

**Santa Barbara School Districts**  
**Board of Education Meeting Minutes**

**Special Meeting – Thursday, January 7, 2010**

720 Santa Barbara Street Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (805) 963-4338 www.sbsdk12.org

**Board Members In Attendance**

Annette Cordero, *Vice President*  
Kate Parker, *Member*

Robert Noël, *Member*  
Susan Deacon, *Member*

**Board Members Absent**  
H. Edward Heron, *President*

**REGULAR SESSION**

**A.1 Call to Order**

Board Vice President Cordero called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

**A.2 Pledge of Allegiance**

Board Vice President Cordero led the pledge

• **Spanish Translation**

Yatzie Ponce was present to provide Spanish translation

• **Headsets for Hearing Impaired**

Board Vice President Cordero announced that headsets were available for the hearing impaired

**A.3 Public Comments**

None

**ACTION AGENDA**

**B.1 Discussion and Possible Approval of Memorandum of Understanding to Participate in “Race to the Top” for the Elementary and Secondary Districts**

J. Brian Sarvis, Ed.D., superintendent, spoke about the “Race to the Top” program for the elementary and secondary districts.

Board discussion followed.

Board Vice President Cordero asked the board for a vote for all of those in favor of approving the memorandum of understanding to participate in the “Race to the Top” program for the elementary and secondary districts to so state, and all of those not in favor to so state.

Passed. Vote: 3-1-1 / Ayes: 3 (Parker, Deacon, Noël) / Noes: 1 (Cordero) / Absent: 1 (Heron)

**C. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Attest:

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Annette Cordero, Vice President  
Board of Education

Adopted by the Santa Barbara School Districts Board of Education

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**Regular Meeting – Tuesday, January 12, 2010**

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Board Members In Attendance

H. Edward Heron, *President*  
Annette Cordero, *Vice President*

Susan Deacon, *Member*  
Kate Parker, *Member*  
Robert Noël, *Member*

**REGULAR SESSION**

**A.1 Call to Order**

Board President Heron called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**A.2 Public Comments** (related to closed session)

- Kate Smith spoke about expelling students

**CLOSED SESSION**

The board adjourned to closed session at 6:08 p.m.

**B.1 Student Discipline** (Education Code §48918)

Expulsion case numbers: 09/10-17

**B.2 Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation** (Government Code § 54956.9(a)):

One matter:

**Case Name Unspecified:** Student confidentiality protected under Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. § 1232(g); 34 CFR Part 99, and disclosure would jeopardize settlement negotiations Student Case Number: OAH CASE NO. 2009040829

**B.3 Conference with Labor Negotiator** (Government Code § 54957.6)

Agency designated representative: Eric D. Smith, Deputy Superintendent  
Employee organization: Santa Barbara Teachers Association

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Employee organization: California School Employees Association

**REGULAR SESSION**

The board returned to regular session at 7:00 p.m.

**C.1 Pledge of Allegiance**

Board President Heron led the pledge

- **Spanish Translation**

Sandra Trujillo was present to provide Spanish translation

- **Headsets for Hearing Impaired**

Board President Heron announced that headsets were available for the hearing impaired.

- **Introductions, Proclamations, Presentations or Recognitions**

Dr. Sarvis, superintendent, introduced Amy Alzina, principal of Adams Elementary School who, with her students spoke about "Adams Tiger Tales, a sixth-grade GATE closed circuit broadcast made possible due to technology advances on the Adams Elementary School campus.

Dr. Sarvis introduced Dr. Caryl Miller, interim special education director, who had concluded her contract as a district consultant. Dr. Sarvis thanked Dr. Miller for her efforts with the Special Education department for the past six months.

Dr. Sarvis introduced Dr. Michele Britton-Bass, new director of special education for secondary education.

**Superintendent's Report**

- Community emergencies
- Donation from Anne and Michael Towbes to Dos Pueblos High School Engineering Academy
- Kids Helping Kids
- Census 2010
- Internet safety
- Upcoming events
- *Board Brief*
- **Student Report – Emily Dall – Santa Barbara High School**

**C.2 Announcement of Closed Session Action**

There was no reportable action

**C.3 General Public Comment**

- Meg Miller spoke about class size in K-3 grades
- Cathy Abarca spoke about her appreciation of Dr. Caryl Miller
- Lisa Fell spoke about budget cuts affecting class size in K-3 grades
- Kate Smith spoke about her appreciate of Dr. Caryl Miller
- Jill Padilla-Vacarro spoke about the upcoming internet safety seminar
- Cory Bream spoke about her appreciation of Dr. Caryl Miller

**C.4 Acceptance of Donations**

Board Vice President Cordero moved to accept the list of donations with appreciation. Seconded by board member Deacon.

Motion passed. Vote: 5-0

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Board member Parker suggested a small correction to item D.1, minutes of November 24, 2009. Motion made by board member Noël to pull items D.5, D.8, and D.15 for a separate vote later in the meeting. Motion made by board member Noël to approve the balance of the consent agenda, along with the corrections to the board minutes of November 24, 2009. Seconded by board member Parker.

Motion passed. Vote: 5-0

**D.1 Approval of Minutes of November 10, 2009, November 19, 2009, and November 24, 2009**

**D.2 Approval of Additional Fundraising for 2009-10 for Dos Pueblos High School, Goleta Valley Junior High School, La Cumbre Junior High School and San Marcos High School**

**D.3 Approval of Staff Travel: Out-of-State Travel and/or Expenses in Excess of \$500, Dated January 5, 2010**

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**D.5 Adoption of Resolution No. 09/10-28, Approval of California State Preschool Program Contract No. CSPP-9574 Amendment 01 between the Santa Barbara School Districts' Child Development Program and the California Department of Education**

Motion made by board member Noël to adopt Resolution No. 09/10-28, Approval of California State Preschool Program Contract No. CSPP-9574 Amendment 01 between the Santa Barbara School Districts' Child Development Program and the California Department of Education. Seconded by board Vice President Cordero.

Motion passed. Vote: 5-0

**D.6 Adoption of Resolution No. 09/10-29, Approval of General Child Care and Development Programs Contract No. CCTR-9314 Amendment 01 between the Santa Barbara School Districts' Child Development Program and the California Department of Education**

**D.7 Approval of Revised Contract Agreement between Santa Barbara School Districts, Harding Elementary School and the Family Service Agency for the 2009-2010 School Year**

**D.8 Approval of Master Contract (2009-10) and Individual Service Agreement with Summit View School-Valley Glen as per Settlement Agreement (OAH#N2008100746)**

Motion made by board member Noël to approve the Master Contract (2009-10) and Individual Service Agreement with Summit View School-Valley Glen as per settlement agreement (OAH#N2008100746). Seconded by board member Parker.

Motion passed. Vote: 5-0

**D.9 Approval of an Independent Contractor Agreement (2009/2010) with Dr. Robert Patterson to Provide a Comprehensive Psycho-Educational Assessment for a Special Education Student**

**D.10 Approval of Independent Contractor Agreement (2009/2010) with Dr. Mark Toscher to Provide a Comprehensive Audiological Assessment for a Special Education Student**

**D.11 Approval of Independent Contractor Agreement (2009/2010) with Dr. Ann Simun to Provide a Comprehensive Neuropsychological Assessment for a Special Education Student**

**D.12 Acceptance of Quarterly Reports on Williams Uniform Complaints for the Santa Barbara Elementary and Santa Barbara Secondary School Districts**

**D.13 Approval of Recommended Personnel Action Items Dated January 12, 2010**

**D.14 Approval of Payment of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges Accreditation Team Travel Expenses**

**D.15 Approval of Purchase Order Report for the Period December 9, 2009 through January 5, 2010**

Motion made by board member Noël to approve the purchase order report for the period of December 9, 2009 and January 5, 2010. Seconded by board Vice President Cordero.

Motion passed. Vote: 5-0

**D.16 Approval to Declare Material as Surplus to the Needs of the Districts**

**D.17 Rejection of All Bids, Waste Hauling and Recycling Service**

**D.18 Approval of Amendment to Cox Business Services Contract for Local Area Network and Internet Access**

**D.19 Approval of Paid Commercial Warrant Register Dated December 9, 2009 through December 22, 2009**

**D.20 Approval of Peabody Charter School 2009-10 First Interim**

**D.21 Approval of Cesar Chavez Charter School 2009-10 First Interim**

**D.22 Approval of Change Order No. 16, Santa Barbara High School, Main Building Waterproofing**

**D.23 Acceptance of Completed Contract, Site ADA Improvements at Santa Barbara High School**

**D.24 Approval of Proposal from Flowers and Associates for Engineering Services for Sewer Replacement at McKinley Elementary School**

**D.25 Approval of Change Order No. 2R-ADA Stage Lift at McKinley Elementary School**

**D.26 Approval of Change Order No. 2R-ADA Stage Lift at McKinley Elementary School**

**D.27 Approval of Change Order No. 4 – La Cuesta Continuation High School Modernization at Santa Barbara High School**

**D.28 Approval of Change Order No. 5 – La Cuesta Continuation High School Modernization at Santa Barbara High School**

## **ACTION AGENDA**

### **E.1 Approval of Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Harding School and the University of California, Santa Barbara, Gevirtz Graduate School of Education Intent to Develop a University Partnership School**

Robin Sawaske, associate superintendent, spoke about the Memorandum of Understanding regarding Harding Elementary School and the University of California at Santa Barbara Gevirtz Graduate School of Education involving the intent to develop a university partnership school.

Public Comment:

- Tina Sloan
- Willis Copeland
- Carol Schwyzer
- Layne Wheeler

Motion made by board member Noël to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with suggested amendment regarding Harding Elementary School and the University of California at Santa Barbara Gevirtz Graduate School of Education involving the intent to develop a university partnership school. Seconded by board member Parker.

Motion passed. Vote: 5-0

*The board next considered agenda item E.3*

### **E.2 Second Reading and Adoption of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5116.1, “Intradistrict Open Enrollment”**

Michael Gonzalez, director of student services and compliance, spoke about the second reading and adoption of board policy and administrative regulation 5116.1, “Intradistrict Open Enrollment.”

Public Comment:

- Lisa Fell
- Kate Smith

Motion made by board member Parker to adopt board policy and administrative regulation 5116.1, “Intradistrict Open Enrollment.” Seconded by board vice president Cordero.

Motion passed. Vote: 5-0

### **E.3 Public Hearing on Intent to Convey Easement and Right of Way, Monroe Elementary School and Approval of Contract for Right of Way – State Highway – Permanent Easement, State of California, Department of Transportation**

David Hetyonk, director of facilities and operations, asked Board President Heron to open the public hearing of this agenda item.

Board President Heron opened the public hearing for comments. No public comments were made.

Board member Parker moved to approve the Intent to Convey Easement and Right of Way for Monroe Elementary School, and to approve the Contract for Right of Way – State Highway – Permanent Easement, State of California, Department of Transportation. Seconded by board member Noël.  
Motion passed. Vote: 5-0

*The board returned to agenda item E.2*

#### **E.4 Approval of Naming San Marcos High School Gymnasium Facilities**

Dr. J. Brian Sarvis, superintendent, spoke about the proposed names of gymnasium facilities for San Marcos High School.

Motion made by board Vice President Cordero to approve the proposed names of gymnasium facilities for San Marcos High School. Seconded by board President Heron.

Motion passed. Vote 4-1 / Ayes: 4 (Parker, Deacon, Heron, Cordero) / Noes: 1 (Noël)

#### **E.5 Approval of Committee Appointment of Cesar Chavez Charter School Governance Council**

Robin Sawaske, associate superintendent, spoke about the provision of the Cesar Chavez Charter School charter that allows for a school board member to participate on the charter school's governance council.

Motion made by board member Deacon to nominate board Vice President Cordero to participate on the Cesar Chavez Charter School's governance council. Seconded by board President Heron.

Motion passed. Vote: 5-0

*The board adjourned for a 10-minute break*

#### **E.6 Approval of the Santa Barbara School Districts' Independent Audit Report for the Period Ended June 30, 2009**

Eric D. Smith, deputy superintendent, spoke about the Santa Barbara School Districts' Independent Audit Report for the period ended June 30, 2009.

Motion made by board member Parker to approve the Santa Barbara School Districts' Independent Audit Report for the period ended June 30, 2009. Seconded by board member Noël.

Motion passed. Vote: 5-0

#### **E.7 Approval of Classified General Fund Positions/Layoffs Due to Lack of Work**

Elaine Alvarado, classified personnel coordinator, spoke about approval of classified general fund position layoffs due to lack of work.

Motion made by board member Deacon to approve the classified general fund position layoffs due to lack of work. Seconded by board member Parker.

Motion passed. Vote: 5-0

#### **E.8 Approval of Board Action on Student Discipline Case Numbers: 09/10-17**

In the matter of case number 09/10-17, motion made by board member Deacon to accept the recommendation of the administrative hearing panel of a one suspended school year expulsion with the option of staying at the existing school. Seconded by board member Parker.

Motion passed. Vote: 5-0

### **CONFERENCE AGENDA**

#### **F.1 Discussion of FCMAT Draft Action Plan**

Tom Guajardo, executive director of special education, and Dr. Caryl Miller, consultant to the school districts for special education, spoke about the FCMAT (Fiscal Crisis & Management Assistance Team) draft action plan.

#### **Public Comment**

- Karolyn Renard
- Lynn Rodriguez
- Kate Smith

**F.2 Report on Santa Barbara High School and San Marcos High School Bridge Programs**

This item will return to a future board meeting.

**F.3 Request to Speak to Board of Education Regarding “Complaints about Brian Sarvis and Michael Gonzalez**

This item will return to a future board meeting.

**F.4 Report on the Governor’s Proposed 2010-11 Fiscal Year Budget**

Eric D. Smith, deputy superintendent, spoke about the governor’s proposed 2010-11 fiscal year budget.

**F.5 Parent Pay Transportation Program**

This item will return to a future board meeting.

**G. Return to Consent Items Designated for Discussion**

D.5, D.8, D.15

**H. Coming Events**

The Superintendent announced a number of upcoming school events during the *Superintendent’s Report* delivered earlier in the meeting.

**I. Board Comments and Correspondence**

Board member Deacon spoke about the CSBA (California School Boards Association) conference that she and board member Parker attended in San Diego in December 2009. Board member Deacon stated that they both benefitted very much from the various workshops they attended.

Board vice president Cordero updated the board on the status of Cesar Chavez Charter School, stating that the governance council had decided to pursue a new charter rather than continue with the possibility of a renewal of the current charter. A number of new task forces have been established to assist with looking at a new academic plan and direction, as well as other issues that they want to address.

**J. Future Agenda Items**

**K. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:20 p.m.

Attest:

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H. Edward Heron, President  
Board of Education

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