

The Board of Education of the Chico Unified School District met in a Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Chico City Council Chambers. The following were present:

**BOARD MEMBERS:**

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

**ADMINISTRATION:**

Dr. Chet Francisco Superintendent  
Bob Feaster, Assistant Superintendent - Human Resources  
Kelly Staley, Assistant Superintendent - Educational Services  
Randy Meeker, Assistant Superintendent - Business Services  
Janet Brinson, Director - Educational Services  
Dr. Cynthia Kampf, Director - Educational Services, Categorical Programs/Testing  
Dave Scott, Director - Educational Services, Special Education  
Alan Stephenson, Director - Educational Services, Elementary Education/Curriculum  
Bernard Vigallon, Director - Educational Services, Alternative Education  
Greg Einhorn, Attorney at Law  
Kim Hutchison, Executive Secretary

**OTHERS:**

Association representatives, news media, and visitors.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

1.1 At 7:00 p.m., Mr. Anderson called the meeting to order and welcomed visitors. Mr. Anderson welcomed Dr. Chet Francisco as the new superintendent of CUSD. There is a new look to the seating arrangement. The Board invited the Assistant Superintendents to sit at the dais and asked Dr. Francisco to sit with the Board.

1.2 Mr. Anderson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Francisco, "I'd like to begin by thanking everyone for the very warm welcome to CUSD. This is going to be quite an adventure. I look forward to working with staff, parents and the community to make an already outstanding school district even better."

Dr. Francisco introduced Trudy Duisenberg, Community Outreach Coordinator at Enloe Medical Center and Rebecca Senoglu, Support Facilitator at the Cancer Center and Coordinator of the Cranes Project the made a special presentation to the Board of Education.

Last spring the Greater Chico Community was passionately and generously involved in a community wide cancer awareness effort coordinated by the Enloe Cancer Center. Well over 3,000 CUSD students from grades 3 - 12 created thousands of origami cranes while learning about cancer prevention and discussing the affects of cancer on families everywhere. This community act of healing and hope resulted in 25,000 cranes. The cranes were hung from the 20' ceiling of the Chico Mall as the center piece of a large community cancer awareness fair in April. Now the cranes fly and nest at the Enloe Cancer Center - filling the hearts of patients with much happiness. The staff and volunteers of the Enloe Cancer Center presented several strands of cranes to CUSD in appreciation of the gifts that came from the generous hearts & hands of the students. Kathy Naas, Teacher at Rosedale

narrated a power point presentation created by staff and students at Rosedale about their participation in the Enloe Cranes Project.

Julie Christenson, Sr. Class Secretary, Marissa Anderson, Sr. Class Vice President from PVHS and Amir Fiac, ASB President from CHS provided a report to the Board regarding activities at their respective schools.

**3. HEARING SESSION/PUBLIC FORUM**

At 7:26 p.m. the Hearing Session/Public Forum was opened. Members of the audience expressed their opinions regarding items not appearing on the agenda. At 7:30 p.m., there were no further comments and the Hearing Session/Public Forum was closed.

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR**

4.1 The Board approved the minutes of the 09/21/05 Regular Meeting. *MSC Rees/Huber*

4.2 The Board approved the Certificated Human Resources actions: *MSC Rees/Huber*

<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>Comment</u>
<b><u>Temporary Appointment(s) 2005/06 According to Board Policy</u></b>			
Keene, Kristine	0.4 FTE Elementary	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2005/06 (Effective 9/21/05)	Temporary Appointment (Increase to 1.0 FTE)
Kinslow, Leticia	0.1 FTE Elementary	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2005/06 (Effective 9/26/05)	Temporary Appointment (Increase to 0.5 FTE)
West, Dano	0.2 FTE Elementary	1 <sup>st</sup> Semester 2005/06 (Effective 10/31/05)	Temporary Appointment (Increase to 0.6 FTE)
<b><u>Part-Time Leave Requests for 2005/06</u></b>			
Dane, Rita	Elementary	2005/06 (Effective 10/1/05-6/1/06)	0.2 FTE Leave

4.3 The Board approved the Classified Human Resources actions: *MSC Rees/Huber*

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CLASS/LOCATION/ASSIGNED HOURS</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>COMMENTS/FUND</u>
<b><u>Appointments</u></b>			
Mull, Jenny	LT Office Assistant/Rosedale/1.0	08/01/05-01/30/06	New LT Position/ Categorical Fund
Smithson, Birgitta	Parent Classroom Aide-Rest/Emma Wilson/.8	09/22/05	Vacated Position/ Categorical Fund
<b><u>Increase in Hours</u></b>			
Fisher, Paul	School Bus Driver 1/Transportation/6.0	09/06/05	Existing Position
Gudgeon, Richard	School Bus Driver 1/Transportation/6.2	09/06/05	Existing Position
Hightman, Rebecca	School Bus Driver 1/Transportation/6.4	09/06/05	Existing Position
Luchessa, Penelope	IA-Special Education/Rosedale/6.8	08/01/05	Existing Position/ Special Education

Persaud, Nayaram	School Bus Driver 1/Transportation/6.9	09/06/05	Existing Position
Solda, Sharon	School Bus Driver 1/Transportation/5.4	09/06/05	Existing Position
Young, Kimberly	School Bus Driver 1/Transportation/6.4	09/06/05	Existing Position

**Voluntary Reduction in Hours**

Baber, Susan	Program Coordinator-Substance Use Prevention & Intervention/CHS/6.4	08/16/2005	Existing Position/ Categorical Funds
Isaacs, Jennifer	Parent Classroom Aide-Rest/Citrus/2.9	08/16/05	Existing Position/ Categorical Fund
Marshburn, Tami	Parent Classroom Aide-Rest/McManus/1.6	09/16/05	Existing Position/ Categorical Fund

**Leave of Absence**

Grimes, Louis	Campus Supervisor/CJHS/2.0	08/16-10/15/05	Per CBA 5.2.9
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**Resignation/Termination**

Garcia, Agatha	Parent Classroom Aide-Rest/Emma Wilson/2.6	09/15/05	Voluntary Resignation
Primm, Kelly	IPS-Healthcare/Sierra View/3.5	09/21/05	Voluntary Resignation

- 4.4 The Board approved the payment of warrants drawn for billings received between September 15-28, 2005.  
*MSC Rees/Huber*

FUND #:	FUND DESCRIPTION:	WARRANT #'S:	AMOUNT
01	General Fund	330260 - 330554	\$940,790.65
12	Child Development	330555	\$388.00
13	Nutrition Services	330556	\$16.88
14	Deferred Maintenance	330557 - 330558	\$32,070.70
24	BLDG FD - Measure A (P & I)	330559 - 330560	\$956.95
25	Capital Facilities FD - State CAP	330561 - 330565	\$13,890.50
29	BLDG FD - 1988 Ser. C - INT	330566	\$36.00
35	County School Facilities Fund	330567 - 330570	\$58,106.18
67	Self Insurance Fund	330571	\$1,059.14
		CURRENT WARRANT TOTAL:	\$1,047,315.00
		PREVIOUS WARRANT TOTAL:	\$0.00
		<b>TOTAL WARRANTS TO BE APPROVED:</b>	<b>\$1,047,315.00</b>

- 4.5 The Board approved the expulsions of the following students: #24059; #22674; #38719; #21716; #22930; #33772 *MSC Rees/Huber*
- 4.6 The Board approved the major fund raising request by Neal Dow 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Classes to hold cookie dough sales during the month of September, 2005 to raise funds for environmental camp. *MSC Rees/Huber*
- 4.7 The Board approved the major fund raising request by Neal Dow PTA to hold a Carnival in October, 2005 to raise funds for classroom expenses such as field trips. *MSC Rees/Huber*
- 4.8 The Board approved the declaration of surplus property and approve disposal of same in accordance with administrative procedures. *MSC Rees/Huber*
- 4.9 The Board approved the consultant agreement between CUSD and WestEd to conduct a professional development series to build capacity for CUSD to develop and implement a research-based accountability system. This system will meet the needs of teachers to address national, state, district, and school improvement goals to close the achievement gap for all students. Funding Source: District Program Improvement - NCLB. There is no impact to the general fund. *MSC Rees/Huber*

- 4.10 The Board approved the consultant agreement between CUSD and Linda M. Montes to provide staff development focused on strategies and methodologies to assist the Two-Way Immersion teacher in meeting the needs of language learners in specific grade level settings. Teachers will learn strategies that develop reading, writing, listening and speaking in English and Spanish. Funding Source: Foreign Language Acquisition Program grant. There is no impact to the general fund. *MSC Rees/Huber*
- 4.11 The Board approved the consultant agreement between CUSD and the Bodine Group to provide facilitation for Interest Based Bargaining sessions between CUSD and CSEA, Chapter #110. Approximately 10 full day sessions. Funding Source: Employer Relations, Board and Superintendent Accounts. There is impact to the general fund. *MSC Rees/Huber*
- 4.12 The Board approved the major field trip request by CHS ACT Presentation Team to make presentations to teachers and students in Glendale, CA and Canoga Park, CA October 7 - 11, 2005. *MSC Rees/Huber*

## 5. DISCUSSION CALENDAR

- 5.1 Alan Stephenson, Director - Elementary Education reviewed the Statement of Intent for the Open Structure Classroom Program.
- 5.2 Mr. Anderson opened the discussion with a review of the events of the last meeting, during which Ms. Reed and Mr. Huber offered to work on a subcommittee with staff to revised the draft response to the Grand Jury. The committee met several times over about 12 hours and is presenting to the full board their recommendation for the response to the grand jury.

Ms. Reed and Mr. Huber provided comments regarding their participation in the revisions to the Grand Jury response.

At 7:50 p.m., Mr. Anderson opened the meeting for Public Comment. Members of the audience expressed their opinions regarding the Grand Jury response. At 7:58 p.m., there were no further comments and the Public Comment was closed.

## 6. ACTION CALENDAR

- 6.1 The Board approved the submission of the CUSD response prepared for the Butte County Grand Jury report. *MSC Rees/Watts*

*Mr. Anderson announced that the Grand Jury would like to continue conversations with the District this year. A lot of very good things have come out of the grand jury report as the district improves practices and the free education concept we have in California. We are hopeful that we can move through this as efficiently as possible and move forward in serving students.*

## 7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Reed presented baby gifts to Mr. Watts in honor of the birth of his daughter, Hannah June.

Mr. Watts announced the problems with the webcast have been resolved and that Board meetings may now be viewed on the internet.

## 8. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT BOARD AGENDA

There were no items for the next agenda.

9. **CLOSED SESSION**

At 8:25 p.m., the Board recessed into closed session for the purpose of Public Employee Performance Evaluation - Superintendent.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

At 9:30 p.m. the Board reconvened. There were no announcements and the meeting was adjourned.

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NEXT REGULAR MEETING:      Wednesday, October 19, 2005  
7:00 p.m., Chico City Council Chambers

APPROVED:

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Board of Education

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Administration