

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

June 11, 2009

MINUTES

Board of Education

Special Board Meeting

Folsom High School – Multipurpose Room
1655 Iron Point Road
Folsom, California 95630

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Ed Short, President

Teresa A. Stanley, Vice President

JoAnne Reinking, Clerk

Roger Benton, Member

Richard Shaw, Member

June 11, 2009

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

4:30 p.m. – Open Session

CALL TO ORDER (Held in Staff Lounge)

President Short announced items to be discussed in closed session.

4:35 p.m. – Closed Session

(Held in Staff Lounge)

5:00 p.m. – Open Meeting

(Held in Multi-Purpose Room)

Meeting convened at 5:10 p.m. President Short called the meeting to order. Folsom High School student Sydney Pierce led the flag salute.

REPORTING OUT CLOSED SESSION ACTION

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

He also announced that Trustees unanimously (Stanley absent) approved the administrative appointment of Angi Carlomagno as Principal of Mather Heights Elementary School.

PERSONNEL MATTERS (Approved in Closed Session)

CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

BENTON/SHAW MOVED TO APPROVE routine certificated personnel items.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Stanley absent)

ADMINISTRATIVE REASSIGNMENT

- Leane Linson (#991848); From: Principal Folsom Lake High School; To: Vice Principal Kinney High School
- Steve Muzinich (#070105); From: Director Attendance and Due Process; To: 50% Director Attendance a Due Process and 50% Principal Folsom Lake High School
- Mike Shepherd (#991742); From: Interim Vice Principal Alt Ed Kinney High School; To 50% Vice Principal Vista del Lago High School and 50% Coordinator District Music
- Jon Wallace (#201320); From: Director State and Federal Programs; To: Principal Cordova Villa Elementary School

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENT

- Angi Carlomagno (#202522); From: Elementary Teacher Empire Oaks Elementary School; To: Principal Mather Heights Elementary School

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

BENTON/SHAW MOVED TO ADOPT the agenda.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Stanley absent)

0809-244 – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No one came forward.

AGENDA CONSENT ITEMS

0809-245 - Approve Lease-Leaseback Agreement: Asphalt Projects at Sutter Middle School and Cordova Meadows Elementary School

BENTON/SHAW MOVED TO APPROVE the asphalt projects at Sutter Middle School and Cordova Meadows Elementary School.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Stanley absent)

DISCUSSION

0809-246 - 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.

Superintendent Godwin spoke on the difficult budget times we are in, stating that there has been nothing like this in the history of California. He encouraged the public to check the District website at www.fcusd.org Budget Central for the most current budget information.

Mr. Godwin spoke to the initial reductions that were made in February; additional needed cuts were presented. Targeted budget reduction is \$14.7 million dollars. He stated that no final action on the budget will be taken until July, or maybe August.

Ms. Reinking asked for clarification as to how many instructional days are required, and if clerical and librarian jobs might be combined.

Superintendent Godwin replied that the District is required to have 181 instructional days, and it would take an agreement with the Union to combine jobs. Librarians and school clerks are different classifications.

Public Participation

The following people spoke in support of District music and art programs.

Elaine Wersky

Drucilla Lorenzo

Nina Hadzi-Antich

Lorie Walton

Matt Walsh

Brian Sevy

Mary Slusser

Sherrie Chretien

Mark Landon

Courtney Sams

Diane O'Laughlin

Abraham Zhan

Samia Ahmed

The following people spoke in support of middle and high school electives.

Pat Peck

Matthew Robinson

Ted Hayes

Mindy Andrus

Melinda Nardinelli

Jean Cavanaugh

The following people spoke in support of counselors and high school electives.

Sydney Pierce

Yiran Li

Sara Kooshian

Alan Rosenfeld

Donna Thompson

Dena Reeve

Blaine White, District Lead Counselor

- Stated that under the current proposal of cutting seven counselors, he would be one to lose his job. He addressed the Board, speaking not on behalf of saving his position, but on behalf of saving counselors as a whole. Counselors spend intensive hours one-on-one with students helping plan for their futures.
- Is disappointed in the current leadership of FCEA and is more than willing to take furlough days.

Nancy Shishido

- Asked if a teacher could write a check as a donation for furlough days and not have their retirement affected.

Superintendent Godwin stated that the District is checking into this possibility.

Anna McHenry

- Spoke in support of counselors and is willing to take furlough days to save counseling jobs.

Angelica Miklos

- Spoke in support of class size reduction which she believes helps identify at-risk students at an early age.

Jennifer Wong

- Spoke in support of special education paraprofessionals.

Bill Miklos

- Believes that administrators were redirected, not cut, and that salaries were not cut.
- Questioned the District's math and prioritization of items.

Ted Hayes

- Asked that Honors programs be kept intact.

Gina Bamberger, teacher

- Feels that the District and FCEA need to come together and talk, and teachers need to be resurveyed immediately. Teachers and counselors are willing to do something to save jobs.

Stevan James, Vice President of FCEA

- Informed the Board that the bargaining team will meet as soon as a date can be arranged.

Superintendent Godwin stated that he appreciated the passion that was shown by speakers, and the Board shares the same concerns. The source of the problem is underfunding of our schools. He asked the public to share their passion with their legislators.

- The Board needs the assistance of FCEA to help save jobs.
- He would be happy to explore options that will protect retirements with regard to furlough days.
- He and staff would be happy to meet with FCEA. Staff will contact FCEA before 10:00 a.m. the next day to set up a meeting date.

DISCUSSION/ACTION

0809-247 – Adopt Resolution No. 06-11-09-30: Reduction in Certificated Staff Due to Reduction or Elimination of Particular Kinds of Service

Mr. Benton asked for clarification that the resolution is not stating that we will make these layoffs, but is giving us the ability to layoff if we have to.

Mr. Shaw stated that the Board is under constraint of a timeline to notify. Hearings in July might be necessary, and we must be ready in quick fashion. Hopefully, through negotiations, the layoffs can be averted, but understands that they need to start the process now.

Superintendent Godwin confirmed that the process must be started now.

BENTON/SHAW MOVED TO ADOPT Resolution No. 06-11-09-30 authorizing a reduction in certificated staff due to reduction or elimination of particular kinds of service.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Stanley absent)

0809-248 – Adopt Resolution No. 06-11-09-31: Concerning Order of Seniority of Certificated Employees First Rendering Paid Probationary Service on the Same Day

Superintendent Godwin stated that the District will need to look at hire dates and set tie breakers.

BENTON/SHAW MOVED TO ADOPT Resolution No. 06-11-09-31 concerning the order of seniority of certificated employees first rendering paid probationary service on the same day.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Stanley absent)

0809-249 – Adopt Resolution No. 06-11-09-32: Commencement, during the 2009/10 School Year, of a Certificated Layoff in Accordance with Education Code Sec. 44955.5

BENTON/REINKING MOVED TO ADOPT Resolution No. 06-11-09-32, commencement, during the 2009/10 school year, of a certificated layoff in accordance with Education Code, Sec. 44955.5.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (Stanley absent)

DISCUSSION

0809-250 – Board of Education 2009-2010 Proposed Contract Openers to Folsom Cordova Education Association and Announcement of Public Hearing Scheduled for June 18, 2009 Board Meeting

Assistant Superintendent Martin Baumann provided background information. Proposed contract openers is a discussion item at the next Board meeting. Both the District and FCEA agreed to use provisions of the current contract through 2008/09. The time period ended in June, and the contract is open to re-negotiations. A public hearing is scheduled for the June 18, 2009, Board meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Record of **special meeting** schedule for June 11, 2009:

Open Session	4:30 p.m.
Recessed to Closed Session	4:35 p.m.
Reconvened to Open Session	5:10 p.m.
Meeting adjourned at	7:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Patrick Godwin, Executive Secretary to the Board

JoAnne Reinking, Clerk of the Board