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MINUTES FOR SPECIAL MEETING OF OCTOBER 29, 2007

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members present:

- Suzanne Attenborough, Palo Alto High School – Parent/PTSA/Site Council
- Carmen Giedt, Terman – Principal
- Kristina Gossard, Gunn High School – Teacher
- Joan Jacobus, Gunn High School – Parent/PTSA
- Max Keeler, Gunn High School - Student
- Marion Krause, Greendell – PAEA
- Scott Laurence - Asst. Supt.
- Corey Levens, Gunn High School –Parent/Site Council
- Noreen Likins, Gunn High School – Principal
- Jackie McEvoy, Palo Alto High School – Principal
- Malati Murthy, Palo Alto High School – CSEA
- Elaine Ray, Parent Network Students of Color
- Martin Stone, Palo Alto High School – Parent/PTSA/Site Council
- Todd Summers, Gunn High School – Teacher
- Sandi Urabe, Foothill College – Dean (Retired)
- Ron Williamson, Palo Alto High School – Teacher

PAUSD District Staff Resources Present:

- Kara Rosenberg, Adult School – Principal

Guest:

- David Hoshiwara, Career Voc. Ed - Coordinator

Co-Facilitators Present:

- Burton Cohen, Dir., Secondary Education
- Sandra Pearson, Palo Alto High School Principal, retired

Welcomes and Procedures

Likins suggested that the minutes for October 24, 2007 be edited on Page 3 under what Gunn staff wished they had, bullet to read: "Students are not provided with opportunities to use the technology they have grown up with." In addition, Jacobus asked that the statement on Page 2 regarding the lease of land from the City of Mountain View should read that the lease was for 40 years at \$1.00 per year. Minutes for the meeting of October 24, 2007 were reviewed and approved with the suggested edits.

Presentation of Program Possibilities

Hoshiwara said there were portions of Career Voc. Ed in both high schools, and he coordinated the funding. He encouraged interested group members visit Freestyle High in Mountain View. He then gave a brief overview, with highlights following.

- About half Career Voc. Ed. funds benefit students with special needs
- Programs being funded include: Adult Ed TPP (Transition Partnership Program), EI

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Cajon, Next Step Academy, OICW Agreement (Job Training), ROP (Regional Occupational Program), Tech Prep, Transition Partnership Program, WorkAbility I, Work Experience

Hoshiwara's HSTF suggestions for serving an additional 500 students:

- Address needs of students not currently being served
- Funding is very restrictive
- Current programs are funded through outside sources, with PAUSD contributing about 12%

Rosenberg gave a presentation on Adult Education, with highlights following:

- Current Adult School services for high school students: GED testing, foreign language, non-credit classes for Juniors and Seniors
- Potential services that might be offered include: GED preparation, Adult Diploma Program, test prep center, and Adult CTE (Career Technical Education)
- Road blocks include: regulations, facilities, volume, money

Laurence said the site visit to Monte Vista High School was scheduled for November 8 from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Monte Vista is opening some new facilities in December that were built to accommodate enrollment growth.

Options - Brainstorming

Laurence said the goal for October was to give the group a sense of what was currently occurring in PAUSD. He then reviewed the group's mission, as well as actual and projected enrollment numbers. The group discussed additional options to accommodate increased enrollment.

Laurence asked the group to come back to the next meeting with recommendations for growth over the next seven years.

Public Comment

There were no requests to speak.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.