

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

**Board of Education**  
**Minutes of Special Meeting**  
**May 26, 2009**

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***Call to Order***

The Special Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Acting President Wallin at 2:07 p.m., in the District Administration Center, 5050 Barranca Parkway, Irvine, California.

***Roll Call***

**Members Present:**

Sue Kuwabara, Carolyn McInerney, Mike Parham, Sharon Wallin

**Members Absent:**

Gavin Huntley-Fenner (excused)

***Oral Communication***

None

***Closed Session***

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 2:09 p.m.

**Conference with Real Property Negotiators**

The Board discussed real property negotiations and provided direction to staff.

**Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation**

The Board discussed anticipated litigation.

***Reconvene Special Meeting***

President Huntley-Fenner reconvened the special meeting at 4:10 p.m.

***Pledge of Allegiance***

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

### **Roll Call**

#### Members Present:

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

#### Members Absent:

None

#### Staff:

Gwen Gross, Superintendent of Schools  
Lisa Howell, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services  
Cassie Parham, Assistant Superintendent, Education Services  
Terry Walker, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources  
Lee Brooks, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

#### Other Staff:

Karen Bautista, Mary Bevernick, Nancy Colocino, Monica Colunga, Janelle Cranch,  
Linda Davis, Ian Hanigan, Erica Hoegh, Catherine Holmes, Paul Mills, John Pehrson,  
Barb Petro, Leslie Roach, Lauren Sipelis, Mark Sontag, Rena Thompson, Anne Trefz,  
Brad VanPatten

### **Closed Session Report**

President Huntley-Fenner reported on the discussion in Closed Session.

### **Adoption of the Agenda**

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

### **Oral Communication**

None

### **Budget Study Session**

Superintendent Gross opened the Study Session advising the need for the District to readjust its course based on changing conditions at the state level.

Assistant Superintendent Lisa Howell presented new multiyear budget projections based on the most recent information from the state and reported that under current conditions, the District

would be designated as Basic Aid for 2008-09 and 2009-10. Howell projected an anticipated shortfall of \$10.7 million in 2010-11 and reiterated the need for additional cuts of approximately \$3-\$5 million.

Assistant Superintendent Terry Walker reviewed staffing timelines and impacts and high school principals Pehrson, Roach and Colunga provided some examples of the specific impacts at the site level.

Lauren Sipelis, Director of Elementary Education, provided a powerpoint presentation highlighting the significant impacts of discretionary funding at the site level. The Board directed staff to proceed with site-based allocations at a 30% reduction (20% state reduction; 10% district reduction).

Coordinator Catherine Holmes outlined a suggested process to reorganize service delivery through the increased flexibility of all Tier 3 categorical programs and reviewed a summary of input from the Leadership Team.

Board members discussed their individual priorities and expressed a shared desire to avoid impacts to the instructional program and maximize revenues where possible.

The Board reached consensus on the following reductions:

• Deferred Maintenance Funds (Tier III offset)	\$795,482
• Targeted Instructional Improvement Grant (Tier III offset)	\$250,000
• Instructional Materials - Deferral of LA Adoption	\$700,000
• Teacher Credentialing Block Grant (BTSA) (Tier III offset)	\$250,000
• School Library Improvement Grant (SLP) (Tier III offset)	<u>\$168,720</u>
	<u>\$2,164,202</u>

The Board requested additional information regarding compensation reduction options and asked staff to involve the Finance Committee moving forward.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further Board of Education business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

Gavin Huntley-Fenner  
Board President

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