

# VENTURA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board Meeting will be held  
at the Administrative Services Center, Conejo Room  
5189 Verdugo Way, Camarillo  
(805) 383-1900

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING

### AGENDA NO. 06-02

Date: January 23, 2006

### OPEN SESSION 6:00 p.m.

Times are approximate and are provided for convenience only.  
Open Session items may be re-ordered.

**Speaker requests will be accepted 5 minutes prior to the item coming up on the agenda.**  
Adjournment will be no later than 9:00 p.m.

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

1. Pledge of Allegiance.  
Moment of Reflection.
2. Roll Call and Acknowledgment of Guests.
3. Approval of Agenda.

#### B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

*(Speaker request forms will only be accepted up to 15 minutes after opening call to order.)*

#### C. HEARINGS

None.

#### D. CLOSED SESSION

None.

**E. PRELIMINARY**

1. Approval of Minutes of Organizational Meeting of December 12, 2005.
2. Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting of December 28, 2005.

**F. CORRESPONDENCE**

*(Correspondence addressed specifically to the Ventura County Board of Education. Correspondence addressed to individual Board members will be delivered/mailed to them directly.)*

1. Letter from Oxnard School District inviting Board members to serve as readers in recognition of Dr. Seuss' Birthday.

**G. PRESIDENT'S AND BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS**

*(Reports by Board members regarding their individual activities affecting the Office pursuant to Govt. Code Sec. 54954.2(a)).*

1. Upcoming Events  
January 30, 2006 .....VCSBA Dinner Meeting, 6:00 p.m.  
February 4 ..... Masters in Governance, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
February 27 – March 1 ..... Mock Trial, VC Govt Center  
March 18-21 ..... CCBE/PTA/CCSESA Spring Conference, Sacramento  
March 25 ..... Masters in Governance, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
April 27 ..... STAR Scholar Awards ( Save the Date)  
May 3 ..... Impact II Teacher Recognition (Save the Date)

**H. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

*(The Superintendent will report on the activities of the Office since the previous Board meeting.)*  
None.

**I. LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

*(Board Members, the Superintendent, and staff, may discuss current legislation of particular interest to the Ventura County schools.)*

**J. CONSENT/ACTION**

1. Temporary Certificates  
Administration recommends the Board approve 198 Temporary Certificates issued by the County.
2. Disposal of Property  
The 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2005 Disposal of Property Report is presented for Board review in accordance with Education Code Section 1279(b).

3. Travel Expense Claim  
Administration recommends the Board ratify the travel expense claim for the County Superintendent for November and December 2005.

**K. PRESENTATIONS**

None.

**L. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION/ACTION**

1. Allocation of Federal Forest Reserve Funds – ACTION (5 minutes)  
The estimated revenue for the Federal Forest Reserve Receipts has been received. The total for Ventura County is \$68,107. Fifty percent (50%) of these funds remain with the county government road department. The remainder is distributed to school districts that are within or adjacent to federal forests. A formula, established several years ago, prorates these receipts as follows:

15% to the County School Service Fund (\$5,108)

$\frac{2}{3}$  of the remaining 85% to Fillmore Unified School District (\$19,296)

$\frac{1}{3}$  of the remaining 85% to Ojai Unified School District (\$9,649)

Administration recommends that the Board approve the Allocation of Federal Forest Reserve funds as presented.

2. Change Order No. 2 to Viola Constructors for Construction of the Ventura County Office of Education, Conference & Educational Services Center – INFORMATION / ACTION (5 minutes)  
Change Order No. 2, dated January 3, 2006, is submitted for Ventura County Board of Education review and approval. This change order includes deductive changes from cost reductions efforts and additive changes for additional tree removals and additional communications requirements. This change order also includes additional contract time due to moist conditions in October, 2005. Staff will be available to answer any questions. Administration recommends approval of Change Order No. 2 to Viola Constructors.
3. Statement of Support for Continued Work of Ventura County Committee on School District Organization on Camarillo Unification Petition – INFORMATION / ACTION (10 minutes)  
Board Legal Counsel, Terry Filliman, of Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo, has advised the Board that the Camarillo Unification Petition is still active even though the 120 day timeline stipulated in AB780 was not met. The Board wishes to state their support for the continued work of the Ventura County Committee on School District Organization on the Camarillo Unification petition and the County Committee's efforts to reach resolution in this matter as quickly as possible.

On January 6, 2006, the Board submitted a request to the State Board of Education asking that the duties of the Ventura County Committee on School District Organization be transferred to the Ventura County Board of Education. This request was not based on the current unification petition, but rather on funding and accountability concerns of Ventura County Board of Education members. Should the State Board of Education act favorably on the transfer of duties, it is the intention of the County Board to take over said duties after the Camarillo Unification Petition is resolved.

4. Update on Governor's Budget Proposal – INFORMATION (10 minutes)  
Staff will present information on the Governor's budget proposals for education in the 2006-07 State Budget.

**M. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

*(Government Code Section 54954.2(a) states: "No action or discussion shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except that members of a legislative body or its staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their public testimony rights under Section 54954.3. In addition, on their own initiative or in response to questions posed by the public a member of a legislative body or its staff may ask a question for clarification, make a brief announcement, or make a brief report on his or her own activities. Furthermore, a member of a legislative body, or the body itself, subject to rules or procedures of the legislative body, may provide a reference to staff or other resources for factual information, request staff to report back to the body at a subsequent meeting concerning any matter, or take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda.")*

**N. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

*(All agenda item requests should be submitted on the form: "Request for Matter to be Placed on Agenda for Ventura County Board of Education Meeting.")*

1. Report or Suggested Action from Subcommittee to Research Establishing Task Force to Address County-Wide Gang Prevention and Rehabilitation/Recovery of Gang Members (TBD).
2. VCBE Visioning and Goal Setting, requested by Mrs. Peterson (TBD).

**O. FUTURE MEETINGS**

Date: Friday, February 10, 2006 (*Budget Study Session*)  
Time: 8:00 a.m.  
Location: 5189 Verdugo Way, Conejo Room, Camarillo  
Purpose: Regular Meeting of the Board

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2. Ojai Unified School District, 414 E. Ojai Avenue, Ojai
3. Oxnard School District, 1051 S. A Street, Oxnard
4. Santa Paula School District, 201 S. Steckel Drive, Santa Paula
5. Simi Valley Unified School District, 875 E. Cochran Street, Simi Valley
6. Ventura Unified School District, 255 West Stanley Avenue, Ventura

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