



BUENA PARK SCHOOL DISTRICT

# BOARD BITS

Highlights of the Regular Meeting  
of October 26, 2015

## GOVERNING BOARD TOUR OF SCHOOLS

Five members of the Citizen's Oversight Committee: Alan McAuley, Cindy Brozzoski, Kimberly Kim, Tamra Banks and Mary Fuhrman accompanied Mr. Magnuson, Dr. Miramontes and the Governing Board on the annual Tour of Schools to review site conditions, summer deferred and continuing maintenance projects and Phase I facilities/technology modernization projects at all District sites.

## GRIP REPORT

The Orange County Gang Reduction Intervention Partnership (GRIP) partners include the Orange County District Attorney's office, investigators, Buena Park police and probation officers, community partners, teachers and parents who work together to help deter at-risk students between fourth and eighth grade from joining gangs. GRIP partners with local agencies to provide families with counseling, parental classes, after-school education and many other services. Students from Whitaker, Gilbert and Buena Park Junior High (BPJH) schools participated in the 2014-15 GRIP program. Good behavior earns rewards such as a day at the Ford Motor Company's Design Center, soccer camps, Angels baseball game, and turkey dinner incentives. Additions to the program for the 2014-15 school year included BPJH students, a Girls Club at BPJH and summer camps. Twenty students participated in a three-day camp with a former Angel's baseball player and eight students attended the Pythian Youth six-day camp adventure in Northern California.

## PROPOSITION 39 ENERGY EFFICIENCY STUDY

Proposition 39, passed in 2012, closes a tax loophole that creates \$550 M for the Clean Energy Job Creation Fund. This 5-year grant program, started with fiscal year July 2013-June 2014, requires submission of an Energy Expenditure Plan that meets \$1.05 Savings to Investment Ratio (SIR) and approval by the California Energy Commission (CEC). PacificWest Energy Solutions was engaged by the district in April 2015 to coordinate the Proposition 39 program by conducting a Level 2 Energy Audit, a 5-year energy expenditure plan, prioritize and sequence projects and submit for CEC approval. Mr. Robert Cho, President of PacificWest Energy Solutions, presented audit results and a recommended energy expenditure plan that meets the SIR requirements. Next steps include Governing Board approval and submission of the Energy Expenditure Plan at the November 23, 2015 Board meeting.

## JOB DESCRIPTION: GRADE 7-8 COUNSELOR

Under direction of the school Principal, and in coordination with the Director of Special Services and the District's counseling program, the Grade 7-8 Counselor will provide a comprehensive counseling and guidance program to students addressing academic, career, social/emotional and/or behavioral needs, as assigned. They will administer and support student service programs and student referral services and consult and collaborate with administrators, teachers, parents, outside agencies and support staff to enhance the effectiveness of students and their ability to meet academic and behavioral standards to successfully transition to high school.

<b>JOB DESCRIPTION: GRADE 7-8 COUNSELOR (continued)</b>	This position requires any combination equivalent to the completion of an earned Master of Arts degree or higher in psychology, counseling, or guidance; possess a valid California Pupil Personnel Services Credential authorizing service as a school counselor and have two years successful public school counseling experience or three years successful classroom teaching.
<b>BOARD POLICIES</b>	The Governing Board approved the adoption/review/revision/deletion of the following board policies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BP5145.3 Nondiscrimination/Harassment</li> <li>• BP5146 Married/Pregnant/Parenting Students</li> <li>• BP6145.2 Athletic Competition</li> </ul>

<b>NEWS YOU CAN USE</b>	
<b>BEATTY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome back to Irene Sarles! We are thrilled that you are better and back with us.</li> <li>• Thank you to Shirley Oda for the outstanding job substituting in Irene's class. All of your hard work and positive energy is greatly appreciated.</li> <li>• Congratulations to Gil Kim, Rosemary Prichard, Alex Jauregui and Sauni Dain on being awarded a BPSD Education Foundation Grant.</li> <li>• Congratulations to Katie Del Re on receiving a Donors Choose grant of \$900 for math manipulatives!</li> <li>• Beatty's Family Halloween Dance was a HOWLING success! Many thanks to Beatty's HSO Officers Janet Perkins, Patty Galvan, Lori Daniel, Ana Ramirez and Stacy McCay for your efforts to support our families. A HUGE shout out to Kelly and her family for keeping the Book Fair open on Friday night.</li> <li>• Many thanks to Beatty's Sunshine Committee for organizing the scrumptious Great Pumpkin Feast.</li> </ul>
<b>COREY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thank you to Shelli Abbott for organizing Corey School's First Annual Jack Show.</li> <li>• Thank you to Lisa Earhart for organizing our Halloween Parade.</li> <li>• Kudos to all 4-6 grade teachers for your work with iPads. It's exciting to have technology in the hands of our students.</li> </ul>
<b>EMERY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thank you to all of the teachers and volunteers who worked together to join big buddies and little buddies for pumpkin carving activities.</li> <li>• Thank you to Jennifer Ferrara for her organization of the Red Ribbon Week activities.</li> <li>• Thank you for Mabel DeLeon for leading Zumba and the new Glee Club at Emery. We have so much to offer our students because of all your teamwork!!!</li> </ul>
<b>GILBERT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gilbert would like to thank our PTO for prepping the BPSD Ed Foundation Family Envelopes for all sites.</li> <li>• Thank you to our PTA and Student Council for a fabulous Red Ribbon Week celebration!</li> <li>• Thank you to Gilbert's PTO, teachers and students for a successful family movie night and introduction to Trunk or Treat!</li> </ul>
<b>PENDLETON</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Huge thank you to the Kindergarten, First, and Second Grade Teams for the successful visits to see Footsteps2Brilliance. Everyone was impressed.</li> <li>• Thank you to Jody Paulson and Cindy Flores for allowing a large group to visit your classrooms during the Board Facility Tour.</li> <li>• Condolences to Kelly Love at the passing of her uncle.</li> <li>• Our condolences go to Chantel Estrada at the passing of her stepfather.</li> </ul>
<b>WHITAKER</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome to Cathy Villavicencio as our new 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher and Megan McLaughlin who is a long-term substitute for Mrs. Zambon. We are lucky to have you as part of our staff.</li> <li>• A very special thanks to Heather Grethe, Linda Mellano, Lori Smock, and Julie Blodgett for your work on our Gold Ribbon application.</li> <li>• We are so thankful for Maria Gross for organizing all of our GRIP components. You are the Best!</li> </ul>
<b>B.P.J.H.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thank you to Miss Cho and her students for providing a fantastic art exhibit in the District Board Room.</li> <li>• BPJH welcomes Mr. Mesa, new History teacher and Ms. Rittel, new Culinary Arts teacher!</li> <li>• Kudos to the transportation department for their assistance in transporting our after-school sports students.</li> <li>• Thank you Mrs. Reddingius, BPJH Counselor, for coordinating the Casa Youth Leadership Conference!</li> </ul>
<b>DISTRICT OFFICE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome to Vanessa Gomez and Stephanie Williamson, our two new Teachers on Special Assignment (TOSAs)!</li> </ul>