

# ***Irvine Unified School District Minutes***

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## **Special Meeting of the Board of Education**

**May 27, 2014**

**Tuesday, 06:30 PM**

Administrative Center

5050 Barranca Parkway

Irvine, CA 92604

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### **Attendees**

Paul Bokota	Board Member
Lauren Brooks	Board Member
Michael Parham	Board Member
Sharon Wallin	Board Member

### 3. \* STUDY SESSION

#### a. High School Boundaries

##### Minutes

Facilities Consultant Tony Ferruzzo provided an overview of the topics to be discussed and briefly reviewed the decision criteria and guiding values established by the Boundary Advisory Committee.

Visuals of the original high school boundary proposal, including overlays of existing elementary, middle and high school boundaries were presented. Enrollment and geographic area projections after the opening of High School #5 were also reviewed.

A summary of major parent interests and requests based on information from the Parent Forums and other communications was shared. Various alternative scenarios were presented, including specific impacts to enrollment.

Ferruzzo reported that the Boundary Advisory Committee and Steering Committee had agreed on two changes to the original proposal:

1. To allow the non-contiguous portion of the Stone Creek attendance area to remain at Woodbridge High School, along with the rest of Stone Creek.
2. To allow the Laguna Altura and Hidden Canyon communities to remain at University High School.

Three enrollment options for opening High School #5 were presented, followed up by an in depth discussion of the pros and cons of each:

1. Open with 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grades required
2. Open with 9<sup>th</sup> grade only
3. Open with 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade, with 10<sup>th</sup> grade students having choice

Ferruzzo advised that in order to ensure viable enrollment and a comprehensive program for all students, the Boundary Advisory Committee and Steering Committee are recommending Option #1.

Board members discussed further the positive and negative impacts of 10<sup>th</sup> grade choice, and received input from current and former staff who have experienced opening a new high school.

##### *Public Input:*

Response was provided to specific written questions from:

Amir (no last name given)  
Linh Tran  
Pei Yang

Speaking to the topic:

Magi Yang  
Seth Grossman

Radhika Athalye  
 Larry Vannab  
 Harvey Liss  
 Jennifer Louie  
 Valerie Jones  
 Maureen Kim  
 Kristina Liphardt  
 John Bloustrub  
 Cecilia Lee  
 Richard Bishop

Board members requested staff to provide revised numbers/impacts for the following options:

- Provide Westpark area choice of UHS or WHS
- Reassign non-contiguous Stonecreek area to alternative elementary school; provide choice of UHS or WHS
- Grandfather existing Columbus Grove students to remain at WHS
- Allow Cypress Village students to matriculate together to HS#5
- Provide district-wide choice for 10<sup>th</sup> graders who wish to attend HS#5
- Confirm application of sibling rule and clarify priority process

Ferruzzo provided an overview of the proposed implementation and transition of students to the new high school boundaries and reviewed the boundary process timeline, including Board action tentatively scheduled for July 8, 2014.

#### 4. ADJOURNMENT

##### a. Adjournment (V)

##### Minutes

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Motion made by: Paul Bokota

Seconded by: Lauren Brooks

##### Votes

Paul Bokota	Yes
Lauren Brooks	Yes
Michael Parham	Yes
Sharon Wallin	Yes

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Board President

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Superintendent of Schools