

CARMEL USD BOARD BRIEFS

SPOTLIGHTING INFORMATION FROM AND ACTIONS OF THE CARMEL UNIFIED BOARD OF EDUCATION

Meeting of March 9, 2022

Consent Items - Board unanimously approved the Consent Calendar Items (5,0)

Action/Discussion/Information Items

- The Board received a presentation on and approved the Second Interim financial report: Yvonne Perez, Chief Business Official, presented an overview and highlights of the report.
- The Board adopted Resolution #22-02 Transfer of Funds: An Interfund transfer is cash taken from one fund under the control of the governing board and added to another fund under the board's control, without the expectation of repayment. Interfund transfers are not revenue or expenditures. They do not increase the financial resources of the District as a whole, but they do affect the fund balance of both funds. The Resolution authorizes the transfer of funds from General Fund Unrestricted Reserves (Fund 01) to Special Reserve Capital Outlay (Fund 40). The funds will be used for the following projects:
 - o Carmel High School: Stadium Lighting
 - Carmel High School: Add parking
 - Carmel High School Stadium: Construct storage building
 - o Carmel High School Pool: Replace Pool Lights
 - Carmel Middle School: Add playing fields to replace sports facilities converted to parking at Carmel High School
 - Carmelo Child Development Center: Add portable classrooms to accommodate Universal Transitional Kindergarten and Before and After School Care Space
 - District Office: Learning Center
 - Central Kitchen
 - Curriculum and Instruction Storage
 - Modular Furniture for Office Spaces (Technology and District Offices)

Budgets, architect and construction contracts for each project will be presented for board approval prior to work proceeding.

- The Board approved the Child Development programs proposed 2022-23 fee schedule: As costs of operation increase year over year, it is necessary to raise tuition rates accordingly. Rates were not increased for the 2021-22 program year. The district's recommendation to raise rates 8% was approved.
- The Board approved the adoption of instructional materials for Elementary Mathematics: The Elementary Mathematics Adoption Committee recommended i-Ready Mathematics by Curriculum Associates. This is the culmination of a two-year process. During the first year, the CUSD Mathematics Instructional Leadership Team made up of teachers across all levels, instructional coaches, and administrators engaged in a year-long professional development program regarding developing vision and priorities around mathematics for the district, and developing a systematic process for adopting high quality, standards aligned instructional resources. The process continued with the establishment of the Elementary Adoption Committee which selected two programs to pilot this fall. After the piloting process the committee reviewed their data in relation to the priorities established and came to consensus to move forward with i-Ready. The Board approved the purchase of i-Ready Mathematics by Curriculum Associates for an adoption length of six years, and included the purchase of manipulatives curated specifically for the program by Hand2mind.
- The Board had a discussion on implications and the plan for moving forward movement of late start: The Board of Education and Superintendent Knight discussed the topic of late start. Dr. Knight spoke regarding the trade-offs and impact of implementing late start. He believes the community needs to be better informed regarding these potential trade-offs before we move forward. These include bus transportation and the fact that start times for both elementary and secondary students will be directly

impacted with the implementation of late start. These will need to be solved prior to bringing a decision to the Board for approval. Dr. Knight has begun to hold discussions with the Superintendent's Student Advisory Council and they are in the process of finalizing surveys to send to staff, students and families in order to gather data on this topic. CUSD needs additional time to develop a thoughtful decision, making sure all educational partners are well informed in this process. A timeline with updates regarding this topic will be provided to the Board and community to ensure transparency and clear communication. Special Board meetings will also be held in the future to discuss this topic.

The next Meeting of the Carmel Unified Board of Education will be held on Wednesday, April 6, 2022, at Carmel Middle School Library at 4 p.m.