



## Board Briefs

The Board of Trustees met on April 20, 2009, May 4, 2010 and June 1, 2010 in the District Board Room.

😊 *Dr. Tim Baird shared the following Good News* 😊

- 😊 Congratulations to La Costa Heights. They received a "Certificate of Recognition" from Assemblyman Martin Garrick's office for creating an eco-conscious environment and community.
- 😊 Park Dale Lane Teacher Pat Keene was one of only 12 teachers in the county to receive a Teachers are Heroes Award.
- 😊 Park Dale Lane sixth grade students Marianna Guizar and Leslee Escobedo received the Texas Instrument Award for Excellence in Mathematics.
- 😊 Park Dale Lane 5<sup>th</sup> grader Peter Saltamachio was a Semifinalist in the National Geographic Society competition and went on to compete at the state level.
- 😊 Congratulations to Flora Vista staff, parents and students on the selection of the Destination Imagination team to qualify for the Global Finals tournament in Knoxville, Tennessee.
- 😊 Dr. Baird announced the confirmation of Olivenhain Pioneer and El Camino Creek as California Distinguished School recipients.
- 😊 Dr. Timothy Baird shared that Board members and administrators had their annual facility walk-through on Saturday, April 24, 2010, and the facilities look amazing. From the landscaping to the general maintenance, everyone has much to be proud of. Gerry Devitt and his staff do an excellent job keeping our sites in tip top condition.
- 😊 Thanks to Paul Ecke Central PTA President Carol Parker's organization, our 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents will have an opportunity to meet a panel of middle school principals to answer their many questions.
- 😊 Liz Young with the Time for Kids program at Park Dale Lane received a letter of thanks from a parent for the outstanding work Ms. Young has done with her child over the past year, and how much improvement the parent has seen in her child socially and emotionally.
- 😊 Ocean Knoll teacher Susan Voaklander received a note from a parent thanking her for always being so optimistic and positive with her child. Susan was also selected as the local Kiwanis Organization's Teacher of the Month.
- 😊 Dr. Baird received an email from staff praising Ashley Tarquin for her guidance and technology support she gives to teachers.
- 😊 Olivenhain Pioneer Principal Erin English received a note of thanks and praise for the positive experience of their son performing in their school play Beauty and the Beast.
- 😊 Ocean Knoll teacher Susan Hull was thanked by a parent for the accomplishments seen in their child over the last year.
- 😊 Ron Quini received a letter of praise from a parent for *ASPIRE* program at Flora Vista. The parent shared that the child usually doesn't want to leave and is always engrossed in activities.
- 😊 Much thanks was extended to Sean Nevitt who has been an incredibly generous supporter of our district and his most recent donation in support of the district music program is greatly appreciated.
- 😊 Three District teachers were nominated for IVIE Awards this year. Lisa Cohen (ECC) received four nominations, and James Staton (LCH) and Robyn Litt (ECC) each received one nomination.
- 😊 Paul Ecke Central School received a gift of 465 plants from the Ecke Ranch to enhance the school gardens.
- 😊 Congratulations to LCH teacher Susan Andrew. She was chosen as a 2010 Green-in-Action award recipient by the Green Education Foundation. Her podcast "How to make a worm bin" is great and can be accessed on our district's website.
- 😊 Principal Gregg Sonken received a note of praise for sub custodian Charles Murray for the extra effort he always puts in at Mission Estancia.
- 😊 Congratulations to Capri student Ethan Boutelle who was awarded a scholarship to the Outdoor School Program for his essay sponsored by William Van Arsdale Trust. There were only 15 chosen out of 2500 entries.
- 😊 Kevin LaPittus, Director of Food Services, received praise from teachers for his involvement in the LCH Leadership Team program and coming to speak with the students and answer questions about the lunch program
- 😊 Congratulations to David Miyashiro who organized a meeting for the Encinitas arts community that was very successful and productive. Several notes of thanks and excitement were received from attendees about the continued future for arts education in our district.
- 😊 Nancy Dianna Jones received a note of thanks for her help in the organization of the testing materials.
- 😊 Dr. Baird received a letter of appreciation for the work by Michael Carriker in the Print Shop and his efforts on the Math 24 materials.
- 😊 The Math 24 Tournament was a huge success and my praise to all the parents and staff who made it possible. Our students were amazing and many went on to the County level to compete.
- 😊 Gerry Devitt was praised and thanked by an Ocean Knoll parent for his support with their children's garden. He was also thanked by Flora Vista parents for his efforts with their children's garden
- 😊 Paul Ecke Central has completed their succulent garden and wanted to make sure the many parent volunteers knew how valuable their efforts were and also wanted to praise the generous donation of time and materials by so many of our local businesses: Western Dirt, Fish Foliage, Garden Glories Nursery, El Corazon Composting and The English Gardener for design.
- 😊 Erin English, Olivenhain Pioneer Principal, received a glowing letter of praise from parents commending all the effort that was put into Open House and shared their thanks for all that is done to make such a positive difference for children.



# School News

Olivenhain Pioneer principal Erin English introduced 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher Raelynn Antrim presented a video on the "Faces of Character program" at OPE. Students interviewed teachers and staff on what character means to them and also shared their definitions of character.

Mission Estancia student Shovik Sarkar was recognized for his book *Camp Fox Adventures* sharing his experiences at sixth grade camp. Representatives from the County were in attendance and joined in recognizing Shovik.

Dr. Baird presented an overview of the proposed Strategic Plan design .. *A Passion for Excellence* at the May 4<sup>th</sup> board meeting and brought back the implementation plan on June 1<sup>st</sup>. The Board shared their enthusiasm for the innovation of the plan in bringing 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning into the classroom. Dr. Baird will begin working with staff, parent and community groups and shared that the plan was very adaptable and most likely will change over it's five year implementation.

## Recognition

***At the April 20, 2010 Board Meeting the following Teachers, Classified and Administrators of the Year were recognized:***

Teachers of the Year		Classified of the Year
Capri	Bea Piper	Valerie Zamora
El Camino Creek	Diane DeDonato	Kim Heinze
Flora Vista	Pam Palmer	Debbie Caplas
La Costa Heights	Jan Patterson	Katie Parauka**
Mission Estancia	John Cotter	Sue Foote
Ocean Knoll	Susan Voaklander*	Diane Mertes
Olivenhain Pioneer	Cher Deering	Janine Aurora
Park Dale Lane	Sydney Sickels	Carol Brown
Paul Ecke Central	Silvia Pezzoli	Paula Edwards
**District Teacher of the Year		**Classified of the Year
Child Nutrition: Nancy Simm		Extended Day: Nicole Chatwin
District Office: Elaine Reilly		
Administrators of the Year		
Gregg Sonken Principal, Mission Estancia		Sher Hoff Executive Assistant

***At the May 4, 2010 Board Meeting the following Student and Parent Volunteer of the Year were recognized:***

School	Parent	Student
Capri	Shannon Kinney	Griffin Teischer
El Camino Creek	Loanne Cheung	Hendrik Struik
Flora Vista	Allie Paddy	Anne Bilse
La Costa Heights	Deb Pinter	Grant Sippel
Mission Estancia	Trina Zeljak	Nicole Timofeevski
Ocean Knoll	Mary Hohmeyer	Ally Acquista
Olivenhain Pioneer	Jill Hennes	Madeline Charette
Park Dale Lane	Heather Miyazaki	Lauren Woodard
Paul Ecke Central	Veronika Clough Suzanne Von Thaden	Savannah Boyd

***At the June 1, 2010 Board Meeting the following retirees were recognized for their contributions to the district:***

Karen Will	El Camino Creek	Jocelyn Smith	Ocean Knoll
Pauline Benson	El Camino Creek	Joanna Swasey	Park Dale Lane
Marilyn Green	Flora Vista	Sonja Walker	Park Dale Lane
Elin Evans	Flora Vista	Arlene DeTuri	Park Dale Lane
Maggie Sprotte	Flora Vista	Mariann Collins	Park Dale Lane
Chris Livingston	La Costa Heights	Don McFarland	Park Dale Lane
Jan Patterson	La Costa Heights	Judy Leff	District Office
Chris Patton	La Costa Heights	Gregg Sonken	Mission Estancia

**INFORMATION**

- ✓ David Delacalzada, Director of Informational Technology, presented a plan to meet the immediate and future technology needs of the district and ensuring a reliable and up to-date network. Mr. Delacalzada shared that the present infrastructure is critically in need of replacement. Mr. Delacalzada addressed the questions of the Board and after deliberation the majority of the Board approved the Technology Plan as recommended.
- ✓ The Extended Day *ASPIRE* program will expand to La Costa Heights, Paul Ecke Central and Olivenhain Pioneer working collaboratively with the YMCA program who will continue to provide supplemental operational functions.
- ✓ The Board of Trustees approved participation in a grant through the County Office of Education that focused on Science, Technology Engineering and Mathematics. Dr. Miyashiro shared that all nine schools have the opportunity to be awarded grant monies and selections will be in July and August.
- ✓ The results of a voter opinion survey conducted by Isom Advisors was reviewed. The results showed strong support for the district overall and also for district projects for facility, technology and energy efficiency funded through a bond measure. The Board of Trustees directed the Superintendent to bring back for consideration a more detailed list of projects to be considered for a bond measure or extension of the present PROP O Bond to the June 29, 2010 board meeting. The completed survey can be accessed at the district's web site [www.eusd.net](http://www.eusd.net)
- ✓ The Board of Trustees accepted for review the updated English Learner Master Plan which will contain components in relation to the district Dual Language Immersion programs. The completed Plan will be brought back to the Board for adoption in August.

**The Board of Trustees Gratefully Accepted the Following Donations:**

*For Capri: cash for notebook computer from James & Sandra Gallagher, cash for field trip buses from PTA, El Camino Creek: cash for 6<sup>th</sup> grade camp; for Flora Vista: cash for 6<sup>th</sup> grade science from PTA, cash from Schoolhouse Realty, cash for LCH projectors from PTA; for La Costa Heights: cash for Native American Flute program from EEF; for Mission Estancia: technology equipment from PTA; for Ocean Knoll: cash for dance consultant from PTA; for Olivenhain Pioneer: cash for classroom project from Coastal Community Foundation; for Park Dale Lane: cash for afternoon media aide from EEF, cash for BizTown from Dale Perkins-Keller Williams Realty; for Paul Ecke Central: cash for art supplies from Eugene and Peggy Theis, cash for art, music, and science consultants from EEF; for the district: cash for music program from Sean Nevett, cash for El Camino Creek, La Costa Heights, Mission Estancia & Olivenhain Pioneer students to attend BizTown from the Carlsbad Chamber of Commerce.*

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**The next Board Meeting will be June 29, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. (6:30 p.m. Public Session) in the District Board Room.**