

**SANTA BARBARA ELEMENTARY/HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICTS
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting
February 10, 2004**

A.1 Call to Order

The Santa Barbara Elementary and High School Districts' Board of Education regular meeting was held the Administration Center Board Room, 720 Santa Barbara Street, Santa Barbara, California, and called to order by Board President, Nancy Harter.

Members Present: Nancy Harter, President
Robert Noël, Vice President
Ruth E. Green, Member
Lynn Rodriguez, Member (absent for closed session only)
Fred Rifkin, Member

Staff Present: Michael Couch, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education
David Hetynok, Director of Facilities and Operations
Brian Sarvis, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent Elementary/Research and Technology
Mary Stark, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

Craig Price, Legal Counsel

A.2 Public Comments (relating to closed session items only)

None

A.3 Closed Session – 5:35 P.M.

The Board adjourned to discuss the following matters in closed session:

- **Student Discipline** (Education Code 48918) Expulsion Case:
Numbers 03/04-19 and 03/04-25 (Santa Barbara High School District).
- **Conference with Labor Negotiator** (Government Code sections 54957.6 and 3549.1)
Agency Designated Representative: Superintendent Deborah Flores
Employee Organizations: Santa Barbara Teachers Association
- **Conference with Real Property Negotiator** (Government Code 54956.8):
Property: 602 E. Montecito Street, Santa Barbara, California.
Agency Negotiator: Craig Price, attorney with Griffith & Thornburgh, LLP.
Negotiating Parties: Santa Barbara School Districts and property owner The J. Anthony Wilson Trust by Steve Brown of Radius Group.
Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment of possible lease or lease with option to purchase of office building to relocate the Districts' administration offices.

Return to Regular Session – 7:12 P.M.

A.4 Pledge of Allegiance

All were led in the Pledge of Allegiance by Board President, Nancy Harter.

A.5 Announcement of Closed Session Action

Nancy Harter announced that the board in closed session gave direction to Mr. Price, negotiator, with respect to price and terms of payment of property described on the agenda.

A.6 Approval of Minutes – January 20, 2004 and January 27, 2004

Motion by Fred Rifkin
Second by Ruth Green
Vote: 5-0

A.7 Receipt of Gifts

Motion: That the Board of Education accept with appreciation the donations listed in the agenda.
Motion by Ruth Green
Second by Lynn Rodriguez
Vote: 5-0

A.8 Superintendent's Report

- Principal Brent Millhollen presented three Monroe students honoring Martin Luther King at Monroe School – Kindness & Justice, Developing Character. Students recited parts of Dr. Kings "I Have a Dream" speech.
- Mike Couch recognized Erin Powers, selected by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.

A.9 Student Board Member Report

Rachel Fischel from Dos Pueblos reported on activities at Dos Pueblos High School.

A.10 Correspondence

None

A.11 Superintendent's Bulletin

On the second and fourth Friday of each month, the superintendent provides the board with a report called the Superintendent's Bulletin. This is an informational report about school district matters. A copy of the report is available for the public to read in the reception area of the district office. Anyone who would like a copy of the report should contact the superintendent's office. A list of the topics included in the last two week's Superintendent's Bulletin is attached at the end of this agenda.

A.12 Board Focus Goals

A copy of the Board Focus Goals is attached to at the end of the agenda.

A.13 Public Comments

Robert Bakhaus: Libertarian Party review of district's noncompliance with Fair Political Practices Commission's Conflict of Interest Form 700
Brian Burd: Mr. Neel's report, and criticism of the districts' efforts to secure Proposition 47 funds.
Tony Fisher: Mr. Neel's report, and criticism of the districts' efforts to secure Proposition 47 funds.
Melody Uribe: Educational opportunities for her younger brothers.

B. Action Agenda – 7:47 P.M.

B.1 Process for Replacing Ruth Green, Board Member

Recommended: That the Board of Education discuss and possibly approve a process for selecting a new board member for the Santa Barbara School Districts.

Motion by Bob Noël that the Board appoint a new board member rather than hold an election.

Second by Lynn Rodriguez

Vote: 4-0 with Ruth Green abstaining.

Motion by Bob Noël that the district place advertisements in all the newspapers with news coverage and a website posting soliciting letters of interest

Second by Lynn Rodriguez

Vote: 4-0 with Ruth Green abstaining.

Presenters: Craig Price spoke to Ed Code provisions for filling board vacancy.

Dennis O'Leary, appointed trustee in Oxnard, described the appointment process in Oxnard.

Speakers: Nestor Hernandez: Board appointment of a member of the Latino community

Dennis O'Leary: Offer of LULAC services

B.2 Appointment of Food Service Director

Recommended: That the Board of Education approve Frank Lihn's appointment as the food service director.

Motion by Fred Rifkin

Second by Ruth Green

Vote: 5-0

B.3 Student Field Trips

Recommended: That the Board of Education approve the field trips noted in the agenda.

Motion by Fred Rifkin

Second by Ruth Green

Vote: 4-0 with Bob Noël abstaining.

B.4 Staff Travel: Out-of-State Travel and Expenses in Excess of \$500

Recommended: That the Board of Education approve the above listed out-of-state travel and/or expenses in excess of \$500.

Motion by Lynn Rodriguez

Second by Ruth Green

Vote: 4-0 with Bob Noël abstaining.

B.5 Student Expulsions

Recommended: That the Board of Education take action regarding expulsion case numbers 03/04-19 and 03/04-25 (Santa Barbara High School District).

Case number 03/04-19: Motion by Ruth Green to uphold the findings and recommendations of the hearing panel, adding the provision of mental health services.

Second by Fred Rifkin

Vote: 4-0 with Lynn Rodriguez abstaining.

Case number 03/04-25: Motion by Fred Rifkin to uphold the findings and recommendations of the hearing panel with the following exception: that the student is to attend La Cuesta at the La Colina campus.

Second by Bob Noël

Vote: 4-0 with Lynn Rodriguez abstaining.

C. Conference Agenda – 9:00 P.M.

C.1 Interim Report on Lindamood-Bell Reading Program at Adams Elementary School

Paul Worthington reported on the first session results of the Lindamood-Bell program at Adams School.

Jo Ann Caines reported on the hours received by students, training for special education teachers in an effort to reduce the number of special education students, and early intervention and prevention of reading difficulties.

Board discussion and questioning by Dr. Noel followed.

C.2 Calendar Change – K-12

Dr. Flores presented the background and feedback on different elementary extended year and secondary calendar proposals.

Speakers: Sarah Griffin: Implications of early start calendar for construction projects

Tish Gainey: Secondary proposed calendar review and support by secondary parent advisory committee

Elizabeth Sorgman: Secondary proposed calendar review and support by Santa Barbara High School

Dr. Flores will return to the next meeting with a proposal.

C.3 Discussion about the Expulsion Process

Postponed to a future agenda.

C.4 District Office Relocation and Expansion of the Santa Barbara Community Academy

Dr. Flores presented a list of potential properties examined by the districts as potential district office locations, floor plan approved by Santa Barbara Community Academy, and the prohibitive cost of moving portables to the Santa Barbara Community Academy vs. leaving the portables at Santa Barbara Junior High.

Dave Hetyonk explained the floor plan for Phase 3 construction within the current district office.

C.5 Review of New Secondary Courses (First Reading)

Mike Couch described each course.

Speaker Sarah Griffin: Accommodation of text book needs

C.6 Revision to Board Policy 1240, Community Relations – Volunteer Assistance (First Reading)

Postponed to future agenda.

C.7 California School Boards Association Membership

Postponed to future agenda.

D. Consent Calendar – 10:43 P.M.

Motion by Bob Noël to approve all but D8, D9, and D10.

Second by Lynn Rodriguez.

Vote: 5-0

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

D.1 Personnel Action Items

Recommended: That the Board of Education approve the list of recommended personnel action items attached to the agenda.

Vote: Approved by consent

D.2 Purchase Orders

Recommended: That the Board of Education approve the purchase order reports for the period January 22, 2004 through February 3, 2004.

Vote: Approved by consent

D.3 Warrants

Recommended: That the Board of Education approve the attached warrant listings, dated January 28, 2004 through February 6, 2004.

Vote: Approved by consent

D.4 Acceptance of Completed Contracts

Recommended: That the Board of Education accept the completed contracts referenced in the agenda.

Vote: Approved by consent

D.5 Engineering Services, Storm Water Management Plan

Recommended: That the Board of Education approve the proposal submitted by Flowers and Associates for engineering services, preparing NPDES Phase II Notice of Intent Applications, and a storm water management plan for the Santa Barbara School Districts. The cost is not to exceed \$58,275. Funding for this project will come from general funds (70% charged to the Santa Barbara High School District and 30% charged to the Santa Barbara Elementary School District).

Vote: Approved by consent

D.6 Santa Barbara High School Modernization, Phase IA, Change Order No. 3

Recommended: That the Board approve Change Order No. 3 in the amount of \$21,515.67 for Santa Barbara High School modernization phase IA. This change order will be funded from Santa Barbara High School Measure V bond funds.

Vote: Approved by consent

D.7 Transportation Agreement with the Goleta Union School District

Recommended: That the Board of Education approve the agreement between Goleta Union School District and Santa Barbara High School District for transportation for students who reside in the El Capitan Ranch and Painted Cave areas.

Vote: Approved by consent

D.8 Amendment of Appendix to the Conflict of Interest Code

Recommended: That the Board of Education adopt Board Resolution 03/04-24.

Correction: "Administrator, Food Services" changed to "Director, Food Services"

Motion by Bob Noël as modified

Second by Ruth Green

Vote: 5-0

D.9 Santa Barbara Elementary/High School Districts Injury and Illness Prevention Program (IIPP)

Recommended: That the Board of Education approve the Santa Barbara Elementary/High School Districts IIPP program per California Labor Code Section 6401.7 and California Code of Regulations Title 8, Sections 1509.

Speaker Sarah Griffin: Reference to the "Division"

Motion by Bob Noël as modified

Second by Ruth Green

Vote: 5-0

D.10 Board Resolution No. 03/04-23 to Extend Workers' Compensation Benefits to Unpaid Volunteers

Recommended: That the Board of Education approve the Resolution No. 03/04-23 to extend workers' compensation benefits to unpaid volunteers.

Postponed to a future agenda.

D.11 Additional Fundraising Plans for the 2003-2004 School Year

Recommended: That the Board of Education approve the additional fundraising plans for 2003-2004 for Santa Barbara High School.

Motion by Fred Rifkin

Second by Ruth Green

Vote: 5-0

E. Coming Events

F. Board Comments

Fred Rifkin: Marjorie Luke Theater Opening

G. Future Agenda Items

Dr, Flores: Preparation for an additional board meeting

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:56 p.m.

Attest:

Nancy Harter, President
Board of Education

Adopted by Board of Education on _____