BOARD OF EDUCATION Minutes

Regular Meeting November 1, 20075:30 p.m.

Veterans Recognized

The Board of Education of the Colton Joint Unified School District met in Regular Session on Thursday, November 1, 2007, 5:30 p.m. in the Board Room at the CJUSD Student Services Center, 851 So. Mt. Vernon Avenue, Colton, California.

Trustees Present

Mr. Frank A. Ibarra President (Arrived 5:50 p.m.)

Mr. Kent Taylor Vice President

Mrs. Marge Mendoza-Ware Clerk

Mr. Mel Albiso Mr. Mark Hoover

Trustees Absent

Mr. Robert D. Armenta, Jr. (Unexcused)
Mr. David R. Zamora (Excused)

Staff Members Present /*Excused

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

<u>Call to Order</u>: Board President Ibarra called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Board member Mel Albiso led in the Renewal of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Hearing Session

1. Washington Alternative High School student representatives Angela Adrian and Angelique Gomes reported on various programs offered, the CSUSB Sociology Club and Mentorship program, school activities and events including Red Ribbon Week activities and Career Day. They shared success of the attendance reward system (comparisons between 2005-06 and 2006-07), distributed tokens of appreciation to Board members and extended an invitation to visit the campus. Fellow presenter Eric Marshall was unable to attend tonight. Board members expressed their appreciation to the students for their presentation and thanked them for their gifts.

Item D-23

By consensus, item D-23 was brought forward:

Resolution: #48

Designation of November as Honorary Veterans Month (D-23) On a motion by Mr. Albiso, seconded by Mrs. Mendoza-Ware and carried on a 4-3 vote, the Board adopted the Resolution, Designation of November as Honorary Veterans Month to recognize and commemorate the contributions of war veterans to this country and encourages instructional activities during this month to increase awareness. (Also see Study and Information item #7 regarding activities)

Ayes: Albiso, Mendoza-Ware, Taylor, Hoover

Absent: Armenta, Ibarra, Zamora

- 2. Recognition: Honorary Veterans' Month—November: Board Members presented a *Certificate of Recognition* to Mr. George Giles from the Veterans of Foreign War Post 1744 (San Bernardino) and to Mr. Alex Arroyo from the American Legion Post 155 (Colton) in recognition of their contributions in preserving the freedom and democracy of this nation. Representatives from other local Veterans of Foreign War and American Legion posts were unable to attend the meeting. Superintendent Downs invited veterans in the audience to stand and be recognized—Gil Navarro and Mel Albiso who suggested that a resolution be drafted in the future asking congressional leaders to increase benefits to veterans from Iraq and their families.
- 3. Public Input—Closed Session Items: None
- 4. Public Input: Specific Agendized Items: None
- 5. Public Input: Non-Agendized Items
 - a. On behalf of fellow Language Assistants at Bloomington High School (Blanca Haro, Christina Urrea, Belia Haro, and Rosa Rojas), Sonia Tompkins shared concerns regarding lack of sufficient classified staff to serve bilingual students and lack of training relative to legal issues and terminology regarding Special Education in order to assist with interpretation and translation services relative to IEP and AB 1802 meetings. She distributed a CD containing an Interpreter's Training Manual from Texas and requested training opportunities to develop their skills and secure additional staff to service students adequately.

Discussion ensued regarding what services are provided at IEP meetings and by whom, qualifications and compensation, and the need to distribute all documents in English and Spanish. Board members agreed that staff should be properly trained in order to provide specific bilingual services. By consensus, President Ibarra asked Superintendent Downs to research the issues discussed and provide a Board report that includes a plan to resolve the issue of insufficient staff members to service students adequately.

- b. Catherine Stern, BHS Sheltered Algebra teacher, shared concerns relative to lack of sufficient interpretation services for the large number of students assigned.
- c. Gil Navarro, Education Advocate, spoke in support of securing adequate staff to assist with interpretation and translation services. He distributed a sample document from a Section 504 meeting that illustrated the need for translation services. He offered suggestions and commended Language Assessment Director Bertha Arreguín for her leadership and commitment to the English Learners in the District.

Board member Albiso stated that the evaluation document for the Superintendent and other administrators should contain the specific issues addressed in order to bring about changes and provide services to all students according to their needs. He suggested that the administration research outside agencies and review options that could be utilized to service students who speak languages other than Spanish.

Consent Items	#49	On a motion by Mr. Albiso, seconded by Mr. Hoover and carried on a 5-0 vote (Armenta & Zamora absent), the Board approved Consent Items #A-1 through #A-6 as presented.
Minutes (10-18-07)	#49.1	The Board approved the Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting held on October 18, 2007, as presented.
Field Trips	#49.2	The Board approved the field trips as listed and authorized the expenditure of funds: SBCP = School-Based Coordinated Program

CHS (11/6/07, T) San Bernardino High School; theatrical presentation of *Cyrano de Bergerac* to introduce students to the French culture. 65

students (grades 10-12), 1 certificated staff member, 3 other adults; \$1,487; SBCP funds.

BHS (11/10/07, Sat) Six Flags Magic Mountain, Valencia, *Fall Rally* 2007 to focus on team building and fundraising; 30 Key Club members (grades 9-12), 1 certificated staff member, 2 other adults; \$1,282, Key Clubs funds (\$782) and Library Improvement (\$500) funds.

BHS (11/15/07, Th) Heritage High School, Romoland; 13th Annual FFA Greenhand Conference; 7 9th grade students and 1 certificated staff member; \$260, Agriculture Incentive Funds.

Birney (12/3-7/07, M,T,W,Th,F) Mountain Chai Outdoor Science School, Angeles Oaks; study life and earth science, biology and geology; 60 6th grade students and 2 certificated staff members, \$1,670, SBCP (\$1,250) and donations (\$420).

Reche Canyon (12/7/07, F) Riley's Farm in Oak Glen; explore the history of the American Revolutionary War; 100 5th grade students, 3 certificated staff members, 3 other adults; \$1,856, Lottery (\$1,400) and SBCP (\$456) funds.

Consultants
- Assemblies & Programs

#49.3

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

SBCP = School-Based Coordinated Program

Lincoln (11/6 & 12/6/07) Michael Klubach, San Bndo County Storm-Water Program; *Polution Prevention* to inform students how to keep the environment clean and safe; no cost.

McKinley (12-18-07) Dairy Council of California, San Bernardino, the *Mobile Dairy Classroom* for K-3 students to learn life cycles and anatomy concepts; grades 4-6 will learn about the digestive system and agriculture technology; no cost.

Crestmore (1/10 & 1/11/08) The Hamilton Magic Company, Las Vegas; *Making Right Choices*, a magic show dealing with diversity and self-esteem; \$1,900, SBCP funds.

Zimmerman (1/18 & 2/22/08) Fantastikids, Inc., Chino;, *Bully for You*, information regarding anger management and effectively dealing with bullying; \$1,500, Magnet funds.

Consultants
• Staff Development

#49.4

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

San Salvador (11/8 & 11/15/07; evening) Janet Hackleman, the Family Connection in Colton; *Parent Family Workshop* to assist parents with parenting skills; \$390, Head Start funds.

Slover Mt. HS (1/29 & 31; 2/5, 7,12,13/08; evening) Representatives from HOLA in Oceanside; *Algebra Readiness Parent Workshop* to

provide parents with an understanding of math concepts and standards to assist their students; \$5,500, Professional Development funds.

Acceptance of Agricultural Education Incentive Grant Funds

- BHS
- 2007-08

The Board accepted Agricultural Education Incentive Grant funds for an increase to the restricted General fund in the amount of \$8,772, to purchase equipment and supplies for Bloomington High School agricultural courses during the 2007-08 school year. (Senate Bill 813)

Acceptance of Gifts

#49 .6 The Board accepted gifts from donors:

 Cooley
 PTA
 \$5,000

 Gr. Terrace
 PTA
 \$7,000

<u>Lincoln</u> Target (Minneapolis, MN) \$111.25 <u>McKinley</u> Target (Minneapolis, MN) \$159.04

Reche Canyon Grandparents Mel & Diane Albiso \$50 gift certificate from Lakeshore Learning Center—Ms Molina's "K" class

Sycamore Hills PTA Total \$5,600 for field trips (grade levels noted)

PTA \$450; Parent Night Incentives

Grades 1-6 +Special Ed each receive \$50 (total = \$350)

Kindergarten = \$100

Zimmerman Target (Minneapolis, MN) \$173.57

Enrollment Skechers USA Distribution Center (\$2,500 value) 50 pairs of shoes for needy and homeless students

Action Items

(C-7 through C-22)

• Deferred (5)

Personnel Employment #50.1

Certificated

#50

#49.5

On a motion by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Hoover and carried on a 5-0 vote, (Armenta & Zamora absent), the Board approved action items C-7 through C-22 as presented, with the exception of items *C-8*, *C-14*, *C-16*, *C-17* and *C-19*, which were deferred for separate action.

(*C-7*) The Board approved employment of personnel:

Regular Staff

Carter, Carnell English teacher - BHS

Haworth, Sandra Elementary teacher - Grand Terrace Jimenez, Albanydia Special Ed. (SDC/LH) teacher - D'Arcy

Matheson, Keri Elementary teacher - Birney Sanchez, M. Guadalupe Elementary teacher - Crestmore

Strauss, Tiffany P.E. teacher – ROHMS

Swanson, Janice Elementary teacher - Crestmore

Substitute Teachers

Almazan, Joseph
Antunez, Mary Ann
Gonzalez, Sergio

Lozano, Steven
O'Donnell, Jesse
Romano, Gabriela

Classified

Graham, Lindsay Seaman, Jennifer

Regular Staff

Cabrera, Jose D. Stock Clerk/Delivery Driver - Warehouse

Guaderrama, Anthony M. Electronics Assistant - M & O Custodian - Cooley Ranch Medrano, Alvaro

Teames, Jennifer R. Office Assistant II - Enrollment Center/SSC

Waring, Jessalyn C. Community Liaison - Birney

Hourly

Drewry, Charmaine Noon/Playground Aide - Zimmerman

Substitute

General Laborer / Sub Campus Supervisor Amador, Robert

Kaphart, Allen General Laborer Torres, Suzanne General Clerical

White, Kevin Substitute Campus Supervisor

(C-8) DEFERRED (See item #51)

Deferred

Employment & Assignment of Teacher Under California Commission on Teacher Credentialing

- Provisional Internship Permit
- CHS—Math (1); 2007-08

Conference Attendance #50.2 (C-9) The Board approved conference attendance as presented, with all necessary expenses to be paid from funds indicated. Board member Mendoza-Ware shared concerns regarding the high number of staff attending specific conferences, thus requiring a large number of substitutes to cover classes. She requested information regarding the total cost of specific conferences, i.e., AVID, including the cost of substitutes. Board member Albiso requested information regarding the amount of time and frequency that teachers are out of the classroom due to conferences and trainings. He emphasized that student learning is impacted when teachers are out of the classroom frequently.

Marcela Cook - CHS NCTM Regional Conference: Linda Faulk Presenting "Math Strategies Using **Teachers** Powerpoint Presentations" (Nat'l Council

> of Teachers of Math) --

October 24-27, 2007 Kansas City, MO HPSG funds: \$2,088.36

April Becerra – PPS WorkAbility I: Combined Fall

WorkAbility Technician Region Meeting Lisa Lennox Nov. 25-27, 2007 Curriculum Prog. Specialist Santa Barbara, CA

WorkAbility funds: \$1,130.36

Llovd Beard, teacher - BMS **AVID Site Team Conference** Nov. 26-27, 2007

Violet Bennet, teacher - CMS

Marisa Bline, teacher - THMS Michelle Boswell, Counselor - BMS Diane Brown, teacher - THMS Jennifer Cruz, teacher - BMS Arlene Flores, teacher - CMS Gabriel Gaytan, Counselor - CHS Peter Goldkorn, teacher - CHS Claudia Harris, Asst. Prin. - THMS John Kitchen, teacher - CHS Marisa Lopez-Sevilla, teacher - BMS Paul Lucero, Curriculum Program Specialist - BMS Chris Marin, Principal - CMS Adriana McGuffee, Counselor-CMS Mark McGuffee, teacher - CMS Corina Paramo, teacher - CHS

Terry Urban, teacher - CHS Robert Verdi, Asst. Principal - CHS

Patricia Peterson, teacher - BMS

Tanisha Powers, teacher - BMS

Cherise Riser, teacher - THMS

Jennifer Spiteri, teacher - CHS

Lauren Tyler, teacher - THMS

Lauren Rumpf, teacher - THMS Rose Smith, teacher - BMS

Tammy Ramsden, teacher - CMS

Marcella Cook - CHS Houston Regional Math Conference Linda Faulk **Teachers** HPSG funds: \$2,295.51

Nov. 28-30, 2007 Houston, TX

New Professionals in Agricultural Ed.

Nov. 29-20, 2007 Fresno, CA Lottery funds: \$300

Rancho Mirage, CA

(cont.)

AVID funds: \$9.804.04

HPSG funds: \$2,321.48

Valeria Dixon - BHS Civilian Supervisory Course

> Dec. 3-14, 2007 Huntington Beach, CA General funds: \$2,662.44

Mike Bayless - BMS Daniel Morse Teachers

Security Manager

Marcos Ruiz, teacher - BHS

CAG 46th Annual Conference (CA Assn. for the Gifted)

Feb. 15-17, 2008 Anaheim, CA

SBCP funds: \$1,464.24

Patricia Gonzalez -- BHS Lynn Park

Counselors

Calif. Career Pathways Consortia

Feb. 24-26, 2008 Garden Grove, CA

Tech Prep funds: \$1,297.93

Dona Hines -- BHS Esmeralda Perez-Schreiner Kim Thompson

Heidi Wilson - CHS **Teachers**

CATE 2008 (CA Assn. of Teachers of English) March 7-9, 2008

Long Beach, CA SLC funds: \$2,460.64 HPSG funds: \$1,099.34

Greg Brown, Asst. Prin. - Grimes Adela Guillen-Coke, teacher

LaCosecha 2007 - Realizing the Dream: K-12 Dual Language Education

Nov. 14-17, 2007 Albuquerque, NM

Title III funds: \$2,328.79

Disbursements

#50.4

(*C-11*) The Board approved payment of disbursements as summarized and listed. All pertinent information is on file in the Business Office.

Batch #0499 through Batch #0573 **\$1,962,778.23**

Award of Bid 07-14

#50.5

- Painting Projects
- · Reche, Smith, CHS
- 2007-08
- Prime Painting Contractors, Inc.

Award of Bid 07-15

#50.6

#50.7

- 4 District Vehicles
- Fritts Ford

Deferred

Davis Demographics & Planning Inc., Agreement (2007-08)

- School Boundary Report
- · Seven-Year Enrollment Projections

Agreement Amendment & M.O.U. w/ San Bndo Co. Supt. of Schools for Use of Facilities (2007-08)

* Amendment No. 4 Classroom Maintenance BMS, CHS, Smith, Lewis

**M.O.U. -- Dist. Use of County Classroom: *THMS* Prime Painting Contractors, Inc, for painting projects, including additive alternates 1 and 2, at three schools as presented, for a cost of \$284,000, to be paid from deferred maintenance funds. (*Public Contract Codes 20111 and 20112)

(C-12) The Board awarded Bid 07-14 to the lowest responsible bidder,

Schools: Reche Canyon, Smith, CHS

(C-13) The Board awarded Bid 07-15 to the lowest responsible bidder, *Fritts Ford*, to purchase four district vehicles as presented, for a cost of \$97,276.09, to be paid from General fund reserves. (*Public Contract Codes 20111 and 20112)

(*C-14*) **DEFERRED** (See item #52)

(*C-15*) The Board approved *amendment No. 4 and renewed the **Memorandum of Understanding with the San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools for use of facilities at five sites, August 1, 2007 through and including July 31, 2008 as presented; no impact to the General fund. (*since 1985*)

*Amendment #4 -- Classroom Maintenance Agreement #04/05-0476
The San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools owns & will operate special education classes in its classrooms at the following District sites:

Bloomington Middle School 1 classroom Colton High School 1 classroom Gerald A. Smith School 5 classrooms Mary B. Lewis School 1 classroom

The San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools owns and *will not* operate special education classes in its classroom at the following District sites:

Terrace Hills Middle School 1 classroom

**M.O.U. Renewal for District Use of County Classroom #07/08-0748

Terrace Hills Middle School 1 Classroom

Deferred

Two-Year Agreement w/ HMC Architects for Architectural Services for QEIA Program (2007-09)

- Installation: Portable Classrooms
- CMS (12 classrooms, 1 RR bldg)

Deferred

Agreement Renewals w/ Five (5) Law Firms for Legal Services

(C-17) DEFERRED (See item #54)

(C-16) DEFERRED (See item #53)

as Needed (2007-08)

- · Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo
- Best, Best & Krieger
- M. Chisdester & Associates
- Lozano Smith
- · Stradling, Yocca Carlson & Rauth

Deferred

Contract w/ Commercial Protective Services (CPS)

- Security Services (2007-08)
- · BHS & CHS

Ratification of Change Orders Approved Since 10-4-07

#50.8

#50.9

#50.10

#50.11

#51

- Resolution 07-14
- Modernization Projects
- CHS

Ratification of Change Orders Approved Since 10-4-07

- Resolution 07-14
- · Home Economics "Bldg R"
- Termite Damage Modernization
- CHS

Amendment by Substitution of Board Policy BP 3140 Use of Facilities

Amendment by Substitution

& Adoption of New Board Policies & Admin. Regs (Human Res.)

BP & AR 4112.21 Interns (replace 6600 & new) AR 4112.22 Staff Tchg Stu. of Limited English

Deferred

Employment & Assignment of Teacher Under California Commission on Teacher Credentialing

- Provisional Internship Permit
- CHS—Math (1)
- 2007-08

(*C-18*) *DEFERRED* (See item #55)

The Board ratified change orders approved since the Board (C-19)Meeting on October 4, 2007 (Resolution 07-14), for modernization projects at Colton High School for a total amount of \$14,490.36, to be paid from Fund 35. All pertinent information is on file in the Business Office.

> Net Additional construction costs \$13,417.00 1.073.36 Architect (8%)

(C-20) The Board ratified change orders approved since the Board Meeting on October 4, 2007 (Resolution 07-14) for the Colton High School Home Economics "Building R" Termite Damage Modernization Project for a total amount of \$142,522.20, to be paid from Fund 35. All pertinent information is on file in the Business Office.

> Net Additional construction costs \$131,965.00 Architect (8%) 10,557.20

(C-21) The Board amended by substitution the Board Policy as BP 3140 Use of Facilities presented:

The Board amended by substitution and adopted the new Board Policies and Administrative Regulations as presented.

BP 4112.21 Interns (replaces 6600)

AR 4112.21 Interns (new)

AR 4112.22 Staff Teaching Students of Limited English Proficiency (new)

AR 4212.22 Staff Teaching Students of Limited English Proficiency (new)

(C-8) DEFERRED

On a motion by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Hoover and carried on a 5-0 vote (Armenta & Zamora absent), the Board approved the employment and assignment of the teacher listed in the identified position utilizing a California Commission on Teacher Credentialing Provisional-Internship Permit authorization as presented, in accordance with Title 5, Section 80021.1.

Brian Pope -- Math -- CHS (Grades 9-12) Major: Business—Management & Human Resources

#52 Deferred (C-14) **DEFERRED**

Proposed: Agreement with Davis Demographics & Planning, Inc., to Davis Demographics & provide a school boundary report and seven-year enrollment project-Planning, Inc., Agreement

(2007-08)

- · School Boundary Report
- Seven-Year Enrollment Projections

tions.

Board member Mendoza-Ware inquired about software that was purchased several years ago that provided the same services. Assistant Superintendent Cridelich responded that the staff member who was trained to utilize the program resigned from the District several years ago. By consensus, information was requested regarding plans to cross training staff to utilize the software and a Board update in the near future regarding the effectiveness of the software to be purchased.

On a motion by Mrs. Mendoza-Ware, seconded by Mr. Albiso and carried on a 5-0 vote (Armenta & Zamora absent), the Board approved the agreement with Davis Demographics & Planning, Inc., to provide a school boundary report and seven-year enrollment projections for the 2007-08 school year as presented, for a cost of \$23,800, to be paid from Developer fees—fund 25.

The database that will be developed can also be utilized to analyze the current District boundaries. (*The report will update the District's base street map, match student addresses with school boundary study areas, incorporate new residential development and provide enrollment projections for each school.)

Deferred

#53

Two Year Agreement w/ HMC Architects for Architectural Services (2007-09)

- Installation: Portable Classrooms
 (12 classrooms, 1 RR bldg
- OEIA** Program
- CMS

<u>Decision</u>: Deferred (Approved 12-6-07; See Minutes)

(C-16) DEFERRED

<u>Proposed:</u> A two-year agreement with HMC Architects for architect-tural services for the installation of *portable classrooms at Colton Middle School for the **Quality Education Investment Act Program, for a cost not to exceed \$92,856, to be paid from the General Fund QEIA program for the 2007-08 and 2008-09 school years. The project would be completed in two phases in order to minimize the impact to the students. (*12 classrooms, 1 restroom)

\$90,356 -- Architect fees; \$ 2,500 -- Reimbursables

Following discussion and on a motion by Mr. Albiso, seconded by Mrs. Mendoza-Ware and carried on a 5-0 vote (Armenta & Zamora absent), the Board deferred this item for consideration at the next meeting.

Deferred

#54

Agreement Renewals w/ Five
(5) Law Firms for Legal Services
as Needed (2007-08)

- Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo
- Best, Best & Krieger
- M. Chisdester & Associates
- Lozano Smith
- · Stradling, Yocca Carlson & Rauth

Decision: Deferred to the next meeting

(C-17) DEFERRED

<u>Proposed</u>: Agreement renewals with five law firms for legal services as needed during the 2007-08 school year.

Board member Albiso suggested that an RFP be initiated to allow other law firms an opportunity to provide services.

On a motion by Mr. Albiso, seconded by Mr. Taylor and carried on a 5-0 vote (Armenta & Zamora absent), the Board deferred this item for consideration at the next meeting.

Deferred

#55

(C-18) DEFERRED

Contract w/ Commercial

<u>Proposed</u>: Contract with Commercial Protective Services (CPS) to provide security services at Bloomington and Colton High Schools for

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Protective Services (CPS)

- Security Services
- BHS & CHS
- **-** 2007-08

Through Winter Break

the 2007-08 school year as presented.

Board member Hoover requested that this item be withdrawn due to an Education Code section that prohibits contracting out for private security services unless the Board officially determines that an emergency exists. Assistant Superintendent Rick Dischinger stated that recent break-ins at BHS warranted this protection. Discussion followed regarding other options.

On a motion by Mr. Albiso, seconded by Mr. Hoover and carried on a 5-0 vote (Armenta & Zamora absent), the Board approved the contract with Commercial Protective Services (CPS) to provide security services at Bloomington and Colton High Schools *only* through the culmination of winter break (January 6, 2008) contingent upon non violation of Education Code or contracting out services. Appropriate costs will be paid from General funds.

It was suggested that the Administration seek a legal opinion and research other options.

Resolution:

Designation of November as Honorary Veterans Month (D-23) RESOLUTION ADOPTED (see item #48)

Study, Information and Review Session / Public Comment

- 1. Personnel -- Resignations
- 2. <u>Revised as Requested—New Board Policy</u> (Adopted 10-18-07) *Business* Distributed

 BP 3311 Informal Bidding Procedures Under the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act
- 3. <u>Amendment by Substitution and Adoption of New Board Policies and Administrative Regulations</u>
 (*Human Resources*) Will be submitted for consideration

BP 4112.2 Special Education Staff (new)

BP 4112.24 Teacher Qualifications Under the No Child Left Behind Act (new)

AR 4112.24 Teacher Qualification Under the No Child Left Behind Act (new)

Single Track (4M) Schedule—Update: Superintendent Downs distributed an update regarding facility needs and implementation of half-day kindergarten classes district wide, the projected budget impact on staffing due to a reduced work year, and stated that boundary changes would be researched. Facilities Director Alice Grundman stated that the deadline to submit RFPs to secure buildings is December 2007 in order to ensure classroom acquisition by July 1, 2008. Discussion ensued and Board members shared *concerns and suggested that staff review the instructional programs at each site and develop a plan to preserve effective and positive programs. Board members expressed interest in slowing down the process to ensure that all options are researched thoroughly and addressed before moving forward to change to a 4M schedule. Assistant Superintendent Cabrera will provide an update at the next meeting that will include data that supports the programs that are in place and will develop a modified plan that identifies which schools are recommended for the 4M schedule.

*Concerns / Information Requested

- Data regarding the effectiveness of full day kindergartens, Curriculum changes that are necessary in order to imple-& the total number of half-day and full-day kindergarten
- Data regarding projected student outcomes
- Parent input

- ment the 4M schedule
- The need to maintain current effective programs
- Superintendent's Communiqué: Superintendent Downs distributed information: Strategic Planning—introduction to the planning session held October 25-27, 2007, unofficial CBEDS and dropout information, AVID conference information, school activities honoring veterans, and articles of interest.
- ACE President Ken Johnson:
 - Shared the impact on teachers regarding full-day kindergarten;
 - Emphasized the need to monitor budgets—deficient spending;
 - C-13: Inquired about the rationale for purchasing four vehicles and the impact on the budget;
 - C-17: Shared concerns regarding the law firms with whom the District would contact, specifically, shared negative comments and opinions regarding Akinson, Adelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo;
 - The union continues to oppose the reauthorization of NCLB and will continue to ask the Board to do the same.
- CSEA no report 7.
- 8. MAC representative Julia Nichols announced that the annual golf tournament would be held on April 12, 2008 at the Hidden Valley Golf Club in Norco. Sponsorships are welcome and interested persons are invited to participate and support the APPLE Foundation Scholarship program.
- ROP Board Member Mendoza-Ware stated that Board member Armenta would not be able to attend the next meeting and inquired about the availability of ROP Alternate member, Kent Taylor, to attend the next meeting in his place.
- 10. Comments / Requests from Board Members

Mark Hoover commented on his participation in the Builders Club at Bloomington Middle School recently. On behalf of Board member Zamora, he inquired about the status of the CSI pr ogram. Curriculum Director Julia Nichols stated that obstacles include lack of lab classes, specialty equipment, and science teachers. Staff is working to implement the program for the 2008-09 school year and an update will be provided in Board Correspondence. Mr. Hoover thanked Washington High School Principal Angela Dischinger for the students' presentation and President Ibarra for his leadership.

Mel Albiso stated that he participated in a "door judging" activity relative to Red Ribbon Week, commented on his attendance at the San Bernardino and Riverside County School Boards' Associations' Fall Joint meeting that focused on financial issues. He commended Superintendent Downs for his decision to close school last week for the health and safety of students and staff.

Marge Mendoza-Ware expressed concern regarding the \$33,000 cost to the District and the reimbursement relative to the Riverside Avenue overpass project. She inquired about the overall transportation impact on students and how and when parents would be notified regarding delays. Information would be included in Board Correspondence.

Kent Taylor commented on the San Bernardino and Riverside County School Boards' Associations' Fall Joint School Board meeting he attended recently and thanked Mel Albiso for representing the District at that meeting as a voting member.

Frank Ibarra commended Superintendent Downs and the staff regarding school closure last week and expressed the Board's gratitude for the employees' commitment to the safety and well being of students and staff. At this time Superintendent Downs thanked his staff and administrators for their assistance. Board member Ibarra reported on a meeting held recently with WLC Architects and the Vanir Construction Company to discuss all options in an effort to expedite the construction of high school #3. Topics included: the amount of funds remaining and the options available relative to the programs that can be offered, transportation costs—other options, research how other districts are able to implement an IB or middle college program. Company representatives will develop alternatives plans and provide a Board update in the near future.

He shared concerns from parents regarding the missed deadline by Colton High School to submit the list of seniors in the top 4 percent of their graduating class to the University of California (ELC—Eligibility in the Local Context). This oversight will affect students' eligibility for college entrance and scholarships. Principal John Coke provided an explanation of the chain of events. Discussion ensued regarding the need to develop a system to ensure that deadlines are met. Assistant Superintendent Yolanda Cabrera and the curriculum staff will contact University representatives to determine if Colton High School students could be included in the eligibility group and will work with each department to develop a comprehensive list of District deadlines. It was suggested that Superintendent Downs send a letter to the students and parents regarding the issue and prepare a comprehensive report to the Board following a thorough investigation.

Closed Session

Student Discipline

Interdistrict Transfer—Appeals

Personnel

Real Property Issues

Labor Negotiators

Reconvened

Closed Session Items Reported

Student Discipline (Closed Session)

#56

• Student Discipline (1)

#57

Abstained: Hoover (conflict of interest)

Absent: Armenta, Zamora

presented.

Student Discipline (Closed Session)

• Student Discipline (2-6)

• Revocation of Suspended Expulsion (1)

Taylor, Albiso, Ibarra, Mendoza-Ware Aves:

reported on action taken in Closed Session:

On a motion by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Albiso and carried on a 5-0 vote (Armenta & Zamora absent), the Board approved Student Discipline Items 2-6 as presented:.

At 8:29 p.m., Board President Frank Ibarra announced that the Board

The Board meeting reconvened at 9:24 p.m. and Board President Ibarra

On a motion by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Albiso and carried on a

4-0-1, the Board approved Student Discipline Item #1 (92651) as

would recess to Closed Session to discuss agendized items.

(2) 68542

(4) 122668

(6) 86874

(3) 121504

(5) 87653

(7) Rev. 77614

Property (Closed Session) Global Settlement Agreement w/ Direct Towing. a Calif. Corp.

- APNs 254-081-33, 34
- Relocation Assistance

Other Closed Session Items #59
No reportable action
(4 Items)

#58

On a motion by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Hoover and carried on a 5-0 vote (Armenta & Zamora absent), the Board approved a global settlement agreement with Direct Towing, a California Corporation, in the amount of \$150,000 as total compensation for relocation assistance and any and all related expenses and claims.

Other Closed Session Items—No reportable action

- Interdistrict Transfer—Appeals
- Supt's Evaluation Document
- Real Property Negotiator High School #3 Issues
 APNs 1167 151 37; 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 9:26 p.m., the Board adjourned to the next Regular Board of Education Meeting on November 15, 2007, at the Colton JUSD Student Services Center, 851 South Mt. Vernon Avenue, Colton, California.