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SoCal ROC Superintendent

August 19, 2010 Board Meeting

SoCal ROC Updates

- Modernization Project – Building A: Superintendent Hoffman reported that the modernization of Building A is going well and provided a progress report on the construction. The classrooms that will be ready by September are: Animal Health Science; Business and Finance; Hotel Restaurant /Occupations; and Medical Insurance Billing.
- Update on State Budget: Deputy Superintendent Laurie St. Gean, Ed.D., reported that there was no new information regarding the State budget.

General

- Multiple Pathways Presentation: Superintendent Hoffman presented a PowerPoint presentation on the State's Multiple Pathways document. Multiple Pathways is the result of legislation, signed by the Governor, which addresses high school reform.

The report says that California must address:

- High school graduation rate,
- Closing the Achievement Gap, and
- Preparing students for success in terms of living wages, careers and postsecondary learning experiences.

The document states that Multiple Pathways are designed to prepare students for:

- Successful career entry after high school; and
- Successful participation in and completion of education after high school via 2/4 year colleges/universities, apprentice programs, and/or formal employment training.

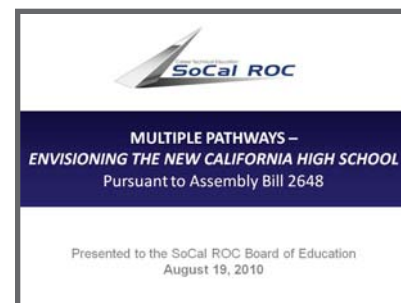
Dr. Hoffman concluded by saying that many of the recommendations require significant amounts of new dollars and with the current economic status of the State, many of the recommendations may not be realized within the next few years. However, Dr. Hoffman also noted that many of the specifics mentioned in the document have already been implemented at SoCal ROC.

Superintendent's Remarks

- Dr. Hoffman reported that the WASC Commission has awarded SoCal ROC a full term of accreditation, 6 years, through 2016.

The Board Approved the Following New Course Outlines:

Dental Assisting for High School Students; Dental Assisting Career Preparation; General Office Occupations; and Hands-On Product Assembly.



Commendations/ Recognition

Superintendent Hoffman introduced members of the Management Team: Teresa Farquhar, Director of Technology; John Giovati, Director Programs/Operations; Atlas Helaire, Director/Student Support Services; Steven Rabas, Director of Fiscal Services; Jack Regan, Director of Maintenance/Operations; and Dr. Laurie St. Gean, Deputy Superintendent. Superintendent Hoffman stated that each of these individuals is responsible for providing leadership, supervision and direction to their specific division(s) and that their collective effort has had a tremendous positive impact on the success of SoCal ROC. Vice President Muratsuchi presented each member of the Management Team with a Board Certificate of Excellence and a token of appreciation.



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