

SACRAMENTO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
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TO: Members, County Board of Education

FROM: Sue Stickel, Acting Board Secretary

SUBJECT: Agenda – Regular Meeting – May 17, 2011

Regular Session: 6:30 pm

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- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
- II. Presentation of Colors by the Marine Corps League of Folsom Color Guard
- III. No Approval of Minutes
- IV. Adoption of Agenda
- V. Visitor Presentations
 - A. General Public
 - B. Employee Organizations
- VI. New Business
 - A. Award High School Diplomas to Individuals through SCOE's "Operation Recognition" Program – Sue Stickel
- VII. Adjournment

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Subject: Operation Recognition Awarding of Diplomas	Agenda Item No.: VI.A. Enclosures: 0
Reason: Approval	From: Sue Stickel Prepared by: Tim Herrera Board Meeting Date: 05/17/11

BACKGROUND:

"Operation Recognition" is a program adopted by the Sacramento County Board of Education and other organizations throughout the United States to honor individuals whose secondary education was interrupted due to circumstances of World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War.

During the 1940s and again in the 1950s and 1960s, thousands of young men and women left high school to serve in the United States Armed Forces. After these wars, many veterans were not able to finish high school but led productive lives and helped build our communities over their lifetimes.

Also during World War II, thousands of Japanese American citizens were forced to leave their homes to be interned in relocation camps at various locations in the United States. These citizens were denied the freedom other Americans enjoyed, and many served with the U.S. Armed Forces. Some were unable to complete high school, yet they, too, went on to build productive lives and have greatly contributed to the American way of life.

Through the "Operation Recognition" program, the Sacramento County Office of Education will provide a high school diploma to qualifying World War II, Korean War, and Vietnam War veterans, and to Japanese American citizens who were interned in World War II relocation camps. This is a gesture of our society's gratitude for the sacrifices they made in the name of freedom.

The Sacramento County Office of Education has received applications from individuals who qualify as recipients of high school diplomas through the "Operation Recognition" program. The following persons are considered to have met the requirements for high school graduation:

Irving Bradley Cowan

Mark Anthony Groom

Timothy Allen Haaby

Willis Francis Mohr

Larry H. Sosa

Richard Donald Steele

Kenneth Brian Swartz

Lloyd Steve Thaler (posthumous award)

Clyde Coolidge Thornton

Albert Raymond Willock (posthumous award)

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

The Interim Superintendent recommends awarding diplomas to the individuals named above.