

Board Meeting February 10, 2010

Report out of closed session:

An employee was placed on a mandatory leave of absence pursuant to govt. code 54957.

Public Comments:

Mr. Mesa of Oakley shared that he felt the ELD program in our district is very good. He presently has 2 students in the program and is concerned there will be cuts in this area

Gabriella Patino of Brentwood also shared her support of the ELD program. She has two adopted girls who spoke no English. She hopes that together we can grow as a bilingual community. Special thanks to the teachers, Board members and the Superintendent that have supported this goal.

Lori Lange of Brentwood recently moved to this area. Her daughter is a struggling freshman student and she wanted to emphasize the importance of the school counselors in the lives of these students. Her daughters' counselor has been a strong advocate for her student and when her daughter has no one else, her counselor is there. The importance of counselors in the schools should not be taken lightly and their role in the school community should not be cut.

Student Board Reps:

Freedom: Leiken Poppino

- Boys versus Girls rally last week. Girls won....again.
- Freshman in Training class will be sponsoring a car wash to support Haitian victims.
- Crimson Ball was successful
- "Being the change" will be placing recycle bins in each classroom.
- 2/11 "Parents night out" fundraiser
- 2/17 COLD STONE fundraiser
- 2/24 Falcon Festival in conjunction with the community
- Last week was multicultural week
- Pennies for patients goal of \$10,000 this year for leukemia. If the goal is reached a few teachers have agreed to cut or dye their hair. Ms. Warren will shave her head....NOW that's the spirit!

Liberty: Jenneh Kamara

- Mr. Liberty applications are out.
- Black History Awareness project in full force
- ASB applications are out. Speeches to be presented to student council on Friday 2/19
- 2/5 leadership held an informational meeting to recruit next years' leadership students
- Link Crew applications are out

- HMS Pinafore coming soon
- Soccer Basketball and Wrestling are wrapping up another successful season as Baseball, Softball, Track, Boys Tennis and swimming are getting started!!!

Heritage: Bailey Hamblin

- 2/9 Career Fair/ Open House/ 8th grade visit
- Sent out V grams
- Played couples Dating game...it was interesting
- Winter Rally and dance will be presented by the Sophomore class

Staff comments: None

Superintendent's Report:

Jerry Glenn:

- FHS presents this month's bulletin board
- Attended both HHS and LHS Open Houses this week
- The budget process is underway. We need to cut about 3.8 Million dollars.
- Road shows to address staff and community on the budget will begin next week. Liberty will be on February 22
Heritage on February 23.
Freedom will be first but no date was given. Check with your administrator.

Colleen Sanchez:

- February's theme is Trustworthiness Last Thursday a Career Day was presented
- February will bring work experience to the forefront for the Independence students. A program run by Mr. Black allows students to gain credit while working (of course they have assignment related to work) A Workshop will also be held and Sharon Baugh will present a job skills workshop on February 11th. On the 25th, will be "Get a Job day"
- IHS does not have HATS so they presented the board with gifts of a special IHS folder, pens and personalized valentines.

Larry Rodriguez:

Passed

Andy Parsons:

- 2/9 Open House 5-7 Academy/Career Fair 7:00 Departmental Showcase. 20 presenters came for the Career Fair and a high attendance amongst the 8th grade families was realized.
- An update on special events and thanks to the teachers involved:
Tyler Rust The Mock Trial competition team went to the Courthouse and did a wonderful job holding their own against the others.

Michelle Lynch Taking 17 students to shadow government employees on 2/18

Robert Pardi Taking a group to the Robotics competition on 2/27

Diane Alexander recently elected President of the California School Library Assoc.

Tim Halloran:

- 2/9 Open House – A.P. informational Meeting, Career Night, ELD, Academies and Departmental displays.
- Athletic Boosters CRAB FEED at the Veterans Hall on 2/6 raised \$6,000
- Year of the Female at Liberty. Girls Volleyball, Water Polo, Soccer NCS (boys one game from BVAL), Basketball Girls NCS, and Wrestling (Brittany David on top) have all had a successful year...Go Lady Lions!!!
- Truck raffle about \$20,000
- ELD has re-designated 15 students as proficient

Erik Faulkner:

- Christina Barajas and Sarah Osborn under the guidance of Dana Johnston have presented a wonderful bulletin board to show off FHS. Be sure to take a look in the conference room of the District office.
- 14 students had been re-designated English Proficient
- Trevor Pells is one of only 3000 students nationwide to be eligible for the U. S. Presidential Scholarship award. The actual award will be made soon
- 2/1 8th grad parents night from 5-6 and again 6:30-7:30 in the Multi-purpose room
- Due to the fact that the board members come to Freedom sporting events with Heritage and Liberty attire, Erik presented each board member with a Falcons cap.

Board comments

Steve Barr:

The standards for gifting are being set...thanks to all
Attended a successful open house at HHS where I met with a Professional Athlete and an Engineer.

Holly Hartman: no comment

Yolanda Mendrick:

HHS Jazz Band was delightful
The Basketball game was exciting

Ray Valverde: HHS basketball game was tremendous

Joann Byer: no comment

HHS wrestling team overnight trip to Bakersfiel, Ca where 6 wrestlers hope to compete in CIF on 2/26-27 was approved

Freedom High School Student recognition: Sam Kerry

- Shows tremendous inner strength
- 4's and 5's on all AP tests taken
- 4.2+ GPA all A's
- 5.0 last semester
- Member of CSF and NHS
- Varsity Track and Field
- 3 and ½ years of perfect attendance
- Demonstrates Humility and Compassion

Freedom High School Band requested permission to attend the Heritage Music Festival competition in Anaheim 4/8-11. The \$27,000 cost is self-funded through various fundraisers. This request was approved

Consent Agenda: Approved

1. Certificated Personnel
2. Certified Employee(s) Resignation
3. Individual Service Agreement for Nonpublic School Services with Copper Hills Youth Center
4. Individual Service Agreement for Nonpublic School Services with La Cheim School
5. School Accountability Report Cards for 2009-2010
6. Consolidated Application (part II) for 2009-2010
7. Warrants issued in January 2010
8. 2009-2010 Interdistrict Transfer Requests as Recommended by Superintendent

Administrative Action

1. Liberty Union High School District's Vote for the California School Board Association's Delegate Assembly Sib-Region 7-A Ray Valverde
2. Rescind Board's Prior Approval of the Cardinale Contract on January 13, 2010 (Agenda Item 6.04) and Consider Approval of Revision of Consultant Contract with the Cardinale Company to correct and error in the contract about the statement of duties
3. Approval of New courses for 2010-2011
 - FHS: Business Communication (funded by Perkins)
 - FHS: Basketball techniques and tactics
 - FHS: Non-ROP journalism
4. Revised Courses of study for 2010-2011
 - HHS: Literary Analysis Through Film (A through G revision)
 - Chem Through the Community change of grade level from 11-12 to 10-12

Discussion:

Future topics for the agenda:

- Future development
- Budget study of user fees
- Adult Ed programs