

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Special Meeting – Agenda
Monday, April 7, 2008
1:00 p.m.

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1. **CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL** ***ACTION ITEM***
2. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA** ***ACTION ITEM***
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board President Anna Piercy will lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** ***INFORMATION ITEM***

Opportunities for public comments occur at the beginning of the agenda item and during Public Comments (for items not on the agenda). Persons wishing to address the Board of Trustees should complete a request form, available on the information table, at the back of the room, and submit it to the executive assistant. Each topic or item is limited to 20 minutes; each speaker is limited to five minutes. Board members cannot immediately respond to public comments as stated on the Speaker Request form.

5. **ITEM OF BUSINESS**

Promotion and Retention Policy Task Force

INFORMATION ITEM

The Board of Trustees will be presented with the findings of the Promotion and Retention Policy Task Force. The committee, consisting of several certificated staff members, spent numerous sessions and many hours developing recommendations that are founded in research and that will meet the goals of the board, as well as the needs of our at-risk students. While it is evident that the current retention program has not met the board expectations, the committee fully understands what experts in the field have stated, that social promotion does not work either. The board will be presented with a seamless proposal designed to meet the academic and developmental needs of students, with the goal of the recommendations, to ensure that every student has the skills and knowledge to successfully complete the California High School Exit Exam in their tenth grade year.

[EXHIBIT A]

Recommendation:

Although this is an information item, requiring no formal action by the Board of Trustees, it is recommended the board officially review and discuss the findings of the Promotion and Retention Policy Task Force.

6. **ADJOURNMENT** ***ACTION ITEM***

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