

**FAIRFIELD-SUISUN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
FAIRFIELD, CALIFORNIA
GOVERNING BOARD REGULAR MEETING
October 24, 2013**

CALL TO ORDER IN OPEN SESSION

A regular meeting of the Governing Board of the Fairfield-Suisun Unified School District was held in Conference Room #108 at the District Administrative Center, 2490 Hilborn Road, Fairfield, California, on October 24, 2013.

The Governing Board convened in Open Session at 5:02 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Board President Polk noted revisions to the following agenda items:

- Information item no. VIII-A-1, agenda page 132; language has been revised to clarify.
- Information item no. VIII-A-1, agenda page 133; information on Armijo High School mathematics results has been included.

** Motion was made by Mrs. Marianno, seconded by Ms. Shamansky, and carried, with Student Board Member agreeing, and with Mr. Isom, Mrs. Honeychurch, and Mr. Gaut absent, to approve adoption of the agenda as modified.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

There were no public comments.

RECONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION

The Governing Board adjourned into Closed Session at 5:03 p.m. to discuss:

- Student Discipline
 - Student Expulsion Case nos. 002-1314 through 004-1314
- conference with labor negotiators regarding the District and the Fairfield-Suisun Teacher Association (F-SUTA); California School Employees Association (CSEA) Chapter #302, Office Technical and Business Services Unit.; California School Employees Association (CSEA) Chapter #302, Support/Operations Unit; Mutual Organization of Supervisors (MOS); Ancillary Professions Association (APA); and the Fairfield-Suisun Management Association (FSMA)

Mrs. Honeychurch arrived at 5:04 p.m.

Mr. Gaut arrived at 5:09 p.m.

Mr. Isom arrived at 5:43 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION ADJOURNMENT

The Governing Board adjourned Closed Session at 5:50 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Polk called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Superintendent Corey reported that during Closed Session the Board took no action.

ROLL CALL

Members in attendance: Dave Gaut, David C. Isom, Judi Honeychurch, Kathy Marianno, Perry W. Polk, Pat Shamansky, John Silva, Kristin Hsu, and Kris Corey, Superintendent.

ROLL CALL (continued)

Member Absent: None

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE
FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA**

Mr. Polk called upon Cliff Gordon to lead those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

PRESENTATIONS

Student Representative Reports were made for Fairfield- Suisun Adult School, Matt Garcia Learning Center, and Sem Yeto Continuation High School. Reports regarding activities at various school sites were presented by Thomas Wright, Fairfield-Suisun Adult School, Sierra Nita, Matt Garcia Learning Center, and Harley Wurth, Sem Yeto Continuation High School.

Mr. Polk introduced Joan Gaut from Music for our Children. Mrs. Gaut and several community members expressed their appreciation for music and shared their thoughts regarding elementary music, which included:

- participation in music and how it can have a positive effect on a student and their audiences
- that music should begin in kindergarten
- that knowledge gained in student instruction carries over to other subjects
- how the music program could be restored to the elementary schools
- why it is important to teach instrument instruction
- why music should be restored

Mr. Polk introduced Brad Davis, Chairman of the Fairfield Youth Commission, who presented information on behalf of the Fairfield Youth Commission regarding the Alive and Free program. He stated that the youth commission helps to serve as an advisory body to city council. The commission reviews the work that the city is doing and lets the city know how their work can best serve and help students and the community. They are currently working with the Interagency Youth Services Center at Sullivan.

Other members from the youth commission shared how successful the Alive and Free Concert was and thanked the Board for their support. One member from the commission stated that a Prom Closet has been housed at the Sullivan site and was created to help support students who need a prom dress, tuxedo, or other prom supplies/accessories. Because the prom is in April, the group has begun to advertise now for prom needs.

Mr. Davis stated that the commission has been working very hard to ensure that their programs are successful.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

In her report Superintendent Corey shared the following:

- Several of the Governing Board members have received emails from the community regarding the restoration of various programs, as well as "promises" that may have been made during the time of the District's budget reductions. She stated that she was asked by the Board President Polk and President Elect David C. Isom to review minutes and video of various Board meetings held

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
(continued)**

during the 2010 school year regarding budget reductions. In her review, she found that at the Feb. 25, 2010 meeting, that the Board approved large budget reductions, such as central office administration, elimination of PE, Music, and Art specialists, and the elimination of extra hourly programs, such as summer school and interventions. Superintendent Corey stated that this was a very difficult decision for the Board and it was the Board's hope that the District's financial outlook would change and they would be able to restore some of these things.

At the Board's November 18, 2010 meeting, the Board directed administration to bring back a comprehensive list of reductions and make a recommendation for priorities for restoration when the District received additional monies. At that time, there was a discussion regarding a tentative plan for a core elementary music instructional program for grades 4-6. The agenda item was a review of prior years' budget reductions and potential prioritization of restoration of programs and services.

According to the Superintendent, because there was a need to make the potential of making an additional 7 million in reductions, the Board consensus was that no action was needed to make a priority list for restorations. She stated that there have been numerous comments from the public regarding promises made by the Board regarding restorations, but has been unable to find any Board actions that mention priority for restorations. She added that they are now in the process of looking at our District's priorities and that they will make their budget decisions for the upcoming year in January 2014. The Superintendent stated that all of the Board members are supportive of music education.

- Met with Kelly Morgan, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services and Margan Holloway, Director of Food Services regarding money owed to the District for student lunches. Students are not being turned away if they do not have money to eat because we do not want any student to go hungry. The amount owed to the Food Services Department from August 15 through October 21 is \$20,000. She stated that we are encouraging *all* parents to fill out the food/lunch application.
- Superintendent Corey is seeing a lot of technology being used at the sites and a lot of creativity. She stated that schools are embracing "bring your own device to school".
- Attended a Kaiser Permanente performance at Crystal Middle School.
- Band of the Golden West will be coming to tour our schools.
- The Superintendent gave a big "shout out" and thank you to Jacob Winslow Smith, who is a senior from Mt. Diablo, for letting the District use his student identity number to look at his information on the Naviance website.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT
CALENDAR**

- ** Motion was made by Mr. Gaut, seconded by Mr. Isom, and carried unanimously, with Student Board Member Hsu agreeing, to approve the following Consent Calendar items:
- V-A-1 student expulsion case no. 002-1314
 - V-A-2 student expulsion case no. 003-1314
 - V-A-3 student expulsion case no. 004-1314
 - V-B-1 acceptance of donations to the District
 - V-B-2 vendor warrants for the month of September 2013
 - V-B-3 payroll expenditures for the month of September 2013
 - V-B-4 resolution no. 007-1314, request for increase/decrease of appropriations and estimated income for the month ending September 2013
 - V-B-5 resolution 008-1314, certification of signatures and authorization for personnel to sign district orders for payment for the 2013-14 fiscal year
 - V-B-6 declaration of district obsolete and surplus equipment and authorization to sell at public auction, or disposal at the public dump
 - V-C-1 personnel action report 1314-7a (certificated hires, leaves, retirements, and resignations)
 - V-C-2 personnel action report 1314-7b (classified hires, leaves, retirements, and resignations)
 - V-C-3 certification of high school fall sports coaches for the 2013-2014 school year
 - V-D-1 minutes of the Governing Board regular meeting held on September 26, 2013 and regular meeting held on October 10, 2013

**PUBIC HEARING REGARDING
POTENTIAL APPROVAL OF COMMON
CORE STATE STANDARDS
IMPLEMENTATION FUND
EXPENDITURE PLAN**

Roxane Liu, Director of Instructional Support, and Tim Goree, Director of Technology Support Services, presented this item to the Board for review. The Common Core Stated Standards Implementation Fund Expenditure Plan was presented to the Board at its 10/10/13 Governing Board meeting. The State has appropriated \$1.2 billion dollars for the implementation for the Common Cores State Standards.

Hearing opened at 6:36 p.m.

Hearing closed at 6:36 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF COMMON CORE
STATE STANDARDS
IMPLEMENTATION FUND
EXPENDITURE PLAN**

Roxane Liu, Director of Instructional Support and Tim Goree, Director of Technology Support Services, presented this item for approval by the Board. Assembly Bill (AB) 86 appropriated \$1.25 billion dollars for the 2013-2014 school year to support implementation of the Common Core State Standards. The funds may be used for professional development, technology, or instructional materials.

- ** Motion was made by Ms. Shamansky, seconded by Mr. Gaut, and carried unanimously, with Student Board Member agreeing, to approve the Common Core State Standards implementation fund expenditure plan.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

Noah Shaw, student at Rodriguez High School expressed how elementary music will help him throughout his life and how music has helped his self-confidence.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION (continued)

Pete Shaw, community member, supports music education in the elementary schools. He stated that music at the elementary level is the critical feeding that all students need to have.

Aubree Ellison, Fairfield High school student, represented Music For Our Children. She expressed how music has made her a better person and filled her with self-confidence. She supports having music put back in the elementary schools.

Simon Stubbert, Suisun Valley student, spoke about the musical instruments that he has learned to play. He expressed how he continues in band today and hopes music is restored.

Mary Weaver, parent of two students in the District, stated that she had a daughter who struggled in school. She stated that when her daughter started in music, it made a difference in her life and she began doing better in school.

Jacob Purvis, student, believes there should be music at elementary schools and how music makes him happy. Supports bringing music back to the elementary schools.

Alicia Partlow, community member, expressed her desire to have music back in the elementary schools. She added that she has a daughter who plays the piano.

Mayrene Bates, community member, stated that she knows the board works hard to make critical decisions and is partial to music. Feels there is a gap in her own learning because she did not have music in school growing up. She believes that the only way students are going to get music is to have it in school. And believes the District should do whatever possible to put music back into the elementary schools.

Wanda Cook, representing Young Authors Conservatory of Music, acknowledged the music teachers in the District. She supports putting music back in the elementary schools.

Laurel Salerno-White, president of the Fairfield-Suisun Unified Teachers Association, stated that teachers understand how important it is to bring music back to the schools. She stated that music education has "really" been addressed. She added how much she loves having students in her class who have had music education, because they are more creative in many areas.

Stephanie Toy, Pediatrician, supports music. She would like all elementary students to be able to participate in music. She thanked the Board for supporting music.

As this is a routine item, no formal presentation was made.

**REPORT: LOCAL EDUCATIONAL
AGENCY (LEA) PLAN ANNUAL
UPDATE (END-OF YEAR REPORT)**

**MONTHLY REPORT ON
IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF THE
DISTRICT LOCAL EDUCATIONAL
AGENCY (LEA) PLAN: NAVIANCE**

Sheila McCabe, Director of Secondary Education, presented this item. Naviance is a program that helps students connect to their post secondary goals. Its comprehensive college and career planning solutions help students to be successful. During the

**MONTHLY REPORT ON
IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF THE
DISTRICT LOCAL EDUCATIONAL
AGENCY (LEA) PLAN: NAVIANCE
(continued)**

spring of 2013, the program was piloted at Rodriguez High School, Dover Bridge to Success, Sem Yeto High School, and the Matt Garcia Learning Center. The presentation included the following information:

Connecting Learning and Life

- Learn about skills and interests
- Set personal goals
- Explore career options based on interests
- Search for colleges
- Apply for scholarships track admission status
- Complete alumni surveys

Student Surveys (Matt Garcia Learning Center)

- Survey Builder (MS classes and HS Advisory)
 - Surveys developed or revised by staff
 - 6th grade Middle School Intro Survey
- Naviance Surveys (MS classes and HS Advisory)
 - Career Inventories- Career Interest Profiler
 - Post Secondary Goals- Game Plan

College Success (Rodriguez High School)

- Seniors (Government Economics Classes)
 - Complete the "Do What You Are" personality assessment
 - Use *SuperMatch* tool
 - Identify the colleges to which they are applying
- Freshmen (English Classes)
 - Complete Career Cluster Finder

**REVIEW FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR
MONTH ENDING SEPTEMBER 2013**

As this is a routine item, no formal presentation was made.

**REVIEW RESOLUTION NO. XX-1314,
ACCOUNTING OF DEVELOPERS FEES
FOR THE 2012-2013 FISCAL YEAR**

As this is a routine item, no formal presentation was made.

REPORT: ENROLLMENT UPDATE

Kelly Morgan, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, introduced this item. Included as part of the budget process, enrollment projections were developed for the purpose of budgeting revenues and developing staffing allocations. The projections showed a decline of 125 students for the 2013-2014 school year. As of October 2, 2013, the District experienced an increase of 185 students.

Ms. Morgan answered questions from the Board.

Mr. Gaut left at 7:39 p.m.

**REVIEW FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM
FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR
AND GOALS FOR THE 2013-2014
SCHOOL YEAR**

Margan Holloway, Director of Food Services, presented this item and gave a brief overview of the 2012-2013 Food Service Department program accomplishments and goals for the department for the 2013-2014 school year. The presentation included the following information:

- Meals served
 - 615,518 Breakfasts
 - 1,791,137 Lunches
 - 59,431 Dinners

**REVIEW FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM
FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR
AND GOALS FOR THE 2013-2014
SCHOOL YEAR (continued)**

- 44,888 Breakfasts, lunches and dinner through the Seamless Summer Feeding Program
- 2,605,492 Total meals served
- Accomplishments 2012-2013
 - A to Z salad bar and farm to school at Suisun Valley School
 - Nutrition and Community Education
 - Elementary school future chefs cooking contest
 - Teaching pre-K students about sound nutrition
 - Cooking demonstration and nutrition education
 - Achieved menu certification status
 - Expanded dinner program to 11 sites
 - Continued with Summer Meal Program
 - Ended 2012-2013 with a positive fund balance
 - Implemented new USDA Regulations from the Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act and trained all staff on the new meal pattern requirements and food components
 - Trained staff on: customer service, food safety and sanitation, ServSafe Certification, and computer skills
 - Initiated weekly huddle program
 - Participated in Kitchen War Culinary Competition with other districts
 - Judged by presentation, creativity, and food safety
 - FSUSD's Sassy Ladies- 2013 Winner for best entrée
- Goals for 2013-2014
 - Operate within budget and be fiscally responsible
 - Increase meal participation
 - Expand Dinner Program and outreach efforts
 - Promote food and nutrition services to the community
 - Chef demonstration cooking promoting nutrition and new food choices
 - Update the environment at key sites to improve service to students
 - Provide professional development opportunities for all staff
- Employee Accomplishment
 - First winner of the Sunshine Smiley Face Award

Mr. Isom thanked the Food Services Department for feeding our students. He has visited schools during lunch and saw that students were allowed to eat all of the fruits and vegetables they wanted. He thanked them for feeding those less fortunate.

Mrs. Honeychurch thanked Food Services for feeding students. She also congratulated them on their certification.

Ms. Hsu, thanked Food Services for taking care of students less fortunate and believes it is admirable.

Mr. Silva congratulated Food Services on a job well done.

**REVIEW FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM
FOR THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR
AND GOALS FOR THE 2013-2014
SCHOOL YEAR (continued)**

Mr. Polk said it is amazing how many students the Food Services Department takes care of. He thanked Ms. Holloway for reviewing the District's program and working to save the District money. He stated that we have a winner in the Director of Food Services.

The Superintendent stated that she was told that Food Services has the "best" pizza!

REQUEST TO SPEAK

George Guynn, community member, stated that it is the job of the parents to see that their children are fed, not the Districts.

**REVISED JOB DESCRIPTION FOR
BILINGUAL SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST-
INTERVENTION SPECIALIST**

As this is a routine item, no formal presentation was made.

**REPORT: CALENDAR COMMITTEE
UPDATE**

Board President Polk asked that this item be taken out of order and presented before item VIII-B-4 because of technical difficulties. Rob Martinez, Director of Human Resources and Heather Simmons, Fairfield-Suisun Unified Teachers Association, presented this item. The Fairfield-Suisun Unified School District and the Fairfield-Suisun Unified Teachers Association provided an update regarding the committee's formation, process of meeting and discussing relevant materials, and the task of providing draft calendars for the next two school years. Calendars will later be presented to the Board for review and potential adoption.

Ms. Simmons stated that the Calendar Committee will use the information received from the calendar survey, which was placed on the District website. She stated that the committee will use student absentee days as well as teacher absentee days to help make their decisions.

Mr. Martinez stated that the committee recognized a student's request to have the day after Halloween off.

**REVIEW BOARD GOVERNANCE
CALENDAR**

The Board discussed upcoming meetings and some of the items that will be included in those meetings. Some of the items discussed at the meetings will include facilities, board policies, priorities, the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), and goals for the 2014-2015 school year.

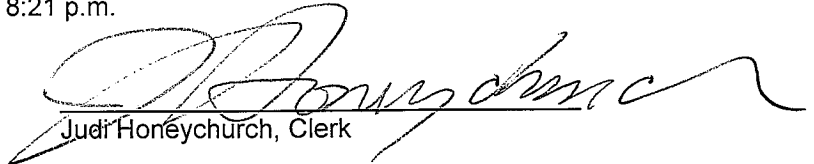
**BOARD SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT
AND MEMBER INFORMATION**

A written report was provided by Board member Honeychurch.

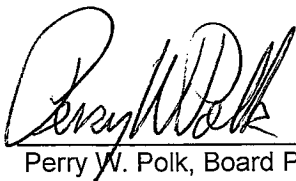
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Polk adjourned the meeting at 8:21 p.m.

Approved:


Judi Honeychurch, Clerk

Attest:


Perry W. Polk, Board President

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