

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

**Board of Education**  
**Minutes of Regular Meeting**  
**October 19, 2010**

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***Call to Order***

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by President Wallin at 5:00 p.m., in the District Administration Center, 5050 Barranca Parkway, Irvine, California.

***Roll Call***

**Members Present:**

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

**Members Absent:**

Mike Parham (excused)

***Oral Communication***

None

***Closed Session***

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:02 p.m.

**Student Discipline Issues**

The Board discussed four student discipline issues.

**Liability Claims**

The Board discussed Liability Claim No. 0500-06-0102 and provided direction to staff.

**Conference with Labor Negotiators**

The Board discussed labor negotiations involving the Irvine Teachers Association.

**Public Employee Performance Evaluation - Superintendent**

The Board discussed the Superintendent's Performance Evaluation for 2009-10 and possible contract extension.

### **Reconvene Regular Meeting**

President Wallin reconvened the meeting at 7:10 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 in memory of Brittany Brooks, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher at Turtle Rock, who passed away October 18.

### **Roll Call**

#### **Members Present:**

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

#### **Members Absent:**

Mike Parham (excused)

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

Chris Allman, Aman Birk, Brighton Charles, Jamie Ullman

#### **Student 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:**

Mary Bevernick, Janelle Cranch, Lisa Kadam, Stan Machesky, Jason Miles, Marcia Noonan,  
Rick Seibert, Lauren Sipelis, Keith Tuominen

#### **Video Production:**

James Adling  
Brian Des Palmes

### **Closed Session Report**

President Wallin reported on the discussion in Closed Session.

**Student Discipline Issues**

On the motion of Member McInerney, seconded by Member Kuwabara and carried 4-0, the Board approved the staff recommendation to expel Student No. 191030279 through June 15, 2011, with immediate suspension of the expulsion allowing the student to return with probationary status.

On the motion of Member Huntley-Fenner, seconded by Member McInerney and carried 4-0, the Board approved the staff recommendation to expel Student No. 191105439 through June 15, 2011.

On the motion of Member McInerney, seconded by Member Huntley-Fenner and carried 4-0, the Board approved the staff recommendation to expel Student No. 191105275 through June 15, 2011.

On the motion of Member McInerney, seconded by Member Kuwabara and carried 4-0, the Board approved the staff recommendation to expel Student No. 191081898 through June 15, 2011, with immediate suspension of the expulsion, allowing the student to return with probationary status.

**Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Superintendent**

On the motion of Member Kuwabara, seconded by Member McInerney and carried 4-0, the Board approved the Superintendent's Performance Evaluation for 2009-10.

On the motion of Member Huntley-Fenner, seconded by Member McInerney and carried 4-0, the Board approved a contract extension for Superintendent Gwen E. Gross effective July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2013.

***Adoption of the Agenda***

On the motion of Member Kuwabara, seconded by Member McInerney and carried 4-0, the Board adopted the agenda, as amended.

REVISE       Item 3a - *Student Discipline Issues* (one case removed by staff)

Items Removed from Consent Calendars for Discussion and Separate Action:

Item 13j - *2010-11 Irvine Unified School District / Coastline ROP  
Interagency Agreements*

Item 13m - *Conference Attendance*

Item 13n - *Field Trips and Excursions*

## **Special Presentations/Recognitions**

### **Smiles Dental Clinic**

Health Services Coordinator Marcia Noonan recognized the Irvine Spectrum Rotary Club and Dental Care for Children, a non-profit agency, for their efforts to ensure access to dental care for all Irvine students. The Board expressed personal appreciation to Dr. Charles Tozzer, founder of Dental Care for Children, and current and past Rotary presidents Mody Gorsky and Ray Sanford, who were in attendance.

### **CSBA Shanghai-California Principal Exchange Program**

Lauren Sipelis, Director of Elementary Education, introduced Ms. Lu, Mr. Qipang and Ms. Xin, three visiting principals from Shanghai who are shadowing IUSD principals for six weeks through a California School Boards Association exchange program. Special thanks were extended to host principals Lisa Kadam, John Levy, Susie Kemp, Stan Machesky, Heather Phillips, Scott Bowman and Christine Amoroso.

### **Irvine Unified Council PTA Update**

President Steffanie Early thanked the Irvine Youth Basketball League for their donation of funds and equipment, including one hundred basketballs which have already been distributed to schools. She remarked on upcoming events including Red Ribbon Week, October 23-31 and Walk to School Day on October 28. Early also noted PTA advocacy efforts including a Get-Out-the-Vote campaign for the November 2 election.

### **Irvine Public Schools Foundation Update**

IPSF Chair Jeff Larsen provided an update on the City Match program and reiterated the Foundation's resolve to leverage the full \$875,200 of matching funds. Wendy Bokota expressed appreciation to the Irvine Youth Basketball League and SoCal Elite Sports for their individual donations of \$1,000 and introduced former IYBL board member Dan Chiemelski.

## **Oral Communication**

Janelle Cranch, CSEA President, addressed the Board regarding CSEA's interest in reopening negotiations based on new budget information from the federal and state levels.

## **Student Board Member Reports**

Student Members Allman, Birk, Charles and Ullman reported on school activities.

## **Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Gross reported on the mission and membership of the District's Coalition for Legislative Action (CLA) and expressed thanks to the Irvine Exchange Club for hosting another inspiring Youth of the Year Breakfast on October 14.

Assistant Superintendent Cassie Parham provided an update on Education Services initiatives. She expressed deep appreciation to the Medical Advisory Board, which provides important and timely information and advice relative to medical issues affecting children. She congratulated teachers Greg Gray and Jennifer Donnelly who have been selected as presenters at the National Council for Social Studies and reported that consultant Linda Matlock has been retained to provide professional development for Special Education staff.

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

Members Huntley-Fenner, Kuwabara, McInerney, and Wallin reported on school visits, conference attendance, and meeting participation.

### ***Special Report – Budget Update***

Assistant Superintendent Lisa Howell presented an update on the new state budget and its impact on the District. She reviewed the provisions of the state budget including the reversal of a 3.85% cut and negative cost of living adjustment, and reported on federal funding initiatives including the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) and the Education Jobs Bill. She cautioned that the state budget is subject to change and is based on unrealistic projections and optimistic revenue assumptions. However, she advised that, at the present time, the District is projecting positive ending balances in 2010-11 and 2011-12.

### ***Consent Calendar***

On the motion of Member McInerney, seconded by Member Hutnley-Fenner and carried 4-0 (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 \$400.00.

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3. **Payment in Accordance with the Terms of the Settlement Agreement(s)**  
Authorized payment in an amount not to exceed \$47,000.00 in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement(s).
  4. **Purchase Order Detail Report**  
*(A written report is on file in the District Office.)*  
Approved the Purchase Order Detail Report dated October 6, 2010.
  5. **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 00147905 through 00148505  
District 44, Community Facilities District No. 86-1 - Numbers 00004311 through 00004331  
Revolving Cash - Numbers 33606 through 33670
  6. **Contract Services Action Report**  
*(A written report was included with the agenda and is on file in the District Office.)*  
Approved and/or ratified the Contract Services Action Report 2010-11/ 05, as submitted.
  7. **Quarterly Report on Complaints Pursuant to Education Code 35186(d)**  
For information.
  8. **Award Food Bids for 2010-11**  
Authorized the Assistant Superintendent of Business Services to award Food bids Nutrition Services for 2010-11 as listed in the attached board report.
  9. **Grant Proposal: City of Irvine Educational Partnership Fund – Health and Guidance Services**  
Approved the submission of four Irvine Unified School District grant proposals to the City of Irvine for the purpose of providing :
    - 1) Guidance Assistant services to support at-risk students in grades K-3;
    - 2) Guidance Assistant services to support at-risk students in grades 4-6;
    - 3) Project Success intervention services for at-risk middle school students; and
    - 4) Project Success intervention services for at-risk high school students.

Acknowledged the submission of two Irvine Public Schools Foundation grant proposals for the purpose of:

    - 1) providing enhanced, specialized district-wide school nurse services, and
    - 2) sustaining additional health clerks.
  10. **Classified Personnel Action Report**  
*(A written report was included with the agenda and is on file in the District Office.)*  
Approved and/or ratified the Classified Personnel Action Report 2010-11/05, as

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submitted for Employment.

11. **Certificated Personnel Action Report**

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

Approved and/or ratified the Certificated Personnel Action Report 2010-11/05, as submitted for Employment.

***Consent Calendar Resolutions***

On the motion of Member McInerney, seconded by Member Kuwabara and carried 4-0 (Student Members voting "Yes"), the Board took the following action on the Consent Calendar Resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 10-11-23: Signature Authorization and Submission, California State Preschool Services Contract Amendment, Early Childhood Learning Center, 2010-2011**

Adopted Resolution No. 10-11-23 for signature authorization and submission of California State Preschool Services Contract Amendment, Early Childhood Learning Center, 2010-11.

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

***Facilities Consent Calendar***

On the motion of Member McInerney, seconded by Member Kuwabara and carried 4-0, the Board took the following action on the Facilities Consent Calendar:

1. **Notice of Completion – Small Classroom Expansion Project – Oak Creek Elementary School**  
Accepted the contract of the listed contractor for the Small Classroom Expansion Project at Oak Creek Elementary School, as complete and authorized staff to file a Notice of Completion with the County of Orange Recorder's Office.
2. **Notices of Completion – Sierra Vista Middle School – Modernization Project**  
Accepted the contracts of the listed contractors for the Sierra Vista Middle School Modernization project as complete and authorized staff to file a Notice of Completion with the County of Orange Recorder's Office.

***Items Removed From Consent Calendars***

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### **2010-11 Irvine Unified School District / Coastline ROP Interagency Agreements**

Member Wallin requested clarification regarding the potential loss of flexibility in Tier III categorical funding on the ROP program and polled the Student Board regarding their awareness of the program.

On the motion of Member Wallin, seconded by Member McInerney and carried 4-0, the Board approved the IUSD/Coastline ROP Interagency Agreements for 2010-11.

### **Conference Attendance**

On the motion of Member McInerney, seconded by Member Kuwabara and carried 4-0, the Board approved out-of-state conference attendance for staff, as revised:

- 1) Sharon McCubbin to Wisconsin November 5-7, 2010, for \$850.00;
- 2) Shane Cline to Las Vegas, Nevada, November 1-4, 2010 for 2,148.64;
- 3) Martin Danko to Las Vegas, Nevada, November 1-4, 2010 for \$2,927.28
- 4) Michael Howden to Las Vegas, Nevada, November 1-5, 2010 for \$2,890.88
- 5) Patrice Peterson to Las Vegas, Nevada, November 1-5, 2010 for \$2,852.28.

### **Field Trips and Excursions**

On the motion of Member McInerney, seconded by Member Kuwabara and carried 4-0, the Board approved the following field trips funded by donations, as revised:

- 1) Oak Creek Kindergarten students to Irvine, California, on October 25, 2010 for \$2,140.00;
- 2) Plaza Vista 3rd grade students to Huntington Beach, California, on October 26, 2010 for \$1,800.00;
- 3) Eastshore 4th grade students to San Juan Capistrano, California, on November 1, 2010 for \$1,980.00;
- 4) College Park 4<sup>th</sup> grade students to San Juan Capistrano, California, on November 10, 2010 for \$1,802.00;
- 5) Woodbridge High School Entertainers to Irvine, California, on November 10, 2010 for \$100.16;
- 6) Northwood High School Junior State of America to Irvine, California, on November 13-14, 2010 for \$1,320.00;
- 7) University High School Junior State of America to Irvine, California, on November 13-14, 2010 for \$3,000.00;
- 8) Westpark 3rd grade students to Newport Beach, California, on November 17, 2010 for \$1,820.00;
- 9) Oak Creek 2nd grade students to Santa Ana, California, on December 6, 2010 for \$1,950.00;
- 10) Turtle Rock 5th grade students to Anaheim, California, on December 6, 2010 for \$3,080.00;
- 11) Irvine High School marching band and color guard to San Diego, California, on December 10-12, 2010 for \$27,000.00;
- 12) University High School girls' varsity basketball team to Concord, California, on



- December 27-31, 2010 for \$3,250.00;
- 13) Turtle Rock 5th grade students to Anaheim, California, on January 10, 2011 for \$3,080.00; Irvine High School Chorale to San Francisco, California, on March 25-27, 2011 for \$18,525.00;
  - 14) Irvine High School Chorale to San Francisco, California, on March 25-27, 2011 for \$18,525.00.

### ***Oral Communication***

None

### ***Adjournment***

On the motion of Member Huntley-Fenner, seconded by Member McInerney and carried 4-0, there being no further Board of Education business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Sharon Wallin  
Board President

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