

CENTRAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD BITS

Highlights of the Regular Board Meeting of May 25, 2010

2009-2010 CSEA CONTRACT OPENERS

The Board of Trustees held public hearings, received 2009-2010 Contract Openers from CSEA Chapter 474 to Central Unified, and presented the 2009-2010 Contract Openers from Central Unified to CSEA Chapter 474. Included in the Contract Openers are possible modifications and/or deletions to the articles pertaining to health and welfare benefits, vacations, bus driver route bidding, salary schedule, range placements, district rights, and professional dress standards.

2010-2011 CUTA CONTRACT OPENERS

The Board of Trustees held public hearings, received 2010-2011 Contract Openers from Central Unified Teachers Association/NEA Chapter 961, and presented the 2010-2011 Contract Openers from Central Unified to Central Unified Teachers Association/NEA Chapter 961, and held public hearings. Included in the Contract Openers are possible modifications and/or deletions to the articles pertaining to salary and benefits, class size, teaching day, hours, school calendar, association leave, retirement options, evaluations, transfers, personal necessity leave, teacher internship program, job shares, stipends, and dress code.

GIFTS TO THE DISTRICT

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

- ◆ El Capitan received \$146.80 from Fresno Coin Gallery Jewelry & Loan, Inc. for the ASB account.
- ◆ Harvest received 800 small individual cartons of raisins from National Raisin Company and \$188.72 from the Parent Faculty Club for purchase of an ELMO projector.
- ◆ Liddell received \$551.64 from Brent and Laura Folland for miscellaneous classroom supplies.
- ◆ Madison received \$85 from Candice Warmuth in memory of Barbara Lewis and \$79.50 from Fresno Coin Gallery Jewelry & Loan, Inc. for the ASB account.
- ◆ Rio Vista received \$144.70 from Fresno Coin Gallery Jewelry & Loan, Inc., \$7,182.09 from Rio Vista PTA, and \$87.38 from Red Robin International, Inc. for the ASB account.
- ◆ River Bluff received \$814 from Box Tops for Education and \$310.20 from Save Mart S.H.A.R.E.S. Program for ASB account.

RESOLUTION #09/10-46

The Board of Trustees adopted Resolution #09/10-46 for the Supplemental Early Retirement Incentive Program (SERP). The incentive offered is 60% of base salary paid out over five years, in five equal installments, and deposited into the employee's 403(b) plan. Candidates must be an active employee, be 55 years of age or more, and have at least five years of service with the district.



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**2010-2011
HEALTH
BENEFIT RATES**

The Board of Trustees approved health benefit rates for the Self-Funded District Health Care Plan for the 2010-2011 fiscal year. High cost claims in 2009-2010 have had an adverse impact on the health plan's ability to adequately cover costs. As a result, an adjustment in premium of 7% is recommended for the 2010-2011 year. Approval of the recommendation raises the monthly district rate to \$891.20 and the employee contribution to \$145.63. This is an increase of \$58.30 per month for the district and \$9.53 per month for employees.

**CSEA COST
SAVING
CONCESSIONS**

The Board of Trustees approved cost saving concessions from CSEA Chapter 474. In light of the current budget crisis, CSEA Chapter 474 has met with Central Unified and offered several cost saving scenarios. The measures include: freezing step increases for the 2010-2011 school year; one furlough day for all classified bargaining unit members; freezing bilingual stipends; and reduction in days for C.L.A.S.S. bargaining unit employees. The savings generated by these concessions equals \$233,038.

**DISTRICT
TECHNOLOGY
PLAN**

The Board of Trustees received information regarding Central Unified School District's Technology Plan. The current plan is in effect until June 30, 2010. During the last year the plan has been reviewed and revisions were made according to the guidance provided by the California Technology Assistance Project (CTAP). The outline of the new plan includes information on: plan duration, stakeholders, curriculum, professional development, infrastructure, estimated funding and budget, monitoring and evaluation, adult literacy providers, and effective research.

**SCHOOL SITE
SELECTION
STUDY**

The Board of Trustees received information regarding the Measure B School Site Acquisition and Selection Study. Projected student growth in the district requires proactive measures to position the district to adequately house current and future students. As such, school sites need to be identified and acquired for future school facilities. Consultant Mike Paoli of Paoli & Odell provided an overview of the California Department of Education school site selection requirements and other key factors that help identify a potential site for district use. The complete report is available for public review by contacting the Operational Services Department.

**BOARD BYLAW
9920**

The Board of Trustees received information regarding recommended revision to California School Board Association (CSBA) Board Bylaw 9920. The new and revised bylaw as recommended by CSBA stipulates that any person is eligible to be a Board member if he/she is 18 years of age or older, a citizen of the state, a resident of the school district, resides within the trustee area for which they seek office, a registered voter, and not legally disqualified from holding civil office. The revised bylaw also states that the district shall assume no part of the cost of printing, handling, translating, or mailing of candidate statements filed pursuant to Elections Code 13307.

**RESOLUTION
#09/10-49**

The Board of Trustees received information regarding the School Board Member Election and the adoption of Resolution #09/10-49—order of election and specifications of the election order. California Education Code requires a resolution known as the "specifications of the election order" to be submitted to the County Superintendent of Schools and the officer conducting the election no less than 123 days prior to the date of the election. The resolution must be adopted, executed, and filed with the County Superintendent no later than Friday, June 18, 2010. This item will return to the next meeting for action.



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Next Regular Board Meeting:
June 8, 2010
at 7:00 p.m.
CHS-East Campus
Performing Arts Center