

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

November 15, 2007

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
Richard Shaw, Vice President
Mary McCormick, Clerk
Ed Short, Member
Roger Benton, Member
Kelli Davis, Student Board Member

November 15, 2007

Board members present: Teresa Stanley, Richard Shaw, Mary McCormick, Ed Short, Roger Benton, and Student Kelli Davis

5:30 p.m. – Open Session

CALL TO ORDER (Held in Room 6)

President Stanley announced items to be discussed in closed session.

5:35 p.m. – Closed Session

(Held in Room 6)

6:00 p.m. – Open Meeting

(Held in Cafetorium)

Meeting convened at 6:04 p.m. President Stanley called the meeting to order. Vista del Lago teacher Kelly Hillesland led the flag salute.

REPORTING OUT CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

Assistant Superintendent Lawrence Brubaker reported out on routine action taken in closed session regarding certificated and classified personnel.

He also read a short bio on retiree Jan Enright who retires with 31 years of service to the District.

PERSONNEL MATTERS (Approved in Closed Session)

CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

SHAW/BENTON MOVED TO APPROVE routine certificated personnel items.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CERTIFICATED CHANGE OF ASSIGNMENT

- Kendra Duncan, Teacher (#208284), Folsom Middle School. From: 100%; To: 120%. Effective: 11/13/07 through 05/29/08.
- Steven Kester, Teacher (#208284), Folsom Middle School. From: 100%; To: 120%. Effective: 11/13/07 through 05/29/08.
- Shawn Lundberg, Teacher (#208292, #204055), Folsom Middle School. From: 80% Teacher/20% Lead Teacher; To: 40% Teacher/40% Teaching Vice Principal/20% Lead Teacher. Effective: 11/13/07.
- Kerry Mc Farland, Teacher (#208284), Folsom Middle School. From: 100%; To: 120%. Effective: 11/13/07 through 05/29/08.

- Stacey Mohler, Teacher (#208284), Folsom Middle School. From: 100%; To: 120%. Effective: 11/13/07 through 05/29/08.
- Ruthann Monterosa, Teacher (#991701), Mitchell Middle School. From: 100%; To: 110%. Effective: 08/13/07 through 05/29/08.
- Kristen Ross, Speech Pathologist (#208512), Speech Services. From: 10%; To: 20%. Effective: 10/15/07.
- Dale Waldo, Teacher (*revised*) (#991701), Mitchell Middle School. From: 120%; To: 110%. Effective: 08/13/07 through 05/29/08.

CERTIFICATED EMPLOYMENT

- Angela Allen, Special Education Teacher (#990544), Peter J. Shields Elementary School, Intern Education Specialist Mild/Moderate/English Learner Credential; BA + 56; Class 1, Step 1. Effective: 10/26/07.

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL

SHAW/McCORMICK MOVED TO APPROVE routine classified personnel items.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CLASSIFIED EMPLOYMENT

- Jennifer Adams (replacement) School Clerk-Secondary (#990695), Mitchell Middle, 3 hours daily/9.5 months, Range CL12/Step A. Effective: 10/29/2007.
- Gloria Collins (replacement) Bus Driver (#207571), Transportation Dept., 5.75 hours daily/9.5 months, Range TR16/Step A. Effective: 10/26/2007
- Diana Dzhulay (replacement) Relief Bus Driver (#207571), Transportation Dept., 4 hours daily/9.5 months, Range TR16/Step A. Effective: 10/26/2007
- Jody Lynn Fegurgur (replacement) Student Care Center Assistant (#206581), Cordova Meadows Elem., 3 hours daily/9.75 months, Range CL08/Step A. Effective: 11/1/2007
- Courtney Harrison (replacement/temporary) Computer Instructional Assistant (#205097), Empire Oaks Elem., 3.9 hours daily, Range CL12/Step A. Effective: 11/5/2007 through 5/29/2008
- Jamie Hicks (new position) Special Education Instructional Assistant (#208252), Blanche Sprentz Elem., 5.5 hours daily/9.5 months, Range CL10/Step A. Effective: 10/29/2007
- Derek Koehler (replacement) Relief Bus Driver (#206656), Transportation Dept., 4 hours daily/9.5 months, Range TR16/Step A. Effective: 10/26/2007
- Nicole Kramer (new position) Special Education Instructional Assistant (#208309), Folsom Middle, 6 hours Daily/9.5 months, Range CL10/Step A. Effective: 10/26/07
- Derek Lee (new position) IASA Instructional Assistant (#208301), STARS Program/Family Support Services, 3.9 hours daily/9.5 months, Range CL8/Step A. Effective: 10/29/2007
- Beatriz Maldonado (replacement) Preschool Instructional Assistant (#207084), Cordova Villa Elem., 3 hours daily/9.5 months, Range CL08/Step A. Effective: 11/6/2007
- Theresa McDonald (replacement) Health Assistant (#991117), Williamson Elem., 2 hours daily/9.5 months, Range CL10/Step D. Effective: 11/5/2007
- Stacey Micheli (replacement) School Clerk-Secondary (#990695), Mitchell Middle, 2 hours daily/9.5 months, Range CL12/Step D. Effective: 10/29/2007
- Jaime Musillani (replacement) Preschool Teacher (#990990), Rancho Cordova Elem., 8 hours daily/10 months, Column 5/Step 1. Effective: 10/29/2007
- Desiree Neeley (replacement) Food Service Worker I (#203057), Folsom High, 3.5 hours daily/9.5 months, Range CL05/Step A. Effective: 10/30/2007
- Quyen Nguyen (new position) IASA Instructional Assistant (#208299), STARS Program/Family Support Services, 3.9 hours daily/9.5 months, Range CL04/Step A. Effective: 10/31/2007
- Virginia Shendrya (replacement) Bus Driver (#991474), Transportation Dept., 6.25 hours daily/9.5 months, Range TR16/Step A. Effective: 10/26/2007
- Kim Stovall (replacement) Special Education Instructional Assistant (#990897), Folsom High, 6 hours daily/9.5 months, Range CL10/Step D. Effective: 11/5/2007
- Vanessa Valente (replacement) Food Service Worker I (#991338), Rancho Cordova Elem., 3 hours daily/9.5 months. Effective: 11/1/2007

CLASSIFIED REASSIGNMENT

- Shiu Baran (replacement) Transportation Dept., from Relief Bus Driver, 4 hours daily to Regular Bus Driver (#202660), 6 hours daily. Effective: 10/26/2007
- Sabrina Barger (replacement) Preschool Teacher, Rancho Cordova Elem., to Temporary Preschool Teacher (#201317), Sierra Madre Preschool. Effective: 10/15/2007 through 6/5/2008

- Tomi Gomez (replacement) Temporary Preschool Teacher, Rancho Cordova Elem., 4 hours daily to Preschool Associate Teacher (#202665), 3.5 hours daily. Effective: 10/29/2007
- Margaret Schmidt (replacement) Preschool Teacher, Sierra Madre Preschool., to Temporary Preschool Teacher (#201317), Sierra Madre Preschool. Effective: 10/15/2007 through 6/5/2008
- Donald White (replacement) from Equipment Repair Technician, Maintenance Department, 16 hours per week, Range CL27 and Mechanic II, Transportation Dept., 24 hours per week, Range TR28 to Head Mechanic (#991440), Transportation Dept., 40 hours per week, Range TR31. Effective: 10/26/2007
- Rochelle Wulf (months increase) Research Assistant II (#205578), Student Support Services, from 11 months to 12 months per year. Effective: 7/1/07
- Jean Yim (replacement) Temporary Preschool Teacher, Rancho Cordova Elem., 4 hours daily to Preschool Associate Teacher (#202665), Williamson Elem., 3.5 hours daily. Effective: 10/29/2007

CLASSIFIED UNPAID LEAVE OF ABSENCE

- Jill Bakes, Student Care Center Supervisor (#207616), Williamson Elem., reason: parental. Effective: 11/12/2007 through 8/12/2008

RATIFY RESIGNATION AND FIX LAST DATE OF EMPLOYMENT

- Magdalena Avalos, Bilingual Instructional Assistant (#207598), Mills Middle, reason: personal. Effective: 11/9/2007
- Alisa Lee, IASA Parent/Assistant Coordinator (#990754), Williamson Elem., reason: personal. Effective: 10/31/2007
- Celia Lopez, Health Assistant (#203122), Mitchell Middle, reason: other employment. Effective: 11/2/2007

CLASSIFIED RETIREMENT

- Shirley “Jan” Enright, Administrative Assistant-Alternative Education (#990955), Kinney High School. Effective: 12/28/2007

Jan was hired as a Site Resource Coordinator at Peter J. Shields Elementary on November 1, 1976. In August of 1990, she became a Clerk Typist II at Elementary Independent Study/Attendance & Due Process. She moved to Cordova High as a Clerk Typist III in August of 1997. In October of 1997, she became the Administrative Assistant at Kinney High. Jan will retire with thirty-one years of service to the District.

BOARD PRESIDENT’S STATEMENT

President Stanley asked Superintendent Godwin to introduce the special presentations.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Appreciation Award – In Recognition of Kaiser’s Support of the District

Superintendent Godwin introduced Dr. Catherine Vigran and Diana Croon-White from Kaiser. He acknowledged Kaiser for their incredible contributions to Folsom Cordova Unified School District in the form of programs that benefit students, the District, and the communities, and their significant financial contributions.

President Stanley presented Kaiser with a plaque in special appreciation of their Healthy Eating Active Living (HEAL) program and for “helping our students to run and stretch for the stars.”

Ms. Croon-White presented the District with a check in the amount of \$150,000 for implementing their program Sports, Play, Active Recreation for Kids (SPARK) for this year and next.

President Stanley noted that Kaiser is involved statewide in healthy kids’ activities, and the Board appreciates their partnership with FCUSD.

Participation in Cal-PASS – Kelly Hillesland and David Chun

Superintendent Godwin introduced lead teachers Kelly Hillesland and David Chun.

Mr. Chun and Ms. Hillesland explained that Cal-PASS is the California Partnership for Achieving Student Success and includes K-12 schools, colleges, and universities. It establishes regional

databases utilizing student transcripts and performance information; links primary, secondary, and post-secondary institutions; and tracks students from one segment to the next. They explained FCUSD's involvement with a regional math and regional English/language arts group, both of which meet monthly with local high school and community college instructors.

Mr. Godwin thanked Mr. Chun, Ms. Hillesland, Assistant Superintendent Secondary Instruction Janie DeArcos, and Director of Educational Technology and Information Systems Kelly Calhoun for their involvement and efforts in getting in on the ground floor of this program when other districts were reluctant to do so.

Trustees also thanked Ms. Hillesland and Mr. Chun.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

SHORT/McCORMICK MOVED TO ADOPT the agenda.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, including Advisory

0708-103 – Public Participation

Alan Withers – Principal, Mather Heights Elementary

- Updated the Board on events in Rancho Cordova including the Cordova Community Council Awards luncheon; the Kiwanis Club Christmas basket drive; the Christmas Giving Tree, headed up by Deputy Superintendent Debbie Bettencourt; and the Cordova Community Council Christmas tree lighting.

Blaine White – District counselor

- Reported that six additional counselors attended the American School Counselor Association National Model and AB1802 conference, bringing the total number of trained counselors to 13.
- Updated the Board on activities at Cordova High School involving college and career options.
- Wished Trustees and staff a restful and rejuvenating Thanksgiving.

0708-104 – REPORTS OF DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONS

Student Advisory Board: Kelli Davis

- SAB meeting was held yesterday at Folsom High School. High schools reported on successful homecomings and Red Ribbon Week activities, and Vista del Lago said their “up and coming” was a big success. They discussed some of their concerns, including rumor control and spirit day issues. There is no meeting in December. The schedule for next year is being determined.

PTA/PTO Council: Alan Withers

- Thanked everyone for their support of the Administrators Social. It was a big success.
- Reported that Mitchell Middle School has joined the PTA.
- Next meeting is Tuesday, November 27, 7:00 p.m., at Riverview Elementary School in the multipurpose room.

California School Employees Association: President Dyarl Abdo:

- No report.

Folsom Cordova Education Association:

- Representative Mark Schultz reported that he attended a Checker meeting; a health care coalition with the goal of reducing health care costs. Said there was some great information.

Folsom Cordova Administrators Association – President Denise Burns:

- Reported on training that Title I Preschool teachers and instructional assistants attended in October.
- Vice Principals Kathryn Allaman and Jim Huber are attending the Special Education ACSA Academy.
- Many management team members attended the recent Achievement Gap Summit.

AGENDA CONSENT ITEMS

McCORMICK/BENTON MOVED TO APPROVE agenda consent items with the exception of 0708-107 B and 0708-107 C.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, including advisory

0708-105 - Administrative Matters

A. Approve Regular Board Meeting Minutes – November 1, 2007

0708-106 – Business Matters

- A. Accept Donations: To Acknowledge Receipt of Donations to the District
- B. Warrants and Payroll: Monthly Ratification
- C. Approve Budget Revisions: General Fund and Other Funds
- D. Accept Sacramento County Office of Education Williams Review Annual Report

0708-107 – Instructional Matters

A. Expulsion Panel Recommendations: Case Numbers: 0708-1, 0708-18(S), 0708-19(S), 0708-20(S), and 0708-21(S)

0708-1

Expel through the end of the spring semester of the 2007-2008 academic year; student is to attend the Sacramento County Community School or an accredited educational program outside of the district through the end of the spring semester of the 2007-2008 academic year; student is to successfully complete at least one semester at the Mather Youth Academy in order to be considered for return to a comprehensive program of the FCUSD; individual student counseling to address assaultive behavior and decision-making skills.

0708-18(S)

Expel through the end of the spring semester of the 2007-2008 academic year; suspend expulsion order; student is to attend the Mather Youth Academy through the end of the spring semester of the 2007-2008 academic year; student must successfully complete at least one semester at the Mather Youth Academy in order to be considered for return to a comprehensive program in the district; individual counseling to address substance abuse and decision-making skills; student must submit a “clean” drug test upon request for readmission to the comprehensive programs of the district.

0708-19(S)

Expel through the end of the spring semester of the 2007-2008 academic year; student is to seek educational options in district of residence (Natomas Unified School District); if student re-establishes residency in FCUSD, student is to attend the Mather Youth Academy and must successfully complete at least one semester in order to be considered for return to a comprehensive program of the FCUSD; individual counseling to address substance abuse and decision-making skills; student must submit a “clean” drug test upon his request for readmission to the comprehensive programs of the district.

0708-20(S)

Expel through the end of the 2nd trimester of the 2007-2008 academic year; suspend expulsion order; student is to attend the Opportunity Program at Cordova Lane Elementary School through the end of the 2nd trimester of the 2007-2008 academic year; individual counseling to address decision-making skills.

0708-21(S)

Expel through the end of the spring semester of the 2007-2008 academic year; suspend expulsion order; student is to attend an accredited educational program outside of the district (per parent request) through the end of the spring semester of the 2007-2008 academic year; student must successfully complete at least one semester at the Mather Youth Academy in order to return to a comprehensive program in the district; individual counseling to address decision-making skills.

- B. See below.
- C. See below.

0708-107 B and 0708-107 C

Mr. Benton pulled these items to note the activities that students are involved in outside of the classroom, including tours of Europe and performances at Disneyland.

0708-107 B

BENTON/McCORMICK MOVED TO APPROVE the extended educational field trip request for Folsom High School Jazz Choir Students to Vienne, Lyon, Ghant, Umbria, and Sienna Jazz Festivals in Europe.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, including Advisory

0708-107 C

BENTON/McCORMICK MOVED TO APPROVE the extended educational field trip request for Cordova High School Marching Band Students to Disneyland in Anaheim, California

Ms. Stanley noted that an extra day at the beginning of this trip involved students missing a day of school for no other reason than to attend Disneyland. Doesn't feel that was necessary. We don't allow all other students to take a day off for fun.

MOTION CARRIED 4 AYES, 1 NO (Stanley), including Advisory

DISCUSSION/ACTION

0708-108 – Approve Date of Annual Organizational Meeting: Annual Organizational Meeting of the Folsom Cordova Unified School District Board of Trustees is set for Thursday, December 13, 2007, 6:00 p.m., Folsom High School, Folsom, California

BENTON/SHAW MOVED TO APPROVE the date of the annual organizational meeting of the FCUSD Board of Trustees set for Thursday, December 13, 2007, 6:00 p.m., at Folsom High School, Folsom, California.

Ms. Stanley noted that closed session will begin at 4:00 p.m. for the Board's evaluation of the superintendent.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, including Advisory

0708-109 – 2008 California School Boards Association Delegate Assembly Nominations

President Stanley opened nominations.

SHAW/BENTON MOVED TO NOMINATE Teresa Stanley.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, including Advisory

BENTON/SHAW MOVED TO NOMINATE Ed Short

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, including Advisory

McCORMICK/BENTON MOVED TO NOMINATE Richard Shaw

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, including Advisory

President Stanley closed nominations.

DISCUSSION

0708-110 – Proposed Dates, Times, and Places of Regular Board Meetings for January 2008 – December 2008

Superintendent Godwin noted that there were two draft calendars for 2008 Board meetings because of meetings falling on Thursdays during spring break and winter break. Trustees discussed pros and cons of each calendar.

All of the Trustees favored Draft #1 with the option of shifting a meeting in March or calling a special meeting if needed. The calendars will be brought back at the December 13, 2007, meeting for a vote.

REPORTS

0708-111 – Reports to the Board of Education

A. Superintendent Godwin:

- Received a letter from LEED thanking the Board for renewing their commitment to them for another year. Some Board members and staff will attend a LEED event on December 7. Some also attended the recent Achievement Gap Summit.
- Reminded the Board that although the last few agendas have been fairly light, the December agenda will be full.
- State Superintendent Jack O'Connell has asked WestED, a well-known and reputable organization that conducts research on education issues, to prepare a report based on the findings of forums to be held in several regions in California. WestED has asked FCUSD to participate. He has agreed to host a forum on Tuesday, November 27. WestED will meet with certain groups at the District office and at Cordova High School. No specific school, district, or individual will be identifiable in the published results.

B. Correspondence to the Board

C. District Committees

BOARD OF EDUCATION

0708-112 – Board Business

A. Board Communication

Ms. Davis

- No report.

Mr. Short

- Thanked Kaiser for their support of our students. The number of volunteers and unbelievable amount of money they give to the District is wonderful.
- The Checker program was interesting to hear about and sounds like something that could be very helpful to the budget.

Mr. Benton

- Very impressed with the Kinney High School brochure. Is very excited for Principal Ward Andrus who is leaving us to take a position with San Juan School District. Applauds his efforts and hopes maybe some day he'll return to FCUSD.
- Commented on the donations to the District and highlighted the \$90,000 donation from Intel.
- The PTA is doing wonderful things, and Alan Withers is a dynamo.
- Received a phone call from his son in Kuwait. He has two more weeks there, and then he'll be in Iraq for a year. Very proud of him.

Ms. McCormick

- Thanked Kaiser. It seems everywhere you look you see wonderful things from them, always helping and encouraging students, not only in schools, but in communities.
- Enjoyed the presentation on Cal-PASS. Would like to hear more about it. Thanked the teachers for the many hours of work on this program.
- Congratulated Jan Enright on her retirement. She is a wonderful person, and 31 years is a long time.
- Wished everyone a wonderful holiday.

Mr. Shaw

- Thanked Kaiser for their generous contributions and Ms. Croon-White for her involvement. Also thanked Intel for their generous donation.
- Attended the marching band competition at Folsom High School. Incredible, high quality stuff.
- Reported on the Achievement Gap Summit, which he attended:
 - Noted an overarching theme about the part race plays in the achievement gap. There are correlations between color and achievement, but also direct correlation between student health and achievement. Urged against looking for one factor that can be attacked.
 - Discussed education as being a compliance system rather than a system that is results-driven. Rather than looking at results and rewarding results, we look at compliance.
 - Need better system for collecting data pre-K through grade 16.
 - Emphasis on tracking kids longitudinally rather than grade levels. More important to say how the individual student is doing over time.
 - Teachers need to be assigned based on student needs rather than teacher needs.
 - Secondary schools need to look more like elementary schools in terms of work being displayed.
 - Can't have good discipline in schools without good achievement.
 - Need more feedback to leaders.

Ms. Stanley

- Also liked the Kinney High School brochure. Will feel the loss of Mr. Andrus.
- The Blanche Sprentz newsletter had an article about teens and sleep. Out of 7,000 high school students who were surveyed, teens getting A's get 15 more minutes of sleep than B students, B students get 15 more minutes than C students, and so on. Every 15 minutes counts. Researchers are now using MRI scans to try to understand how sleep loss impairs a child's brain.
- Attended Folsom Community Partnership meeting this morning. They've added many more programs and grants. She explained one of particular interest which is "Babies on the Move." The Partnership is also having a turkey drive; they expect to feed 300 to 400 people.
- The Taste of December is coming up on December 1. Tickets are \$40 in advance and \$50 at the door. Will have gourmet 'tastings'.
- She was at the marching band competition when Cordova High School was competing. They did very well.
- Happy Thanksgiving to all.

A. Pending Board Requests

B. District Committees

Meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

INFORMATION

0708-113– Modernization and Construction Projects Update – Rancho Cordova

0708-114 – Next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for December 13, 2007, at Folsom High School, 1655 Iron Point Road, Folsom, California, 95630.

Record of meeting schedule for November 15, 2007:

Open Session	5:30 p.m.
Closed Session	5:35 p.m.
Open Session	6:04 p.m.
Meeting adjourned at	7:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Patrick Godwin, Executive Secretary to the Board

Mary McCormick, Clerk of the Board