



IUSD Board Briefs

Highlights from the May 15 Board of Education meeting

Longtime employees lauded for service as retirements near

Terry Walker, assistant superintendent of Human Resources, recognized dozens of longtime certificated and classified employees who are retiring at the end of this school year. The list includes Janis Beehan, Ann Beirne, Janis Bohn, Nancy Bonds, James Bryant Jr., Michael Buettell, Susanne Buettell, Carol Buss, Soon Choi, Marjane Christofferson, Mary Cliff, Stephanie Colby, Geraldine Czarnecki, Joan Dann, Gary DeBeaubien, Donna DeGuglielmo, Elizabeth Deni, Phyllis Fisher, Robert Flint, Sandra Foote, Karen Funkhouser, Jo Anne Hale, Dorothy Jensen, Vicenta Kenison, Beverley Khalil-White, Roger King, Barbara Krenek, Andrea Kustin-Mager, Louana Lopez, Virginia MacArthur, Glenn Malin, Barbara Maston, Susan McDuffie, Michael McGinnis, Patricia Michaud, Kendra Mickartz, Detlef Moeller, Pat Mulhaupt, LouAnn Noren, Mozelle Paxton, Sandra Pyle, Alice Richards, Yvonne Rothwell, Dennis Rundlett, Diana Sargenti, Larry Shelton, Carol Sorcabal, Douglas Sorey, Sally Spencer, Perry Stampfel, Roslyn Sudakow, Deborah Tracy, Daniel Trevino, Debra Velasquez, Margery Vogt, Jeanette Watson, Leslie Woodings, Shahnaz Sabzevari and Kathe Wortrich.

ITA announces scholarship recipients for 2007

Scott Bedley, vice president of the Irvine Teachers Association (ITA), announced this year's ITA scholarship recipients. The Venture Scholarship, awarded to a student interested in continuing his or her education at a community college or technical school, went to Michael Emami. Students Interested in Entering the Education Profession (SIEEP) scholarships, open to all IUSD seniors who have been accepted to four-year universities and plan to pursue degrees in education, were awarded to Rosa Hong, Sara Hlebain, Caitlin Wallace and Brittany Allen. Finally, Christine Kang, Carly Jarvis, Katelyn Meves and Heidi Wroblicky were announced as recipients of the Carrie Valderrama Memorial Scholarship, which honors the memory of the late Irvine teacher and is open to children of ITA members who have been accepted to four-year universities.

Superintendent introduces new administrative hires

Gwen Gross, IUSD's superintendent of schools, introduced a handful of new administrative hires, including those promoted internally. This group featured Eastshore Principal Erica Hoegh, who will take over as principal of Westpark Elementary; Susan Kemp, who will take the reigns at Canyon View Elementary; Lisa Livernois, who will assume principal duties at Meadow Park Elementary; Nancy Bower, the current Meadow Park principal who will move over to Westwood Basics Plus; Scott Bowman, who will head Rancho San Joaquin Middle School; Lynn Matassarini, who has been selected as the new principal for Sierra Vista Middle School; Samantha Doss, who has been selected as assistant principal for Irvine High School; Monica Colunga, who will succeed Gail Richards as principal of Irvine High; Melinda Fowler, who will be an assistant principal at University High School; Coy Pilson, hired as an assistant principal at Woodbridge High; Cassie Parham, the Northwood principal who will succeed Diana Schmelzer as Director of Secondary Education; and Allie Nixon, who will be Culverdale Elementary School's new principal. All assignments are effective July 1.



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Board discusses proposal to make lacrosse a CIF sport

Following an in-depth discussion, the Board of Education directed staff to meet with parents, coaches, athletic directors and other stakeholders to explore ways to make lacrosse a CIF sport in the Irvine Unified School District. Questions regarding financing and field space are expected to be addressed at the Board's next meeting on June 5.

Coming Up:

Regular Meetings:

Tuesday, June 5, 2007 in the Board Room

Tuesday, June 26, 2007 in the Board Room