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TO:

Board of Education

FROM:

Dr. Roberta Mayor, Interim Superintendent

Kirsten Vital, Chief of Community Accountability

SUBJECT 2008-2009 School Closure and Phase Out

ACTION REQUESTED

First reading by the Board of Education of the 2008-2009 School Portfolio Management School Closure and Phase Out decisions per Resolution 0809-0069.

DISCUSSION

OUSD is committed to operating a dynamic portfolio of schools that meet the needs of the community. Since November 2008, staff has been engaging with BEST and Peralta Creek school communities with regards to issues of under enrollment and academic under performance based on the School Portfolio Management board presentation on November 5, 2008. During this time, staff has also been closely evaluating the quantitative and qualitative data associated with each of these schools to evaluate long-term program sustainability and capacity to accelerate academic achievement for students.

Based on this evaluation process, staff recommends the closure of Peralta Creek, the phasing out of Business Entrepreneurial School of Technology (BEST) and the phasing out of Robeson High School.

BUDGET IMPACT

Estimated total savings is anticipated to be approximately \$870,000. This includes:

- o Salary savings at approximately \$594,000 from the three schools.
- o Peralta Creek, BEST and Robeson were also eligible for small school funding. During the 2008-2009 school year, these three schools received a total of \$218,000 in TIIG small school funding. These funds can now be reallocated to support other small schools within the district.
- o Savings from the budget deficit for Peralta Creek and BEST totals \$346,000

Estimated total costs are anticipated to be approximately \$40,000 in moving/packing costs.

RECOMMENDATION

First reading by the Board of Education of the 2008-2009 School Portfolio Management School Closure and Phase Out decisions per Resolution 0809-0069.

OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Superintendent of Schools

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RESOLUTION OF THE STATE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

2008-2009 School Closure and Phase Out

WHEREAS, the Oakland Unified School District is creating a great public school system with high standards of teaching and learning for every student and high standards of service to our schools with a recommitment to our shared values of equity, learning, and shared responsibility; and

WHEREAS, a core foundational strategy of Oakland Unified School District is the management of a portfolio of schools that will provide a diverse portfolio of high quality schools for students and families both within neighborhoods and district-wide; and

WHEREAS, a decline in population and student enrollment as well as a fiscal in Oakland and the Bay Area has necessitated the interventions at underutilized school campuses as a means of reallocating the District's limited financial and human resources to those schools that have demonstrated an increase in student progress; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Peralta Creek Middle School shall close and CDE shall be notified of the closure and CDS number and Robeson High School and Business Entrepreneurial School of Technology (BEST) High School will phase out effective June 30,2009:

School	Grade Configuration	Location
Peralta Creek Middle School	8 th grade	2101 35 th Ave.
BEST High School	10 th - 12 th (will be 11 th - 12 th for the 2009-2010 school year)	2607 Myrtle St.
Robeson High School	9 th – 12 th (will be 10 th – 12 th for the 2009-2010 school year)	4610 Foothill Blvd.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education directs staff to work closely with impacted families from Peralta Creek Middle School, BEST High School and Robeson High School to ensure that all affected students are enrolled in a quality program for the 2009-2010 school year.

I hereby certify that the foregoing as a full, true and correct copy of a resolution passed at a Regular Meeting of the State Administrator and/or the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District held December 17, 2009.

Vincent Matthews
State Administrator