements.

Association of Low Wealth Schools - Fairness in Education Funding Month - October 2001

Member McInerney reported on the efforts of the ALWS, where she serves on the executive board.

On the motion of Member McInerney, seconded by Member Kuwabara and carried 5-0, the Board approved participation in this year's "Fairness in Education Funding Month" sponsored by the Association of Low Wealth Schools.

Announcements and Acknowledgments

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

Oral Communication

None

Closed Session

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 10:24 p.m. to continue discussion regarding labor negotiations. No action was taken.

Adjournment

There being no further Board of Education business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 p.m.

Karen J. Preston
President

Patricia Clark White
Superintendent