

# CENTRAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

## BOARD BITS

### Highlights of the Regular Board Meeting of July 13, 2010

#### AGENDA ONLINE

The Board of Trustees and district staff received training on the California School Boards Association's Agenda Online program. It is a web-based system that enables the district to hold paperless Board meetings. The change will generate cost savings for the district while reducing material consumption. Agenda Online will be fully implemented as of the July 27 meeting.

#### CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR GLACIER POINT

The Board of Trustees approved Change Order (CORD) #1 for Glacier Point Middle School. It consists of three items: the removal of additional fig trees located adjacent to the school site since the existing irrigation system feeding them was being removed, the rerouting of an existing 18-inch irrigation pipe that was too shallow and would not allow for the installation of the access road, and the installation of additional offsite conduits as requested by PG&E.

#### GIFTS TO THE DISTRICT

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

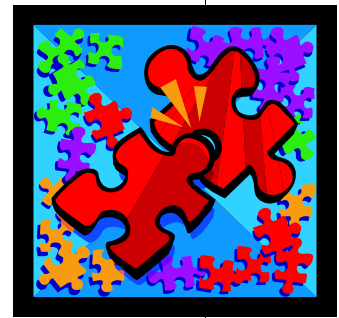
- ◆ El Capitan Middle School received \$75 from Renee Edwards for Cheerleading and \$200 from the Central Unified Teachers Association for the 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony
- ◆ Harvest Elementary School received \$1,350 for student agendas, \$229.39 for a classroom ELMO projector, and \$3,500 for school supplies from the Parent Faculty Club
- ◆ River Bluff Elementary School received \$240 from Dominion Pizza for the ASB account
- ◆ Teague Elementary School received \$30 from PG&E on behalf of their employee Patricia Onoro and \$30 from the PG&E Employee Matching Gifts Program for student enrichment activities

#### RESOLUTION #10/11-01

The Board of Trustees held a public hearing and adopted Resolution #10/11-01 approving dedication of real property by the Central Unified School District to the City of Fresno for water well purposes. Central Unified is cooperating with the City of Fresno in the process of providing a site for a new water well along the W. Ashlan Avenue frontage of the Koligian Educational Complex between N. Bryan and N. Grantland avenues. The district must dedicate the well site, which will improve public water supplies in the area. There were no comments from the public.

#### STANDARDS-BASED REPORT CARD FOR KINDERGARTEN

The Board of Trustees approved a standards-based reporting system for kindergarten to begin implementation in the fall of 2010. The report card will provide information on the student's developmental abilities and progress in attaining grade level standards. It will provide a meaningful tool for parents as they work in partnership with the teacher to support their child's academic and social development.



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**DELAC RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Board of Trustees received the recommendations of the District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) regarding the district program for English Learners. The DELAC is comprised of an elected representative from each school site’s English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) and is responsible for advising the Board on a number of items pertaining to English Learners. The following actions are recommended by the DELAC:

- ◆ Continue to provide school sites with a current list of translators available throughout the district
- ◆ Provide access to Language Line services and Clearinghouse of Multilingual documents through CDE
- ◆ Refer sites and departments to reasonable and accurate resources for Spanish translations
- ◆ Assist sites in obtaining interpreters for parent conferences and meetings with principals
- ◆ Assist sites to enhance and maintain a parent friendly environment
- ◆ Continue to provide parent education opportunities and resources

DELACs must be compliant with state and federal laws for continued categorical funding. This item will return to the next Board meeting for action.

**CHILD DEVELOPMENT SERVICES FOR STATE PRESCHOOL**

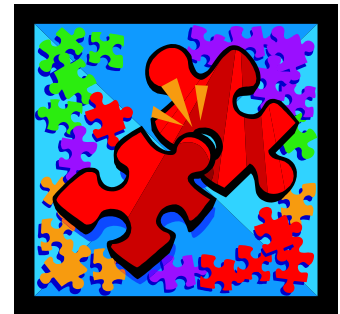
The Board of Trustees received information regarding acceptance of a local agreement for child development services—California State Preschool Program. Central Unified operates preschool programs at Biola-Pershing, Herndon-Barstow, and Madison elementary schools, which serve a maximum enrollment of 144 children ages three and four. The program offers a three-hour kindergarten readiness program in the areas of social-emotional, cognitive, motor and health skills. Funding of this contract will be used to ensure effective instruction, hire and retain well-qualified staff, and ensure effective use of resources. Funding for the State Preschool Program is from the California Department of Education: Child Development Division for a Maximum Reimbursable Amount of \$444,408.

**MEASURE K AND MEASURE B BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The Board of Trustees received the Measure K and Measure B Bond Oversight Committee Reports. Tracy Rodriguez presented the Measure K Annual Report for the period ending June 30, 2010. A total of \$40.8 million in bonds and interest have been expended through the 2008-2009 fiscal year, along with \$ 18.8 million in state matched funds. As the Measure K Bond program comes to a close, every site has benefited from the success of the bond program. Fifty-four projects have been completed, ranging from small projects, such as playground equipment and network upgrades, to infrastructure for future growth of the district. Bert Contreras presented the Measure B Annual Report. Since the committee was formed in January 2009, its members have met four times, receiving a report at each meeting about the various projects in planning and those being funded. On March 4, 2010 they took a tour of all Measure B projects at sites such as Glacier Point, El Capitan, McKinley, East Campus, West Campus and Roosevelt.

**NEW APPOINTMENT**

Sally Hopkins, Director of Fiscal Services



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Next Regular Board Meeting:  
July 27, 2010  
at 6:00 p.m.  
CHS-East Campus  
Performing Arts Center