

**Irvine Unified School District**  
*Irvine, California*

**Board of Education**  
**Minutes of Regular Meeting**  
**March 14, 2007**

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**Call to Order**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Parham at 5:07 p.m., in the District Administration Center, 5050 Barranca Parkway, Irvine, CA.

**Roll Call**

Members Present:

Gavin Huntley-Fenner, Sue Kuwabara, Carolyn McInerney, Sharon Wallin, Mike Parham

Members Absent:

None

**Oral Communication**

None

**Closed Session**

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:09 p.m.

**Student Discipline Issues**

The Board discussed two student discipline issues.

**Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release**

The Board discussed an employee discipline issue and provided direction to staff.

**Conference with Real Property Negotiators**

The Board discussed real property negotiations.

**Reconvene Regular Meeting**

President Parham reconvened the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

### ***Pledge of Allegiance***

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

### ***Roll Call***

#### **Members Present:**

Gavin Huntley-Fenner, Sue Kuwabara, Carolyn McInerney, Sharon Wallin, Mike Parham

#### **Members Absent:**

None

#### **Student Members Present:**

Max Bloom, Nivedita Kar, Madison Murphy, Tom Poulos

#### **Student Members Absent:**

None

#### **Staff:**

Gwen Gross, Superintendent of Schools  
Vern Medeiros, Deputy Superintendent, Business Services  
Terry Walker, Asst. Superintendent, Human Resources  
Lee Brooks, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

#### **Other Staff:**

Jim Antenore, Janelle Cranch, Linda Davis, Connie Franks, Dennis Gibbs, Natalie Hamilton,  
Lynn Kaminsky, Nancy Melgares, Kris Moore, Barb Petro

#### **Video Production Services:**

Mike McIntyre, Teleios Services

### ***Student Board***

President Parham welcomed Madison Murphy, who will represent Woodbridge High School for the remainder of the school year.

### ***Closed Session Report***

President Parham reported on the discussion in Closed Session.

### **Student Discipline Issue**

On the motion of Member McInerney, seconded by Member Huntley-Fenner and carried 5-0, the Board approved the staff recommendation to expel Student No. 150990073 through January 30, 2008, with immediate suspension of the expulsion allowing the student to return to school with probationary status.

### **Approval of Minutes**

On the motion of Member Wallin, seconded by Member Kuwabara and carried 5-0, the Board approved the following Minutes, as presented:

February 6, 2007 Regular Meeting  
February 20, 2007 Regular Meeting

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

On the motion of Member Kuwabara, seconded by Member Wallin and carried 5-0, the Board adopted the agenda, as amended:

REMOVE	Item 3a, <i>Student Discipline Issue</i> (1 case removed by staff)
REMOVE	Item 3b, <i>RESOLUTION NO. 06-07-47: Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release - Non-Reelection of Probationary Teachers</i> (removed by staff)
REVISE	Item 13h, <i>Receive Bids/Award Contract - Creekside Education Center and K-12 Expansion Project, Phase 1</i>

### **Special Presentation**

#### **Middle and High School Counseling Program**

Secondary Education Director Diana Schmelzer and Counselors Lynn Kaminski and Natalie Hamilton provided an overview of the enhancements to the secondary counseling program based on new funding sources including AB1802 funds and an Educational Partnership Grant through the City of Irvine.

### **Oral Communication**

Jim Antenore and representatives of "Students for Social Responsibility" invited the Board and community to an upcoming fund raising event at Irvine High School on Friday, March 23, in support of the Darfur Rehabilitation Project, an advocacy effort on behalf of refugees and the

displaced people of Darfur.

Julie Tapp, Chief Program Officer, IPSF, provided an update on current IPSF projects and events.

Dr. Ron Lackey addressed the Board regarding his opposition to the O.C. Special Education Alliance and expressed support and appreciation for IUSD's counseling program.

### ***Student Board Member Reports***

Student Members Poulos, Kar, Murphy, and Bloom reported on school activities.

### ***Superintendent's Report***

Superintendent Gross reported on current district events including the Bren Honors Concerts on March 13 and 20, the 2007 Golden Touch Awards, the March 12 Facilities Master Plan Study Session, and the upcoming Special Education CAC Resource Fair to be held on March 15. Congratulations were extended to Mark Sontag, who was named ACSA's Curriculum and Instruction Administrator of the Year for Region 17, and to Irvine and Northwood high schools for being named 2007 Grammy Signature Schools.

### ***Announcements and Acknowledgments***

Members Kuwabara, Wallin, Huntley-Fenner, McInerney, and Parham 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 voting "Yes"), the Board took the following action on the amended 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 \$7,690.00.

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3. **Grant Proposal: Reduction of Underage Alcohol Abuse and Underage Drinking**  
Approved the submission of the 2007 Guidance Resources grant application to the US Department of Education Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools for the purpose of reducing alcohol abuse among IUSD students in grades 7-12.
  4. **AB 1802 Counseling Funds**  
Approved counseling plans, as submitted.
  5. **Purchase Order Detail Report**  
*(A copy is attached to and made a part of these minutes.)*  
Approved the Purchase Order Detail Report dated March 1, 2007.
  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 00103759 through 00104449
    - District 50, Community Facilities District No. 01-1 - Numbers 00001245 through 00001253
    - District 44, Community Facilities District No. 86-1 - Numbers 00003465 through 00003482
    - District 41, Irvine Child Care Project - Numbers 00002077 through 00002088
    - Revolving Cash - Numbers 28377 through 28479
  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 2006-07/11, as submitted.
  8. **Receive Bids/Award Contract – Creekside Education Center and K-12 Expansion Project, Phase 1**  
Authorized the Deputy Superintendent of Business Services to enter into a contract for bid category #3 - AC Paving with International Pavement Solutions in the amount of \$536,388.00 at the Creekside Education Center and K-12 Expansion Project, Phase 1.
  9. **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 2006-07/11, as submitted for Employment, Resignation, Retirements and Separations.
  10. **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 2006-07/11, as submitted for Employment, Leaves of Absence, Resignations and Retirements.
  11. **Conference Attendance**

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Approved and/or ratified out-of-state conference attendance for staff, as follows:

- 1) Allie Nixon to New York, New York, March 1-3, 2007 for no cost to IUSD;
- 2) Rhonda DeVaux to Washington, D.C., March 4-7, 2007 for \$1,689.30;
- 3) Isabel Ward to Denver, Colorado, March 6-9, 2007 for \$898.10;
- 4) Mark Sontag to Salt Lake City, Utah, June 29-July 1, 2007 for \$1,398.79.

**12. Field Trips and Excursions**

Approved the following field trips funded by donations:

- 1) College Park 5<sup>th</sup> graders to Oak Glen, California on March 16, 2007 for \$2,689.00;
- 2) Bonita Canyon 2<sup>nd</sup> graders to Irvine, California on March 22, 2007 for \$1,249.80;
- 3) Sierra Vista symphonic and chamber orchestras to Irvine, California on March 22, 2007 for \$595.00;
- 4) WHS mock trail team to Oakland, California, March 22-25, 2007 for \$6,000.00;
- 5) Sierra Vista symphonic band to Irvine, California on March 23, 2007 for \$427.00;
- 6) Stone Creek 4<sup>th</sup> graders to San Diego, California on April 3, 2007 for \$1,024.00;
- 7) Bonita Canyon 3<sup>rd</sup> graders to Placentia, California on April 5, 2007 for \$1,701.00;
- 8) College Park 1<sup>st</sup> grade class to Dana Point, California on April 17, 2007 for \$1,213.00;
- 9) Sierra Vista 8<sup>th</sup> grade band and orchestra to Anaheim, California on April 25, 2007 for \$9,520.00;
- 10) Bonita Canyon 4th-6th grade GATE classes to Dana Point, California on April 26, 2007 for \$1,860.00;
- 11) WHS marine science students to San Diego, California on May 4, 2007 for \$2,500.00;
- 12) College Park 1<sup>st</sup> grade class to Dana Point, California on May 7, 2007 for \$1,213.00;
- 13) College Park 1<sup>st</sup> grade class and 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> grade ESL students to Dana Point, California on May 8, 2007 for \$1,213.00.

**Consent Calendar Resolution**

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 06-07-48: Signature Authorization and Submission of Budget Amendment for 2007-08 Head Start Program Application - Early Childhood Learning Center**

Adopted Resolution No. 06-07-48 for signature authorization and approved submission of the budget amendment for the 2007-08 Head Start Program Application - Early Childhood Learning Center.

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AYES: Members Huntley-Fenner, Kuwabara, McNerney, Wallin, Parham  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None

### **CFD Consent Calendar**

On the motion of Member McNerney, seconded by Member Wallin and carried 5-0, the Board, acting as the governing body of Community Facilities Districts No. 01-1 and No. 04-2, took the following action on the CFD Consent Calendar:

1. **Change Order No. 1 – Bid Category No. 14B-Flooring – Turtle Ridge K-8 (Vista Verde) School**  
Approved Change Order No. 1 in the deductive amount of <\$24,792.00> to Continental Flooring, Inc., Bid Category No. 14B - Flooring, at the Turtle Ridge K-8 (Vista Verde) School project. The revised contract amount to be \$174,208.00. No change to the completion date.
2. **Notice of Completion – Bid Category No. 14B-Flooring – Turtle Ridge K-8 (Vista Verde) School**  
Accepted Continental Flooring, Inc. - Bid Category No. 14B at the Turtle Ridge K-8 (Vista Verde) School project as complete and authorized staff to file a Notice of Completion with the County of Orange Recorder's Office.
3. **Change Order No. 2 – Bid Category No. 16-Specialties – Turtle Ridge K-8 (Vista Verde) School**  
Approved Change Order No. 2 in the deductive amount of <\$3,017.00> to Braaksma Construction, Inc., Bid Category No. 16 - Specialties, at the Turtle Ridge K-8 (Vista Verde) School project. The revised contract amount to be \$367,292.00. No change to the completion date.
4. **Notice of Completion – Bid Category No. 11-Sheet Metal – Turtle Ridge K-8 (Vista Verde) School**  
Accepted Crowner Sheet Metal Products, Inc. - Bid Category No. 11 at the Turtle Ridge K-8 (Vista Verde) School project as complete and authorized staff to file a Notice of Completion with the County of Orange Recorder's Office.
5. **Change Order No. 2 – Bid Category No. 2-Site Utilities – Woodbury Elementary School**  
Approved Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$2,565.00 to GCI Construction, Inc., Bid Category No. 2 - Site Utilities, at the Woodbury Elementary School project. The revised amount to be \$848,093.00. No change to the completion date.
6. **Change Order No. 2 – Bid Category No. 3-Retaining Wall – Woodbury Elementary**

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Approved Change Order No. 2 in the deductive amount of <\$6,980.00> to United Riggers & Erectors, Inc., Bid Category No. 3 - Retaining Wall, at the Woodbury Elementary School project. The revised contract amount to be \$348,086.00. No change to the completion date.

7. **Notice of Completion – Bid Category No. 3-Retaining Wall – Woodbury Elementary School**

Accepted the United Riggers & Erectors, Inc. - Bid Category No. 3 project at Woodbury Elementary School as complete and authorized staff to file a Notice of Completion with the County of Orange Recorder's Office.

8. **Change Order No. 1 – Bid Category No. 9-Rough Carpentry – Woodbury Elementary School**

Approved Change Order No. 1 in the deductive amount of <\$1,891.00> to Rocky Coast Framers, Inc., Bid Category No. 9 - Rough Carpentry, at the Woodbury Elementary School project. The revised contract amount to be \$2,290,109.00. No change to the completion date.

9. **Change Order No. 1 – Bid Category No. 10-Casework – Woodbury Elementary School**

Approved Change Order No. 1 in the deductive amount of <\$14,247.00> to Stolo Cabinets, Inc., Bid Category No. 10 - Casework, at the Woodbury Elementary School project. The revised contract amount to be \$420,753.00. No change to the completion date.

10. **Change Order No. 1 – Bid Category No. 24-Electrical – Woodbury Elementary School**

Approved Change Order No. 1 in the deductive amount of <\$2,007.00> to Gilbert and Stearns, Inc., Bid Category No. 24 - Electrical, at the Woodbury Elementary School project. The revised contract amount to be \$2,346,993.00. No change to the completion date.

**Items of Business**

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

**Acceptance of Highest Bid and Delegation of Authority to Execute Final Purchase and Sale Agreement (Alderwood Property)**

**Acceptance of Highest Bid and Delegation of Authority to Execute Final Purchase and Sale Agreement (Vista Verde Property)**

On the motion of Member McInerney, seconded by Member Kuwabara and carried 5-0, the

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Board, after conducting bid hearings for the Alderwood and Vista Verde properties and receiving only counter offers, approved the staff recommendation to reject all counter offers of bids received related to both properties.

**Second Interim Report of 2006-07 (AB 1200, Chapter 1213, Statutes of 1991)**

Deputy Superintendent Medeiros presented the Second Interim Report certifying the District's ability to meet its multi-year financial commitments. Staff reiterated their expressed concern about the ongoing shortfall in special education funding and the need for increasing contributions from the General Fund.

Strategies to address the issue were discussed including continuing to vigorously lobby for preschool special education funding, analyzing operational opportunities to reduce costs, building internal capacity to reduce the need for outside services, and coordinating current effective intervention programs.

On the motion of Member McInerney, seconded by Member Wallin and carried 5-0 (Student Members voting "Yes"), the Board certified the Second Interim Report of 2006-07 as "Positive" and based on information presented, that the District is able to meet its multi-year financial obligations.

**RESOLUTION NO. 06-07-49: Initiate Proceedings for the Levy and Collection of Assessments within the Irvine Unified School District Recreation Improvement and Maintenance District for Fiscal Year 2007-08**

On the motion of Member McInerney, seconded by Member Kuwabara and carried 5-0 (Student Members voting "Yes"), the Board adopted Resolution No. 06-07-49 which authorizes the initiation of proceedings for the levy and collection of assessments for fiscal year 2007-08 within the IUSD Recreation Improvement and Maintenance District.

AYES: Members Huntley-Fenner, Kuwabara, McInerney, Wallin, Parham  
NOES: None  
ABSENT: None

**RESOLUTION NO. 06-07-50: Giving Notice of Intention to Grant Easements (Rights of Way) to Pacific Bell Telephone Company (Seven Sites)**

On the motion of Member McInerney, seconded by Member Kuwabara and carried 5-0 (Student Members voting "Yes"), the Board adopted Resolution No. 06-07-50 giving notice of intention to grant easements (rights of way) to Pacific Bell Telephone Company and set the Board meeting date of March 27, 2007, for the required public hearing.

AYES: Members Huntley-Fenner, Kuwabara, McInerney, Wallin, Parham

NOES:       None  
ABSENT:     None

***Oral Communication***

None

***Adjournment***

On the motion of Member McInerney, seconded by Member Kuwabara and carried 5-0, there being no further Board of Education business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Mike Parham  
Board President

Gwen E. Gross, Ph.D.  
Superintendent of Schools