

FOLSOM CORDOVA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
125 East Bidwell Street
Folsom, California 95630

August 17, 2006

MINUTES

Board of Education
Regular Board Meeting
Mills Middle School
Cafetorium
10439 Coloma Road
Rancho Cordova, California 95670

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Teresa A. Stanley, President
Edward Short, Vice President
Sara Myers, Clerk
Richard Shaw, Member
Mary McCormick, Member
Kendra Stanley, Student Member

August 17, 2006

Board members present: Teresa Stanley, Richard Shaw, Edward Short, Mary McCormick, and Kendra Stanley (Myers absent)

5:00 p.m. – Open Session

CALL TO ORDER (Held in Room 41)

President Stanley announced items to be discussed in closed session.

5:05 p.m. – Closed Session

(Held in Room 41)

6:00 p.m. – Open Meeting

(Held in Cafetorium)

Meeting convened at 6:12. President Stanley called the meeting to order. Donald Northcross led the flag salute.

REPORTING OUT CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

Superintendent Godwin asked Assistant Superintendent Lawrence Brubaker to report out on routine action taken in closed session regarding certificated and classified personnel.

Mr. Brubaker also reported that Trustees approved the appointment of a Director of State and Federal Programs, effective July 1, 2007, and pending the retirement of the current director.

PERSONNEL MATTERS (Approved in Closed Session)

CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

SHAW/McCORMICK MOVED TO APPROVE routine certificated personnel items.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Myers absent)

CERTIFICATED EMPLOYMENT

The following employees have been *hired* with Temporary status for the 2006/2007 school year:

- Catherine Bielefield, STARBASE Teacher, Navigator Elementary School, Preliminary Multiple Subject/General Subjects Credential; BA + 41; Class 2, Step 1. Effective: 08/31/06 through 06/15/07.
- Tracy Carter, Teacher (#991617), Sutter Middle School, Preliminary Single Subject Foundational-Level Mathematics/English Learners Credential; BA + 34/MA Class 3, Step 1.

- John Cornett, Teacher (#207037, #207038, #207078), Folsom Middle School, Professional Clear Single Subject Social Science/Supplementary Authorization Introductory English Credential; BA + 73 1/3; Class 4, Step 5.
- Tamara Davis, Newcomer Teacher (#990222), Rancho Cordova Elementary School, Preliminary Multiple Subject/General Subjects/English Learner Credential; BA + 49; Class 3 Step 1.
- Heather Eggen, Teacher (#207067), Navigator Elementary School, Preliminary Multiple Subject/General Subjects/English Learner Credential; BA + 45; Class 3, Step 1. Effective: 08/10/06.
- Lisa Fanelli, Teacher (#203087), Mitchell Middle School, Preliminary Multiple Subject/General Subjects/English Learner Credential; BA + 45 1/3; Class 3, Step 1. Effective: 08/10/06.
- Terese Fields, Resource Specialist 50% (#207012), Sandra J. Gallardo Elementary School, Preliminary Multiple Subject/General Subjects/Preliminary Education Specialist Mild/Moderate/English Learner Credential; BA + 45; Class 3, Step 1. Effective: 08/10/06.

The following employees have been *hired* with Temporary status for the 2006/2007 school year:

- Michelle Gumbs, Special Education Teacher (#200401, #207508), Kinney High School, Preliminary Education Specialist Mild/Moderate/Professional Clear Single Subject Business/Supplementary Authorization Introductory English/CLAD Credentials; BA + 67/ME + 38; Class 5, Step 3.
- Doug Lewin, Teacher (#991789) Fall Semester Only, Folsom High School, Preliminary Single Subject Foundational-Level Mathematics/English Learner Credential; BS + 51; Class 3, Step 1. Effective: 08/08/06 through 12/20/06.
- Janet Okimura, School Nurse (#992017, #202626), Health Programs, Professional Clear School Nurse Services Credential; BS + 60.31; Class 4, Step 10.
- Sharon Samano, Special Education Teacher (#206066), Gold Ridge Elementary School, Intern Education Specialist Moderate/Severe Credential; BS; Class 1, Step 1. Effective: 08/10/06.
- Scott Seffens, Teacher (#207030), Folsom High School, Professional Clear Single Subject Physical Education/Supplementary Authorization Introductory Mathematics/CLAD Credential; BA + 60; Class 4, Step 7.
- Juliene Smith, Teacher (#204090), Sandra J. Gallardo Elementary School, Professional Clear Multiple Subject/General Subjects Credential; BA + 32; Class 2, Step 5.
- Thu Yee, School Nurse (#992017, #201425), Health Programs, Professional Clear School Nurse Services Credential, BA + 63.45/MS; Class 5, Step 8.

The following employees have been *re-hired* with Temporary status for the 2006/2007 school year:

- Claire Barr-Smith, Teacher (#202642), Mills Middle School.
- Barbara Eklund, Counselor (#991620), Sutter Middle School.
- Vanessa Leslie, Teacher (#991677), Mitchell Middle School.
- Zhanna Marin, Newcomer Teacher 100% (#990446), White Rock Elementary School.
- Gabriele Merz-Johnson, Speech Pathologist 40% (#203174, #204044, #204043), Speech Services.
- Ann Sandner, Speech Pathologist 40% (#202023, #204043), Speech Services.

The following employee has been *re-hired* with Tenure status for the 2006/2007 school year:

- Jessica Kahn, Special Education Teacher (#207008), Navigator Elementary School.

RATIFY RESIGNATION AND FIX LAST DATE OF EMPLOYMENT

- John Green, Teacher (#991639), Mills Middle School. John was hired on August 21, 1996 and has been employed 10 years with the Folsom Cordova Unified School District. Effective: 08/02/06.
- Laurie Flood, Teacher (#202642), Mills Middle School (from Leave of Absence). Laurie was hired on October 31, 1996 and has been employed 9 years 8 months with the Folsom Cordova Unified School District. Effective: 08/04/06.

CERTIFICATED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

- Stephen Gast, Teacher (#203087), Mitchell Middle School, 100% Medical Leave of Absence. Effective: 02/28/07 through 06/01/07.
- Alexandra Yen-Rauchfuss, Teacher (#200095), 100% Parental Leave of Absence. Effective: 2006/2007 school year.

CERTIFICATED CHANGE OF ASSIGNMENT

- Sinarom Chau-Pech, Teacher (#206072, #990222), Rancho Cordova Elementary School. From: 40% ELA/60% Elementary Newcomer; To: 50% ELA/50% Elementary Newcomer. Effective: 2006/2007 school year.
- Barbara Martin, School Nurse (#207051), Health Programs. From: 70%; To: 80%. Effective: 2006/2007 school year.
- Kelly Weske, Teacher (#990592). From: Williamson Elementary School; To: Navigator Elementary School. Effective: 2006/2007 school year.

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENT 2007/2008

SHAW/SHORT MOVED TO APPROVE the following administrative appointment.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Myers absent)

Superintendent, Patrick Godwin, is recommending the following Administrative Change of Assignment for the 2007/2008 school year:

- Martin Baumann (#201320); From: Principal, Carl Sundahl Elementary School; To: Director, State & Federal Programs. Effective: 07/01/07 (*pending retirement of current Administrator*).

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL

SHAW/SHORT MOVED TO APPROVE routine classified personnel items.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Myers absent)

CLASSIFIED EMPLOYMENT

- Jessica Braun (replacement) Student Care Center Assistant (#202500), Natoma Station Elem., 3 hours daily/9.75 months, Range CL08/Step A. Effective: 8/8/06
- Hope Galloway (replacement) Student Care Center Assistant (#206085), Folsom Hills Elem., 2.5 hours daily/9.75 months, Range CL08/Step A. Effective: 8/8/06
- Karen Lewis (replacement) Student Records Clerk (#991031), Folsom Middle, 8 hours daily/10.75 months, Range CL15/Step C. Effective: 8/3/06
- Amy Neal (replacement) Student Care Center Assistant (#206075), Oak Chan Elem., 3.5 hours daily/9.75 months, Range CL0/Step A. Effective: 8/8/06
- Cathy Runnels (replacement) Director of Human Resources (#207042), Human Resources Dept., 8 hours daily/12 months, Range MG26/Step A. Effective: 9/5/06
- Brenda Shine (replacement) Payroll Accountant (#201399), Payroll Dept., 8 hours/12 months, Range CL27/Step E. Effective: 7/31/06
- Victoriya Tarasyuk (replacement) Bilingual Instructional Assistant (#204132), Family Support Services, 3.9 hours daily/12 months, Range CL10/Step A. Effective: 8/9/06

CLASSIFIED REASSIGNMENT

- Marie Abdallah (voluntary reduction/ replacement) Food Service Worker I (#202545), from 6 hours daily at Folsom Middle to 3 hours daily at Empire Oaks Elem. Effective: 8/14/06
- Rosalie Bilyk (replacement) Folsom High from Campus Monitor, 3.9 hours, Range CL09 to Special Education Instructional Assistant (#207052), 6 hours, Range CL10. Effective: 8/14/06
- Tanya Branach-Wells (replacement) Cordova Lane Elem., from Special Education Instructional Assistant, 5 hours daily to Parent/Assistant Coordinator (#990750), 3.9 hours daily. Effective: 8/14/06
- Cathy McCune (voluntary reduction) Folsom High from Food Service Worker II, Range CL07 to Food Service Worker I (#202569), Range CL05. Effective: 8/14/06
- Jill Olsem (voluntary reduction) Student Care Center Supervisor (#991286), Williamson Elem., from 8 hours daily to 6.5 hours daily. Effective: 8/1/06
- Cynthia Rodrigue (voluntary reduction) Preschool Teacher (#990992), Riverview Elem., from 8 hours daily to 4 hours daily. Effective: 7/1/06
- Zaherabel Rodriguez (replacement/temporary) from Parent/Assistant Coordinator (#990754), Williamson, 3.9 hours daily/9.5 months, Range CL10/Step E to Administrative Assistant-Elementary (#990976), P.J. Shields, 8 hours daily. Effective: 7/31/06 to 10/31/06
- Georgina Vigil (replacement) from Special Education Instructional Assistant, Mitchell Middle, 6 hours daily/9.5 months, Range CL10/Step E to Student Care Center Supervisor (#202599), Mather Heights Elem., 8 hours daily/11 months, Column II/Step 3. Effective: 7/1/06

CLASSIFIED UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE

- Zaharebel Rodriguez, Parent/Assistant Coordinator (#990754), Williamson Elem., reason: temporary position. Effective: 8/14/06 through 10/31/06

RATIFY RESIGNATION AND FIX LAST DATE OF EMPLOYMENT

- Natalya Brenich, Food Service Worker I (#203167), Mitchell Middle, reason: personal. Effective: 8/7/06
- Chantel Johnson, Special Education Instructional Assistant (#206613), Gold Ridge Elem., reason: education. Effective: 8/1/06
- Richelle Lyon, Parent/Assistant Coordinator (#990759), White Rock Elem., reason: personal. Effective: 8/9/06
- Zhanna Marin, Bilingual Instructional Assistant (#991458), White Rock Elem., reason: teaching contract. Effective: 8/9/06
- Pauline Sais, Special Education Instructional Assistant (#205014), Folsom High, reason: relocation. Effective: 7/30/06
- Margaret Schmidt, Library Clerk (#202014), Empire Oaks Elem., reason: personal. Effective: 8/9/06
- Daria Stark, Special Education Instructional Assistant (#990843), Empire Oaks Elem., reason: personal. Effective: 6/1/06
- Jennifer Trinh, Food Service Worker I (#201330), Folsom Hills Elem., reason: relocation. Effective: 8/3/06
- Mara Zebest, Computer Instructional Assistant (#991017), Gold Ridge Elem., reason: other employment. Effective: 7/27/06

BOARD PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT

President Stanley asked Superintendent Godwin to introduce the special presentations.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- **Update on the OK Program at Mills Middle School** – Donald Northcross

Superintendent Godwin asked Mills Middle School Principal Dennis Willeford to introduce the first presentation. Mr. Willeford explained that the Our Kids (OK) Program was started in 1990 by Donald Northcross, a former police officer. He introduced Mr. Northcross.

Mr. Northcross explained the history and purpose of the OK program. The program was begun to stem the flow of young African American men going into gangs and ultimately prison. It is a mentoring program which fosters partnerships between police agencies, schools, students, community members, and the business and faith communities to provide positive guidance and support to African American males from 12 to 18 years of age. The program was begun at Mills Middle School and is spreading across the country.

Trustees thanked and commended Mr. Northcross for his passion and commitment to this wonderful program.

- **FCUSD Digital Yearbook** – Heather McGowan

Superintendent Godwin introduced Heather McGowan who was instrumental in preparing a digital yearbook from photos submitted from sites in the District. This is the first year for the yearbook, and she plans to continue and make it an annual project. It is a great way to foster connectivity and relationships in the District. Ms. McGowan acknowledged Sean McNealy for his work on the yearbook. Trustees enjoyed the video.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

SHORT/SHAW MOVED TO ADOPT the agenda.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Myers absent)

0607-028 - Public Participation

Trisha Stanionis, Sacramento resident

Spoke as a representative of an organization called Project Help that has the main focus of preventing underage drinking. They are kicking off their National Family Meals campaign with a National Family Day to be held on September 25. She asked the Board to support their efforts.

0607-029 - REPORTS OF DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONS

Student Advisory Board – Kendra Stanley

- SAB has not yet had a meeting. She plans to talk with leaders of student councils to learn of their concerns and comments and report back.

PTA/PTO Council – President Laura Ruby:

- No report.

California School Employees Association – President Pat Wilhoyte:

- No report.

Folsom Cordova Education Association – President Barbara Brydon:

- Certificated staff looks forward to a great and successful year. Their goal is to continue to build productive relationships with administration and work collaboratively for the success of all students.

Folsom Cordova Administrators Association – President Eddi Rains:

- School sites report a great beginning of the 2006/07 school year, and many activities are planned in the next couple of weeks including back-to-school nights, bar-b-ques, and PTA receptions.
- Intel donated 400 backpacks filled with school supplies to the students at Cordova Villa. Teachers were also given handbags full of supplies
- The opening of Navigator Elementary included a Color Guard from the Army National Guard who performed a first flag assembly and presentation of colors. Navigator opened with 270 students. The Dedication Ceremony is August 24 at 5:00 p.m.
- A new Autism class has opened at Folsom High.

AGENDA CONSENT ITEMS

STANLEY/SHAW MOVED TO APPROVE agenda consent items with the exception of 0607-031 C.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Myers absent)

0607-030 - Administrative Matters

- A. Approve Regular Meeting Minutes - August 3, 2006
- B. Adopt Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6173: Education for Homeless Children
- C. Adopt Resolution No. 08-17-06-06: To Pay Absent Board Member

0607-031 - Business Matters

- A. Warrants and Payroll: Monthly ratification
- B. Approve Budget Revision: General Fund
- C. See below.
- D. Approve Change Order No. 5: Vista del Lago High School
- E. Approve Notice of Completion: Navigator Elementary School Various Trade Contracts
- F. Approve Memorandum of Agreement to Partner the Military and FCUSD in the STARBASE Program

ITEM 0607-031C – Award Bids: Vista del Lago High School

This item was pulled so that Deputy Superintendent Debbie Bettencourt could explain the revised item. Ms. Bettencourt said that when the original agenda item was done, bids had not been received. Electrical bids were over budget, and Trustees are asked to reject those bids.

SHAW/SHORT MOVED TO APPROVE Item 0607-031 C

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Myers absent)

DISCUSSION/ACTION

0607-032 - Adopt Resolution 08-17-06-07: Authorizing the Execution of Documents Relating to the Sale of Certificates of Participation (COP) for Folsom Construction Projects
Superintendent Godwin asked Ms. Bettencourt to outline this item.

Ms. Bettencourt explained that the District will need to secure a short-term loan of \$30million for cash flow against developer fees that will be collected in the future, but are needed now to complete Vista del Lago High School and Russell Ranch Elementary School. There is also a \$3million shortfall for which no revenue is identified. That figure could be reduced by \$1million if the bids for electrical work come in at budget.

Staff is asking for authorization for up to \$45million in Certificates of Participation at an interest rate fixed at the time of sale. Staff recommends \$45million even though the District will probably only need \$30million.

Mr. Short

- Asked if there would be a cap on the interest rate?

Ms. Bettencourt

- It would be what the market dictates and could be plus or minus three basis points.

Mr. Shaw

- Where is the development that is the source for the revenue payback?

Ms. Bettencourt

- It is within the existing city limits of Folsom; a number of homes north of Highway 50. It's estimated to be \$26.7million. Should be build-out by 2010, but could be 2011 or 2012. We'll need flexibility in the payment schedule. It will cost about \$1million a year in interest to borrow this money.

Ms. Stanley

- What is the anticipated duration...between 5 and 10 years?

Ms. Bettencourt

- Would set at 10 and hope to pay it off in 5.

Ms. Stanley

- If we approve this, when do we anticipate opening Phase 2?

Ms. Bettencourt

- In spring of 2008.

SHORT/SHAW MOVED TO ADOPT Resolution No. 08-17-06-07 to authorize the Execution of Documents Relating to the Sale of Certificates of Participation (COP) for Folsom Construction Projects with the following changes: Cap the number of years for payback at 10 years, cap the interest rate at 5.2%, and cap the amount to be borrowed at \$35million.

Ms. Bettencourt

- If a 5.2% or less interest rate isn't available on the date of sale, we'll need to convene a special Board meeting for approval.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, including Advisory (Myers absent)

Recess Regular Board Meeting at 7:17 p.m.

President Stanley called to order the Folsom Cordova Schools Financing Corporation meeting at 7:17 p.m.

Item No. 2: Public Comments

No one came forward.

Item No. 3: Approve Minutes of December 15, 2005, Annual Meeting

SHAW/SHORT MOVED TO APPROVE the minutes of the December 15, 2005, meeting.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Myers absent)

Item No. 4: Adopt Resolution No. 2006-01

SHAW/McCORMICK MOVED TO ADOPT Resolution No. 2006-01 of the Board of Directors of the Folsom Cordova Schools Financing Corporation approving a lease/purchase agreement and certain other documents with the Folsom Cordova Unified School District with the following change: Cap the amount borrowed at \$35million.

Item No. 5: Other Business

None

Meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Reconvene Regular Board Meeting at 7:19 p.m.

DISCUSSION/ACTION

0607-033 - Approve 2006-2007 Bell Schedules

SHAW/SHORT MOVED TO APPROVE the 2006-2007 elementary and secondary instructional day schedules.

Kendra Stanley

- Would like to see a later start time at the high school level to allow a later start time for standardized testing. Test scores might be higher if students started testing a little later in the day.

Ms. Stanley

- Feels strongly that high school start times should be later.

MOTION CARRIED 3 AYES, 1 NO (Stanley), including Advisory (Myers absent)

0607-034 - Approve Compensation Increase for Board Members

STANLEY/McCORMICK MOVED TO APPROVE the compensation increase for Board members beginning September 2006.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, including Advisory (Myers absent)

Barbara Brydon, President FCEA

Spoke on behalf of CSEA president Pat Wilhoite and herself in saying that Trustees work hard for all of us, and both of their organizations support the increase.

REPORTS

0607-035 - Reports to the Board of Education

A. Superintendent Godwin reported on the following:

- Again mentioned how lucky he feels to be in this District. We've made significant accomplishments in terms of getting ready for the school year. It's been a very smooth opening.
- Asked Assistant Superintendent Mark Rickabaugh to comment on the STAR results.

Mr. Rickabaugh distributed sheets with general STAR information and accountability acronyms. He feels the Board might feel inundated with too many layers of testing results and that summative reports might be most beneficial. He will bring an in-depth report to the next Board meeting. Scores will be mailed to parents next week, and API and AYP results will be released on August 25.

B. Correspondence to the Board

C. District Committees

BOARD OF EDUCATION

0607-036 - Board Business

A. Board Communication

Kendra Stanley

- Has heard a lot of good things about the Advanced Placement tests from last year. She mentioned her AP Calculus class at Folsom High that had a 91% pass rate on the exam with a lot of 5 scores.

Ms. McCormick

- Good to see everyone back again and such a great start to the new school year.
- Is very interested in the OK program. It's outstanding that someone would commit so much of himself and his time for so many years (Mr. Northcross). Empowering kids to be successful is wonderful.
- Thanked Mr. Rickabaugh for the testing summary; it helps her to understand.

Mr. Shaw

- Announced that he and Mr. Short were running for reelection to the Board. Five candidates will be in the running.
- Impressed with the opening of Navigator Elementary. Wonderful job Debbie and Matt. The flight theme is very well done. Something to be proud of.
- Went to six schools on opening day. All are up and running well.
- His goal this year as a Board member is to become more proficient and more involved in the high schools.
- Will talk next week with Mr. Northcross about the OK program and the need to create a model with Hispanic youth in Rancho Cordova. It is the fastest growing population.

Mr. Short

- Is impressed with the OK program. Amazing how one person can make such a difference in so many lives.
- This morning, the Rancho Cordova Chamber of Commerce unanimously voted in Measures M and N and support endorsements. There are no arguments against the bond campaign. There is support from businesses and the community. It's now up to the voters.
- Back to school is interesting to see; there is much excitement about the beginning of the year.

Ms. Stanley

- Thanked Mark Rickabaugh for the update on scores and STAR information. She would like to receive the information as it is released so that she has it when the press is getting it. Doesn't have to be anything more than an information item.
- Pleased to hear about Intel handing out backpacks at Cordova Villa. Costco also gave to a school in Folsom and one in Rancho.
- Happy that Paul Shane, Director of the Community Partnership, has contacted staff to start a discussion on the need for collaboration with the District. She encourages the discussions.
- The Sacramento County Office of Education has approved our budget as submitted.
- Referring to the comments made earlier by Ms. Stanionis, a study released by the University of Pennsylvania found that abstinence-only programs do work, and parental influence is especially important.

Meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

INFORMATION

0607-037 - Modernization and Construction Projects Update – Rancho Cordova

0607-038 - Next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for September 7, 2006, at Folsom High School, 1655 Iron Point Road, Folsom, California, 95630.

Record of meeting schedule for August 17, 2006:

Open Session	5:00 p.m.
Closed Session	5:05 p.m.
Open Session	6:12 p.m.
Recessed for Financing Corporation	
Annual Meeting	7:17 p.m.
Reconvened	7:19 p.m.
Meeting adjourned at	7:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Patrick Godwin, Executive Secretary to the Board

Sara Myers, Clerk of the Board