



*Across the Board* December 2, 2010

It continues to be a busy time for your Directors, both in the Board Room and in our schools. Of prominence now for us is the Education Summit-Strategic Planning Forum this week. Plus, we're planning for the maintenance and operations February 8, 2011 levy ballot.

Thank you to those who've committed to join us for the Forum. The feedback, communication and work generated from the Forum and the Strategic Plan Steering Committee's future recommendations will help us plan for 2011 through 2015.

Although it's a busy time for our work on behalf of our students, District staff and our community, we plan to take time to enjoy the many special events scheduled for this month and throughout the winter.

Enjoy the season. Happy Holidays! Stay safe and thank you for your continued great work with our students and families!

*Board President Lonnie Linn*

### ***Other News***

#### **Cancelled November 22 Board Meeting Rescheduled for December 6**

Inclement weather caused us to cancel our November 22 Board meeting. It's now been rescheduled for Monday, December 6 at 6:00 p.m., followed by a special Board study session at 7:00 p.m. – at Jefferson Elementary. The agenda will be posted the "Friday before" on [BoardDocs](#).

#### **Friday and Saturday - Education Summit - District's Strategic Planning Forum**

*still time to join us for the Education Summit-Strategic Planning Forum!* Call 565.3702 for information.

#### **Maintenance and Operations Levy on February 8, 2011 Ballot**

PACE co-chairs Betsy Wharton and Steve Methner, PACE volunteers and District staff have begun to plan for the February 8, 2011 levy ballot. Keep an eye on [Levy News](#) on the front page of the District website for levy updates. If you have any questions, please send them to [levy@portangelesschools.org](mailto:levy@portangelesschools.org).

#### **Enrollment Report and Outlook**

The District's total enrollment for November 2010 (not including Skills Center or Running Start) is 3,641.02 FTE. This is 89.28 FTE fewer than last year at this time but is 52.76 FTE students above budget. *The [Enrollment Report](#) is posted monthly to the District website.*

### End of Year Budget Status

Executive Director of Business and Operations Jim Schwob presented the 2009-10 End of Year Budget Status at our November 8 meeting. You may view the report on [BoardDocs](#). *Enter the Public Site; click on November 8, 2010 meeting; view the Agenda; see Item #10.*

### **Let's Hear from You!**

Send an email to [info@portangelesschools.org](mailto:info@portangelesschools.org). Join us for an upcoming [school board meeting!](#)

### **Congratulations and Thank You!**

*We know the reason for student success is largely due to teacher and staff support. Let's celebrate our students, and your, success!*

★ Congratulations to Chuck Lisk, our [Olympic Region Principal of the Year!](#)

★ Thank you to PAHS instructor Mike Frick and students Michael Steele and Thomas Williams for helping Sequim guitar maker Pete Barthell build and design a machine to cut slots for frets on guitars. *Impressive work!*

★ Congratulations to all Roughrider student athletes and coaches for a successful fall season!

★ More Kudos for Coach Tom Wahl - [Seahawks Coach of the Week!](#) Congratulations! *He and PAHS football players will be recognized during the December 7 City Council meeting, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall Chambers. You're invited! Come support the Roughriders!*

★ Thank you to our teachers for very successful parent and teacher conferences!

★ [Powder Puff teams](#) – both Rider Cheer Squad and PASD Team – *great job on raising funds for cancer research!*

★ Thanks to staff and community members for your commitment to our Strategic Planning process!

★ The PAHS Guidance Departments deserves a round of applause for a very successful first [College Fair!](#) We're looking forward to next year's event!

★ Thanks to the PAHS Band, PAHS Dance Team, Doug Gailey, Jolene Dalton Gailey for great performances at the annual Veterans Day ceremony at the U.S. Coast Guard base.

★ Great new sandbox at Dry Creek! Thanks to Mickey and Tim Branham and other volunteers who helped with this project!

★ Kudos to PAHS students and Board Director Sarah Methner and family for their participation in United Way's *Outrageous Olympics* event! *Thanks for representing our School District!*

★ It was great to see the many events in our schools honoring our Veterans-*Thank you!*

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