BOARD OF EDUCATION Minutes

Regular Meeting February 21, 20085:30 p.m.

The Board of Education of the Colton Joint Unified School District met in Regular Session on Thursday, February 21, 2008, 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room at the CJUSD Student Services Center, 851 So. Mt. Vernon Avenue, Colton, California.

Trustees Present

Mr. Robert D. Armenta, Jr. President Mrs. Marge Mendoza-Ware Vice President

Mr. Mark HooverMr. Frank A. IbarraMr. Kent TaylorMr. David R. Zamora

Trustee Absent

Mr. Mel Albiso Clerk (Excused)

Staff Members Present

James A. Downs Roger Kowalski Mr. Mrs. Ingrid Munsterman Mr. Casey Cridelich Jerry Almendarez Mrs. Julia Nichols Mr. Mrs. Yolanda Cabrera Ms. Sosan Schaller Mr. Rick Dischinger Dr. Patrick Traynor Mrs. Bertha Arreguín Katie Orloff Ms. Dr. Diane D'Agostino Mrs. Chris Estrada Mrs. Mollie Gainey-Stanley Mr. Michael Townsend Mrs. Alice Grundman

<u>Call to Order</u>: Board President Armenta called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Elementary Assistant Principal Ernesto Calles led in the Renewal of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Hearing Session

- 1. <u>Colton High School</u> student representatives Samantha Beltran and Sara Ordaz, ASB President and Vice President respectively, reported on school and club events: the Renaissance academic assembly, winter hello walk and spirit-week competitions, a pep rally, class-ring ceremony, motivational assembly, and Black History month activities. Upcoming events: spring spirit-week activities, *Seuss-ical the Musical*, the spring academic assembly, talent show, and a college career fair.
- 2. <u>Title III Action Plan (Agenda Item C-22)</u>: Assistant Superintendent Yolanda Cabrera introduced Director Bertha Arreguín who provided a PowerPoint overview of the *draft* to be submitted to the California Department of Education as outlined by the *No Child Left Behind* (NCLB) Act of 2001. Information reviewed: requirements, inquiry process, key focus areas—access to appropriate English Language development instruction and reading Language Arts instruction, data systems and support to improve instruction. Discussion included the need for a consistent delivery of universal access that equates to differentiated instruction for all k-12 students. In addition to *The Read 180* (direct instruction and diagnostic tests) and the *Revolution Prep* (computer based) programs available to students, i.e., seniors and EL students that need to pass the CAHSEE, staff will research ways to utilize appropriate funds for afterschool assistance in preparation for the March and May tests. It was suggested that staff be compensated to prepare students for these tests, specifically, the written portion of the test. Board member Taylor requested information regarding the number of seniors and juniors who still need to pass the CAHSEE.
- 3. Public Input—Closed Session Items: None

4. Public Input: Non-Agendized Items

- a) Human Resources Director Ingrid Munsterman introduced the "angels" aka Bloomington High School Kayos Kidz, a group of young people from different schools in the local area that have organized to positively work on school and/or youth-related issues. They organize fundraising events and "give back" to the community with volunteer work or financial support. The group has grown in numbers over the past year and the students have been developing leadership skills while taking on worthwhile projects. Kayos Kidz President Melody Moorer and Core Club President Mary Margaret Moore shared their numerous accomplishments during the 2007 year including the selection of Lelanie Bautista from Bloomington High School for the "Teacher of the Year" award. Board members thanked the students for their community involvement and applauded their humanitarian efforts.
- b) Kim Bathgate, Bloomington High School parent and Budget Committee member, asked that the Bloomington Board representatives attend Board meetings on a regular basis.
- c) Pat Haro, Bloomington parent, invited Board members and the Administration to attend the District Science Fair on Saturday February 23, 2008, at Bloomington Middle School. The award ceremony will begin at 5:00 p.m. Board member Taylor commended Mrs. Haro for her commitment to students and stated that he would donate \$500 for a \$1,000 savings bond as he has done in the past.
- d) Family of McKinley School Special Education Student Arthur Vega: Grandmother Ruby Redman and sister Ilene Mendez shared concerns relative to bullying issues that have occurred over a period of years. Student Arthur Vega student shared his experiences. At this time, Board members asked Superintendent Downs to assign staff to meet with the family (now). Information regarding resolution will be shared with the Board.
- e) Raul Wilson, State organizer of the Mexican Political Association (MPA) and an advocate for Special Education students, voiced his opinion and concerns regarding the lack of adequate services provided to students.
- f) *Margarita Bonilla, mother of a ROHMS student with learning disabilities, expressed her concern that her written request was submitted in February, 2007 and her son has yet to receive adequate assistance. Board President Armenta stressed the importance of providing a safe learning environment for all students and asked Superintendent Downs to assign staff to meet with the family now in order to determine resolution. (*Interpreter provided)
- g) Debra Yocum, mother and advisor to the Kayos Kidz, shared additional information and spoke about the group's strict membership guidelines, the FFA fund, and the Santa 's Helpers program (involve more schools).
- h) Lynda Gonzalez, Bloomington resident and a member of the Municipal Advisory Council, voiced concerns regarding Board member absences at Board meetings. She stressed the importance of representing the community that elects their representatives and hopes that attendance improves.
- Gil Navarro, Education Advocate for the California Parents Association, shared concerns relative to the District's process of identifying and servicing special education students and specifically mentioned the staff at Terrace View and McKinley Elementary Schools. He stated that special education 504 guidelines need to be overhauled.
- j) Angela Keierleber, Elementary GATE teacher, shared concerns regarding proposed budget reductions that may impact the program and staff.
- k) Susan Hill, Smith School parent, shared her concerns regarding Board member absences.

- 1) Andrea Galicia, CHS senior, stated that students should receive adequate assistance as needed.
- m) Sharon Peralta, parent of a student at Terrace Hills Middle School, shared her's and her son's experiences in seeking special education services.

Following discussion and by Board consensus, the Superintendent and staff will develop an effective system to resolve issues brought forth by parents at meetings and determine the best way to provide updates to the Board.

5. Public Input: Specific Agendized Items

<u>ACE President Ken Johnson: Agenda item A-4: Consultants:</u> Shared his opinion that "greater results should be evident" given the fact that Action Learning Systems has provided services over the past three years and hopes that action would be taken to review their effectiveness.

Relative to the concerns and information shared by individuals regarding the lack of special education services, he voiced his opinion regarding a potential conflict of interest when an elected San Bernardino County Board member and as an education advocate recruits parents and utilizes this forum to showcase his own agenda. He questioned the motivation behind this action when there are laws regarding 504 and due process guidelines. Ken Johnson acknowledged that the ACE and the District continually work together to make the best decisions for students.

The Board recessed at 7:03 p.m. and reconvened at 7:12.

Consent Items (A-1 thru A-11)

#81

It was moved by Mrs. Mendoza-Ware and seconded by Mr. Ibarra to approve Consent Items A-1 through A-11 as presented.

Prior to action taken, discussion ensued relative to agenda item A-4 Consultants, and the possibility of utilizing High Priority School Grant funds to compensate staff to provide math and English Language assistance to students. Assistant Superintendent Yolanda Cabrera reviewed the process sites utilized to develop their individual plan by assessing their needs and addressing their barriers. Board Member Ibarra inquired about the amount of observation time utilized by staff, the effectiveness of the instructional delivery system, and the feasibility of incorporating "hands-on instruction" for special education students. Board member Taylor stated that District curriculum support staff should be involved with the instructional delivery system and suggested that District Coordinators and Directors spend time in math and English classes four times a year to assist with program improvement.

Following discussion and on a vote of 6-0 (Albiso absent), the motion carried.

Minutes of Meetings

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The Board approved the Minutes of meetings held, as presented.

- Special Budget Workshop (2-4-08)
- Regular Meeting (2-7-08)

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Field Trips

#81.2 The Board approved the field trips as listed and authorized the expenditure of funds:

ASB = Associated Student Body SBCP = School-Based Coordinated Program

BHS (3/5-7/08, W,Th,F): Overnight trip to Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo; 26 Hours at Cal Poly; agricultural science and technology program, workshops, financial document assistance, and social activities; 7 students (9-12), 1 certificated staff member, 1 other adult; Total = \$740 (\$490 Ag incentive funds, \$250 School & Library Instructional Materials [SLI] funds).

CHS (3-21-08, **F**): Aquarium of the Pacific, Long Beach; Displays from the world's oceans, hands-on tide pools, and occupations in the field of marine biology; 55 students (9-12), 2 certificated staff members, 2 other adults; \$1,833.10; SBCP funds.

Lewis (3-21-08, F): Riley's Farm in Oak Glen; *Riley's American Heritage Farms*; historical/cultural significant works of literature; 70 5th grade students, 2 certificated staff members, 4 other adults; \$1,512; SBCP funds.

CHS (4/2-5/08, W,Th,F,S): Overnight trip to Calvary Chapel Christian School, Las Vegas; *Easter baseball tournament*; 20 students (9-12), 2 certificated staff members, 4 other adults; Total = \$2,520 (\$1920 fundraising, \$600 discretionary funds).

Crestmore (4/7-11/08, M,T,W,Th,F): Overnight trip to *Mountain Chai in Angelus Oaks; *Outdoor Science School;* experiences aligned with the Science Content Standards; study plants, animals, ecology, geology, and other natural California resources; 100 6th grade students, 4 certificated staff members, 5 other adults; \$450; ASB funds; (*formerly Alpine Meadows)

BHS (4/10-13/08, Th,F,S): Overnight trip to the Fresno Convention Center; *SkillsUSA California State Leadership Conference and Competition*; state-level chapter-business procedures, job skills demonstrations, food & beverage service contests; 7 students (11-12), 2 certificated staff members, 2 other adults; Total = \$4,046.80 (\$1,358 ASB funds, \$2,688.40 Voc. Ed. funds).

Lewis (4-18-08, F): Riley's Farm in Oak Glen; *Riley's American Heritage Farms;* historical/cultural significant works of literature; 70 5th grade students, 2 certificated staff members, 4 other adults; \$1,512; SBCP funds.

Wilson (4-14-08, M): San Bernardino California Theatre of Performing Arts; *Alice in Wonderland* stage performance; 600 K-6 students, all certificated staff members, 60 other adults; \$7,324; Art, Music, and Physical Education grant funds.

BHS (4/18-22/08, F,S,S,M,T): Overnight trip to Fresno Convention Center; 2008 FFA State Leadership Conference & Competition; agricultural projects, leadership meetings, workshops; 20 students (9-12), 2 certificated staff members, 4 other adults; Total = \$6,200; (\$800 Ag. Incentive funds, \$4,900 School and Library Instructional Materials ISLII funds).

Lewis (5/19-20/08, M,T): Overnight trip to the *SeaWorld Adventure Camp;* behind-the-scenes educational experiences with veterinarians, zoologists, animal trainers, and educators; aligned with State Science Standards (Life Sciences); 68 6th grade students, 3 certificated staff members, 3 other adults; Total = \$12,884 (\$11,060 donations/PTA/ASB funds, \$1,824 discretionary funds).

Lewis (6/5-6/08, M,T): Overnight trip to the *SeaWorld Adventure Camp*; behind-the-scenes educational experiences with veterinarians, zoologists, animal trainers, and educators; aligned with State Science Standards (Life Sciences); 68 6th grade students, 3 certificated staff members, 8 other adults; Total = \$11,699 (\$9,875 donations/PTA/ASB funds, \$1,824 discretionary funds).

Reche Canyon (6/11-13/08, W,Th,F): Overnight trip to the Thousand Pines Outdoor School, Crestline; curriculum-based scientific nature, wildlife experiences, hands-on education in local flora and fauna, geology, habitats, and ecosystems; 50 6th grade students, 3 certificated staff members, 3 other adults; \$7,100; ASB funds.

Consultants

· Assemblies & Programs

#81.3

The Board approved the assemblies and programs to be presented at District schools as listed and authorized the expenditure of funds:

ASB = Associated Student Body SBCP = School-Based Coordinated Program

Lincoln (2-21 & 3-18-08): Colton Police Department; *Personal & School Safety*; 2nd grade students will learn personal and school safety through Officer Buckle and apply the instruction to language arts and social studies curriculum; no cost.

Crestmore (3-25-08): San Bernardino County Museum; *Museum On the Road: Journey into Serrano Culture;* introduction to traditional Serrano culture & tools used by the Serrano people; \$436.62; ASB funds.

D'Arcy (5/1/08): Morris Brothers Between Your Ears Entertainment, West Hollywood; *State Testing Pep Rally Assembly*; test-taking tips for *prior to* and *during* the test, lowering stress; \$395, donations.

Crestmore (5-28-08): The Imagination Machine in Orange County; *The Imagination Machine: The Writing Show;* Three 1-hr performances of actors performing the students' original stories; \$1,235; SBCP funds.

Consultants

• Staff Development

#81.4 The Board approved the consultants to present at the District schools listed and authorized the expenditure of funds:

ELL = English Language Learner SBCP = School-Based Coordinated Program

District-wide, Secondary PE Teachers (3-14-08): Christy Lane Enterprises, Palm Springs: *Dare to Dance;* aligned with new Physical Education Standards; \$1,000; Arts, Music, and Physical Education grant; Location: ROHMS

San Salvador (3-14-08): Mehdi Sabounchi, Sabounchi Safety Services, Tustin; *Adult, Child, and Infant CPR/First Aid;* training and certification to meet Community Care Licensing requirements; Total = \$1,900 (\$450 Children's Center staff development funds, \$400 Head Start funds, \$1,050 State Preschool funds)

Smith (3-29-08): SPARK, (Sports, Play, and Active Recreation for Kids!) certified trainers, San Diego: *Physical Education Standards Training;* 18 K-2 and 18 3-6 teachers will receive protocols, strategies, guide book, curriculum, and instructional materials to align to the current State physical education standards; Total = \$16,805.77; (training \$4,998; materials \$5,965.21; equip. \$5,442.56; transp. \$400); Arts, Music, and Physical Education grant).

Crestmore, Gr.Terrace, Jurupa Vista (3/28 & 31; 4/21-22-23-24; 6/9-10-11-12/08): Kathy Gomez and Lupe Lastra-Short Project GLAD Certified Key Trainers, Irvine: *Project GLAD Training and Demo Lesson;* training, demonstrations and strategies that promote English language acquisition, academic achievement, and cross-cultural skills; (Grades K-6, March; Grades K-1, April; Grades 2-3, June); Total = \$18,000 paid from SBCP funds: \$4,600 Crestmore, \$11,600 Grand Terrace, \$1,800 Jurupa Vista; \$9,000 per consultant).

CHS (4-15-08): Dr. Donovan Gray, Azusa Pacific University; guest conductor for the 2008 District Band Festival; \$500; Arts, Music, and Physical Education grant.

Birney (2007-08): Action Learning Systems, Monrovia; walk-throughs and reports to provide recommendations, benchmarks to measure the recommendations, and dates by which the recommendations should be in place as required by NCLB for schools in PI year 4; \$32,000; High Priority School Grant Program.

"Grad Nite" at Disneyland

- CHS Graduates
- June 12, 2008

"Grad Nite" at Disneyland

- BHS Graduates
- June 12, 2008

"Grad Nite" at Disneyland

- Slover Mt. Graduates
- June 12, 2008

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The Board approved Colton High School's request for graduates to attend "grad nite" at Disneyland on Thursday, June 12, 2008, at no cost to the District. [Students and chaperones will depart 9:45 p.m. on 6-12-08 and return at 7:00 a.m. on 6-13-08. Approx. 450 students, 30 chaperones; chartered transp.; actual graduation ceremony is June 11, 2008]

The Board approved Bloomington High School's request for graduates to attend "grad nite" at Disneyland on Thursday, June 12, 2008, at no cost to the District. [Students and chaperones will depart 10 p.m. on 6-12-08 and return at 7 a.m. on 6-13-08. Approx. 350 students, 24 chaperones; chartered transp.]

The Board approved Slover Mt. High School's request for graduates to attend "grad nite" at Disneyland on Thursday, June 12, 2008, at no cost to the District. [Students and chaperones will depart at 10 p.m. on 6-12-08 and return at 7 a.m. on 6-13-08. Approx. 75 students, 7 chaperones; District or chartered transportation will be arranged.

RIMS-BTSA Participation, M.O.U & Agreement

- Riverside Co. Supt. of Schools
- Profess'l Teacher Induction Prog.
- Increase in Funds
- 2007-08

The Board approved the Memorandum of Understanding and agreement C-1001035 with the Riverside County Superintendent of Schools for participation by 106 CJUSD teachers in the *RIMS-BTSA Professional Teacher Induction Program during the 2007-08 school year as presented, for an increase to the restricted General fund in the amount of \$214,650. The program provides teachers with training and assistance to support their success in the classroom. (*Riverside, Inyo, Mono, and San Bernardino Counties—Beginning Teacher Support & Assessment Program)

Acceptance of Gifts

#81.9 The Board accepted monetary gifts from donors as presented; site discretion unless otherwise noted.

Cooley R. PTA \$90.37; generated from Family Math Night

Jurupa V. PTA \$780; 5th grade field trip to Riley's Farm

\$770; 1st grade field trip to San Diego Wild Animal

Park

Sycamore H. Target (Take Charge of Education program) \$129.12

Notices of Completion

#81.10

#81.8

- CHS Modernization (Bid 05-11)
- Smith & Rogers Mod. (Bid 06-11)
- Deferred Maint. (Bids 07-06, 07-11, & 07-02CA)

The Board authorized filing *Notices of Completion* for the various projects listed on the following matrix and released the final 10 percent (10%) contract retention per the contract documents, for a total amount of \$831,081.26, to be paid from funds indicated.

Bid	Project	Site	Contractor	Total Amount / Funding
05-11	Modernization	CHS	Mike's Custom Flooring	\$ 19,803.90 School Facilities Fund 35
05-11	Modernization	CHS	RVH Constructors	\$ 55,011.40 School Facilities Fund 35
05-11	Modernization	CHS	JBH Structural Concrete	\$294,603.70 School Facilities Fund 35
05-11	Modernization	CHS	Cochran Interiors	\$ 13,774.70 School Facilities Fund 35
05-11	Modernization	CHS	Pro Craft Plumbing	\$115,644.20 School Facilities Fund 35
05-11	Modernization	CHS	Best Roofing	\$ 44,947.30 School Facilities Fund 35
05-11	Modernization	CHS	Glazcon Production	\$ 18,823.50 School Facilities Fund 35
	SUBTOTAL			\$562,608.70
06-01	Modernization	Smith & Rogers	Inland Acoustics	\$ 24,751.90 - School Facilities Fund 35
06-01	Modernization	Smith & Rogers	E & R Glass	\$ 12,639.20 - School Facilities Fund 35
06-01	Modernization	Smith & Rogers	Champion Electric	\$152,109.40 - School Facilities Fund 35
06-01	Modernization	Smith &Rogers	New Image Flooring	\$ 19,600.40 - School Facilities Fund 35
	SUBTOTAL			\$209,100.90
07-06	Flooring Install.	Cooley, GT, Grimes, McKinley, Sycamore, Wilson, Zimm, BMS, ROHMS, THMS, BHS, CHS, SMHS, Wash	New Image Commercial Flooring Inc.	\$ 49,769.36 - Deferred Maint. – Fund 14
07-11	Chain Link Fence	Lewis & CHS	Westbrook Fence Co.	\$ 7,241.60 - Deferred Maint. – Fund 14
07-02 CA	Foam Roof Recoat	BMS & PPS	Wiltshire Urethane Foam Co.	\$ 2,360.70 - Deferred Maint Fund 14
	SUBTOTAL			\$ 59,371.66
			TOTAL	\$831,081.26

Unpaid Leave of Absence for Classified Employee (EIN 4037) #81.11

The Board approved an unpaid leave of absence to the employee listed, with the employee to pay for any health insurance premiums, if applicable, as per the current CSEA Agreement.

<u>Classified</u> <u>Leave</u>

EIN 4037 1-22-08 through 6-5-08

Action Items (C-12 through C-23)

• Deferred (1)

#82.1

#82

On a motion by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Hoover and carried on a 6-0 vote (Albiso absent), the Board approved action items C-12 through C-22 as presented. Item C-23 was deferred for separate action.

.1 (*C-12*) The Board approved employment of personnel as presented.

Certificated

Personnel Employment

Activity / Coaching Assignments

Schaefer, Gabriel Track HD Varsity - BHS

Substitute Teachers

Garcia, Lindsey Sierra, Graciela Ortloff, Kerry Wilder, Joel

Classified

Regular Staff

Acosta, Maria C. State Preschool Instr. Asst. - Zimmerman

Madrid, Roseanne C. Health Assistant - BMS

Walker, Anne M. Library Media Tech - Slover Mtn.

Activity / Coaching Assignments

Board, Barry
Diaz, Elliott
Silva, Adrian

Basketball Frosh/Soph (walk-on) - CHS
Wrestling Head JV (walk-on) - CHS
Wrestling Asst. (walk-on) - CHS

Vargas, Eddie Football Asst. JV - BHS

Substitutes

Lee, Rhonda Nutrition Service Worker I Neace, Rebecca Special Ed Instr. Asst.

Conference Attendance

#82.2

(*C-13*) The Board approved conference attendance as presented, with all necessary expenses to be paid from funds indicated.

Bonnie Simpson -- **Zimmerman**

Teacher

Computer-Using Educators, Inc.

2008 Conference March 6-8, 2008 Palm Springs, CA HPSG funds: \$961.15

Harold Strauss – **CHS** Nike Coach of the Year Clinic

Football Coach March 6-9, 2008 Portland, OR

Art, Music & PE Grant: \$355.00

Diane Amendt -- **Grimes**

Ilene Mino Teachers Good Teaching Conference-South

March 7-9, 2008 Anaheim, CA

SBCP funds: \$1,011.74

Purchase Orders	#82.3	(<i>C-14</i>) The Board approved purchase orders issued as presented. All pertinent information is on file in the Business Office.
Disbursements	#82.4	(<i>C-15</i>) The Board approved payment of disbursements as summarized and listed. All pertinent information is on file in the Business Office.
		Batch #1082 through Batch #1200 \$3,545,816.30
One-Year Extension of Bid 05-03 w/ Dave Bang Associates • Playground Equipment • Outdoor Site Furnishings • DSA-Approved Shade Shelters • Mar. 2008 thru Mar. 2009	#82.5	(C-16) The Board approved a one-year extension of *Bid 05-03 with Dave Bang Associates, effective March 10, 2008 through March 9, 2009, to purchase playground equipment, outdoor site furnishings, and DSA-approved shade shelters as need arises, to be paid from appropriate funding sources (site discretionary, lottery, categorical). The Company requested this extension with no Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase. [*award approved on 3-10-05 and a "piggyback" bid was created; Ed. Codes 17596 & 81644]
Expenditure-Plan Change for 2006-07 School Site Discretionary Block Grant • First Apportionment • Cooley Ranch Elem. • No add'l cost (2007-08)	#82.6	(<i>C-17</i>) The Board approved the expenditure-plan change for the 2006-07 School Site Discretionary Block Grant first apportionment for Cooley Ranch Elementary School; no additional cost—change in expenditure category (\$4,222) to purchase classroom computers during the 2007-08 school year. [Initial approval on 6-21-07 <i>one-time funds</i> ; School Site Council approved change request)
Ratification of Change Orders Approved Since 1-17-08 • Resolution 07-14 • CHS Modernization Project	#82.7	(C-18) The Board ratified change orders approved since the Board meeting on January 17, 2008, for the Colton High modernization project for a total amount of \$49,242.60, to be paid from Fund 35 (School Facilities Fund). All pertinent information is on file in the Business Office. Net Additional construction costs \$45,595.00
		Architect (8%) 3,647.60
Ratification of Change Order Approved Since 1-17-08 Resolution 07-14 Modernization Project CHS—Home Econ <i>Bldg R</i> Termite Damage	#82.8	(<i>C-19</i>) The Board ratified a change order approved since the Board meeting on January 17, 2008 (Resolution 07-14), for the Colton High School Home Economics "Building R" Termite Damage Modernization Project, for a total amount of \$21,256.56, to be paid from Fund 35 (School Facilities Fund). All pertinent information is on file in the Business Office.
		Net Additional construction costs \$19,682.00 Architect (8%) 1,574.56
		[Because this project will be funded by the Williams Emergency Repair Program, this will be added to the application. Pursuant to Board approval on 1-18-07, the District will proceed with the change order for repairs as approved by County Counsel.]
Ratification of Change Orders Approved Since 1-17-08 • Resolution 07-14 • Modernization Project • Smith & Rogers Elem.	#82.9	(<i>C-20</i>) The Board ratified change orders approved by staff since the Board meeting on January 17, 2008, for the Smith and Rogers Elementary Schools modernization project, for a total amount of \$5,677.56, to be paid from Fund 35 (School Facilities Fund). All pertinent information is on file in the Business Office.

Net Additional construction costs

Architect (8%)

\$5,257.00

420.56

#82.10 Ratification of Change Order (Credit) Approved Since 2-7-08 • Bid 07-02CA • Foam Roofing Recoat Project · BMS & PPS. Title III Action Plan #82.11 · Submission of Preliminary Draft & Assurances to California Dept. of Education on 2-28-08 • LEA Contact—Bertha Arreguín **Deferred** #83 (D-23) Deferred CSBA 2008 Election for Delegate Assembly (Subregion 16-B) · Ballot Cast **Action Items—Resolutions** #84 (D-24 through D-26)

#84.1

#84.2

(*C-21*) The Board ratified change order approved by staff since the Board meeting on February 7, 2008, for Bid 07-02CA, the BMS/PPS foam roof recoat project, for a **credit* in the amount of \$18,379 to the Deferred Maintenance Fund, in accordance with Board Policy 3511—Energy and Water Conservation. All pertinent information is on file in the Business Office. (*south roof of PPS building)

(C-22) The Board approved the submission of the preliminary draft and assurances of the *Title III Year 4 Action Plan* to the California Department of Education on February 28, 2008, as required by the Title III guidelines. Further, the Board authorized Bertha Arreguín, Director of Language Support Services, as the District' contact person for all matters pertaining to the development and implementation of the *No Child Left Behind* (NCLB) Act requirements, to modify the curriculum, program and method of instruction as needed, in order to assure the *LEA's successful achievement of all **AMAO targets in the future. In addition, the named person will assure compliance with appropriate Federal Statutes, Regulations and State Procedures currently in effect and will act as the responsible authority in all matters pertaining to the administration of the Action Plan. Note: revisions and recommendations to the Action Plan will be shared when they become available. [*Local Education Agency; **Annual Measurable Achievement Objective]

(*D-23*) *Deferred* On a motion by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Ibarra and carried on a 6-0 vote (Albiso absent), the Board selected *Dennis Mobley (Rialto USD)* and *Donna West (Redlands USD)*, as their candidate for the California School Boards' Association (CSBA) *Delegate Assembly 2008 election and directed the Superintendent to submit the official ballot. (*Subregion 16-B, San Bernardino County)

On a motion by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Ibarra and carried on a 6-0 vote (Albiso absent), the Board approved action items D-24, D-25 and D-26 as presented.

(D-24) The Board adopted the Resolution, Read Across America Day, March 3, 2008, a national celebration of Dr. Seuss' birthday, to increase awareness of the importance of reading in our communities and across America, and to recognize the National Education Association (NEA) and the Colton Joint Unified School District for sponsoring a celebration of reading called NEA's Read Across America,. Further, the Board encourages the community to engage in programs and activities to make America's children the best readers in the world.

(D-25) The Board adopted the Resolution, Week of the School Administrator (March 3-7, 2008) to recognize the administrators, classified managers, and classified-confidential employees of the Colton Joint Unified School District for their service to students, fellow staff members, and the citizens of the entire District.

Resolution:

Read Across America Day (March 3, 2008)

Resolution:

Week of the School Administrator (March 3-7, 2008)

Resolution: Cesar E. Chavez Day (March 31) (*D-26*) The Board adopted the Resolution, *Cesar E. Chavez Day* (*March 31*) to recognize the founder of the United Farms Workers for his efforts to improve the plight of farm workers and his belief in non-violent principles that won him the respect of leaders around the world. Further, the Board encourages students, staff, parents and community members to honor this leader with appropriate educational activities.

Study, Information and Review Session / Public Comment

#84.3

- 1. Personnel -- Resignations
- 2. FMLA Leave for Certificated Employees (EIN 1294)
- 3. Associated Student Body (ASB) Financial Reports as of January 31, 2008 (Information Provided):
- 4. Proposed Amendment by Substitution of Administrative Regulations (Will be submitted for approval)

 AR 5144.2 Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities)

 AR 6159 Individualized Education Plan
- 5. <u>Superintendent's Communiqué</u>: Superintendent Downs distributed a copy of the updated Board log, the Superintendent's non-work and conference attendance schedule, information regarding the recent beef recall, CAHSEE results, recent newspaper articles, and proposed budget reductions in surrounding districts.
- 6. <u>Concerns Shared at Board Meeting on February 7, 2008: Board Member Attendance</u>: By Board consensus, there was no discussion. President Armenta stated that he appreciated the comments shared by members of the public and is pleased that the total Board will be in attendance at meetings.
- 7. Concerns Shared at Board Meeting on February 7, 2008: San Bernardino County Schools Employment Practices: Superintendent Downs requested direction from the Board regarding the contents of the resolution requested. Following a brief discussion and by consensus, the Board recommended that this item be tabled due to Board member Albiso's absence from today's meeting.
- 8. ACE President Ken Johnson spoke about the productive budget committee meetings and looks forward to consideration of some of the committee's suggestions. He shared concerns regarding non-reelection practices and is awaiting resolution to the Board's directive regarding sick-leave credit for fire days in October 2007. He stated that twenty teachers will attend the Good Teaching Conference, the union is committed to working cohesively with the District, appreciated the information regarding what other districts are doing, and that the Board is committed to not laying off staff. He shared concerns regarding the community's and parents' perception and setting precedence that anyone can attend a meeting and seek instant resolution. He hopes that future Board responses are kept to a minimum but if staff is assigned to seek instant resolution, ACE is requesting the same consideration.
- 9. <u>CSEA</u> Labor Representative Vickie Sauer for Chapter 244 stated that union members are actively involved on the budget committee and will work collaboratively with the Board and the Administration as they have done in the past.
- 10. MAC representative Amanda Corridan thanked the Board for recognizing "The Week of the Administrator," reported that two thousand dollars (\$2,000) was raised at a recent event for the APPLE Scholarship Foundation, and invited interested persons to participate in the annual golf tournament on April 12th to benefit the APPLE Scholarship Foundation.

11. ROP Board member Frank Ibarra reported that ten CHS welding students spoke on the educational benefits of the ROP program and stated that CHS is one of only two high schools in California that is accredited to teach welding. He applauded teacher Robert Moreno for his commitment to the program and students and shared some of the activities and services provided to students. The Board has continued to support alternative opportunities for students

12. Comments / Requests from Board Members

Marge Mendoza-Ware spoke about an event she attended at the University of Redlands whereby Assistant Superintendent Jerry Almendarez was the featured speaker for a class taught by Colton High School Curriculum Program Specialist Cheryl Graybill. She thanked them for the great job they did in presenting the Human Resources process. She stated that she will attend the CSBA Legislative Action Conference in May and inquired about the feasibility of arranging for a parent or a student to attend the conference as well. She was pleased to learn that the Colton District was not one of 21 schools with a high dropout rate listed in the Press Enterprise newspaper recently.

David Zamora encouraged participation in the *Read Across America* program at the sites and stated that the Colton Rotary Club is sponsoring a speech competition on February 28, 2008, 12 noon, at La Villa Restaurant in Colton.

Mark Hoover thanked the community members for sharing their concerns regarding the responsibility of board member attendance and thanked everyone who contacted him and encouraged him to continue representing the students and community.

Kent Taylor encouraged attendance at the District Science Fair on February 23rd and commented on his recent visits to Smith and Terrace Elementary Schools. Regarding the proposed Governor's budget cuts, he expressed support of not reducing staff and inquired about the possibility of utilizing QEIA and High Priority grant funds for tutoring and assistance to students. He inquired about the results from the budget meetings and Assistant Superintendent Casey Cridelich responded that the minutes of the meetings were being finalized. The proposed ideas would be "costed out" and discussed in Cabinet in preparation for an update at the subsequent Board meeting. In an effort to maintain equitable representation at the budget meetings, committee members have been called/reminded regarding meeting attendance and non-attendees have been given an opportunity to continue to serve on the committee or "step down."

Robert Armenta inquired about activities planned for "Week of the Administrator" and Superintendent Downs responded that appropriate arrangements would be made.

Frank Ibarra commented on his visit to the CHS Counseling Office and was pleased to learn that meetings are being held to inform freshman and their parents regarding "Career Pathways" in an effort to begin educational planning and develop a plan to monitor their progress. He extended an invitation from San Bernardino Mayor Patrick Morris regarding attendance at a meeting on February 25th at City Hall that would target the dropout issue in surrounding districts. He stated that the President of San Bernardino Valley College offered the college as a venue for a follow up meeting on May 3rd. A copy of the invitation will be forwarded to Board members and Superintendent Downs will assign a staff member to join Board member Ibarra at the meeting.

Closed Session

- Student Discipline
- Interdistrict Transfer Appeal
- Personnel
- Real Property Issues
- Anticipated Litigation
- Labor Negotiators

At 7:58 p.m., Board President Robert Armenta announced that the Board would recess to Closed Session to discuss agendized items.

Reconvened

· Closed Session Items Reported

#85

(Closed Session)Student Discipline (4)

Student Discipline

Armenta reported on action taken in Closed Session:

On a motion by Mr. Zamora, seconded by Mr. Taylor and carried on a 6-0 vote (Albiso absent), the Board approved *Student Discipline Items* 1-4 as presented:

The Board meeting reconvened at 9:02 p.m. and Board President

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Claim Rejected #86 (Closed Session—Anticipated Litigation)

• Claim #08-61158 DD

On a motion by Mrs. Mendoza-Ware, seconded by Mr. Zamora and carried on a 6-0 vote (Albiso absent) the Board rejected claim #08-61158 DD filed against the Colton Joint Unified School District as recommended by the District's claims administrator.

Other Closed Session Items #87
No reportable action
(3 Items)

Other Closed Session Items—No reportable action

- Interdistrict Transfer Appeal
- Real Property Negotiator High School #3 Issues
 APNs 1167 151 37; 1167 151 32, 33, 34; 1167 151 31, 43, 44;
 1167 151 35, 36, 38, 39; 1164 151 65, 01, 02; 1167 151 45;
 1167 151 59, 58, 60
- Labor Negotiators

Adjournment

At 9:05 p.m., the Board adjourned to the next Regular Board of Education Meeting on March 13, 2008, at the Colton JUSD Student Services Center, 851 South Mt. Vernon Avenue, Colton, California.