CAPISTRANO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES - SPECIAL MEETING JANUARY 30, 2012 **EDUCATION CENTER - BOARD ROOM** 

President Pritchard called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Pritchard.

Present: Trustees Addonizio, Brick, Hatton, Palazzo, and Pritchard

Absent: Trustees Alpay and Bryson

A CD of the Board meeting discussion related to each of the items on the Permanent public agenda is on file in the Superintendent's Office as a matter of the Record permanent record. An audio recording of the meeting is available on the District website: www.capousd.org

It was moved by Trustee Brick, seconded by Trustee Hatton, and carried by a 5-0 vote to adopt the Board agenda.

Adoption of the **Board Agenda** 

Trustees Addonizio, Brick, Hatton, Palazzo, and AYES:

Pritchard

NOES: None

ABSENT: Trustees Alpay and Bryson

ABSTAIN: None

The following speakers addressed the Board:

**Public Comments** 

- Lee Ann Addison stated the number one thing the District can do to improve relationships and save District money is to have better relationships at IEP meetings. Site administrator skill and training can resolve special education parent disagreements before the issue needs to go to the District resolution committee.
- Paul Baker, Susan Baker, Sue Johnson, Katie Fields, Maria Reguerio, Ryan Rice, Leslie Connell, and Kyle McKnelly spoke of first-hand experiences with the Adult Transition Program (ATP) in providing job training, social skills, and independent living for students 18 – 22 years of age. Each stressed the importance, value, and benefits of ATP and thanked Trustees for providing the program.

Assistant Superintendent Sara Jocham, along with Executive Director Roz Bellante, Executive Director Sharla Pitzen, and Director Crystal Bejarano provided a general overview on special education, including legal references, eligibility categories, staff training, specialized services and programs (from infant/toddlers to post-secondary programs), due process, informal dispute resolution, compliance, funding, and costs.

**Special Education** Workshop Agenda Item #1

Trustee Pritchard requested staff provide data on the pass rate for employees who take the Autism Credential test and Trustee Addonizio asked staff to provide the number of Hispanic students enrolled in special education classes. Trustees agreed the workshop was very beneficial in assisting the Board with a better understanding of special education and thanked the special education team for its presentation.

It was moved by Trustee Hatton, seconded by Trustee Brick, and motion carried **Adjournment** by a 5-0 vote to adjourn the meeting.

AYES:

Trustees Addonizio, Brick, Hatton, Palazzo, and

Pritchard

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Trustees Alpay and Bryson

ABSTAIN: None

President Pritchard announced the meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Board Clerk

Secretary, Board of Trustees

Minutes submitted by Jane Boos, Manager, Board Office Operations