

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

June 18, 2009

MINUTES

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

BOARD OF EDUCATION

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

June 18, 2009

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

5:00 p.m. – Open Session

CALL TO ORDER (Held in Room 3)

President Short announced items to be discussed in closed session.

5:05 p.m. – Closed Session

(Held in Room 3)

6:00 p.m. – Open Meeting

(Held in Cafetorium)

Meeting convened at 6:03 p.m. President Short called the meeting to order. Student Hannah Gough led the flag salute.

REPORTING OUT CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

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

PERSONNEL MATTERS (Approved in Closed Session)

CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

BENTON/SHAW MOVED TO APPROVE routine certificated personnel items.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATIVE REASSIGNMENT

- Dana Carrigan (#991928); From: Vice Principal Cordova High School; To: 50% Vice Principal Cordova High School and 50% Vice Principal Mills Middle School
- Charles Linebarger (#991851); From: 50% Principal Walnutwood High School and 50% Vice Principal Adult Education; To: 50% Principal Walnutwood High School and 50% Principal Adult Education
- Joseph Piazza (#200108); From: Principal Adult Education; To: Child Welfare and Attendance Officer
- Brian Zan (#991799); From: Vice Principal Folsom High School; To: Vice Principal Mills Middle School

CERTIFICATED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

- Mark Schultz, Teacher (#203073), Theodore Judah Elementary, 100% Association Leave of Absence. Effective: 2009-2010 school year
- David Werra, Teacher (#991840), Folsom High School, 20% Association Leave of Absence. Effective: 2009-2010 school year

CERTIFICATED EMPLOYMENT SUMMER SCHOOL

<p><u>Middle School, Rancho Cordova:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Debbie Andrus – Middle School, Cordova High • Mark Arnez – Middle School, Cordova High • Narine Ayunts – Middle School, Cordova High • Carrie Barr-Smith – Middle School, Cordova High • Amy Bergsten – Middle School, Cordova High • Ellen Burton – Middle School, Cordova High • Matt Cahn – Middle School, Cordova High • Jennifer Charus – Middle School, Cordova High • Elisa Hickman – Middle School, Cordova High • Claire Hoffman – Middle School, Cordova High • Amy Jacobsen – Middle School, Cordova High • Natalie Marhauer – Middle School, Cordova High • Erin Muse – Middle School, Cordova High • Sara Reagan – Middle School, Cordova High <p><u>High School, Rancho Cordova:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donna Holway – High School, Cordova High 	<p><u>High School, Folsom:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tara Kane – High School, Folsom High • Sonny Lofton – High School, Folsom High <p><u>Middle School, Folsom:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David Gray – Middle School, Folsom High • Mike Lobitz – Middle School, Folsom High • Tina Magorian – Middle School, Folsom High • Patricia Myre – Middle School, Folsom High • Eric Renner – Middle School, Folsom High • Jean Schumpelt – Middle School, Folsom High • Elise Wallace – Middle School, Folsom High <p><u>Mather Youth Academy:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shane Jackson – Mather Youth Academy
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<p><u>Elementary ESY, Folsom:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Romel Belleci – Elementary ESY, Russell Ranch • Linda Calhoun – Elementary ESY, Russell Ranch • Tammy Goin – Elementary ESY, Russell Ranch • Erin Hulbert – Elementary ESY, Russell Ranch • Stacy Kester – Elementary ESY, Russell Ranch • Sylvia Long – Elementary ESY, Russell Ranch • Heidi Nelson – Elementary ESY, Russell Ranch • Stephen Nystrom – Elementary ESY, Russell Ranch • Mary Plummer – Elementary ESY, Russell Ranch • Gary Saldutti – Elementary ESY, Russell Ranch • Diane Stepnitz – Elementary ESY, Russell Ranch • Susan Sturdy Posner – Elementary ESY, Russell Ranch • Jennifer Torres – Elementary ESY, Russell Ranch • Sangita Trivedi – Elementary ESY, Russell Ranch • Virginia Wilbur – Elementary ESY, Russell Ranch • Susan Woodman – Elementary ESY, Russell Ranch 	<p><u>Elementary ESY, Rancho Cordova:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Melisa Allen – Elementary ESY, Navigator • Lynsey Blake – Elementary ESY, Navigator • Gail Ford – Elementary ESY, Navigator • Stephanie Gayman – Elementary ESY, Navigator • Cynthia Gray – Elementary ESY, Navigator • Barbara Hailer – Elementary ESY, Navigator • Johanna Harder – Elementary ESY, Navigator • Erin Hulbert – Elementary ESY, Navigator • Stevan James – Elementary ESY, Navigator • Kei Lucas – Elementary ESY, Navigator • Larry Moore – Elementary ESY, Navigator • Heidi Nelson – Elementary ESY, Navigator • Gary Saldutti – Elementary ESY, Navigator • Jennifer Stuck – Elementary ESY, Navigator • Susan Sturdy Posner – Elementary ESY, Navigator • Christa Van Emmerik – Elementary ESY, Navigator • Cynthia Velasco – Elementary ESY, Navigator
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RATIFY RESIGNATION AND FIX LAST DATE OF EMPLOYMENT

- Joseph Shimmin, Military Instructor (#200115), Mather Youth Academy, reason: personal. Joseph was hired on August 9, 2004 and has been employed 4 years 9 months with the Folsom Cordova Unified School District. Effective: 7/2/2009

RATIFY RETIREMENT AND FIX LAST DATE OF EMPLOYMENT

- Patrick Casey, Teacher (#991854), Cordova High School. Patrick was hired August 24, 1999 to teach Mathematics at Cordova High School. He retired from this position on May 29, 2009. Patrick was employed 10 years with the Folsom Cordova Unified School District.

CLASSIFIED PERSONNEL

SHAW/BENTON MOVED TO APPROVE routine classified personnel items.
 MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CLASSIFIED EMPLOYMENT

- Sandra Gonzalez (new position) Special Education Instructional Assistant (#209238), Navigator Elem., 5 hours daily/9.5 months, Range CL12/Step A. Effective: 8/10/2009
- Darren Weinreich (new position), Special Education Instructional Assistant (#209248), Russell Ranch Elem., 4 hours daily/9.5 months, Range CL12/Step A. Effective: 8/10/2009

CLASSIFIED REASSIGNMENT

- Rae Floyd (replacement) Food Service Worker I (#206651), Gold Ridge Elem., from 3.5 hours daily to 4 hours daily. Effective: 11/1/2008
- JoAnn Graham (replacement) from Administrative Assistant II, Adult Education Dept., Range CL21/Step E to Administrative Assistant I, Student Support Services, Range CL18/Step E. Effective: 6/15/2009

RATIFY RESIGNATION AND FIX LAST DATE OF EMPLOYMENT

- Robert Christensen, Computer Instructional Assistant (#991025), Oak Chan Elem., reason: personal. Effective: 5/28/2009
- Mysti Miller, Adolescent Parent Program Assistant (#990921), Walnutwood High, reason: relocation. Effective: 5/28/2009
- Enna Niko, Administrative Assistant (Comprehensive MS) (#206614), Mills Middle, reason: relocation. Effective: 6/19/2009
- Ayn Topaz, Computer Instructional Assistant (#208326), Cordova Gardens Elem., reason: student teach. Effective: 05/28/2009

TERMINATION OF PROBATIONARY STATUS

- Jessica Miller, Elementary Intervention Program Child Assistant, White Rock Elem. Effective: 05/29/2009

CLASSIFIED RETIREMENT

- Joanna Keener, Administrative Assistant II (#209505), Preschool Office. Effective: 8/2/2009
Joanna was hired as the Computer Instructional Assistant at Cordova Meadows Elementary on January 4, 1988. In September of 1995 she moved to the Student Care Office as the Account Clerk I. She took on extra duties for the Preschool Program in March of 1997. Joanna was reclassified to Program Assistant in September of 1997. In July of 2006 she became Administrative Assistant I for the Preschool Program and in July of 2008 she became that program's Administrative Assistant II. Joanna will retire with twenty-one and one-half years of service to the District.

BOARD PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT

President Short asked Mr. Godwin to introduce the special presentations.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

- **Presentation of Proclamation No. 06-18-09-33 Honoring Cordova High School Baseball Coach Guy Anderson – Janie DeArcos**

Superintendent Godwin asked Assistant Superintendent Janie DeArcos to introduce this presentation. Ms. DeArcos introduced Guy Anderson, Cordova High School baseball coach. Ms. DeArcos read the proclamation honoring Mr. Anderson for his 40 years as baseball coach at Cordova High, as well as serving as a teacher and athletic director. Mr. Anderson is one of 12 individuals in the United States selected to be inducted into the National High School Federation of Sports Hall of Fame on July 1, 2009. President Short presented the proclamation to Mr. Anderson. Coach Anderson thanked the District and Board for the honor.

- **Cordova High School's 9th Grade Pilot Opportunity Program – Dana Carrigan.**
Superintendent Godwin introduced Cordova High Vice Principal Dana Carrigan. Ms. Carrigan and teacher Lynn Backes explained the Opportunity Program in a PowerPoint presentation. The program was begun to help freshmen students with multiple "F's" after the first semester. They shared three success stories of students in the program. Next year they plan to serve 110 students among three teachers.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

BENTON/SHAW MOVED TO ADOPT the agenda.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

0809-251 – Public Participation

- All of the cards were related to the budget and were held until Item 0809-256.

0809-252 – REPORTS OF DISTRICT ORGANIZATIONS

Student Advisory Board:

PTA Council:

- No report.

California School Employees Association – President Steve Hanson:

CSEA Labor Relations Representative Diana Criddle reported:

- CSEA is working with the District during this financial crisis.
- Wants the Board to recognize that classified work needs to be done by classified people – suggested contractors are doing CSEA work.
- Suggested Trustees give up their stipends and health benefits to help with budget problems.

Folsom Cordova Education Association – Stevan James :

- FCEA will be sharing negotiations update with union members at a meeting to be held tomorrow, Friday, at Folsom High School, at 3:00 p.m.

Folsom Cordova Administrators Association – Joan Jarman:

- No report.

AGENDA CONSENT ITEMS

BENTON/REINKING MOVED TO APPROVE agenda consent items with the exception that Item 0809-254 F be tabled until the next meeting on July 2, 2009.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

0809-253 - Administrative Matters

A. Approve Regular Board Meeting Minutes – June 4, 2009

0809-254– Business Matters

- Accept Donations: To Acknowledge Receipt of Donations to the District
- Warrants and Payroll: Monthly Ratification
- Approve 2009-2010 Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Aid Programs, Part 1
- Approve Commissioning Firms for Future District Construction and Modernization Projects
- Approve Lease/Leaseback Agreements: Cordova Villa Elementary School – Multipurpose Building
- Approve Land Purchase Agreement: Education Services Center (Tabled until the July 2, 2009, meeting)

0809-255 – Instructional Matters

A. **Expulsion Panel Recommendations:** Case Numbers: 0809-9 and 0809-84(S)

0809-9

Expel through the end of the fall semester of the 2009-2010 academic year; student is to attend the Mather Youth Academy or an accredited educational program outside of the District through the end of the fall semester of the 2009-2010 academic year; individual student 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.

0809-84(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 and decision-making skills.

B. Approve Extended Educational Field Trip Request: 5th and 6th Grade Students to Sly Park Environmental Education Center, Pollock Pines, California

DISCUSSION

0809-256 – 2008/09 and 2009/10 Budget Update

In a PowerPoint presentation, Deputy Superintendent/CFO Debbie Bettencourt reviewed the District's budget situation. She indicated that the District must submit an approved budget by June 30. The Board is being asked tonight to adopt a tentative budget that incorporates: 1) all projections based on proposals under consideration by the legislature and governor at this time, 2) the Board-adopted budget guidelines, and 3) projected actuals for 2008/09 and the 2009/10 budget. This is a state-required report. The final budget will not be adopted until the state has a final budget. She is recommending that the Board adopt the tentative budget certifying fiscal solvency and filing "qualified" which means we may have a problem balancing the budget in one or more subsequent years.

Trustees asked for clarification on several issues including Class Size Reduction funding and penalties and use of District reserves.

Melinda Wilson – Folsom High School teacher

- Spoke to the Board regarding high school electives and their importance to kids.

Lori Emmington, Vista del Lago teacher

- Spoke to the Board regarding high school electives, in particular visual and performing arts. Eliminating electives would narrow career choices for students.

Jody Rider, Sutter Middle School library media technician

- Spoke on behalf of secondary school libraries.

JoAnne McCarthy, parent

- "Begged" FCEA and CSEA to please negotiate and work with the District to save jobs and programs for kids.

Laurie Theis, Folsom High teacher

- Spoke about high school electives, especially life skills, the class she teaches. Read remarks from students who have benefited from the class.

Mindy Andrus, Mills Middle School teacher

- Spoke on behalf of 1st through 12th grade electives and the performing arts grant funds.

Dillon Walker, Cordova High School student

- Spoke on behalf of his elective classes and the sports programs.

Sheryl Longsworth, parent

- Suggested instituting a fee for electives rather than cutting them.
- Spoke against cutting library staff.
- Suggested the District reorganize and become "leaner and meaner."

PUBLIC HEARING

0809-257 – 2009/2010 Tentative Budget and Transfers of Categorical Funds to the Unrestricted General Fund as Authorized Under SBX 3-4

Superintendent Godwin emphasized that the adoption of this tentative budget is a legal requirement. We have time to work more on it after the legislature adopts their budget.

- Encouraged all FCEA members to attend the meeting tomorrow.
- If we all make a joint sacrifice, it would allow us to restore some cut items.
- The Folsom Cordova Administrators Association has made a commitment to furlough days.
- Cannot find one reason to disagree with any of the speakers tonight, except for the suggestion of charging for electives. That is illegal.
- Best hope right now is an internal one.

President Short opened the public hearing at 7:19 p.m.

Speakers were heard during the Discussion Item 0809-256. No one else came forward.

Public hearing closed at 7:20 p.m.

DISCUSSION/ACTION

0809-258 – Adopt 2009-2010 Tentative Budget and Transfers of Categorical Funds to the Unrestricted General Fund as Authorized Under SBX 3-4

REINKING/SHAW MOVED TO ADOPT the 2009-2010 tentative budget and transfers of categorical funds to the unrestricted general fund as authorized under SBX 3-4.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr. Godwin noted that Budget Central on the District's website will be updated tomorrow and will include this evening's presentation. He urged everyone to stay connected; the District needs everyone's support and understanding.

PUBLIC HEARING

0809-259 – Board of Education 2009-2010 Proposed Contract Openers to the Folsom Cordova Education Association

Assistant Superintendent Marty Baumann provided background on this item. The entire contract is open for negotiation beginning in 2009-2010.

President Short opened the public hearing at 7:25 p.m.

No one came forward.

Public hearing closed at 7:25 p.m.

DISCUSSION/ACTION

0809-260 – Adopt Board of Education 2009-2010 Proposed Contract Openers to the Folsom Cordova Education Association

BENTON/SHAW MOVED TO ADOPT Board of Education 2009-2010 proposed contract openers to the Folsom Cordova Education Association.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS

0809-261 – Reports to the Board of Education

A. Superintendent Godwin:

- Hopes to see everyone back at the July 2 Board meeting and hopes to have good news to share.

B. Correspondence to the Board

C. District Committees

BOARD OF EDUCATION

0809-262 – Board Business

A. Board Communication

Ms. Reinking

- It is illegal to charge for electives; however, anyone may contribute to the general fund for electives if they would like.
- Library staffs are accountable for all of the books at school sites; it is a major process and responsibility.
- Thanked all who spoke about the arts programs in the District. Thanked all of the elementary teachers and parents for opening that door to students.
- Students benefit from everything we offer, and no elective is nonessential.
- Agrees that we need a campaign to encourage attendance next year and is willing to work on any committee promoting attendance.

Mr. Benton

- Has learned that it seems like when people speak to the Board, people feel that the Board doesn't listen. Wants everyone to know they are listening. It is painful to make these cuts.
- Believes we are doing an amazing job with our students, but it is difficult when our resources are taken away.
- Thanked everyone for coming tonight. Wishes we had answers, and hopes in the near future the state and feds will help.

Mr. Shaw

- He was elected to the Board during good times. In his seven years of service, we've made much progress – built schools, revitalized many Cordova schools, added programs – a lot has happened. Things are not good now, and now is when we have to “step up.”
- We are lucky to be surrounded by good people. We have a great cabinet and a competent Board. The Board may not always make popular decisions, but there are always reasons.
- We've had to make cuts before, but this year is very difficult; we're not building, we're tearing down. Feels like we're stealing from our kids' piggy banks when we raid categorical funds. We're not proud of having to do these things. By law, we have to submit a balanced budget.
- The solutions are in this room. If we keep talking and working together, we can open next year looking better than it seems like now. Shudders to think what it will be like without concessions.
- “FCEA, CSEA, FCAA – you are starting a movement.”

Mr. Short

- We need concessions – hopes we can come up with a win-win agreement.
- All of the speakers tonight made statements about making a difference in kids' lives. All electives are important. These are dire times for the state and feds. We're not at the bottom.
- Filing a “qualified” budget is not something we want to do.
- Thanked everyone for their comments tonight.
- Reported on the 2x2 meeting with the Rancho Cordova Parks District and City Council.

B. Pending Board Requests

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

INFORMATION

0809-263 – Modernization and Construction Projects Update – Rancho Cordova

0809-264 – Tentative Agenda: Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for July 2, 2009, at Folsom High School, 1655 Iron Point Road, Folsom, California, 95630.

Record of meeting schedule for June 18, 2009:

Open Session	5:00 p.m.
Closed Session	5:05 p.m.
Open Session	6:03 p.m.
Meeting adjourned at	7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Patrick Godwin, Executive Secretary to the Board

JoAnne Reinking, Clerk of the Board