

Board Announcements

Superintendent Search Update – Please join the Board of Education and Hazard, Young, Attea & Associates, which will present and review the leadership profile report and finalize criteria based on staff and community input, at a Special Study Session on Monday, March 28. The meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office Board Room. More information about the Superintendent search process can be accessed on the Superintendent’s Search link at www.sausd.us or by calling (714) 558-5512.

For his significant contribution to SAUSD, the Board of Education honored Mr. George Heidler, owner of Tom’s Truck Center and The Kia-Suzuki Depots, which collectively have been doing business in Santa Ana for over 30 years. Mr. Heidler is a founding member of High School Inc. Academies, launched in 2006 through a partnership between the Santa Ana Chamber of Commerce and the Santa Ana Unified School District to offer students specialized courses in various career paths and prepare them for college. The High School, Inc. Academies feature seven specialized programs created to teach students the career skills necessary for working in some of today’s most progressive high-growth industries in the specialty areas of New Media, Health Care, Manufacturing, Global Business, Engineering & Construction, Culinary Arts and Automotive, Transportation and Logistics. The latter was renamed in honor of Mr. Heidler to the George P. Heidler, Jr. Academy of Automotive, Transportation and Logistics.

(Agenda Item 2.0)



Superintendent Jane Russo and the Board of Education unveil a plaque in recognition of George Heidler’s contribution to High School Inc. Academies.

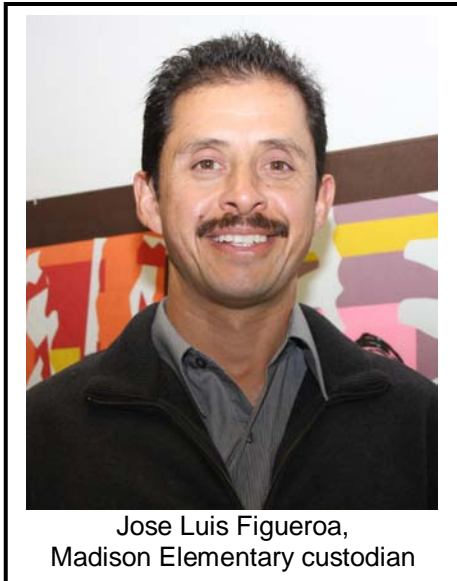
Superintendent’s Report

OCHSA Students Visit – Superintendent Jane Russo welcomed the Orange County High School of the Arts Associated Student Body team, which shared some unique details and characteristics of attending the popular charter school of the arts. [View presentation](#) given by seniors Jennifer Rennick and Lisa Ellis.

Co-Administrator of the Year Kudos – Superintendent Jane Russo congratulated Mr. Peter Richardson, Assistant Principal at Fremont Elementary School, who was recently announced as the Orange County Co-Administrator of the Year by the Association of California School Administrators. She also shared the latest news that Richardson has also been selected as the Statewide Co-Administrator of the Year! He will be honored at the County level in May and later in the year by the State.



OCHSA ASB students Jennifer Rennick, left, and Lisa Ellis.



Jose Luis Figueroa,
Madison Elementary custodian

March Employee of the Month – Jose Luis Figueroa was recognized as the March Employee of the Month for exceptional service as plant custodian at Madison Elementary School. This 21-year employee keeps the campus “shiny clean and operationally sound” said Principal Martha Baker. He also volunteered to be a part of the school’s safety team, in addition to handling his regular duties as day custodian.

March is Kindergarten Registration Month – All month long, our elementary schools are inviting parents with age appropriate children to visit their local school, or make an appointment to register their children for kindergarten for the upcoming school year. Parents or legal guardians may sign up their children who are or will be age 5 on or before December 2 for kindergarten at their neighborhood elementary school. For more info, visit www.sausd.us.

Board Presentation/Public Hearings/Approvals

- **American Civil Liberties Union Settlement on Student Fees**
Business Services Associate Superintendent Michael Bishop presented an overview to the Board describing the ACLU lawsuit against the State of California and settlement with several school districts regarding student fees. [View presentation](#).
- **Public Hearing held to Change the name of Sierra Intermediate School to Sierra Preparatory Academy (Agenda Item 3.0)** The Board approved the request of students and staff to change the name of Sierra Intermediate to Sierra Preparatory Academy in keeping with its transformation of adopting a new culture and academic focus.
- **Public Hearing Conducted for Assembly Bill 602 Annual Budget and Service Plans for School Year 2010-11 (Agenda Item 4.0)** Assembly Bill 602, Chapter 654, Statutes of 1997, added requirements to special education local plans in the areas of SELPA governance and public participation requiring SELPAs to submit an Annual Budget and an Annual Service Plan to the California Department of Education. Both plans need to be adopted at a public hearing by the governing board of each SELPA. Per Education Code (Section 56205) SELPA plans are required to identify expenditures for services, and demonstrate that individuals with disabilities have appropriate services and access to instruction.
- **Approval of Schoolwide Single Plans for Student Achievement for 2010-11 School Year. (Agenda Item 6.0)** As required by State and Federal regulations, schools which participate in the Consolidated Application Categorical Aid Programs must annually update their school goals, objectives and budgets to maximize educational services and academic progress. The single site plans for student achievement are developed collaboratively with input from the school site council, instructional staff, parents, administrators and students.

For all Board meeting results and presentations refer to the School Board Meeting Agendas and Minutes section of the school district’s website (www.sausd.us).

The next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 12, 2011.