

discussed as an agenda item later in the meeting. Copies are available at the back of the board room.

A.6 Approval of Minutes – February 24, 2004

Motion by Bob Noël.

Second by Lynn Rodriguez

Vote: 4-0

A.7 Receipt of Gifts

Dr. Flores gave special recognition to the Turner family for its generous gift. Mr. Rifkin also recognized the gift from Sportstec, Inc.

Motion: That the Board of Education accept with appreciation the donations listed in the agenda.

Motion by Fred Rifkin

Second by Lynn Rodriguez

Vote: 4-0

A.8 Superintendent's Report

- Michael Shallenberger explained the La Cumbre "Soyburban" project and introduced a few of the students involved in the project.
- Michael Couch introduced the San Marcos Academic Decathlon team, which took first place in the Santa Barbara County competition. Team members included Peter DeVore, Eli Kupperman, Wayne Feng, Eatai Ben-Sasson, Edward Anderson, and the team's coach, teacher Lawrence Gamble.

A.9 Student Board Member Report

None

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 at the end of this agenda.

A.13 Public Comments

None

B. Action Agenda – 7:20 P.M.

B.1 La Cumbre Junior High School—Progress Report and Recommendations for the 2004-2005 School Year

Dr. Flores explained the process used during the last two months to develop the Strategic Plan for La Cumbre. Dr. Flores acknowledged the work of Bob Pohl, Bob Noël, Eugenia Walters, the Advisory Council and the Leadership team. Bob Pohl, consultant, shared the finding of his efforts to assist with the visioning/strategic planning process at La Cumbre. Eugenia Walters, principal of La Cumbre, and staff member Janet Hollister reported on the school's five-point plan that the leadership team and advisory council have created.

David Holmes supported the performing arts component of the plan.

Motion: That the Board of Education endorse the La Cumbre Junior High School recommendations and encourages the faculty, staff and parents to continue to work on full implementation.

Motion by Robert Noël

Second by Lynn Rodriguez

Vote: 4-0

B.2 Staff Recommendations for School Calendars—2004-2005 and 2005-2006

Dr. Flores presented the staff recommendations for the school calendars for 2004-2005 and 2005-2006. She asked the Board of Education to decide on the starting date for the coming school year, either August 30, 2004, or the day after Labor Day.

Motion: That the Board of Education adopt the traditional calendar for the 2004-2005 school year with the starting date of September 7, 2004. (Adams School may make separate request at subsequent meeting.)

Motion by Bob Noël

Second by Lynn Rodriguez

Vote: 4-0

Motion: That the Board of Education adopt the staff recommended calendar for the 2005-2006 school year, except the elementary spring break to be the same as the secondary calendar (one week).

Motion by Fred Rifkin

Second by Bob Noël

Vote 3-1 (Lynn Rodriguez voted no)

Sarah Griffin spoke about childcare issues related to the calendar.

Jackie Lapkin stated that the Adams community wants to adopt the modified calendar in September 2004.

Laura Smith spoke about the hardship longer vacations have on Latino parents.

B.3 Reduction in Particular Kinds of Services in the Santa Barbara Elementary School District

Dr. Flores explained that the law requires action on "reduction in particular kinds of services" by March 15, 2004.

Motion: That the Board of Education approve the recommendation to reduce services in the Santa Barbara Elementary School District by 14.0 FTEs in elementary teachers and 3.0 FTEs in librarians with resulting layoffs of certificated employees.

Motion by Fred Rifkin
Second by Lynn Rodriguez
Vote: 4-0

Susan Billig recommended that no librarians receive reduction in services notices. Laura Madson stated that the librarians are concerned that they have to fundraise each year to maintain their positions.

B.4 Request to Address the Board

Postponed to the next meeting at the request of Mr. John Campilio of the Santa Barbara High School Alumni Association.

B.5 High School District Second Interim Report and Update on the State Budget

Mary Stark, assistant superintendent of business services, presented the Second Interim Report for the high school district. Additionally, Ms. Stark provided the board and the public with an update about the state budget.

Motion: That the Board of Education approve the Second Interim Report for the Santa Barbara High School District.

Motion by Fred Rifkin
Seconded by Lynn Rodriguez
Vote 4-0

B.6 Discussion about the Selection of a New Board Member

Board member Fred Rifkin requested that the board discuss further the process by which a new board member will be selected.

Motion: At the March 23, 2004 and the April 13, 2004 board meetings, that the Board of Education hear from people interested in becoming a board member, that the public have the right to ask questions, that the board members ask questions, and that the candidate process be held from 6:00-8:00 p.m., and be limited to 20 minutes per each person.

Motion by Fred Rifkin
Seconded by Lynn Rodriguez
Vote 4-0

Nestor Hernandez urged the Board of Education to follow a democratic process, and that diversity be considered in the selection process.

B.7 Recommendation to Hire a Consulting Firm to Assist with Planning, Timelines, and Oversight of Construction

David Hetyonk, Director of Facilities and Operations, recommended that Cannon Associates be awarded the contract. It was agreed to bring the recommendation back to the next meeting.

B.8 Appointment of Board Member to the Joint City of Goleta/Santa Barbara County Recreation Task Force

Dr. Flores presented the request to participate for representation from the Santa Barbara School Districts' Board of Education on the Joint City of Goleta/Santa Barbara County Recreation Task Force.

Motion: That the Board of Education appoint Bob Noël and Nancy Harter to represent the school districts on the Joint City of Goleta and Santa Barbara County Recreation Task Force at alternate meetings.

Motion by Fred Rifkin
Seconded by Lynn Rodriguez
Vote 4-0

B.9 Staff Travel: Out-of-State Travel and Expenses in Excess of \$500

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

Motion by Fred Rifkin
Second by Bob Noël
Vote: 4-0

B.10 Student Expulsions (Case numbers 03/04-30, 03/04-31, 03/04-32: Santa Barbara High School District)

Motion: That the Board of Education concur with recommendations and findings of the hearing panel in the expulsion case number 03/04-30.

Case #03/04-30:
Motion by Fred Rifkin
Second by Lynn Rodriguez
Vote: 4-0

Motion: That the Board of Education uphold the recommendation to expel in case 03/04-31.

Case #03/04-31:
Postponed for 30 days.

Motion: That the Board of Education uphold the recommendation to expel in case 03/04-32.

Case #03/04-32:
Motion by Lynn Rodriguez
Second by Bob Noël
Vote: 4-0

C. Conference Agenda – 10:05 P.M.

C.1 Districts' Initial Proposal – Santa Barbara Teacher's Association

Dr. Flores submitted the districts' initial proposal to the Santa Barbara Teacher's Association. Mr. Price, legal counsel, stated that the public will have an opportunity to comment on the proposal at the next board meeting.

C.2 Academic Performance Index (API) 2003 Base and School Reports

Dr. Sarvis explained the 2003 Base API results, which were released publicly today, March 9, 2004.

C.3 Report on Possible Adoption of Education Code Section 35110—Resolution Creating Single District with Common Administration

The item was postponed to the next meeting. Board members were asked to send questions to Dr. Flores.

D. Consent Calendar – 11:20 P.M.

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

Motion by Robert Noël to approve D.1-D.4 and D.6-D.8

Second by Fred Rifkin

Vote: 4-0

D.1 Personnel Action Items

Motion: That the Board of Education approve the attached list of recommended personnel action items.

Vote: 4-0

D.2 Purchase Orders

Motion: That the Board of Education approve the Purchase Order Report for the period February 18, 2004 through March 2, 2004.

Vote: 4-0

D.3 Warrants

Motion: That the Board of Education approve the attached warrant listings, dated February 26, 2004 through March 5, 2004.

Vote: 4-0

D.4 Consultant Services – Enrollment Projections

Motion: That the Board of Education approve the proposal to hire Dr. Ebenstein to develop enrollment projections at a cost of \$1,950.

Vote: 4-0

D.5 Campus Modernization and New Electrical Service at Adams Elementary School

Motion: That the Board of Education reject all bids.

Motion by Fred Rifkin

Seconded by Lynn Rodriguez

Vote: 4-0

D.6 Approval of the Agreement Between Rocket Vending Service and the Santa Barbara School Districts' Department of Food Services

Motion: That the Board of Education approve the agreement between Rocket Vending Service and the Santa Barbara School Districts' Department of Food Services.

Vote: 4-0

D.7 Additional Fundraising Plans for the 2003-2004 School Year

Motion: That the Board of Education approve the additional fundraising plans for 2003-2004 for Dos Pueblos High School and Santa Barbara High School.

Vote: 4-0

D.8 Addendum to Multiple Agreement for Instructional Media Services

Motion: That the Board of Education approve the addendum for library, audiovisual, and portal services through the Santa Barbara County Education Office.

Vote: 4-0

E. Coming Events – 11:30 P.M.

None

F. Board Comments – 11:35 P.M.

None

G. Future Agenda Items – 11:45 P.M.

None

H. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Nancy Harter, President
Board of Education

Adopted by Board of Education on March 23, 2004