

TRIAL

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filed eight felony complaints against Strategic Concepts principal Karen Christiansen and two against former BHUSD Superintendent Jeffrey Hubbard Dec. 8, citing misappropriation of public school funds and conflicts of interest.

Hubbard is said to have given Christiansen an unautho-

rized car allowance while she was employed by the district as a consultant. Hubbard is currently the superintendent of Newport-Mesa Unified School District.

In a closed session meeting Monday, the NMUSD Board of Education voted to allow Hubbard to remain in his role while charges are pending.

Hubbard has denied any wrongdoing.

Christiansen has yet to comment publicly.

The trial was to settle a lawsuit filed by Christiansen on behalf of Strategic Concepts in the amount of \$16 million after her contract with the district to oversee construction management of the \$334 million Measure E bond was terminated last year.

BHUSD counterclaimed for \$4 million (the amount paid to Christiansen), plus legal fees.

A new date has yet to be set for the jury trial, which was scheduled to begin this week.



CPR CERTIFIED—About 150 BHHS students participated in CPR, AED and First Aid training, Wednesday. Mercedes-Benz of Beverly Hills sponsored the one-hour classes. Pictured (from left): Front row—Ruben Ruiz, Jessica Rodriguez, Miki Mihara and Omeed Hakimianpour. Back row—Hope Morrice (Admin Asst. Beverly Hills CPR/NHF), Sam Stevens (LACOFD Fire Explorer), Brice Reiner (BHFD Fire Cadet), Brian Noss (BHFD Fire Cadet), Colleen Lynch (Health Education BHHS) and Thomas Stafford (Founder National HART Foundation).
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CALDWELL

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Caldwell served in senior executive positions both in marketing and finance. He has worked with Booz Allen and Hamilton, The Flying Tiger Line Inc., Van Vorst Industries and Kidder Peabody.

Caldwell started a firm specializing in corporate financial

and strategy planning, which was instrumental in restructuring over \$1 billion of debt for over 20 companies and partnerships. He was a pioneer in the satellite radio auctions as president of Digital Satellite Broadcasting Corporation; assisted in the financing, and became president and ultimately CEO in the restructuring of CAIS Internet.

Caldwell received his B.A. degree from the University of Southern California where he was a member of Kappa Sigma and head yell king. He was a Multinational Enterprise Fellow at the Wharton Graduate School of Finance, University of Pennsylvania, and a director of Lee Pharmaceuticals (LPHM. PK) and King Koil Licensing Corp.

Caldwell is survived by his wife, Nancy, son William and daughter-in-law Lauren Caldwell of Dallas, Texas, sons Blake and Tyler Caldwell, and Brandon Burrows, daughter Courtney Burrows, sister Candace Caldwell Smith, and cousin James E. Cox.

Services will be held this coming Monday at 1:30 p.m. in the Church of the Reccessional at Forest Lawn, Glendale.

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