

It's a Wrap

January 12, 2015

Students in the Thurston Middle School String Orchestra, under the direction of TMS music teacher **Jon Mann**, performed a musical selection for the Board. The Board commented on how proficient and how accomplished the students sounded.



LBUSD LCAP Review



Darlene Messinger, Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services, reviewed the 2013-14 LCAP process and summarized the initial LCAP planning and review process. The District has aligned its five Strategic Goals with the eight State LCAP Priorities.

LBUSD LCAP 2014-15 Vision

The LCAP is the touchstone by which we guide and execute our efforts. It focuses District practices and resources on specific goals to ensure students are college and career ready upon graduation. The LCAP aligns LBUSD curriculum, instruction, assessment, and interventions with the eight State priorities. All stakeholders understand how the LCAP is constructed, how it reflects the District vision and mission, and the importance of ensuring fidelity to the goals. Each stakeholder has the opportunity to provide meaningful input, and through that process, develops a deeper understanding of the magnitude of work to be done and the valuable role each person plays in supporting student success.

Ms. Messinger presented a flow chart that outlined the new process for this school year which includes a plan to obtain more input from school sites.

Other Reports

Director, Human Resources and Public Communications **Leisa Winston** reported on the significant shortage of substitute teacher staff in the District and across Orange County. An increase in substitute teacher rate of pay was approved by the Board in order to be competitive with other local districts. The last pay increase for District substitute teachers was in May 2006. The Board approved the pay increase as follows:

- Daily rate of pay from \$105 to \$125 per day
- Half-day rate of pay from \$65 to \$75 per half-day
- Long-term rate of pay, which is more than ten days, from \$125 to \$150 per day

A study group committee is scheduled to review the substitute shortage issues and report back to the Board at an upcoming meeting.

Board Policy No. 5035: InterDistrict Transfers was tabled until a future meeting.

Assistant Superintendent of Business Services **Dean West** presented the Monthly Financial Report.

District and City Council Move Forward on Tennis Court and Pool Projects

At a joint meeting on January 20, the Laguna Beach City Council and LBUSD agreed on terms for tennis court and pool improvements. The tennis court renovation project will address surface cracking, drainage, lighting and fencing issues and provide high quality courts for LBHS athletic programs and the community at large, and will also improve the aesthetics of the facility. A second phase of pool improvements will begin this spring, and will include painting exterior buildings and replacement of shade structure, locker room floors and wall tiles, and fixtures. The pool is anticipated to be closed for approximately 10 days in early June 2015, prior to the busy summer season.



The next Board of Education meeting is January 27, 2015.