



BUENA PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT

# BOARD BITS

Highlights of the Regular Meeting  
of November 10, 2014

## BOARD MEETING CANCELLATION

The Governing Board took action to cancel the regularly scheduled Board meeting on November 24, 2014. The next scheduled meeting will occur on Monday, December 8, 2014 beginning at 6:00 p.m.

## PHASE I-FACILITIES IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

On June 3, 2014, the BPSD community authorized Measure 'B' and the issuance of up to \$71 million in general obligation bonds. The first bond issuance was completed on October 9, 2014 with net proceeds of \$20.77 million. District staff, working with Erickson-Hall (our program manager) and BCA Architects have developed an implementation plan for the projects to be included in Phase I. Plans have been refined based on continued discussions with staff and parent/community members, further district analysis, and the realities of cost constraints. For Phase I projects, the corresponding budgetary numbers and the proposed construction delivery method was provided. It was noted that budgetary dollar values and the delivery methods may be subject to change.

## CERTIFICATED SUBSTITUTE DAILY & LONG-TERM RATE INCREASE

The District competes with neighboring school districts for daily and long-term certificated substitutes to staff classes when teaching positions are vacant and/or teachers are absent. Increased local school district funding and statutory requirements to reduce class sizes has accelerated teacher hiring locally reducing the pool of available certificated substitutes. Local certificated substitute availability has clearly shifted from a pool with excess supply, to one that has become extremely competitive where substitute teachers are taking positions that provide the highest daily rate of pay, travel and other conditions notwithstanding.

Staff has surveyed daily certificated substitute rates for local school districts and found that Buena Park School District is at the lowest daily rate in our local area. In order to be competitive and meet the needs of the District's schools for qualified substitute teachers, it is proposed that the Governing Board consider an increase to the certificated substitute daily and long-term rate schedule. Additionally, as an incentive for certificated substitutes to provide ongoing service to the Buena Park School District, it is proposed that the certificated substitute rate schedule be structured with rates that increase, based on the number of days of service provided by an individual substitute. The proposed daily and long-term certificated substitute rate schedule is as follows.

<u>Proposed (Daily)</u>	<u>Proposed (Long-Term)</u>
0-19 days \$120	0-16 days \$120
20-39 days \$125	17+ days \$130
40+ days \$130	

## BOARD POLICIES

The Governing Board approved the adoption/review/revision/deletion of the following board policies:

- BP5131.62 Tobacco
- BP5141.21 Administering Medication & Monitoring Health Conditions
- BP5144 Discipline
- BP5144.1 Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process
- BP6142.92 Mathematics Instruction
- BP6162.5 Student Assessment
- BP6152.54 Test Integrity/Test Preparation

## PERMISSION TO GO TO BID

The Governing Board approved the following permission to go to bid projects:

- computer labs to ensure the lowest qualified bid for replacing the computer equipment in all of the District's current computer labs
- primarily fencing at Gilbert School and to replace/install other fencing as needed
- rubberized surfaces for all playgrounds currently not having these surfaces.

## NOTICE OF COMPLETION

Roofing Bid #14-04 with Letner Roofing Company has been completed.

**“News You Can Use”**

<b>Beatty School</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Congratulations to Mr. Tai Lew...Beatty’s new 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher!</li> <li>• Many thanks to Beatty’s HSO and staff members on putting together a fabulous family movie night.</li> <li>• Congratulations to Lisa Colburn on her new job assignment. You will be missed.</li> <li>• Condolences are extended to the family and friends of Jennie Espinoza who passed away this past weekend. Jennie has been Beatty’s Computer Lab I.A. for the past 14 years.</li> </ul>
<b>Corey School</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A warm welcome to MaryLee Adair, Corey’s Early Literacy TOSA.</li> <li>• Thank you to Shelli Abbott for working with Corey’s student council.</li> </ul>
<b>Emery School</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emery is excited to have Rebecca Park join our teaching staff. Rebecca will replace Marisa Small in a kindergarten class.</li> <li>• Congratulations to Marisa Small who will serve as the Emery Literacy Coach.</li> </ul>
<b>Gilbert School</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thanks to all who participated in making Parent/Teacher Conferences so successful. A special thanks to all of our translators who bridged the communication gap.</li> <li>• A big Gilbert Family welcome to Heidi Higgins, new Gilbert Literacy TOSA.</li> </ul>
<b>Pendleton School</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome to Amy Biesiada, Pendleton’s new second grade teacher.</li> <li>• Congratulations to Rebecca Bergstrom as Pendleton’s new kindergarten teacher.</li> <li>• Kudos to Karyn Eldridge and Kelli Palmer for the smooth transition to your new positions—students and families are supportive of the transition because of your dedication to their students.</li> </ul>
<b>Whitaker School</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We welcome Ashlee Ignacio (Baik), our new teacher to Whitaker School. It is great to have her on our team.</li> <li>• Thank you to Maria Gross for making the GRIP Turkey event so special for our families.</li> <li>• We are so lucky to have Stephanie Williamson starting a student newspaper at Whitaker School. We look forward to the first edition.</li> </ul>
<b>B.P.J.H. School</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thank you to all BPJH teachers and staff members for successful Parent/Teacher Conferences.</li> <li>• BPJH held their 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter I Awards Assembly. Congratulations to the students receiving an award and to Laura Lucero, Vanessa Gomez, and Jodie Wackerman for receiving the Feature Teacher Award, and to Jodie Bryant for receiving the Classy Classified Award!</li> </ul>
<b>District Office</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A BIG thank you is extended to Barbie Montelongo and Michele Stein for their efforts to gather all the necessary documents and complete the H&amp;W Benefits change over to SISC. We appreciate all your hard work on our behalf.</li> </ul>