



NOTES FROM THE SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – August 18, 2015

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At the regular monthly meeting of the Oak Park USD Board of Education held on August 18th, The Board heard regular reports from Board Members and the Superintendent. A report was also given from Enoch Kwok, Director of Educational Technology, on the progress made over the summer in regard to the deployment of technology and the addition of Teachers on Special Assignment (TOSAs).

The Board took action and/or approved the following:

CONSENT ITEMS

- Minutes of Special Closed Session Meeting June 15, 2015, Regular Board Meeting June 16, 2015 and Special Board Meeting Retreat June 28, 2015.
- Public Employee/Employment Changes and Actions.
- Agreement for Legal Services with Fagen Friedman & Fulfrost
- Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints – July 2015 – No items to report.
- Certification of 2014-2015 Annual Attendance Report – Average Daily Attendance for funding apportionment.
- Approve Disposal of Obsolete or Surplus Instructional Materials, Books, and/or Library Books
- Approve Notice of Completion, Project 13-12R, Building 100 Modernization at Brookside Elementary School

The Board took action on the following items:

ACTION ITEMS

- Discussion and Consideration of Potential 2015-2016 Measure C6 General Obligation Bond Issuance. This will be the final issuance of bonds from Measure C6 and will total approximately \$3.3 million for equipment and technology.
- Approve Award of Contracts for Project 14-20F, District wide Exterior Lighting Upgrade that will include new LED lighting at the schools.
- Approve Award of Contract for Project 15-09R, Painting of Student Lockers at Oak Park High School, which was completed over the summer.
- Approve Agreements for Architectural and Engineering Services for Project 15-13F, Oak Park High School Language Lab at the Oak Park Library. These services will facilitate the installation of a new computer language lab that involves removing a non-bearing wall and other modifications to the building.

- Approve Measure C6 Bond Fund Equipment Purchase – Maintenance and Operations Vehicles to replace three District trucks that are in less than optimal condition. One is not operable. A comparison of prices from government pricing lists is being conducted between two U.S. brands, Ford and Chevrolet. The Board authorized the superintendent to accept the proposal that presented the best value to the school district.
- Approve Purchase of Equipment from Measure C6 Bond Fund – Purchase of Photocopier.
- Approve Purchase of Equipment from Measure C6 Bond Fund – School Furniture and Equipment for the start of the school year.
- Public Hearing and Approval of Resolution #15-12, Regarding Sufficiency of Textbooks and Instructional Materials for 2015-2016 as required by law. The Board determined that the schools have sufficient textbooks and instructional materials necessary for appropriate grade level instruction.
- Approve Additional Textbook for Oak Park High School in the area of American Sign Language.
- Approve Compensation Adjustment for Guest Teachers from \$110 to \$115 per day retroactive to the first day of school to ensure rate is competitive with surrounding school districts.
- Approve Authorization to Employ an Administrative Consultant – Mr. Cliff Moore to focus on the DOC program, overall enrollment, and various Human Resources functions, which were formerly covered by a full time employee.
- Approve Authorization to Establish a New Classified Service Position – Head Custodian III at Oak Park High School as part of the District’s 2015-16 budget approved by the Board in June to improve custodial services at the school.
- Approve Proposed Board Meeting Schedule for the 2015-2016 School Year. The Board generally meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 5:00 PM for Closed Session and 6:00 PM for open session. The Board will periodically schedule ‘Study Sessions’ to focus on a particular topic and special meetings when necessary.
- Review and Amend 2015-2016 Moral Imperatives, Goals, and Action Plan. The Board then asked that staff review these and provide additional input before they approve them at the September 15 meeting.
- Review, Amend and Approve Governance Handbook 2015.
- Approve Board Goals for 2015-2016. These include
 - The Board will continue to provide a monthly report of Board meetings, developed by the Board President and/or Superintendent, to be given to the School Newsletters and to post on the District web site. The Superintendent will draft the monthly report and the Board President will review and embellish, if desired.

- The Board will ensure the engagement of the learning community in the development and communication of the District’s Moral Imperatives and Goals.
- The Board will review the governance handbook every other year, during an election year.
- The Board will conduct a Board self-evaluation every other year, during a non-election year.
- The Board will increase its involvement and integration with CSBA and become more informed of legislative issues that impact education.

POLICIES

The Board approved polices related to:

- Temporary/Substitute Personnel
- Chronic Absence and Truancy
- Transitional Kindergarten
- Education for English Language Learners
- Continuation Education

