

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

June 4, 2009

MINUTES

Board of Education  
Regular Board Meeting  
Folsom High School  
Library  
1655 Iron Point Road  
Folsom, California 95630

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Ed Short, President  
Teresa A. Stanley, Vice President  
JoAnne Reinking, Clerk  
Richard Shaw, Member  
Roger Benton, Member

June 4, 2009

Board members present: Ed Short, Teresa Stanley, JoAnne Reinking, Roger Benton, and Richard Shaw

5:00 p.m. – Open Session

CALL TO ORDER (Held in Library)

President Short announced items to be discussed in closed session.

5:05 p.m. – Closed Session

(Held in Library)

6:00 p.m. – Open Meeting

(Held in Library)

Meeting convened at 6:12 p.m. President Short called the meeting to order. Katrina Colralta led the flag salute.

**REPORTING OUT CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS**

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

**PERSONNEL MATTERS** (Approved in Closed Session)

**CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL**

BENTON/SHAW MOVED TO APPROVE routine certificated personnel items.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**CERTIFICATED LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

- Tara Appleby, Speech Pathologist (#207017), Student Support Services, 60% Parental Leave of Absence. Effective: 8/1/2009 to 5/31/2010
- Danielle Dalton, Teacher (#209587), Cordova Lane Elementary, 100% Parental Leave of Absence. Effective: 5/18/2009 to 5/29/2009

**CERTIFICATED EMPLOYMENT SUMMER SCHOOL COUNSELOR**

- Cynthia Evans – High School, Cordova High
- Candy Harris – Middle School, Cordova High
- Jana Morris – Middle School, Folsom High School
- Nikka Vaughan – High School, Cordova High

MIDDLE SCHOOL, FOLSOM:

- David Gray – Middle School, Folsom High School
- Mike Lobitz – Middle School, Folsom High School
- Eric J. Renner – Middle School, Folsom High School
- Jean Schumpelt – Middle School, Folsom High School
- Elise Wallace – Middle School, Folsom High School

CERTIFICATED EMPLOYMENT

SUMMER SCHOOL

HIGH SCHOOL, FOLSOM:

- Andrea Agles – Folsom High School
- Lyndie Aquila – Folsom High School
- James Bennett – Folsom High School
- Ryan Carey – Folsom High School
- Jennifer Freitas – Folsom High School
- Kristy Guarienti – Folsom High School
- Jacob Holt – Folsom High School
- Robert Humphrey – Folsom High School
- Fragee (Sunny) Lofton – Folsom High School
- Brian Nichols – Folsom High School
- Kay McAleer – Folsom High School
- Mike McBride – Folsom High School
- Scott Meyer – Folsom High School
- Melinda Nardinelli – Folsom High School
- Wendy Pierce – Folsom High School
- Dena Reeve – Folsom High School
- Mary Sechser – Folsom High School
- Kim Stanberry – Folsom High School
- Laurie Theis – Folsom High School

CERTIFICATED EMPLOYMENT

SUMMER SCHOOL

HIGH SCHOOL, CORDOVA:

- Mike Agee – Cordova High School
- Jessica Atwood – Cordova High School
- Lynn Backes – Cordova High School
- Cameron Billeci – Cordova High School
- Carole Cline – Cordova High School
- Cole Cooper – Cordova High School
- Josh Creeger – Cordova High School
- Andy Evans – Cordova High School
- Ed Hyde – Cordova High School
- Bryan Irwin – Cordova High School
- Vince Isbell – Cordova High School
- Ed Marin – Cordova High School
- Coline McNeil – Cordova High School
- Samantha O’Boyle – Cordova High School
- Elleen Pena – Cordova High School
- Martha Peterson – Cordova High School
- Kristen Quinton – Cordova High School
- Glenn Reagan – Cordova High School
- Cassandra Rey – Cordova High School
- Heidi Rounds – Cordova High School
- Greg Rubinoff – Cordova High School
- Linda Smith – Cordova High School
- Katarina Smithson – Cordova High School
- Jessica Thomas – Cordova High School
- Denise Whitelaw – Cordova High School
- Karen York – Cordova High School

RATIFY RESIGNATION AND FIX LAST DATE OF EMPLOYMENT

- Jennifer Jennings, Music Teacher (#200096), District Music, reason: personal.  
Jennifer was hired on September 9, 2005 and has been employed 3 years 8 months with the Folsom Cordova Unified School District. Effective: 5/29/2009.

SHAW/BENTON MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGE OF ASSIGNMENT:

ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGE OF ASSIGNMENT

- Maureen Burness (#200310): From: 100% Assistant Superintendent Student Support Services: To: 55% SELPA Director, Student Support Services. Effective: 2009/2010 school year.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL

SHAW/BENTON MOVED TO APPROVE routine classified personnel items.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RATIFY RESIGNATION AND FIX LAST DATE OF EMPLOYMENT

- Dawn Stolarow, Special Education Instructional Assistant (#209636), Folsom High, reason: other employment.  
Effective: 5/15/2009

## **BOARD PRESIDENT’S STATEMENT**

None

## **SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

**Folsom High School’s WASC Visitation Report** – Principal Kathryn Allaman and Vice Principal John Bliss

Folsom High School went through their WASC accreditation this year; areas of growth and strengths were established. The school was asked to increase 1) technology, 2) collaboration with the middle schools, 3) number of AP courses offered, 4) student access to AP courses, 5) the number of UC approved A-G courses, and 6) use of data systems to help low-achieving students.

The committee found Folsom High to have a supportive staff with a sense of “Folsom Family”. The following were noted: 1) strong support for Principal Kathryn Allaman, 2) improved communication with the community, 3) use of standards-based curriculum/instruction/pacing guides, 4) a strong career and technical education program (ACE and Project Lead the Way), and 5) high levels of student satisfaction.

Overall, it is was determined that Folsom High needs to re-visit their vision statement and school ESLRs, develop a comprehensive staff development plan, institute a system for collection and use of appropriate data, and expand systems of support for student success. The committee found that FHS was strong in the areas of: student culture, school pride, extra-curricular programs, academics, student success, parent/community support, and an optimistic and supportive staff.

## **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

STANLEY/BENTON MOVED TO ADOPT the agenda with the following change: Move Item 0809-232, Public Participation, to Item 0809-239 since all of the speaker cards pertained to the 2008/09 and 2009/10 budget update.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### **0809-232 – Public Participation**

See Item 0809-239

### **0809-233 – REPORTS OF DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONS**

#### **Student Advisory Board –**

- No report.

#### **PTA Council:**

- No report.

#### **California School Employees Association – President Steve Hanson:**

- No Report.

#### **Folsom Cordova Education Association – President Mark Schultz:**

- Frustrated in closing out this year. Looks forward to working collaboratively to keep cuts as far from the classrooms as possible.

#### **Folsom Cordova Administrators Association – President Joan Jarman:**

- No report.

**AGENDA CONSENT ITEMS**

BENTON/STANLEY MOVED TO APPROVE agenda consent items.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**0809-234 - Administrative Matters**

A. Approve Regular Board Meeting Minutes – May 21, 2009

**0809-235– Business Matters**

- A. Accept Donations: To Acknowledge Receipt of Donations to the District
- B. Approve Lease/Leaseback Agreements: Cordova Villa Elementary School and Kitty Hawk School Site (Mather YA/YO)

**0809-236 – Instructional Matters**

A. **Expulsion Panel Recommendations:** Case Numbers: 0809-80(S), 0809-81(S), 0809-82(S), and 0809-83(S)

0809-80(S)

Expel through the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> trimester of the 2009-2010 academic year; suspend expulsion order; student is to remain at Cordova Meadows through the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> trimester of the 2009-2010 academic year; individual counseling to address decision-making skills.

0809-81(S)

Expel through the end of the fall semester of the 2009-2010 academic year; suspend expulsion order; student is to attend Folsom Lake High School through the end of the fall semester of the 2009-2010 academic year; individual student counseling to address substance abuse and decision-making skills.

0809-82(S)

Expel through the end of the fall semester of the 2009-2010 academic year; suspend expulsion order; student is to attend any accredited educational program outside of the district through the end of the fall semester of the 2009-2010 academic year; student must successfully complete at least one semester at Mather Youth Academy in order to return to a comprehensive program in the district; individual counseling to address decision-making skills.

0809-83(S)

Expel through the end of the fall semester of the 2009-2010 academic year; student is to attend the Sacramento County Community School through the end of the fall semester of the 2009-2010 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 of the FCUSD; individual counseling to address assaultive behavior decision-making skills.

B. Approve Extended Educational Field Trip Request: Folsom Middle School Sixth Graders to Alliance Redwoods, Occidental, CA

**DISCUSSION/ACTION**

**0809-237 – Approve 2009-2012 No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Local Education Agency Plan**

STANLEY/BENTON MOVED TO APPROVE the 2009-2012 No Child Left Behind Local Education Agency Plan.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**0809-238 – Set Date and Time for Special Board Meeting: June 11, 2009**

STANLEY/BENTON MOVED TO APPROVE the date of a Special Board Meeting to be held on June 11, 2009, 5:00 p.m., location to be determined

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**DISCUSSION**

**0809-239 – 2008/09 and 2009/10 Budget Update:**

Superintendent Godwin and Deputy Superintendent Debbie Bettencourt presented the superintendent’s proposed budget cuts in a PowerPoint presentation.

## **Public Participation**

The following people spoke in support of Adult Education and/or the District's newcomers' class.

Christine Hess

Alena Kazlova

Dzmitry Kazlou

Oleksiy Zimbityskyy

Levon Navoyan

Aurica Kirkwood

Annie Sick, parent

- Spoke in support of the District's Autism program.

The following people spoke in support of Class Size Reduction:

Kristina Alley, teacher (is willing to take furlough days to save education)

Angelica Miklos, teacher (is willing to take furlough days to save education)

Jennifer Wong, parent

Lars Wold, parent

Marsha Black-Readdick

Kimbra Shephard

Michele Miesner

Cindy Martin

Bill Miklos

- Spoke in support of Class Size Reduction and stated that he had seen a memo from Superintendent Godwin directing principals to set their class sizes to 32.
- Addressed the Board regarding pay increases, furlough days, and layoffs for administrators.

Superintendent Godwin responded that there was no such memo from him, and that he would like to see a copy of the memo to which Mr. Miklos referred.

Marguerite Mosnier

- Spoke in support of Vista del Lago High School's 4X4 schedule stating that the schedule was a cost savings to the District; she also spoke in support of Career Education and A-G courses.

Gina Bamberger, teacher

- Asked for a show of hands from teachers as to who would support step/column freezes and furlough days to save staff and programs.
- Frustrated with FCEA and the lack of movement. Urged the Board and Union to come together.
- Feels the survey taken earlier by teachers should be retaken.

Ms. Stanley

- The Board has not seen the survey taken by FCEA.
- Is encouraged by staff trying to preserve jobs by way of salary cuts, freezing step/column, and taking furlough days.
- Administrators have agreed to do the same as FCEA.
- We need to focus on the basics, Adult Education for credit recovery, pre-school, K-12.
- This is a disappointing situation to be in.
- Hopes that people will come through on big items that need to be negotiated.

Mr. Shaw

- These are not normal times; this is a difficult situation.
- 85% of District budget goes to salaries and benefits.
- We need to preserve as many jobs as we can. It is unfortunate that we have to lay off people to balance the budget. When do we stop laying off people to balance the budget? Let's do it now.
- It is a reasonable request that Ms. Bamberger made; dollars will go back into the budget to save people.

Mr. Benton

- Bottom line is, give me a billion dollars; I'll give it back to you. Give me two-billion dollars; I'll give you two. Give me ten-billion dollars, and we can all go home.
- We have great teachers who educate themselves; they make our lives better. Doesn't want to tell them to pack their bags.
- The dollars are there to balance the budget; the question is how do we get there? Some people are not willing to negotiate.

Ms. Reinking

- It was a pleasure hearing Folsom High Principal Katheryn Allaman's graduation address about being optimistic. Is optimistic that people will step up and do the right thing.
- Asked for assurance from the Board that dollars saved in furloughs and step/column freezes will go back into saving teachers.
- Regarding Class Size Reduction, feels her own students would have been lost in a larger classroom.
- Schools are staffed well below the national average.
- Need to watch over middle/high school as well.
- Respectfully asked the representative of the Union to be a leader.

Mr. Short

- Everyone is taking furlough days; this is not going away. We will get through this.
- Asked for a show of hands from teachers that want to make a concession.
- Does not want to meet the budget gap on the backs of our children.
- It is time to talk and come together.

## **REPORTS**

### **0809-240 – Reports to the Board of Education**

A. Superintendent Godwin:

- Will convene a special Board meeting on June 11 to discuss the budget, location to be determined.
- Asked that people not listen to rumors. Stated that he is readily available by email.
- The Board is trying to be concise and transparent.
- Pledged to work with the Union.

B. Correspondence to the Board

C. District Committees

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

### **0809-241 – Board Business**

A. Board Communication

Mr. Benton

- None of us want to be in this situation.
- We are proud of this District.
- Happy to hear passion from the people tonight.

- Tomorrow is coming; are we going to be ready for it? Believes we can make it happen.
- The worst part of the job is budget cuts. We are here to educate kids; we are doing our best.
- Thanked everyone for coming tonight.

Mr. Shaw

- Reported out on the Rancho Cordova 2x2 meeting held this morning.
- The depth of the cuts to the District is disheartening

Ms. Stanley

- With the budget the way it is, doesn't see how Folsom High can follow through with their WASC goals. It is a sorry situation. She has spoken with members of the assembly regarding the sad situation of our budget.
- Attended a number of graduations; they were wonderful. It is happy times seeing kids succeed.
- Attended the 2x2 meeting. There are problems with the joint use agreement.
- Is hoping to be able to partner with the city of Folsom to open the Vista del Lago pool.
- Gave her condolences to Dr. Kelly Calhoun, Renae Radovich, and their families for the loss of their loved ones.

Ms. Reinking

- Will guarantee that money will go back into saving jobs.
- Enjoyed a number of graduation ceremonies.
- It was great to attend Folsom Middle School's promotional ceremony and see her kids again.
- The 30-32 CSR rumor has been blown out of proportion. The District must establish back-up plans.
- Decisions are not final until they appear on an agenda

Ms. Faust responded to rumors of setting Class Size Reduction at 32:1. She stated that she and elementary principals have met several times to balance classrooms, looking at a number of scenarios. They have crunched the numbers at 24:1, 26:1, 28:1, 30:1, and 32:1. Final numbers will not be determined until August. Ms. Faust stated that she told principals to go back and tell their staffs that they may have to move classrooms depending on what the final CSR number is.

Mr. Short

- Graduation ceremonies were great. Mather Youth Academy ceremony was very interesting; there was a demonstration on the obstacle course.
- Condolences to Dr. Kelly Calhoun and Renae Radovich.

B. Pending Board Requests

### **DISCUSSION/ACTION**

**0809-243 – Adopt Resolution No. 06-04-09-29:** Final Action: Certificated Reduction in Force for 2009/2010 (Education Code Section 44949, 44955)

STANLEY/BENTON MOVED TO ADOPT Resolution No. 06-04-09-29, final action regarding certificated reduction in force for 2009/2010.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

**INFORMATION**

**0809-242 – Tentative Agenda:** Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for June 18, 2009, at Mills Middle School, 10439 Coloma Road, Rancho Cordova, CA, 95670.

Record of meeting schedule for June 4, 2009:

Open Session	5:00 p.m.
Closed Session	5:05 p.m.
Open Session	6:12 p.m.
Meeting adjourned at	8:37 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,  
Patrick Godwin, Executive Secretary to the Board

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JoAnne Reinking, Clerk of the Board