

**Santa Barbara School Districts
Board of Education
Agenda**

**January 10, 2001
7:00 P.M.
Regular Board Meeting**

**Santa Barbara School Districts
Board Room
720 Santa Barbara Street
Santa Barbara CA 93101**

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SANTA BARBARA SCHOOL DISTRICTS
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**WELCOME TO A MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

It is the policy of the Board of Education to provide a superior educational program for the youth of the school districts with emphasis on quality instruction for all.

The Board of Education encourages citizens to attend Board meetings and welcomes their views on subjects related to the operation of the schools. Regular meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Boardroom located at 720 Santa Barbara Street, Santa Barbara, California, 93101.

All regular and special meetings are open to the public so citizens may have the benefit of Board deliberations and decisions affecting the schools. Closed sessions are held in accordance with the provisions of the "Brown Act," a comprehensive set of laws which regulate the meetings of the governing bodies of most public agencies in California.

Although the regular business that must be transacted by the Board at each meeting is time consuming, every encouragement is given to citizens who wish to express their viewpoints. The procedures listed on the reverse side of this sheet will facilitate the oral presentation of such views and will give everyone, in turn, an opportunity to be heard prior to action by the Board of Education.

We are glad to have you with us and we sincerely hope that you will plan to attend future meetings of the Board of Education of the Santa Barbara School Districts.

Board of Education

Claire VanBlaricum, President
Robert Noël , Vice President
Ruth E. Green, Member
Nancy Harter, Member
Fred Rifkin, Member

Secretary-Clerk of the Board

Deborah Flores, Superintendent

DELEGATIONS TO BOARD MEETINGS - Meetings of the Board shall be in full compliance with the law, which assures the public open access to the Board for observing deliberations, actions and providing input.

METHOD FOR ADDRESSING THE BOARD - A person who wishes to address the Board of Education may be recognized by the Board President under the "Public Comments" section or during the time an agenda item is being considered. Persons wishing to address the Board should complete a "Speaker Card." Items on the agenda are not time certain unless otherwise noticed.

Any person wishing to discuss an item at a Board meeting may make a request in one of two ways: (1) Write to the Superintendent by Monday noon of the week before a Board meeting requesting the item be placed on the agenda, giving the details to be discussed; or (2) While attending a Board meeting, request the item be placed on the agenda in the future. Requests for clarification, or decisions about placement on the agenda and assignment of meeting date, will be communicated by the Superintendent or his/her designee. California law prohibits the Board from taking action on any item not on the agenda, with very specific legal exceptions.

The Board respects the process of collective bargaining and recognizes the Educational Employment Relations Act (SB160) providing procedures for collective bargaining which include designated representatives and scheduled meetings closed to the public. Delegations of persons who have representation by negotiators and who wish to address the Board on matters under negotiation will be referred to the appropriate group representative.

TIME LIMIT FOR SPEAKERS - If time permits, a person may make a presentation for a period not to exceed three minutes. If prior arrangements are made, a longer time may be allowed. The President of the Board of Education shall determine the amount of time that may be allotted to any speaker. No speaker may speak a second time on any particular issue. In cases where there are those who wish to speak for and those who wish to speak against a proposition, the President will try to allow speakers to speak alternately for and against the proposition under consideration. Unless previously arranged, no more than five speakers will be allowed to speak for or against a particular item.

PERSONNEL MATTERS - Personnel matters, with rare exceptions, are discussed by the Board of Education in closed sessions, as provided by law. All charges or complaints against employees should be submitted in writing and signed by the persons making the charge. There shall be no oral presentation or discussion of such matters in open public meetings of the Board of Education unless the Board requests such a session after a closed session has first been held.

CAUTIONS TO BE OBSERVED - Undue interruptions or other interference with the orderly conduct of Board business cannot be allowed. Remarks by any person addressing the Board which reflect adversely upon the racial, religious, economic, character or motives of any person are out of order. The President may terminate the speaker's privilege of address, if after being called to order, he or she persists in improper conduct or remarks. No boisterous conduct shall be allowed at any time.

It is a pleasure to have you with us. We hope you will come again.

Santa Barbara School Districts
Board of Education
1999-2000 Focus Goals

The primary focus of the Board and staff continues to be improving the achievement level of all students, K-12. We are working to ensure that every student, regardless of gender, ethnicity, socio-economic status, or history of under achievement succeeds at the highest level.

1. Create and implement a developmental reading program for grades 7-9 (and grade 6 at La Cumbre Middle School).
2. Investigate the various options for creating facilities for Open Alternative School and Santa Barbara Charter School including analyzing alternative sites within the district and/or rehabilitating the existing facilities. Also, develop specific action plans for addressing the current inadequate facilities that exist at these two sites.
3. Acknowledge the dedication and hard work of principals and teachers. Develop better support systems for both groups that include increased opportunities for staff development and staff collaboration.
4. Develop three-year budget projections for both districts including the development of long-range enrollment projections. Evaluate alternatives for giving sites more discretion over their budgets with incentives and accountability components.
5. Develop a comprehensive, long-range vision and plan for facilities and housing.

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AGENDA
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SANTA BARBARA SCHOOL DISTRICTS
Board Room
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A. REGULAR SESSION – 5:00 P.M. - 5 Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

Claire VanBlaricum, President
Robert Noël, Vice President
Ruth E. Green, Member
Nancy Harter, Member
Fred Rifkin, Member

2. CLOSED SESSION – 5:05 P.M. – 1 hour 55 minutes

The Board will be discussing the following in Closed Session:

- **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL -- ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**
(Government Code 54956.9(a) - Case No. SN 1890-00)
- **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL -- ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**
(Government Code 54956.9(b) - The Libertarian Party)
- **PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT (Government Code 54957)** *Personnel matters, to include:
Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release.*
- **STUDENT DISCIPLINE (Education Code 48918 and Government Code 54962)**
*Expulsion Case No. 00/01-16, 00/01-17, and 00/01-18. The Board must consider matters
of student discipline in Closed Session unless the parent or student requests an Open
Session.*

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION – 7:00 P.M.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTION

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 13, 2000 (Regular Meeting)

**6. RECOGNITIONS, RECEIPTS OF GIFTS, ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND
ACCEPTANCES**

RECEIPT OF GIFTS

Charleen L. Kirkman, Controller

The Board will be interested in acknowledging the following people and/or organizations for their generous donation.

<u>DONOR</u>	<u>GIFT</u>	<u>EST. VALUE</u>
E. Khashoggi Family Foundation	16,000 shares of EarthShell Corp.	Unknown
Todd & David Still	Cash donation	\$500
Barbara Lansdon	Nikon camera parts	\$500
Diabetes Resource Center	Cash donation	\$500
Susan Butcher	Cash donation	\$600
S. B. Contractors Association	Cash donation	\$1,000
The Wharton Foundation	Cash donation	\$25,250

Recommended: That the Board of Education accept with appreciation the donations to the Santa Barbara Elementary School District and Santa Barbara High School District.

7. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

8. STUDENT BOARD MEMBER REPORT

9. CORRESPONDENCE

Individual Board Members may receive correspondence that they want to share with the Board, staff and the public.

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS – 15 Minutes

During this time, the Board President may acknowledge requests to speak on a topic not on the agenda. Persons wishing to address the Board should complete a “Speaker Card” prior to this agenda item. By Board policy, the “Speaker Card” must contain the speaker’s name, address and subject to be addressed.

Individuals will be limited to a maximum of three minutes and possibly less, depending on the number of speakers. If the speaker needs more time, s/he may submit written comments or request time on a future agenda.

B. CONSENT CALENDAR – 7:15 P.M. – 5 Minutes

*The following items are routine and may be enacted by approval of a single motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. Any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda upon request of a Board member. (NOTE: A double asterisk (**)) indicates that an attachment to the item is available at the rear of the Board Room.)*

Recommended: That the Board approve the following items as presented:

1. **PERSONNEL ACTION ITEMS****

**Resource Persons: Jolene Reed, Coordinator, Certificated Personnel
Elaine Alvarado, Coordinator, Classified Personnel**

Recommended: The persons listed in the attachment are recommended to the Board for the action listed. Documents regarding the appointments of candidates, leaves of absence, resignations, and reassignments have been submitted and meet the necessary requirements.

2. **PURCHASE ORDERS****

Resource Person: Robert Gonzalez, Director of Facilities and Operations

A list of routine purchase orders is being submitted to the Board for review. Purchase orders in excess of \$5,000 require Board approval.

Recommended: That the Board of Education approve the Purchase Order Report for the period December 7, 2000 through January 3, 2001.

3. **WARRANTS ****

Resource Person: Charleen L. Kirkman, Controller

Copies of Commercial Warrant register sheets listing the warrants have been provided to members of the Board.

Recommended: That the Board of Education approve the attached warrant listings.

4. **REPORT OF ARBITRAGE CALCULATIONS, GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND / ROOSEVELT SCHOOL****

Resource Person: Charleen L. Kirkman, Controller

As previously reported to the Board on October 25, 2000, arbitrage calculations on the General Obligation Bonds issued for Roosevelt School have been completed by the Districts' external auditors, Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co. The amount due and payable to the Internal Revenue Service is \$46,050.17. Attached is a copy of the report.

Recommended: That the Board of Education accept the Arbitrage Calculations Report on the General Obligation Bonds, Roosevelt School Project.

5. **DENIAL OF LIABILITY CLAIM ON BEHALF OF A CITIZEN**

Resource Person: Charleen L. Kirkman, Controller

A claim has been filed on behalf of a citizen for an injury sustained October 6, 1999.

Recommended: That the Board of Education deny the liability claim filed on behalf of a citizen and refer it to the Districts' insurance carrier.

6. **ACCEPTANCE OF ANNUAL AUDIT REPORTS OF THE SANTA BARBARA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT, SANTA BARBARA HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY FUNDS****

Resource Person: Charleen L. Kirkman, Controller

In compliance with State Law, an annual audit of both Districts' funds and Associated Student Body (ASB) Funds has been completed for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000. Copies of the reports have been distributed to Board Members for review. A copy is available in the Business Office for public review.

Recommended: That the Board accept the 1999/2000 audit reports of the Santa Barbara Elementary District, Santa Barbara High School District, and Associated Student Body Funds.

7. **STUDENT TEACHER AGREEMENT WITH CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, NORTHRIDGE'S SCHOOL NURSE PROGRAM****

Resource Person: Jolene M. Reed, Coordinator, Certificated Personnel

The Santa Barbara Elementary and High School Districts have received a request from California State University, Northridge to provide student teaching opportunities for their School Nurse Program. The students from the program will be assigned by the university to participate in the duties and functions of a School Nurse under the direct supervision and instruction of our School Nurses.

Recommended: That the Board of Education approve the student teaching agreements with California State University, Northridge's School Nurse Program.

C. CONFERENCE AGENDA – 7:20 PM

*Conference items may recognize people and programs, provide reports, request operational actions, discuss proposals or make recommendations. The Board may comment, provide direction or take action on these items. Generally, items requiring action will be placed on a following action agenda. (NOTE: A double asterisk (**)) indicates that there is an attachment to the item available at the rear of the Boardroom.)*

1. **REQUEST FROM MONROE PARENTS TO HOUSE THE 6TH GRADE AT MONROE****

**7:20 p.m.
20 mins.**

Resource Person: Deborah A. Flores, Superintendent

In November, Kate Moore, a Monroe parent, presented a petition to the Board which was signed by 34 Monroe parents. The petition requested that the 6th grade remain at Monroe beginning in September, 2001. Monroe parents will make a brief presentation. This item is placed on the agenda in order to give the Board a chance to have an initial discussion about this request.

2. **PRESENTATION OF A FUNDRAISING PLAN FOR A PROPOSED AQUATIC CENTER AT DOS PUEBLOS HIGH SCHOOL**** 7:40 p.m.
15 mins.
Resource Person: Michael Couch, Assistant Superintendent

David Cash, Principal, and Jim Kuga, parent, will present a proposal for an Aquatics Center at Dos Pueblos High School and the fundraising plan. A copy of the proposal is attached.

3. **MASTER PLANNING PROPOSALS**** 7:55 p.m.
45 mins.
Resource Person: Deborah A. Flores, Superintendent

At previous Board Meetings, the concept of master planning and conducting surveys of the community have been discussed. At one of these meetings, Ms. Irene Falzone made a presentation about master planning in general. Ms. Falzone was asked to develop a formal proposal for presentation to the Board. A proposal from Torrance Planning is attached. Ms. Falzone and other members of the group will make a presentation at this Board Meeting and answer Board Members' questions.

As described, the Torrance Planning proposal is for a Phase I Study. Based on the information gathered and results of the Phase I Study, the Board may wish to consider additional studies/work related to master planning. At that point, the Board may want to initiate a formal RFP process.

Also, the following information is provided to update the Board and public. In the fall (2000), resulting from initial Board discussions about the idea of surveying the public and developing a master plan, several top firms/companies were contacted to investigate the feasibility of performing work for the District. The firms contacted were:

National Opinion Research Center, University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois
Survey Research Center, University of California, Berkeley, California
Public Agenda, New York City, New York
*Concordia, Inc., New Orleans, Louisiana

*Concordia, Inc. submitted a written proposal which is also attached.

4. **RESOLUTION TO ADOPT CALIFORNIA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION (C.S.B.A.) GOVERNANCE STANDARDS**** 8:40 p.m.
15 mins.
Resource Person: Deborah A. Flores, Superintendent

At Mrs. VanBlaricum's request, the C.S.B.A. Governance Standards are being placed on this agenda for discussion. The Board may wish to adopt these standards and if so, they will be placed on a future agenda for action.

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
Resource Person: Deborah A. Flores, Superintendent**

**8:55 p.m.
30 mins.**

The purpose of this agenda item is to give the Board an opportunity to discuss upcoming Board Meeting agenda items. The goal is to identify the major agenda items that Board Members wish to discuss and to calendar these items so that adequate planning may take place. Also, it may be appropriate to consolidate some items and to schedule some for Special Board Meetings.

As a starting point, attached is a list of potential agenda items that was developed from: 1) topics proposed by Board Members at previous Board Meetings, 2) topics proposed by individual Board Members, and/or 3) specific requests from members of the public. Again, this list is offered as a starting point as it is anticipated there will be additional items proposed during the discussion.

Also, it would be helpful to discuss annual reports that the Board would like presented and to calendar these reports (e.g. curriculum reports, budget reports, etc.).

D. ACTION AGENDA – 9:25 PM

*(NOTE: A double asterisk (**)) indicates that there is an attachment to an item available at the rear of the Board Room)*

**1. COMMITTEE AND OTHER BOARD APPOINTMENTS
Resource Person: Deborah A. Flores, Superintendent**

**9:25 p.m.
15 mins.**

There are a number of committees to which Board Members are appointed. It is time to appoint individual Board Members to these committees. The committees are as follows:

Bond Oversight Committee
Central Coast School Foundation (Observer)
City of Santa Barbara/School District Mutual Interests Committee
Diversity Committee
Elementary (Parent) Advisory Committee
Secondary (Parent) Advisory Committee
Gevirtz Center Liaison
Santa Barbara City College/School District Liaison Committee
Santa Barbara Public Education Foundation

Recommended: That the Board of Education discuss and appoint Board Members to the various District and community committees accordingly.

2. **ADOPTION OF TWO ADDITIONAL BOOKS FOR THE “READING FOR SUCCESS” CLASSES, SECOND READING**** 9:40 p.m.
Resource Person: Michael Couch, Assistant Superintendent 5 mins.

Titles being requested for adoption, Holes and Bud, Not Buddy, are for the junior high “Reading for Success” classes.

Recommended: That the Board of Education approve the two additional books for the “Reading for Success” classes, second reading and adoption.

3. **FIELD TRIP – LA COLINA JHS/WASHINGTON, D.C. AND WILLIAMSBURG, VIRGINIA** 9:45 p.m.
Resource Person: Michael Couch, Assistant Superintendent 5 mins.

La Colina JHS is requesting approval to travel to Washington, D.C. and Williamsburg, Virginia. Seventy-seven students will be visiting historical places that they studying in 8th grade American History. Inclusive dates of travel are March 31-April 4, 2001. There will be approximately nine chaperones. Fundraising will cover all expenses.

La Cumbre MS is requesting approval to travel to Washington, D.C. and Williamsburg, Virginia. Seventy-eight students will be visiting historical places that they are studying in 8th grade American History. Inclusive dates of travel are February 14-19, 2001. There will be approximately nine chaperones. Fundraising will cover all expenses.

Recommended: That the Board of Education approve these field trips.

4. **BOARD APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DISTRICTS AND THE CALIFORNIA SCHOOL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION (C.S.E.A.)**** 9:50 p.m.
Resource Person: Elaine Alvarado, Classified Personnel Coordinator 5 mins.

The Classified Bargaining Team and the California School Employees Association (C.S.E.A.) began annual negotiations on November 1, 2000. On December 1, 2000, an agreement was reached between the Districts and C.S.E.A. for the period of July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2001.

Recommended: That the Board of Education approve the Agreement between the Districts and C.S.E.A. for the period 2000-2001.

5. **OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL AND EXPENSES IN EXCESS OF \$500** 9:55 p.m.
Resource Person: Michael Couch, Assistant Superintendent 5 mins.

Bonnie Barber, teacher, DPHS, is requesting approval for out-of-state travel and expenses in excess of \$500 to attend the California Association of Work Education Educators in Sparks, Nevada. Inclusive dates of travel are March 7-9, 2001. She will miss 3 days of work. SIP funds will cover expenses of \$617.00 for lodging, meals and travel.

1. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTION

J. ADJOURNMENT

NEXT BOARD MEETING: The next regularly scheduled Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 24, 2001.