

REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF TRUSTEES WISEBURN SCHOOL DISTRICT

August 25, 2011

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Nelson Martinez, Clerk, in the District Board Room.

Call to Order

Members present:

Susan Andriacchi Roger Bañuelos
Dennis Curtis (absent) Nelson Martinez
Israel Mora

Roll Call

Administrators present:

Dr. Thomas R. Johnstone, Superintendent
Thomas J. Cox, Chief Business Official

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Bill Denney.

A public hearing was opened at 7:10 p.m. for the community and others to comment on the Adoption of Resolution #11/12.02 to approve the Housing Plan and Use of Pupil Grants for New Construction Funding of a Multi-Use Room at Peter Burnett School. The hearing was closed at 7:13 p.m. with no comments offered.

Public Hearing

Kevin Corrinet shared with the Board the important aspects of the CMAST Program at Dana Middle School. CMAST stands for Center for Math and Science Teaching at Loyola Marymount University. Prior to coming to Dana Middle School in 2010, Mr. Corrinet was an Infantry Officer (Army Ranger) in the United States Army. Mr. Corrinet taught mathematics at Gompers Middle School in Los Angeles Unified School District and Skirball Middle School, which is part of the Alliance Charters. For the past two years Mr. Corrinet has been involved in the MAST Teacher Leader Program at Loyola Marymount University, and he graduated from that program in June 2011. The focus of the CMAST Program at Dana Middle School is to boost student engagement at higher levels of critical thinking. The key is to understand math, not just do it. There are three modules in the CMAST program. The first module focuses on the structure of the lesson, the 2nd module focuses on the culture of accountability, and the third module focuses on the culture of collaboration. Mr. Corrinet earned his MAST Teacher Leader Certificate and currently 7th grade math teacher, Maria Garcia is completing this same program.

Special Presentation

Sarah Nitsos made a presentation on the voice amplification system that she earned in a National Grant Contest through Calypso Audio Systems. Sarah introduced Aaron Tretter, who flew in from Minnesota for the presentation. Calypso provided three grants nationwide. Sarah's grant was the Second Place Grant and was good for voice amplification systems for the entire 2nd grade level at Juan de Anza School. What is most impressive is Sarah's grant was selected as second among 600 applications. Ms. Nitsos is a school and district leader in the use of technology and her passion is working with and understanding technology. The Board congratulated Sarah on her outstanding efforts and work with technology.

Ms. Andriacchi reported that she attended the PTA Mixer at Salt Creek Grille on August 22, 2011. More than 20 people attended the mixer representing all four schools and a lot of great information was shared between the schools to provide a foundation for future collaboration.

From the Board

Mr. Bañuelos reported that he had attended the Facilities Sub Committee meetings and that progress is being made toward the launch of the Multi- Purpose Room at Peter Burnett School.

Mr. Martinez reported that he also was able to attend the PTA Mixer at Salt Creek and that this is the start of great collaboration and sharing among the school site PTAs. Mr. Martinez thanked the parents for their participation and support and indicated that we are very fortunate to have such outstanding PTAs.

From the Board
(Cont'd.)

Mr. Martinez closed by saying that he had attended the Measures A and AA Oversight Committee Meetings and both meetings were very productive and there is a lot of interest in how the high school project is progressing.

Mr. Cox reported that he and Dr. Johnstone met with the City of El Segundo regarding the possible high school site adjacent to Plaza El Segundo. The District will be sharing the costs of a study to determine the cost of moving the Water Retention Basin located on City property to another site. The District has started some initial environmental review of this site and another meeting was scheduled with the City for September 19, 2011.

From the Chief Business
Official

Mr. Cox reported that a Recreation Committee Meeting had been scheduled for September 12, 2011.

In closing, Mr. Cox reported that we may need to hold a Special Meeting between the September 8 and September 22 Board meetings to approve the Multipurpose Room Project at Peter Burnett School. The initial cost estimates came in higher than expected and Mr. Cox has asked CW Driver to work with the contractors to provide more competitive bids. This project will also include the Snack Bar at Dana Middle School.

Dr. Johnstone shared several pieces of correspondence including a letter from the Los Angeles County Office of Education indicating a Positive Certification for the District's 2011-12 Budget.

From the Superintendent

He also shared Daily Breeze articles on Da Vinci Design and former Dana Middle School student, Kira Cozzolino, who won a contest among 370 competitors on the topic of religious liberty in schools.

Dr. Johnstone shared the CAHSEE results. Both Da Vinci Science and Da Vinci Design scored well above the county and state averages in both English Language Arts and Mathematics. Dr. Johnstone shared information with the Board that was taken from CALPADs that for the first time gives us accurate information on the State's High School Graduation Rate which was 74.4%. The current State Drop Out Rate is 18.2% with 7.4% of the students either taking more than 4 years to graduate or earning their diplomas through the GED exam.

Dr. Johnstone shared the calendar for the Big Bang Orchestra which will be starting up again at Lennox Middle School on September 10, 2011.

Dr. Johnstone shared that he had sent a Unification letter to the County Committee regarding the Wiseburn School District's ongoing efforts to secure unification.

Dr. Johnstone shared that he, Nelson Martinez, Tom Cox and the District's attorney and consultant from Sacramento would be meeting with Centinela Valley and the three other Feeder Districts to Centinela Valley on Friday, August 26, 2011.

In closing, Dr. Johnstone shared that he had attended the ELD Celebration on August 25, 2011 at Hollyglen Park. Parent Volunteer, Dulce Stein, did an excellent job this year in providing a Summer ELD Program that included both Drama and Visual Arts.

On a motion by Mr. Mora, which was seconded by Mr. Bañuelos, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting held August 11, 2011.

M11.58
Minutes

On a motion by Mr. Mora, which was seconded by Mr. Bañuelos, the Board voted 4-0 to ratify Resolution #11/12.01 – Volunteers – Liability, as presented.	M11.59 Resolution #11/12.01 – Volunteers - Liability
On a motion by Ms. Andriacchi, which was seconded by Mr. Mora, the Board voted 4-0 to adopt Resolution #11/12.02 – Acceptance of the Use of State Construction Grant Funding to Construct New Facilities at Wiseburn School District.	M11.60 Resolution #11/12.02 – Acceptance of the Use of State Construction Grant Funding
On a motion by Ms. Andriacchi, which was seconded by Mr. Bañuelos, the Board voted 4-0 to approve purchase orders #99472-99645, warrants and miscellaneous receipts as submitted.	M11.61 Purchase Orders, Warrants and Miscellaneous Receipts
On a motion by Mr. Bañuelos, which was seconded by Mr. Mora, the Board voted 4-0 to approve/ratify the following classified employment/additional hours to be paid from the Classified Salary Schedule unless otherwise noted:	M11.62 Additional Hours – Classified

District

1. Javier Salazar, Instructional Aide/Noon Duty, approve 11.75 hours for P.E. instruction and 2.25 hours of noon duty for a total of 14 hours per week, effective September 19, 2011, to be paid at Classified Range 6, Step A, to replace Bryan Courtney, and to be paid from Cabrillo Donation Funds. The P.E. Program ends the first week of June. Mr. Salazar will work from mid-September to early June pending program being funded by the Cabrillo PTA.	
On a motion by Mr. Bañuelos, which was seconded by Mr. Mora, the Board voted 4-0 to ratify 3.75 additional hours for Amber Franco, Teacher on Special Assignment, effective July 5, 2010 through August 5, 2011 for CELDT testing to be paid at \$30 per hour from EIA Funds.	M11.63 Additional Hours - TOSA
On a motion by Mr. Bañuelos, which was seconded by Mr. Mora, the Board voted 4-0 to approve Nicole Jeffrey to work with students before school to provide band lessons and one day during the week after school hours, effective September 19, 2011 through June 15, 2011, to be paid from the General Fund.	M11.64 Temporary Before and After School Band
On a motion by Mr. Bañuelos, which was seconded by Mr. Mora, the Board voted 4-0 to approve Kiana Brede as a Probationary 2 Certificated Employee, effective September 6, 2011 through June 30, 2012, to be paid on the Certificated Salary Schedule at Column 1, Step 2 from the General Fund.	M11.65 Probationary 2 Certificated Employee
On a motion by Mr. Bañuelos, which was seconded by Mr. Mora, the Board voted 4-0 to approve Charles (Andy) DeSeriore as a Temporary Certificated Employee, effective September 6, 2011 through June 30, 2012, to be paid on the Certificated Salary Schedule at Column V, Step 9, plus a Master's stipend from the General Fund.	M11.66 Temporary Certificated Employee
On a motion by Mr. Bañuelos, which was seconded by Mr. Mora, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the following certificated employees as participants on the Common Core/State Standards Review for Language Arts, effective August 31, 2011, to be paid at \$30 per hour for up to 2.5 hours each to be paid from the General Fund:	M11.67 Common Core / State Standards Review

Arias, Karen
Carne, Tara
Carr, Glafy
Craig, Melissa
España, Kathy
Hayes, Jordan
Johnson, Naomi

Johnstone, Terry
Kae, Jami
Klein, Ilyse
Kuhn, Shannon
Norman, Robert
Obermeyer, Heidi
Pachuta, Krista

Robelotto, Rebecca
Rowland, Darrelyn
Spiwak, Michael
Sutton, Jeanne
Sweeney, Dorothy
Thompson, Elanya
Williams, Jennifer
Wilson, Tanya

On a motion by Mr. Bañuelos, which was seconded by Mr. Mora, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the following District Technology Mentors for the 2011-12 school year:

M11.68
Technology Mentors

Anza

\$2,500 Stipend each (shared assignment) – Ruby del Rio and Krista Pachuta (65 hours each)

Dana

\$2,500 Stipend each (shared assignment) – Maria Garcia and Mary Nies (65 hours each)

Stipends will be paid on February 1, 2012 and July 1, 2012 after technology logs have been submitted.

On a motion by Mr. Bañuelos, which was seconded by Mr. Mora, the Board voted 4-0 to approve advancement to Group III for Kris Torrey, effective September 1, 2011.

M11.69
Group Advancement -
Torrey

On a motion by Mr. Bañuelos, which was seconded by Mr. Mora, the Board voted 4-0 to approve a \$150 stipend for Elanya Thompson for transferring from one classroom to another, as per Wiseburn School District/Wiseburn Faculty Association Agreement, Article 13.1.1, effective September 1, 2011. Ms. Thompson was involuntarily transferred from Dana Middle School to Juan de Anza School.

M11.70
Moving Stipend

On a motion by Mr. Bañuelos, which was seconded by Mr. Mora, the Board voted 4-0 to approve a Consultant's Agreement with Speech Bananas providing Auditory Verbal Therapy & Reports/Goals, effective September 1, 2011 through August 31, 2012 at a cost of \$150 per hour, not to exceed \$5,850 to be paid from Special Education Funds.

M11.71
Consultant's Agreement
– Speech Bananas

The Board entered closed session at 8:32 p.m. and reconvened at 9:45 p.m.

Closed Session

On a motion by Mr. Mora, which was seconded by Ms. Andriacchi, the Board voted 4-0 to approve rescinding the lay-off notices that were to be effective for the 2011-12 school year, effective September 1, 2011, each will maintain tenured status and be placed on appropriate group/step of the Certificated Salary Schedule for 2011-12. All will return to 100% assignments:

M11.72
Rescinding Lay-Off
Notices for Certificated
Employees

- Evelyn Andrade
- Cathy Crnkovich
- Lissette Fernandez
- Deidra Jeffery

On a motion by Mr. Mora, which was seconded by Ms. Andriacchi, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the following unpaid leaves of absence for the 2011-12 school year:

M11.73
Unpaid Leaves of
Absence

- Lorrie Cariaga – 40%
- Tara Carne – 40%
- Christine Carpenter – 40%
- Debra Davis – 50%
- Melissa Matthias – 50%
- Katie Nelson – 50%
- Noelle Staal – 20%

On a motion by Mr. Mora, which was seconded by Ms. Andriacchi, the Board voted 4-0 to approve a 20% unpaid leave of absence for Lori Rawlins for the 2011-12 school year, effective September 6, 2011 through June 15, 2012.

M11.74
20% Unpaid Leave of
Absence

On a motion by Mr. Mora, which was seconded by Ms. Andriacchi, the Board voted 4-0 to approve a 50% unpaid leave of absence for Suzanne Guidi for the 2011-12 school year.

M11.75
50% Unpaid Leave of
Absence

On a motion by Mr. Mora, which was seconded by Ms. Andriacchi, the Board voted 4-0 to approve a 20% certificated assignment for Jeanne Smiley for the 2011-12 school year, effective September 6, 2011 through June 15, 2012.

M11.76
20% Certificated
Assignment

On a motion by Mr. Mora, which was seconded by Ms. Andriacchi, the Board voted 4-0 to approve a 40% certificated assignment for Griselda Romero for the 2011-12 school year, effective September 1, 2011 through June 15, 2012.

M11.77
40% Certificated
Assignment

On a motion by Mr. Mora, which was seconded by Ms. Andriacchi, the Board voted 4-0 to approve a 50% temporary certificated assignment for Cheryl Carrick for the 2011-12 school year, effective September 6, 2011 through June 15, 2012.

M11.78
50% Certificated
Assignment

On a motion by Mr. Mora, which was seconded by Ms. Andriacchi, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the following temporary certificated employees, effective September 6, 2011 through June 30, 2012 with the same salary placement as in 2010-11 to be paid from the General Fund:

M11.79
Temporary Certificated
Employees

<u>Name</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Column</u>	<u>FTE</u>
Carolyn Elder	6	III	50%
Ilone Grothe	4	II	40%
Darrellyn Rowland	10	II	40%
Brian Jaffe	15	III	40%

On a motion by Mr. Mora, which was seconded by Ms. Andriacchi, the Board voted 4-0 to ratify Jared Crugnale as a probationary full-time classified custodian/groundskeeper to be paid at Range 11, Step A, effective August 10, 2011. Mr. Crugnale replaces Ruben Diaz who was voluntarily transferred to a Peter Burnett and Dana Middle School assignment.

M11.80
Probationary
Custodian/Groundskeeper

On a motion by Mr. Mora, which was seconded by Ms. Andriacchi, the Board voted 4-0 to approve Tara Carne as an On-Call Substitute Teacher, effective September 7, 2011.

M11.81
On-Call Substitute
Teacher

On a motion by Mr. Mora, which was seconded by Ms. Andriacchi, the Board voted 4-0 to approve Jennifer Fisher as the Program Specialist/SELPA on behalf of the Southwest SELPA, effective August 16, 2011 through June 30, 2012. This is a certificated position and compensation will be on the new salary schedule for this job, Step 1, \$80,000 per year for 200 days. Ms. Fisher is eligible for full benefits. All costs associated with this SELPA position will be reimbursed to the District by the Southwest SELPA.

M11.82
Program Specialist /
SELPA

On a motion by Mr. Mora, which was seconded by Ms. Andriacchi, the Board voted 4-0 to approve Peter Johnson as the Coordinator Data Management Systems on behalf of the Southwest SELPA. This is a non-contractual classified position. He will work full time and receive full benefits. He will be placed on Step 5 of the Coordinator Data Management Systems Salary Schedule, effective August 19, 2011. All costs associated with this position shall be reimbursed to the District by the Southwest SELPA.

M11.83
Coordinator Data
Management Systems –
SELPA

Mr. Mora moved and Mr. Bañuelos seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 9:48 p.m. Motion carried 4-0.

Adjournment

The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held Thursday, September 8, 2011, at 7:00 p.m. in the District Board Room.

Nelson Martinez
Clerk of the Board

Tom Johnstone
Secretary of the Board