

CENTRAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD BITS

Highlights of the Regular Board Meeting of February 9, 2010

EVERYDAY COUNTS!

Five schools were recognized for *EveryDay Counts!* attendance achievements during the sixth month of school. Roosevelt Elementary was named Most Improved Elementary School, CHS—West was named Most Improved High School, Polk Elementary was named Best of Show Elementary School with a 97.63% attendance rate, Rio Vista was named Best of Show Middle School with a 95.77% attendance rate, and CHS—West was named Best of Show High School with a 95.58% attendance rate.

RESOLUTION #09/10-28

The Board of Trustees adopted Resolution #09/10-28 regarding the Pershing High School planning application for funding of the Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SDWSRF). Pershing is currently supplied by only one well, which is failing. A feasibility study will be done for the planning of a new well. The SDWSRF currently has a grant program to cover 89% of the cost for the feasibility study. A resolution is required by the California Department of Health to apply for the funding.

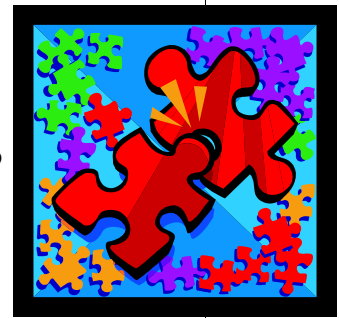
YEAR 13 2010-2011 TERRESTRIAL WIDE AREA NETWORK

The Board of Trustees approved the Year 13 2010-2011 Terrestrial Wide Area Network (TWAN) for Central Unified. The project involves the installation of a high speed data network to connect three schools to the District Office on Gettysburg Avenue. The schools to be connected are Polk Elementary, McKinley Elementary, and Steinbeck Elementary. Proposals were due on 12-14-09 and 32 proposals were downloaded for review. Three responses were received. Based on the bid summary sheet, the award will be made to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Comcast. This project will be jointly funded by E-rate and Measure B.

GIFTS TO THE DISTRICT

The Board of Trustees accepted the following gifts to the district:

- ◆ Harvest Elementary School received \$150 from the Parent Faculty Club for the Reptile House event
- ◆ McKinley Elementary received \$200 from Quizno's for the ASB General Fund
- ◆ Houghton-Kearney received \$654.51 from the Save Mart Shares program for the ASB General Fund
- ◆ Houghton-Kearney received \$641.10 from General Mills Box-tops for Education for the ASB General Fund
- ◆ Houghton-Kearney received \$213 from Jennifer Zimmer Webb/PG&E Corporation Foundation Matching Gift for the ASB General Fund



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**RESOLUTION
#09/10-31**

The Board of Trustees received information on Resolution #09/10-31 in the matter of the reduction of particular kinds of service for the 2010-2011 school year. Education Code authorizes the district to lay-off certificated employees due to a reduction of particular kinds of services or classes. Due to the current California fiscal crisis, Central Unified must plan for reductions of certificated services in the 2010-2011 school year to maintain fiscal health and a positive budget certification. The district is authorized to determine order of dismissal for employees who share the same date of hire, solely based on the needs of the district and the students. The individual employees in positions mentioned in the resolution for reduction may have bumping rights over employees with less seniority. This item will return to the next meeting for action.

**RESOLUTION
#09/10-32**

The Board of Trustees received information on Resolution #09/10-32 in the matter of reduction and/or discontinuance of classified school services for the 2010-2011 school year. Education Code authorizes the district to layoff classified employees for lack of work and/or lack of funds. Due to the current California fiscal crisis, Central Unified must plan for reductions of classified services in the 2010-2011 school year in order to maintain fiscal health and a positive budget certification. The individual employees in positions mentioned in the resolution for reduction may have bumping rights over employees with less seniority. This item will return to the next meeting for action.

**SUSPENSIONS &
EXPULSIONS
MID-YEAR
REPORT**

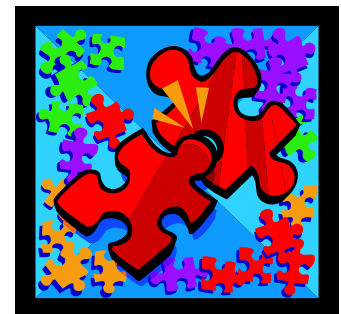
The Board of Trustees received the Suspensions and Expulsions Mid-Year Report. To provide current information on the number of suspensions and expulsions in Central Unified, the Student Services Department compiled a list organized by school site. For the first semester of the 2009-2010 school year, there were 805 suspensions in the district, of which 386 were at the elementary level and 419 were at the secondary level. For the same time period, there were six expulsions, all of which were at the secondary level.

**INTER-DISTRICT
TRANSFER MID-
YEAR REPORT**

The Board of Trustees received information on the Inter-District Transfer Mid-Year Report. Board Policy allows students who do not reside in Central Unified boundaries to attend Central schools based on available classroom seats. The inter-district transfer process ensures that space remains available for students residing within district boundaries. Minimum criteria for students seeking an inter-district transfer include a record of good attendance, no record of serious or continuing discipline problems, satisfactory academic achievement, and space availability. For the fall semester of 2009, Central Unified received 280 requests for incoming inter-district permits. Of those, 197 requests were approved and 83 requests were denied. For the same time period, the district received 200 requests for outgoing inter-district permits. Of those, 165 requests were approved and 35 requests were denied.

**NEW STAFF
APPOINTMENTS**

The following certificated appointments/promotions/transfers were approved by the Central Unified Board of Trustees:
Geoff Garratt, El Capitan
Colette Bolger, Steinbeck
Jim Bauler, CBO (pending contract approval)
Additionally, 28 individuals were approved to serve as substitutes, coaches, student teachers, or student workers in the district.



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Next Regular Board Meeting:
February 23, 2010
at 7:00 p.m.
CHS-East Campus
Performing Arts Center