

BOARD BRIEF

Highlights of the SMFC School Board Meeting

January 19, 2012

Statements by Public: A resident of Foster City requested information on finding plans for the new school being planned for Foster City; President of CSEA spoke about the excellent response she received from District personnel when she was injured.

Statement by Ed Foundation: The Ed Foundation is looking for representatives from all schools to sit on their Board.

Statement by Superintendent: Dr. Simms reported that the process for seeking a new principal for Baywood Elementary has begun. She reported that the new Philanthropy Group, consisting of representatives from a variety of district arenas, is almost complete and that work on developing a district policy/vision would begin soon. She also noted that the process for producing the Strategic Planning report for the upcoming year is being changed slightly and that a vision meeting is planned for February 25 at Abbott Middle School.

Action or Information: The Board

Approved all items on the proposed consent agenda.

Received information on the new Transitional Kindergarten program via a presentation by Molly Barton. The report included the latest information from the State regarding Governor Brown's possible elimination of funding for the program while keeping the rollback of the starting age for young students.

Received information on district transportation for general ed students in a presentation by Molly Barton. Cost of the program increased this year due to changes in location for fiesta Gardens and a general increase in student population.

Approved the first reading of Board Policy 4140 regarding Intra-District Transfers. The District's goal for next year is to make sure every student is assigned to a school before school starts and to eliminate as many changes as possible following the opening of school.

Received information regarding Governor Brown's January 2012 proposed State Budget.

Received the results of the actuarial analysis and valuation associated with GASB 45 account.

Approved the annual audit of the District's financial statements for 2010-2011 as presented by Patel & Associates.

Approved donations made to specific schools by community members.

Received information about a change in needed hours for a special ed employee.

Meeting adjourned: 9:55 PM

Submitted by: Janet Chappell, President, SMETA

Future meetings: February 2, 2012 – Board Meeting, 7:00 PM

February 6, 2012 – PTA Board Council Meeting

February 16, 2012 – Board Meeting, 7:00 PM