

MINUTES**1. CALL TO ORDER**

At 6:30 p.m. the Board convened and announced they would recess into closed session to discuss Items 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

Present: Jann Reed, Rick Anderson, Dr. Andrea Lerner Thompson, Dr. Kathy Kaiser, and Rick Rees

Absent: None

2. CLOSED SESSION**2.1 Public Employee Dismissal/Discipline/Release**

Pursuant to Government Code §54957

2.2 Update on Existing Litigations

Government Code Section §54956.9(a)

Name of Cases: Black vs. CUSD and Crews vs. CUSD

Attending:

Kelly Staley, Superintendent

Bob Feaster, Assistant Superintendent

Jan Combes, Assistant Superintendent

2.3 Update on Labor Negotiations

Employee Organizations:

CUTA

CSEA, Chapter #110

Representatives:

Kelly Staley, Superintendent

Bob Feaster, Assistant Superintendent

Jan Combes, Assistant Superintendent

3. RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION

Present: Jann Reed, Rick Anderson, Dr. Andrea L. Thompson, Dr. Kathy Kaiser and Rick Rees

Absent: None

3.1 Board President Reed called the Regular Session Meeting to Order in the City Council Chambers at 7:05 p.m.**3.2 Closed Session Announcements**

Board President Reed stated that the Board had been in closed session since 6:15 p.m. regarding the above items. Item 2.1 had been stricken; there were no announcements.

3.3 Board President Reed led the salute to the Flag.**4. STUDENT REPORTS**

Kena Vigil, Pedro Quentana and Natalie Eggleston reported on Fair View events and fundraisers. Samantha Courtain, ASB Publicity Coordinator and Corey Wheeler, ASB Treasurer reported on Pleasant Valley High School events and introduced one of the teachers from their sister city in Japan. Every 15 Minutes will take place at school sites during April 8 and 9.

5. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Tom Lampkin, CHS Physics/Chemistry Teacher, CHS introduced the team who won the 2008 Science Bowl Championship for Northern California region: Gareth Fay, Alex Hodge, Maggie Jones and Jeanan McKnight. They will receive an all expenses-paid trip to the National Science Bowl competition in Washington, D.C. from May 1 through May 6, 2008.

Joyce Burdette introduced John Chocholak, Chair, CITEAF Awards Committee, who presented an award to Ronnie Cockrell with the 2008 Award for Program Excellence for Chico Jr. High School.

Bob Feaster introduced Kimberlee Wheeler, Community Relations Manager from Barnes & Noble. Kimberlee has worked with the schools for a number of years and through Barnes & Noble book fairs have raised \$7,588 for five of our schools. Kimberlee stated it was a pleasure working with CUSD staff and she hopes to continue to increase the amount donated to the schools in upcoming years.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

At 7:30 p.m., Board President Reed asked if anyone from the public or the Board wanted to pull any consent items for further discussion. Board Member Kaiser pulled Items 6.B.6. and 6.B.8. A motion was made by Board Member Kaiser and seconded by Board Clerk Thompson to approve the remaining consent items.

A. GENERAL**1. The Board approved the minutes of regular session, February 20, 2008, special session on February 27, 2008, and special session on March 5, 2008.****2. The Board accepted the items donated to Chico Unified School District.****Donor**

Soroptimist International
Ms. Michelle Borg, DDS

Item

LCD Projector @ \$550.00
\$100.00

Recipient

Citrus Elementary
Emma Wilson/Mr. Callahan's Class

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Ms. Melisa Rodriguez	\$50.00	Emma Wilson/Ms. Lisa's Class
Ms. Marilyn Anderson	\$100.00	Emma Wilson/Ms. Wiegert's Class
Mission Linen	40 Tablecloths @ \$372.00	Hooker Oak
	Plug for Overhead @ \$6.00	
Dr. Robert Williams	Pump Fittings for Ball pump @ \$12.00	Hooker Oak
Shasta PTO	\$500.00	Shasta
Mr. Ranjan Patel	\$50.00	Shasta
Shasta PTO	\$1,000.00	Shasta
Lizanne and Gary Fowler	\$500.00	Shasta/Drama Department
Carolyn Adkisson	\$20.00	Shasta/Drama Department
Target	\$269.19	Sierra View
Laird Oelrichs	\$50.00 for purchase of Playground balls	Sierra View
Soroptimists c/o Christiane Wear-See	\$800.00 for purchase of Walkie Talkies	Sierra View
Soroptimists c/o Janet Thresher	\$600.00 for purchase of LCD Projector	Sierra View/Mrs. Murad's Class
Chico Horticultural Society	\$50.00 and (4) rose bushes @ \$100.00	BJHS/B.E.C.C. Club
American Vacuum/David Webb	Welch 1400 B pump set @ \$1,500.00	CJHS/Science Classes
The Worm Farm	1 cubic yard soil @ \$40.00	CJHS/Garden Committee
Kinney Nursery	1 cubic yard soil @ \$40.00	CJHS/Garden Committee
	Lumber, hardware, paint, tools @	
Bruce Dillman	\$1,350.00	CHS
Chico Florist	Flowers @ \$60.00	CHS ASB
Emil & Carol Meyer	\$1,000.00	CHS Softball
CHS PTSA c/o Patti Taylor	Gift Certificate #42366	CHS Library
Scott & Eleonor Brady	\$250.00	CHS Boys' Volleyball
Target - Take Charge of Education	\$397.39	PVHS
PG&E Corp. Foundation		
Randy Leppard and Janet Walther	\$327.00	PVHS
Soroptimist c/o Diane Fossum	Books and whiteboard @ \$450.00	PVHS
	\$1,000.00	PVHS/Music (Holmes)
Nona Nahalea	Printer/Copier/Scanner @ 79.99	PVHS ASB
CSUC Health Department		
Debbi Yang and Mary Portis	\$85.00	PVHS/Leaders for a Lifetime
Charlie Copeland/Sally Foltz	\$9.00	PVHS Library
Reta Rickmers	2 books @ \$34.00	PVHS Library
Cody Romero	1 MM Book @ \$9.00	PVHS Library
Analise Knight	1 MM Book @ \$9.00	PVHS Library
Soroptimist International	\$200.00	PVHS/Academic Decathlon Team
Greater Chico Kiwanis Club	\$200.00	PVHS/Academic Decathlon Team
Laura Eilerts	\$100.00	PVHS /Academic Decathlon Team
Corwin & Son Clothiers	\$200.00	PVHS /Academic Decathlon Team
Richard & Mariyn Bolen	\$100.00	PVHS /Academic Decathlon Team
Helen J. Tweedy	\$100.00	PVHS /Academic Decathlon Team
Maureen Knowlton	\$50.00	PVHS /Academic Decathlon Team
Teresa Gissle	\$25.00	PVHS /Academic Decathlon Team
Sue Mieske	\$40.00	PVHS /Academic Decathlon Team
Vivian Mills	\$75.00	PVHS /Academic Decathlon Team
June C. Thompson	\$100.00	PVHS /Academic Decathlon Team
Soroptimist c/o Diane Fossum	\$345.00	PVHS /Ms. Hamilton's EL Class
Richard Heath & Assoc., Inc.	\$292.50	PVHS Girls' Basketball
Anonymous	\$25.00	Nutrition Services

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1. The Board approved clearing the expulsions of students with the following IDs: 35089 and 54233.
2. The Board approved the expulsions of students with the following IDs: 29107, 29262, 29359, 34301, 35721, 399991, 50447, 58091, 59157, and 64589.
3. The Board approved the Field Trip Request from Parkview 6th grade class to attend the Science Camp in Butte Meadows, CA, from 5/27/08-5/30/08.
4. The Board approved the Field Trip Request for Neal Dow 6th grade class to attend the Yosemite National Park from 5/28/08-5/30/08.
5. The Board approved the Field Trip Request for PVHS SKILLS USA Industrial Technology Students to attend the State Conference-Leadership and Championships in Fresno, CA from 4/10/08-4/13/08.
6. The Board approved the Field Trip Request for the CHS Science Bowl Team to attend the National Science Bowl in Washington, D.C. from 4/30/08-5/6/08.
7. The Board approved the Field Trip Request for the CHS Symphonic Band to attend a concert tour in Southern California including a performance at Disneyland from 5/16/08-5/19/08.
8. The Board approved the Field Trip Request for PVHS ROP Culinary II/Prostart Management Team to attend the National Finals for Prostart Management in San Diego, CA from 4/24/08-4/27/08.
9. The Board approved the Fund Raising Request from Shasta Elementary to hold the Shasta Shuffle Jog-a-thon from 3/24/08-4/11/08.

C. HUMAN RESOURCES

1. The Board approved the Certificated Human Resources Actions.

Administrative Appointment(s) – Summer Session 2008

McKay, David 1.0 FTE Principal-Summer Session

Retirement(s)/Resignation(s)

Begault, Beth	03/05/08	Resignation from Leave (.2 FTE)
Burdette, Joyce	06/30/08	Retirement
Janke, Sybil	06/06/08	Retirement
Parisotto, Katherine	06/06/08	Retirement
Pitsker, Richard	06/06/08	Retirement
Schmidt, S. Lynn	06/06/08	Retirement

2. The Board approved the Classified Human Resources Actions.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CLASS/LOCATION/ ASSIGNED HOURS</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>	<u>COMMENTS/PRF #/ FUND/RESOURCE</u>
Amezquita-Perez, Angelica	Cafeteria Asst/ CHS/2.0	3/25/2008	Vacated Position/185/ Nutrition/0000
Barnett, Patricia	IPS-Classroom/ Loma Vista/4.0	2/20/2008	Vacated Position/115/ Special Ed/6501
Barnett, Patricia	IPS-Classroom/ Loma Vista/2.0	2/20/2008	Vacated Position/14/ Special Ed/6501
Cheung, Stephen	LT Cafeteria Asst/ BJHS/1.5	3/25/2008 - 6/05/2008	Vacated Position/224/ Nutrition/0000
Colenzo, Cynthia	Cafeteria Asst/ BJHS/2.5	3/25/2008	Vacated Position/187/ Nutrition/0000
Collado, Josh	Campus Supervisor/ CJHS/0.2	2/20/2008	Vacated Position/198/ Grant/4124

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Jackson, Mark	IA-Special Education/ CHS/5.0	2/19/2008	Vacated Position/45/ Special Ed/6500
Jarjour, Ragheda	Cafeteria Asst/ CHS/2.0	3/25/2008	Vacated Position/186/ Nutrition/0000
Kelly, Mary	LT IA-Special Ed/ Citrus/3.0	3/25/2008 - 4/04/2008	Extend LT Position/231/ Special Ed/6500
Kelly, Mary	Instructional Asst/ McManus/3.0	3/25/2008	Vacated Position/191/ Categorical/7250
Perez, Alondra	IA-Bilingual/ Rosedale/2.8	3/3/2008	Vacated Position/28/ Special Ed/6500
Philippi, Edward	IA-Special Education/ CCDS/2.0	2/19/2008	Vacated Position/152/ Special Ed/6500
Sanchez, Shaundel	Instructional Asst/ Neal Dow/4.0	2/20/2008	New Position/171/ Grant/6010
Sobrero, Evelyn	Cafeteria Asst/ PVHS/2.0	3/10/2008	Vacated Position/21/ Nutrition/0000
Vender, Amy	LT Cafeteria Asst/ PVHS/3.0	3/25/2008 - 6/05/2008	Vacated Position/222/ Nutrition/0000
Buitron, Sarah	IA-Bilingual/ CJHS/0.6	4/8/2008	Lack of Funds
Gollon, Melisa	Trans Special Ed Aide/ Transportation/2.7	4/8/2008	Lack of Work
Forbes, Stephanine	Trans Special Ed Aide/ Transportation/1.5	1/06/2008 - 5/06/2008	Corrected LOA Dates
Forbes, Stephanine	IPS-Classroom/ PVHS/6.0	1/06/2008 - 5/06/2008	Corrected LOA Dates
Forbes, Stephanine	Trans Special Ed Aide/ Transportation/1.5	3/4/2008	Early Return From LOA
Koehly-Ownby, Karen	Health Care Asst- Specialized/ Loma Vista/6.0	3/07/2008 - 3/31/2008	Corrected LOA Dates
Machado, Mary	Trans Special Ed Aide/ Transportation/2.2	12/03/2007 - 6/03/2008	Per CBA 5.12
Schmidt, Lisa	Cafeteria Asst/ CHS/2.0	1/22/2008 - 6/05/2008	Per CBA 5.12
Smith, Tina	Cafeteria Cook Manager 1/ MJHS/5.0	4/16/2008 - 4/22/2008	Per CBA 5.12
Smith, Tina	Cafeteria Asst/ MJHS/2.0	4/16/2008 - 4/22/2008	Per CBA 5.12
Schmidt, Lisa	Cafeteria Asst/ CHS/2.0	1/23/2008	Vacated Position/ Nutrition/0000
Bennett, Bradley	Cafeteria Asst/ Sierra View/2.5	3/28/2008	Voluntary Resignation
Employee Holding Pos #408118	Instructional Asst/ Citrus/1.0	2/19/2008	Released During Probationary Period
Hurst, Jennifer	IPS-Classroom/ PVHS/3.0	3/7/2008	Voluntary Resignation

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Hurst, Jennifer	IPS-Classroom/ PVHS/3.0	3/7/2008	Voluntary Resignation
Mathiesen, Becki	Office Asst Elementary Attendance/Marigold/4.0	3/28/2008	Voluntary Resignation
Taggart, Errin	Health Asst/Rosedale/4.0	3/14/2008	Voluntary Resignation

D. BUSINESS SERVICES

1. The Board approved the contract with Kingsley Bogard Thompson (KBT) due to Name Change
2. The Board approved the Chico Unified School District Foundation (Jan Combes)
3. The Board approved the Request for Allowance of Attendance (Jan Combes)

(Consent Vote)

AYES: Reed, Anderson, Thompson, Kaiser, Rees

NOES: None

7. **DISCUSSION/ACTION CALENDAR***ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION:*

Item 6.B.6 – At 7:30 p.m. Board Member Kaiser congratulated the team on work well done and moved to approve Item 6.B.6, seconded by Vice President Anderson.

AYES: Reed, Anderson, Thompson, Kaiser, Rees

NOES: None

Item 6.B.8 – At 7:35 p.m. Board Member Kaiser acknowledged the tremendous effort the PVHS ROP team had put forth and made a motion to approve Item 6.B.8, seconded by Vice President Anderson.

AYES: Reed, Anderson, Thompson, Kaiser, Rees

NOES: None

A. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. Approval of New Course Proposal from CHS – Agriculture Biology

Sheena Zweigle explained the agriculture biology course will fulfill the life science requirement for high school graduation and will also meet University of California requirements for college acceptance. The course will provide agriculture students with the opportunity to continue taking courses within the agriculture department while fulfilling the requirements for the educational and career goals. At 7:45 p.m., a motion was made by Board Member Kaiser to approve the new course, Agriculture Biology, seconded by Clerk Thompson.

AYES: Reed, Anderson, Thompson, Kaiser, Rees

NOES: None

2. Approval of New Course Proposal from PVHS – Art Studio 2

Nancy Ritcher explained the course will be the second year of a two-year intermediate/advanced level course in The Art Studio @ PVHS. It is linked to senior level English through common themes and curriculum and will focus on art projects in cooperation with the City of Chico. Technology integration, service learning and internships will be components of this course. At 7:52 p.m., a motion was made by Board Member Kaiser to approve the new course, seconded by Board Member Rees.

AYES: Reed, Anderson, Thompson, Kaiser, Rees

NOES: None

3. Approval of New Course Proposal from PVHS – Honors/IB Chemistry

Barbara Bertapelle explained the course is designed to provide students with an accelerated chemistry curriculum and help students master material for the IB subsidiary level exam in chemistry. The AP Chemistry class will consist of a second year of advanced chemistry curriculum aligned with College Board Advanced Placement Curriculum. Separating the AP and IB chemistry curriculums will allow for students to earn high scores due to

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the increased amount of time spent specifically on each of the chemistry concepts. At 7:58 p.m., a motion was made by Board Member Kaiser to approve the new course, seconded by Vice President Anderson.

AYES: Reed, Anderson, Thompson, Kaiser, Rees

NOES: None

4. Early College High School Status Report

Director Sara Simmons explained that CUSD has been working for two years with Butte Community College to establish an Early College High School for at risk students. An MOU was signed by each of the respective governing boards and CUSD projected a small pilot program would begin on the Butte campus in the Fall of 2008. At a meeting of both Planning Teams on January 25, 2008, Butte College personnel announced that, due to unresolved faculty concerns, Butte would be unable to support the ECHS project start date of Fall 2008. A significant portion of funding the development of this pilot was dependent on securing a sizable grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Since the grant is administered through the Foundation for California Community Colleges, Butte College was expected to complete the application process. Although we have not been officially notified by Butte College, it is believed that without a Fall 2008 start date, CUSD will be unable to secure the Gates grant. Absent that resource, CUSD will be unable to pursue this academic opportunity. CUSD is very interested and will continue actively seeking partners and programs to increase educational opportunities for all our students.

B. HUMAN RESOURCES

1. Approval of Resolution #1016-08 – Elimination of Classified Services and Ordering Layoffs in the Classified Service for the 2007-2008 School Year

Bob Feaster explained the classified position noted in the Resolution is no longer needed due to lack of funds. At 8:20 p.m. Board Member Kaiser moved to approve Resolution #1016-08, seconded by Clerk Lerner.

AYES: Reed, Anderson, Thompson, Kaiser, Rees

NOES: None

2. Approval of Resolution #1017-08 – Elimination of Classified Services and Ordering Layoffs in the Classified Service for the 2007-2008 School Year

Bob Feaster explained the classified positions noted in the resolution are being eliminated due to lack of work. These are positions that have been carried forward without being filled as the work has not existed or has changed. At 8:21 p.m. Board Member Kaiser moved to approve Resolution #1017-08, seconded by Board Member Rees.

AYES: Reed, Anderson, Thompson, Kaiser, Rees

NOES: None

C. BUSINESS SERVICES

1. Information/PUBLIC HEARING on the January 2008 Developer Fee Study by Jonathan Edwards from Government Financial Strategies and Consider approval of Resolution #1010-08 – Establishing an Impact Fee on Commercial and Industrial Development.

At 8:22 p.m. President Reed opened the floor for a Public Hearing regarding Item 7.C.1. Jim Goodwin shared a letter with the Board and requested that the impact fee not be imposed and that time be given for the district to work collaboratively with the business community. At 8:27 p.m. the Public Hearing was closed and open for the Board to discuss. At 8:50 p.m. Board Member Kaiser moved to approve Resolution #1010-08, seconded by Clerk Thompson. President Reed encouraged conversations to continue between CUSD and the business community.

AYES: Reed, Thompson, Kaiser, Rees

NOES: Anderson

2. Approval of the Letter of Agreement with City of Chico Regarding the Reimbursement of Costs for the Parkview Elementary Parking Lot Improvements

Michael Weissenborn explained the City of Chico is in the process of reconstructing East Eighth Street from State Highway 32 to Bruce Road. The reconstruction will include a realignment of the intersection of East Eighth

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Street and Alpine Street which also serves as the main entrance to Parkview School. This will improve traffic circulation and safety. Additional improvements will be added to the City's construction project with the understanding that the cost of the additional improvements will be reimbursed by the District utilizing the District's redevelopment funds. The improvements will include modifying the entrance, creating additional parking and restriping a portion of the parking lot. Vice President Anderson moved to approve, seconded by Board Member Kaiser.

AYES: Reed, Anderson, Thompson, Kaiser, Rees

NOES: None

3. Approval of Resolution #1015-08 - Authorizing the Issuance of CUSD Election of 1998 General Obligation Bonds, Series B in a Principal Amount Not to Exceed \$30,725,000 and Approving Certain Other Matters Related Thereto

Michael Weissenborn introduced Bruce Kerns of Stone & Youngberg who addressed the steps that will need to be taken for the issuance of Measure A Bonds and answered questions regarding the justification for issuing the full amount of the bonds. At 9:22 p.m. Board Member Kaiser moved to adopt Resolution #1015-08, seconded by Board Member Rees.

AYES: Reed, Anderson, Kaiser, Rees

NOES: Thompson

President Reed announced there would be a break from 9:23 p.m. to 9:35 p.m.

4. Design Update – Introducing the Performing Arts Center at Pleasant Valley High School

At 9:35 p.m. Michael Weissenborn introduced representatives Steve Gonzalez and Benjamin Matre from Nichols, Melburg and Ressetto who presented an update on the design of the Performing Arts Center to be located at Pleasant Valley High School. The design process has involved input from teachers and administrators from PVHS, district staff, members of the architectural team and theatrical and acoustical consultants. Construction documents have been submitted to the Division of the State Architect (DSA) and initial DSA comments have been received by the architect who is in the process of making final adjustments to the plans. President Reed encouraged input from the entire district performing arts staff.

5. Approval of Request for Proposal for Lease Lease-back Services for the Performing Arts Center at Pleasant Valley High School (Jan Combes and Michael Weissenborn)

At 10:30 p.m. Michael Weissenborn explained how the use of the lease lease-back delivery system allows districts to select contractors based on a number of clearly defined factors including experience, guaranteed maximum price, proposed methods and overall strategic plan to accomplish the work in a timely and competent manner. Board Member Kaiser motioned that the district staff work with legal counsel to develop a Request for Proposal (RFP) for lease lease-back services to construct the Performing Arts Center at Pleasant Valley High School and authorize staff to circulate the RFP and return to the Board with a recommendation on entering into a lease lease-back agreement for the construction of the Performing Arts Center at Pleasant Valley High School, seconded by Board Member Rees.

AYES: Reed, Anderson, Kaiser, Rees

NOES: Thompson

At 10:45 p.m. Board President Reed announced that due to the late hour and at the request of the Superintendent the nurses and parents be allowed to come forward to speak.

Lynn Koch spoke on behalf of her colleagues about the ever increasing responsibilities of school nurses. The number of medical fragile populations and students with disabilities is growing. One nursing position is proposed to be eliminated. The nurses would strongly recommend that this position not be eliminated.

Parents Tom Parker and Dan Rex spoke about the difficulties of caring for diabetic children and the need to have skilled nursing staff to attend to their children while attending our public schools.

6. Approval of the 2nd Interim Budget

At 11:00 p.m. Assistant Superintendent Combes reviewed the 2007-08 2nd Interim Budget. Board President Reed asked if there was any public comment. There was none. A motion to approve the 2nd Interim Budget was made

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by Board Vice President Anderson and seconded by Board Member Rees.

AYES: Reed, Anderson, Thompson, Kaiser, Rees

NOES: None

8. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

At 11:40 p.m., Board President Reed noted that items from the floor had been addressed earlier.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kathy Kaiser announced that CPEC is doing a great deal to make sure all districts are aware of resources and have a program available for no matching dollars and guaranteed federal funds and an application should be submitted. The deadline to apply is April 11.

President Reed reminded Board Members of the Board Workshop on Saturday, March 29, 12:30-3:30 p.m. in the large conference room at the district office.

The 13th District PTA Honorary Awards Ceremony is scheduled for Thursday, April 24. Tickets are \$25.00 each and refreshments will be provided by the PVHS ROP culinary team.

All Board Members received information about nominating officers for CSBA organization.

Information on BIGS in Schools Program will be presented at the April 15 Board meeting.

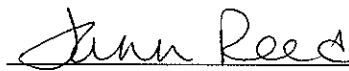
Vice President Anderson announced that Senator Aanestad's office had notified him that the Senate Committee on Education gave unanimous approval today to a measure designed to provide a stable source of federal funding for all rural schools in California.

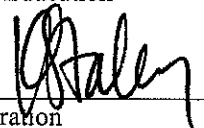
10. ADJOURNMENT

At 11:45 p.m., the President Reed adjourned the meeting.

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APPROVED:


Board of Education


Administration