



FONTANA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
DISTRITO ESCOLAR UNIFICADO DE FONTANA

Superintendent's Advisory Committee

Comité Consultivo del Superintendente

Sierra Lakes Country Club

June 1, 2006/Junio 1, 2006

Minutes/Acta

- 1) Welcome and Introductions/*Bienvenida y Presentaciones* – Ms. Olsen-Binks
Ms. Binks welcomed parents, site administrators, Board of Education members Dr. Piazza, Clerk and Ms. Abernathy-Mancha, Cabinet Members and Mr. Richard Van, President of United Steel Workers Association.
- 2) Approve Minutes/*Aprobación del Acta* – Ms. Ramos
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Ms. Patterson motioned to approve the minutes.

Mr. Wubker seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

- 3) Consolidated Application Part I/ *Solicitud Consolidada Parte I para Fondos de Ayuda en Programas de Categóricos* – Ms.Olsen

The Consolidated Application is the tool used to notify the California Department of Education of the district's intent to apply for state and federal funds.

The district allocates funds by grade span. She explained that a copy of the Consolidated Application would be given to each site to share with their parent committees and staff members.

Title II funds are used to support staff development for principals and teachers. Title II Technology funds are used for staff development for principals and teachers to integrate the use of technology in the classrooms. Title III funds are for English Learners. Safe and Drug Free funds support programs counselors use to encourage students not to use drugs. Title V funds are for innovative programs that High Schools have like AVID and Pathways.

Motion to approve the application and submission of the Consolidated Application made by Luis Vaquera.

Seconded by Ann McLellan.

Motion carried.

Parents were asked to complete the surveys for input into the board policy for parent involvement.

Cali also reminded everyone that the Uniform Complaint Process was available on the website. The Ten Year Facilities and Construction Plan is also on the website.

- 4) District Budget Meeting/*Junta presupuesto para el Distrito* – Dr. Stedry
The Governor’s May Revised Budget is what the district is working with. The district has a preliminary general fund budget and is ready for parent input. Dr. Stedry invited parents to the Budget Meeting at 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 6th at the district office.
- 5) Superintendent/*Superintendente* Dr. Milligan
- 6) Questions, Answers and Comments /*Preguntas y respuestas* – Ms. Olsen and Dr. Milligan

Comment: Last year not enough was done for GATE students.

Answer: GATE is for every student at each school site. Mr. Brashear addressed principals at the last meeting. Testing will remain the same as the testing tool has been determined appropriate. Teachers are being given the opportunity to take a GATE certification class with the University of Riverside which requires a minimum of 15 students in order to provide the class. The changes may not be seen until next year.

Question: When will the new Superintendent be hired?

Answer: Dr. Piazza explained that the applications were to be turned in on June 2nd. The top three or four applicants would be interviewed and the Superintendent announced at a special Board Meeting on June 8th.

Question: Did students have to pass the CAHSEE?

Answer: The CAHSEE was upheld. Our principals were prepared for either decision. Students that did not pass the CAHSEE will be given a certificate of completion. Students may take the CAHSEE through Adult School in the summer. All of Fontana Students will walk at the ceremony.

Question: Will there be Superintendent Advisory Council meetings next year?

Answer: Based on the recommendation of the Board of Education the meetings will be held next year. Parent representatives of the community we live in are the messengers to the School Site Councils, PTA’s, English Learner Advisory Committees, Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts at the schools.

Question: Who is supporting Measure C that is running for re-election?

Dr. Piazza said that Joe Baca, Sr., Joe Baca Jr., Jeremy Baca, Mayor Nuami, and Aquanetta Warren and Dr. Fischer, County Superintendent of Schools are strong supporters of Measure C. She also said that they have never asked anyone to support Measure C that said no.

Ms. Olsen-Binks shared that the Social Studies Adoption is moving forward. The text for middle schools is being challenged as an outside party does not feel that all religions are represented fairly. The Elementary adoption is going to the Board for approval. The process streamlined since the publishers agreed to send sets to the sties for staff and parents to review.

Dr. Milligan shared that sometimes things need to be tried in order to see if it works. We are the only ones that can change things at the state level. Parents were encouraged to be active and know the issues. He thanked the parents and said he has enjoyed being

Superintendent. He wants the parents to take this power and utilize it to the best interests of the kids. He reminded them that having 42,000 students behind you is immeasurable.

Question: Will we have an EL Coordinator next year? Will we have a Bilingual Director?

Answer: The Director of Curriculum K-5 is bilingual. The district is trying to hire an EL Director. Salaries for administrators are low and if you want quality people, you need to pay them. We lose people to higher paying districts.

- 7) Bond Update/ *El Bono Actualiza* – Ms. Julie Ramos
Fontana needs schools instead of trailers. Measure needs to be passed. Please vote for Measure C. Flyers will be given to parents to hand out outside of their schools to remind parents to vote for our children and grandchildren.

Dr. Piazza thanked everyone for working the phone bank and they will be open Sunday and Monday. The district had a float in the Fontana Days Parade. She thanked Sharon Lovell for being at the phone bank nearly everyday.

- 8) Adjournment/*Clausura* – Mr. Vaquera
Motion to adjourn made by Mr. Wubker
Seconded by Betty
Motion carried.