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## PIEDMONT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Board of Education

REGULAR MEETING  
Wednesday, January 13, 2010

Council Chambers, City Hall  
120 Vista Avenue, Piedmont

Closed Session: 6:30 p.m.  
Regular Session: 7:00 p.m.

### A G E N D A

- 6:30 p.m. I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM  
A majority of the Governing Board must be present in order to establish a quorum, allowing the Board to conduct business.
- 6:31 p.m. III. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION  
Members of the public may speak to any Closed Session item on the agenda. The Board President may limit speaker time.
- A. Conference with District Representative Constance Hubbard, Regarding 2009-10 through 2010-11 Negotiations with the California School Employees Association (CSEA) Chapter 60 (Government Code Section 54956.6)
- 7:00 p.m. IV. REGULAR OPEN SESSION
- A. Call to Order  
B. Pledge of Allegiance  
C. Report of Action Taken in Closed Session  
D. Agenda Adjustments
- 7:10 p.m. V. COMMUNICATIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS (COMMUNITY)  
The comments are informational only, covering items of interest to the Board, staff and community.
- A. Association of Piedmont Teachers (APT)  
B. California School Employees Association (CSEA)  
C. Parent Clubs  
D. Student Representative to the Board

- E. Persons Wishing to Speak to Any Item Not Listed on the Agenda
- F. Superintendent Announcements
- G. Board of Education President Announcements

VI. PRESENTATIONS

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| 7:20 p.m. | <p>A. Presentation of 2008-09 Annual Financial Report (Audit Report)<br/>         (Terri Montgomery, Managing Partner, Vavrinek, Trine &amp; Day Co., LLP)<br/>         The District's independent auditing firm will present the District's 2008-09 Annual Financial Report. The Board will then be requested to formally accept this report under Review &amp; Action. To review the presentation, go to:<br/> <a href="http://www.piedmont.k12.ca.us/aboutpusd/agendas/minutes">www.piedmont.k12.ca.us/aboutpusd/agendas/minutes</a><br/>         Click on Board Meeting of 1-13-10</p> | Information on District web site |
| 7:45 p.m. | <p>B. Presentation by the Piedmont Middle School Green Team regarding sustainability accomplishments at Piedmont Middle School (20 minutes)</p>  |                                  |
| 8:05 p.m. | <p>C. Annual Celebration of the Life and Teachings of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.<br/>         The annual event will be held at the Piedmont Community Hall, 711 Highland Avenue on Monday, January 18, 2010, from 11:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.</p>   |                                  |

VII. REVIEW AND ACTION ITEMS

(The Board President may limit speaker time)

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| 8:10 p.m. | <p>A. Accept 2008-09 Annual Financial Report (Audit Report)<br/>         (Terri Montgomery, Managing Partner, Vavrinek, Trine &amp; Day Co., LLP)<br/>         Following the presentation by the District's independent auditing firm, the Board will be requested to formally accept this report. To review the presentation, go to:<br/> <a href="http://www.piedmont.k12.ca.us/aboutpusd/agendas/minutes">www.piedmont.k12.ca.us/aboutpusd/agendas/minutes</a><br/>         Click on Board Meeting of 1-13-10</p>   | Information on District web site         |
| 8:15 p.m. | <p>B. Seismic Safety Bond Program:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Approve Bond Program Budget<br/>             (David Burke, Seismic Safety Program Manager)<br/>             Seismic Safety Bond Program Manager David Burke provided a comprehensive review of the Seismic Safety Program budgets, along with anticipated cash flow demand at the Board meeting of December 9, 2009. The Board will be requested to approve the revised Bond Program budget at this meeting. You can view the information on the District web site:<br/><br/> <a href="http://www.piedmont.k12.ca.us/aboutpusd/agenda.minutes/120909_Bond_Project_Report.pdf">www.piedmont.k12.ca.us/aboutpusd/agenda.minutes/120909_Bond_Project_Report.pdf</a></li> </ol> | Information on District web site         |
| 8:30 p.m. | <p>2. *Review of Bond Program Financing Options<br/>             (Ruth Alahydoian, Vice President, Kelling, Northcross &amp; Nobriga Financial Consulting Firm)<br/>             The Board will review the various options and provide staff with direction for action at the January 26, 2010 Board meeting.</p>  | Pages 1-14 and also on District web site |

- 9:00 p.m. 3. \*Possible Board Action to Consider: Pages 15-21
- a. Beach Construction Documents
  - b. Wildwood Seismic Safety Bond Program Project (Superintendent Hubbard / David Burke)  
The State budget crisis has slowed the payment of matching funds to local school districts for facility modernization, including an estimated \$11 to \$13.5 million to Piedmont schools. One year ago, the Board of Education decided to proceed with the first phase of the program, using local voter-approved bonds. At tonight's meeting, the Board will determine whether it is possible to proceed with the next phase of the program – the Beach construction documents and the Wildwood construction – before receipt of any State modernization funds. Attached is the staff background memo from the December 9, 2009 Board meeting along with excerpts of the presentation showing possible decision impacts
- 9:45 p.m. 4. \*Review and Possible Action on Recommendations of Piedmont Recreation Commission Regarding Use Restrictions on New Havens Playfield (Assistant Superintendent Brady) Pages 22-24
- The Board will review the recommendations of the Piedmont Recreation Commission and invite public comment. Board action on the Use Restrictions may be taken at this meeting or deferred to the January 26, 2010 Board meeting.
- 10:15 p.m. C. \*Conduct Second Reading of Proposed Revised Board Policy 4030, "Discrimination / Hate Crimes / Hazing / Harassment (Including Sexual Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying and Cyberbullying)" – *Employee Version*, and Board Policy 5145.3, "Discrimination / Hate Crimes / Hazing / Harassment (Including Sexual Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying and Cyberbullying)" – *Student Version* (Dr. David Roth, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services) Pages 25-47
- A First Reading was conducted at the Board meeting of March 11, 2009. Because significant revisions have been made since that time, a Third Reading will be conducted at the Board meeting of January 26, 2010, with adoption anticipated at that time.
- 10:25 p.m. D. \*Review and Adopt Yearly Budget Development Calendar (Superintendent Hubbard / Asst. Supt. Brady) Pages 48-51
- The development of the annual budget is an important process that ensures fiscal solvency and the achievement of the District's educational goals. The process begins early so that timely decisions can be made to adjust existing programs and to evaluate new expenditure proposals for possible inclusion in the adopted budget. Included with the Calendar is the Board's "Guiding Principles for Budget Development for 2010-2011"
- 10:40 p.m. VIII. INFORMATION / ANNOUNCEMENTS
- A. State Budget Update 2009 (oral report –Superintendent Hubbard)  
Superintendent Hubbard will provide a summary of the Governor's Budget Workshop held on January 12 in Sacramento
- 11:10 p.m. B. Submittal of Application (Memorandum of Understanding) for Federal Funding Under the "Race to the Top" Initiative

(Superintendent Hubbard)

The "Race to the Top" (RTTT) initiative offers an unprecedented opportunity to strategically build on our progress to date and invest in a partnership between the State and local educational agencies to strengthen schools and close the achievement gap. With California's budget crisis, Race to the Top represents our State's best chance to engage in the fundamental reforms that are needed to develop our workforce and fuel future innovations – to invest in State and local systems that will accelerate and drive growth in student achievement. The Piedmont Unified School District has submitted its Memorandum of Understanding (application) for this purpose. For more information, go to [www.cde.ca.gov](http://www.cde.ca.gov) and click on "Race to the Top".

11:15 p.m.

C. Announcement of New Address for Havens Elementary School

(Superintendent Hubbard)

Following completion of the seismic safety construction of Havens Elementary School, the front door will face Highland Avenue, requiring a new address. **Therefore, effective July 1, 2010, the new address for Havens Elementary School will be 323 Highland Avenue.** The address for Ellen Driscoll Theater will remain as 325 Highland Avenue.

11:20 p.m.

D. Announcement of January 26, 2010 Board Meeting

The second Board meeting in January will be held on **TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2010** due to the Superintendent's attendance at the Annual Statewide Superintendents' Conference from Wed-Friday

11:25 p.m.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE

11:30 p.m.

X. BOARD REPORTS

11:35 p.m.

XI. CONSENT CALENDAR: ACTION ITEMS

The following items are considered routine and can be handled with one action since it is recommended that all items be approved unanimously. Board members may request any item(s) be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately.

A. \*Accept Donations

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B. \*Adopt Regular Board Meeting Minutes of December 9, 2009

Available at Bd meeting

C. \*Approve Monthly Financial Report of the District for December 2009

Pages 53-54

D. \*Approve Personnel Action Report

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E. \*Approve Quarterly Report of Complaints received under Williams Settlement Agreement for the Period October 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009

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F. \*Accept Structural Peer Reviewer Report on Wildwood Elementary School

Pages 57-58

Ted Zsutty, Structural Engineer and independent structural peer reviewer for the Wildwood Elementary School Seismic Safety Bond Program Project, has completed his review of the DSA submittal for the Wildwood Elementary School seismic strengthening and has concluded it meets the appropriate requirements and has his approval.

- 11:40 p.m. XII. FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS  
**SUBJECT TO CHANGE**
- Review of State Eligibility for Seismic/Modernization Funding (Jan)
  - Approve Consolidated Application, Part II (Jan)
  - SARCS (Student Accountability Report Cards) (Jan)
  - California Physical Fitness Test Summary (Jan)
  - Mid-year assessment on goals and objectives (Jan/Feb)
  - Decision on Extension of Emery Lease (Jan/Feb)
  - Safety Plan Information (section of Comp School Safety Plan) (Feb)
  - Discussion of Using Prevailing Wage for Moving Expenses (TBD)
  - Board Workshop on Interdistrict Transfers (TBD)
  - Review of Board Bylaws (Section 9000) (TBD)

11:45 p.m. XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Next Regular Board of Education Meeting:  
**TUESDAY**, January 26, 2010  
 7:00 p.m.  
 City Hall, Council Chambers, 120 Vista Avenue, Piedmont

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Public Comment

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\*Attachment