

The Board of Education of the Chico Unified School District met in a Special Meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the Library Chico High School. The following were present:

BOARD MEMBERS:

Rick Anderson, President
Rick Rees, Vice President
Anthony Watts, Clerk
Jann Reed, Member

ABSENT:

Scott Huber, Member

ADMINISTRATION:

Dr. Scott Brown, Superintendent
Kelly Staley, Assistant Superintendent - Educational Services
Randy Meeker, Assistant Superintendent - Business Services
Dr. Cynthia Kampf, Director - Educational Services
Mike Weissenborn, Manager - Facilities/Construction
Kim Hutchison, Executive Secretary

OTHERS:

Association representatives, news media, and visitors.

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 At 6:10 p.m., Mr. Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed visitors.

2. DISCUSSION CALENDAR

The Board met today in a special session to continue the discussion of setting priorities for the coming year. The priorities include:

- Create a balanced budget for the 2005-06 fiscal year
 - a. Place achievement of CUSD graduate attributes as a priority
 - b. Spread reductions equitably over 2005-06 and 2006-07
 - c. Determine how to achieve balanced budget
 - Consolidation of elementary schools
 - Elimination of current CUSD programs
 - d. Work closely with students, families and employees to mitigate impacts of any cuts/closures made to provide for thoughtful, well-implemented transitions.
- Continue to work with all employee groups in an open, honest manner that seeks to foster respect while we resolve issues of mutual concern in an era where expenses continue to outpace revenues by substantial amounts.
- Canyon View High School
 - a. Timeline and Cost for Completion
 - b. Feasibility for Joint Use
 - High School/Corp Yard/District Office
 - c. Enrollment Models for next four years
 - Two Comprehensive High Schools
 - Three Comprehensive High Schools
 - Two Comprehensive/One Magnet High School

- d. Ideal Size for a High School
 - Minimum enrollment that allows generally accepted minimum course expectations (UC requirements, etc.)
- e. Magnet School
 - How does Magnet School impact budget?
- Local Revenue Enhancement
 - a. Asset Management
 - b. Fund Raising
 - Research other districts
 - c. Parcel Tax
 - d. Grant Research
 - e. Promotion to increase ADA
 - What is state average?
 - f. Solar and other energy saving measures
- Plan strategic, mutually beneficial community collaboration focused on student achievement.
 - a. List of existing activities with CSUC
 - b. Liability and control issues
 - c. Research CSUC hands-on Science Lab and CUSD participation
- Strategic Plan
 - a. Hold Board workshop on Strategic Plan Process
 - b. Reconvene Strategic Planning Committee
 - c. Progress update to the Board
 - d. Revisit and revise plan as necessary
- Student Achievement
 - a. Support standards based instruction and assessment
 - b. Support schools in School Improvement Program
 - c. Research on-line education opportunities for CUSD students
 - d. Promotion to increase ADA
 - What is state average?
- Comprehensive K-12 Performing Arts Program
 - a. Explore what is possible within existing funding to create broad and deep Performing Arts programs at a limited number of schools, specifically elementary schools.

The Board will discuss these priorities again at the regular meeting on January 19, 2005.

3. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:53 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

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APPROVED:

Board of Education

Administration