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Memo

To

Board of Education

From

[Signature]
Tony Smith, Ph.D., Superintendent
Jennifer LeBarre, Director of Nutrition Services

Board Meeting
Date

6-23-10

Subject

Resolution No. - 0910- 0289 - Request for Approval of Oakland Unified School District's Sign On to Child Nutrition Reauthorization Resolution In Support of Child Health and Nutrition

Action Requested

Approval by the Board of Education of Resolution No. 0910 - 0289 - Request for Approval of Oakland Unified School District's Sign On to Child Nutrition Reauthorization Resolution In Support of Child Health and Nutrition

Background

Since 1946, the Child Nutrition Act has allowed schools to provide nutritious meals to school age students, "as a measure of national security, to safeguard the health and well being of the Nation's children, and to encourage the domestic consumption of nutritious agricultural commodities."

Discussion

While the purpose is the same, the needs of the Nation's children have changed along with the program's needs. The Nation currently faces an obesity epidemic among our children with increasing demands to the school meal program and increased costs. We believe that the 2010 Child Nutrition Reauthorization Act could be significantly improved, and that it needs to be fully funded in order to improve the nutritional content and quality of the meals provided to students. Large school districts and community organizations across the Nation have signed this resolution to show support for the changes outlined in the document.

Nutrition Services operates the National School Lunch Program at 104 K-12 schools and one (1) charter school. Additionally, Nutrition Services operated the Child and Adult Care Food Program at 30 Child Development Centers.

Fiscal Impact

No fiscal impact

Recommendation

Approval by the Board of Education of Resolution No. 0910-0289 - Request for Approval of Oakland Unified School District's Sign On to Child Nutrition Reauthorization Resolution In Support of Child Health and Nutrition

**RESOLUTION
OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF THE
OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

RESOLUTION No. 0910-0289

In Support of Child Health and Nutrition

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District of Alameda County, provides regular access to healthy and affordable meals which has proven to be one of the strongest predictors of improved school performance and helps combat obesity and childhood hunger; and

WHEREAS, urban school districts have led the way in developing healthy meal choices for kids, including through efforts to serve the most healthful food possible and where possible, increase the supply of nutritious, local and regionally grown foods in school cafeterias; and

WHEREAS, students consume a larger percentage of fruits and vegetables—more than forty (40%), through school food than any other food group in their diets; and

WHEREAS, a direct connection between school food and agriculture can provide new and vital economic-development opportunities for small businesses, reduce transport costs, wastage, and the 'carbon footprint' of school food programs; and

WHEREAS, a good healthy well supported school lunch program can address a number of pressing issues, including environmental, nutritional and economic concerns, as well as the needs of small and midsize farmers; and

WHEREAS, school lunches are significantly less costly than caloric-equivalent lunches from home [the average price for a school lunch for 2008-09 school year is \$2.08, while the average cost of lunches prepared at home is \$3.80], school lunches play a role in hunger prevention that is both critical to child health, and cost-effective; and

WHEREAS, the Child Nutrition Reauthorization currently being considered by Congress is our best current opportunity to provide much needed support to address these issues,

Passed by the following vote:

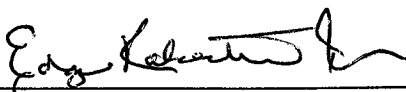
AYES: Jody London, David Kakishiba, Jumoke Hodge, Noel Gallo,
Alice Spearman and Vice President Christopher Dobbins

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: President Gary Yee

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District at a Regular Meeting held June 23, 2010.



Edgar Rakestraw, Jr.
Secretary
Board of Education

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