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BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

Pledge of Allegiance:

Salt Creek students **Denise Capuno** and **Amanda Farinas** led the Pledge of Allegiance and spoke on their school activities.



Salt Creek Students with Board President Cunningham



Olympic View Student with President Cunningham

Recognition:

President Cunningham presented the winners of the 2008 District Standards-Based Writing Contest Gold medals and pencils engraved with "Each Child is an Individual of Great Worth."

President Cunningham presented a Certificate of Recognition to **Pilar Bada** (Harborside), **Bianca Alma Clawson** (Olympic View), **Anthony Robert Gonzales** (Otay), **Kristina Howard** (John J. Montgomery), **Miranda Lynn Monzon** (Heritage), and **Alex William Wallace** (Silver Wing) for their seven years of perfect attendance and pencils engraved with "Each Child is an Individual of Great Worth."

President Cunningham presented a Certificate of Recognition to **Crystal Y. Jacquez** (Robert L. Mueller Charter) for her nine years of perfect attendance and pencils engraved with "Each Child is an Individual of Great Worth."



District Standards-Based Writing Contest Winners With President Cunningham



Students with Seven and Nine Years of Perfect Attendance With President Cunningham

Reports:

Salt Creek and Olympic View Elementary Schools gave a summative presentation on demographic and enrollment changes, state and local testing outcomes, Academic Performance Index (API) and Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP), customer satisfaction indicators, and next steps for the 2006-07 School Year.

The Board of Education reviewed written reports on Heritage and Sunnyside Elementary Schools for the 2006-07 School Year.

Executive Director for Curriculum & Instruction Services and Support Patricia Ludi and teachers Allan Insko (Sunnyside) and Monica Sorenson (Liberty) presented a brief overview of the Peer Assistance and Review program in the District.

Introductions:

Peter Fagen, Chris Keeler, Ricardo Silva, Dean Adams, and Tiffany Santos from the Law Office of Fagen Friedman & Fulfro, LLP were introduced.

Board Action:

- Approved award of contract for legal and consultant services to Fagen Friedman & Fulfroost LLP for the period of July 1, 2008, through June 30, 2009.
- Approved request from Fred H. Rohr Elementary School to implement student uniform programs for the 2008-09 school year.
- Approved nonpublic, nonsectarian school master contract with Asetline School; Balboa City School; Comprehensive Educational Services, Inc., dba ACES; Excelsior Academy; Institute of Effective Education/Children's Workshop; Institute of Effective Education/Aim High, Marjorie Cook Education Center, and Urban Skills Center; NewBridge School; San Diego Center for Children/Children's Learning Academy; Sierra Academy; Springall Academy; and Sam and Rose Stein Education Center for special education and related services for individuals with exceptional needs for the 2008-09 school year.
- Adopted resolution adopting the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration of the Chula Vista Elementary School District for the Maxwell Corporate (Bus) Yard Project.
- Approved contract with Sodexo School Service for administrative and operational management of the Child Nutrition Services Program for the 2008-09 school year.
- Approved agreement with Paradigm HealthCare Services to provide claim services for the California Local Education Agency Billing Option and Medi-Cal Administrative Activities Program for the 2008-09 school year.
- Approved renewal of Bid No. 06/07-8 to Gold Star Foods to deliver and provide food products for the 2008-09 school year.
- Approved award of Bid No. 07/08-14 to Troxell Communications, Inc., for installation of LCD projectors at Hilltop Drive, Loma Verde, John J. Montgomery, Palomar, Lilian J. Rice, and Valle Lindo Elementary Schools.
- Approved awards of bids for electrical work to Mac General in the amount of \$20,195 for Hilltop Drive, Loma Verde, and Valle Lindo Elementary Schools and to Pro Electric in the amount of \$20,355 for John J. Montgomery, Palomar, and Lilian J. Rice Elementary Schools.
- Approved awards of bids for roofing repairs/replacement to Commercial & Industrial Roofing Company, Inc., in the amount of \$137,177 for Chula Vista Hills, Mae L. Feaster Charter, Robert L. Mueller Charter, and Greg Rogers Elementary Schools and to RLP Company, Inc., in the amount of \$27,206 for Hazel Goes Cook and Palomar Elementary Schools.
- Approved renewal of bid to Ameri-Mex Plumbing, Inc., to provide, install, and repair plumbing work for the 2008-09 school year.
- Conducted public hearing and adopted resolution to amend and revise Resolution No. 2007-08.104 on Discontinuance or Reduction of Certain Classified Services.
- Held a second reading and ratified Chula Vista Learning Community Charter School Petition renewal for the Period of July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2012.

BOARD & SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMUNICATION

Mr. Bejarano:

- Welcomed the new law firm to the District.
- Congratulated all the students who received awards.
- Reiterated his request to see a report in 90 days regarding the transition plan of being without the Health Services Coordinator position.

Mr. Cunningham:

- Visited Harborside with the Superintendent. It was very impressive to walk through the school and observe the difference in the school atmosphere. Every classroom was on task.
- Congratulated all the retirees. He mentioned that they will be missed.
- Thanked Sunnyside teacher Allan Insko for his dedicated service to all the students of Sunnyside, especially his daughters.
- Commented that the Board does not enjoy giving pink slips or reduction of hours to any employee of the District. We are under funded by \$7 million from the state in Special Education and the needs continue to grow.

Mrs. López:

- Congratulated the winners of the 2008 District Standards-Based Writing Contest.
- Congratulated all the students who received perfect attendance.
- Mentioned that the school reports were excellent.
- Welcomed the Law Office of Fagen Friedman & Fulfroost LLP. She said that the District looks forward to working with them.
- Mentioned that she wants to ensure that the community is informed of the plan of action the District has regarding the elimination of the Health Services Coordinator. She also stated that in 60 or 90 days, we visit the plan to ensure that it is working. She remarked that the safety of our children is paramount in the District.
- Attended the BTSA Colloquium at Olympian High School and was surprised by the high energy in the room. Many of the teachers had received layoff notices but never lost focus of the children. She congratulated all the beginning first and second year teachers who went through the program.

Mrs. Smith:

- Congratulated the winners of the 2008 District Standards-Based Writing Contest and students who received perfect attendance.
- Reminded everyone that the decisions the Board makes are very difficult in these financial times. She mentioned that the state needs to figure out a way to get us off the roller coaster and stabilize the state spending.
- Agreed that the Health Service Coordinator position is a very difficult one, but with the removal of the position, it allowed the Board to keep an additional nurse. These decisions allowed the Board to keep management and administrative support as tight as possible.
- Attended the District's CVE/CVCEO/CVLA Retirement event. She congratulated all those who retired and gave themselves to the children of the District.
- Enjoyed the PAR report. She saluted everyone involved in the program.
- Welcomed the Law Office of Fagen Friedman & Fulfroost LLP to the District.

Dr. Billings:

- Remarked that this has been a dramatic second half to our school year. The state budget shortages that basically appeared out of nowhere has put a lot of duress on the system as a whole. He stated that this Board and District have supported a strong culture of collaboration and teamwork, and he believes that this will carry us through the day as we work towards a common goal. He stated that as Superintendent of this District, "your children will be safe, will be well cared for, and will be taught by fabulous teachers." He has great faith in the system and the Board, is very proud of Cabinets work, and very proud of the employees and students in the District.

Next Board Meeting: June 24, 2008, at 7:00 P.M. in the Board Room

"EACH CHILD IS AN INDIVIDUAL OF GREAT WORTH"

The Chula Vista Elementary School District is committed to providing equal educational, contracting, and employment opportunity to all in strict compliance with all applicable state and federal laws and regulations. The District office that monitors compliance is the Human Resources Services and Support Office, 84 East J Street, Chula Vista, CA 91910, phone (619) 425-9600, extension 1340. Any individual who believes s/he has been a victim of unlawful discrimination in employment, contracting, or in an educational program may file a formal complaint with the District's Human Resources Office.

Larry Cunningham, President
David Bejarano, Member

Patrick A. Judd, Vice President
Lowell J. Billings, Ed.D., Superintendent

Pamela B. Smith, Clerk
Bertha J. López, Member

