

SANTA BARBARA ELEMENTARY/HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICTS
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, October 26, 2004

The Santa Barbara Elementary and High School Districts' Board of Education regular meeting was held in 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 Noel, Vice President
Annette Cordero, Member
Fred Rifkin, Member
Lynn Rodriguez, Member

Members Absent:

None

Staff Present:

Brian Sarvis, Ed.D., Interim Superintendent
Mary Stark, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services
Gerrie Fausett, Assistant Superintendent Elementary Education
Dave Hetynk, Director Facilities & Operations

Craig Price, Legal Counsel

Public Comments (relating to closed session items only)

None

Closed Session/Adjourn to Closed Session

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

- **Public Employee Appointment** (Government Code section 54957)
- **Conference with Labor Negotiator** (Government Code sections 54957.6 and 3549.1)
Position: Superintendent
Agency designated representative: Interim Superintendent Brian Sarvis
Employee Organizations: Santa Barbara Teachers Association and California School Employees Association
- **Student Discipline** (education Code 48918) Expulsion Case: Number 03/04 –65, 04/05 –05, 04/05 –07 (Santa Barbara High School District)

Return to Regular Session

Announcement of Closed Session Action

None

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Nancy Harter

Spanish Translation

Nancy Harter introduced Debbie Guerrero and stated Ms. Guerrero would be available for translation, if needed.

Approval of Minutes

Motion: That the Board of Education approve the minutes of the October 7, 2004 regular board meeting.

Motion by Lynn Rodriguez

Seconded by Fred Rifkin

Vote: 5-0

Receipt of Gifts

Motion: That the Board of Education accept with appreciation the donations to the schools and/or districts as listed in the agenda.

Motion by Fred Rifkin

Seconded by Lynn Rodriguez

Vote: 5-0

Introduction, Proclamations, Presentations and Recognitions

San Marcos High School students offered a brief presentation of the Two Gentlemen of Verona. Mr. Holmes and Ms. Anderson spoke about the benefits the students receive from performing arts.

Nancy Harter thanked the students for sharing their work with the board and congratulated them on a great performance.

Superintendent's Report

None

Student Board Member Report

Anna Messier, San Marcos High School student, introduced herself and reported on various items, such as home coming events, penny drives and a winter semi-formal.

Correspondence

Dr. Noel requested the following items be placed on a future board agenda: suggest board policy to provide for reimbursement for classroom supplies purchased by teachers.

Board Brief

Nancy Harter stated requests to receive the Board Brief should be made in the superintendent's office.

Board Focus Goals

Nancy Harter reminded those present that the Board Focus Goals are on the last pages of the Board Agenda.

Public Comments

Nancy Harter reviewed the procedures for public comments.

- Vorakarn Chanyavanich- Teacher salaries
- Mary Lindenstein- Teacher salaries

- Aaron Solis- Teacher salaries
- Eric Lauritsen- Teacher salaries
- Pamela Steele- Extended calendar
- Josue Sanchez- ROTC classroom at Dos Pueblos High School
- Ken Stevens- Teacher salaries
- Kim Miller- Teacher salaries
- Becca Sampson- Teacher salaries
- Carmel Aguirre-Kolb- Teacher salaries
- Rebekah Sillars- Teacher salaries
- Laura Baker- Teacher salaries
- Janice Ulloa-Brown- Teacher salaries
- Sarah Griffin- Teacher salaries
- Deborah Kramer- Teacher salaries
- Aaron T. Harkey- Teacher salaries

Nancy Harter thanked the speakers for their comments.

Conference Agenda

C.1 Report by Santa Barbara School District Real Property Advisory Committee on Recommendations to the Board Relating to Tatum, Hidden Valley, Happy Canyon and Western End of La Cumbre Junior High School Sites

Pat Saley introduced herself as the facilitator of the above committee and gave a presentation to the board. The presentation included background information of the committee, its members and the recommendations the committee had arrived at.

Public Comments:

- Alice Post
- Sarah Griffin

Annette Cordero requested Mr. Marshall Rose, committee's chairperson, clarify what he felt was the committee's charge.

Public Comments:

- Sarah Griffin

Dr. Sarvis stated the recommendations were presented for the board's understanding and they will each come back for study, review and action, based on the board's recommendation.

The board members thanked the Santa Barbara School District Real Property Advisory Committee and Ms. Griffin and the Committee to Restore Santa Barbara Elementary School District.

C.2 Report on Current Status of Reading for Success Programs

Dr. Sarvis introduced Jamie Allison, who is responsible for the High Point Programs. Ms. Allison gave a status report of the Reading for Success Programs. She introduced Ms. Kathy Dubock, who reported on the Corrective Reading Program. Ms. Dubock requested the board to keep the number of students at 20:1.

Ms. Linda Caruso reported on the High Point Program. She gave a quick overview of how the program works.

Ms. Eileen Craviotto reported on the use of the High Point Program at McKinley School. She stated there had been a tremendous API growth since its use.

The board members thanked the teachers and congratulated them on a job well done.

Items C3, C4, C5 and C7 delayed. Will be brought to the next board meeting.

C.6 Authorization to Proceed with the Formation of a District School Team to Partner with the University of California's Linguistic Minority Research Institute in the Development of a Proposal to the U.S. Department of Education to Create and Participate in a National Center on Academic Literacy Development of English Language Learners.

Michael Gonzales presented the item. He described what the proposal entailed and requested the board's authorization to proceed. Mr. Gonzales will gather information and will bring back to the board at another time for their review.

Action Agenda

B.1 Approval of Proposed Reading Comprehension Grant

Dr. Sarvis presented the item.

Motion to approve the Proposed Reading Comprehension Grant.

Motion by Dr. Bob Noel
Seconded by Lynn Rodriguez
Vote: 5-0

B.2 Second Reading of Revisions to Administrative Regulation 6143.2, Program and Graduation Requirement for Grades 9-12

Dr. Sarvis presented the item.

Motion to approve the Second Reading of Revisions to Administrative Regulation 6143.2, Program and Graduation Requirement for Grades 9-12.

Motion by Fred Rifkin
Seconded by Annette Cordero
Vote: 5-0

Public Comments:

- Sarah Griffin

B.3 Approval of Position for Director of Personnel Services

Dr. Sarvis introduced the item and stated he was seeking the board's approval to hire a director. The position will be funded through categoricals.

Motion: To approve the Position for Director of Personnel Services.

Motion by Fred Rifkin
Second Dr. Bob Noel
Vote: 4-1 (Ayes: Harter, Noel, Rifkin, Rodriguez / Noes: Cordero)

Public Comment

- Sarah Griffin

B.4. Approval of Position for Director of Research and Evaluation

Dr. Sarvis presented the item. He explained they had been unsuccessful at finding a competent coordinator and was requesting board approval to hire a director of research and evaluation. He clarified that the \$19,334 will be funded entirely from categorical funds.

Motion: That the Board of Education approve the position for director of research and evaluation.

Motion by Fred Rifkin
Seconded by Dr. Bob Noel
Vote: 5-0

B.5 Approval of Staff Travel: Out-of-State Travel and /or Expenses in Excess of \$500 dated October 26, 2004

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

Motion by Fred Rifkin
Seconded by Lynn Rodriguez
Vote: 5-0

B.6 Student Expulsions

Motion: In the matter of 04/05-07, concur with the findings and recommendations of the hearing panel

Motion by Fred Rifkin
Seconded by Lynn Rodriguez
Vote: 5-0

Motion: In the matter of 04/05-05, concur with the findings and recommendations of the hearing panel

Motion by Fred Rifkin
Seconded by Dr. Bob Noel
Vote: 5-0

Motion: In the matter of 03/04-65, concur with the findings and recommendations of the hearing panel with the single following exception that based upon the student evaluation at the school in which the hearing panel has centered, if the evaluation is good, then the student be returned to Santa Barbara High School for the 2005-06 school year.

Motion by Fred Rifkin
Seconded by Lynn Rodriguez
Vote: 5-0

Consent Calendar

D.1 Approval of Recommended Personnel Action dated October 26, 2004

Fred Rifkin questioned the cheer coach and the assistant football coach stipends. Mary Stark will check with the personnel department.

D.2 Approval of Purchase Orders Report

D.3 Approval of Warrants

D.4 Approval of Student Teacher Agreement with Antioch University, Chapman University, and California State University, Northridge

D.5 Termination of Santa Barbara School District Real Property Advisory Committee as a Board Subcommittee

D.6 Approval of Contract Between the Santa Barbara High School District and Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Department to Provide Special Even Law Enforcement Services

- D. 7 Approval of Contract with Vicente, Lloyd, Stutzman to Provide Staff Development Workshop and Consultation**
- D. 8 Approval of Family Service Agency Contract for Elementary School Based Counseling**
- D.9 Approval of Additional Fundraising Plans for the 04-05 School Year for Dos Pueblos High School**
- D.10 Approval of Consultant Contract with Fiscal Crisis Management and Assistance Team for Single District Resolution Study**

Public Comment:
Sarah Griffin

Mary Stark clarified that this would be funded through district administrative SIP funds and NOT through general funds.

Motion: Approval of all items in the Consent Calendar, with the exception of the two items questioned under D.1

Motion by Dr. Bob Noel
Seconded by Lynn Rodriguez
Vote: 5-0

Coming Events

Board Comments

Annette Cordero questioned the 04/05-05 expulsion decision.

Motion: To reconsider the vote taken on item 04/05-05
Motion by Annette Cordero
Seconded by Dr. Bob Noel
Vote: 5-0

Motion: In case 04/05, concur with the findings and recommendations of the hearing panel with the exception of item E.

Motion by: Annette Cordero
Seconded by Dr. Bob Noel
Vote: 5-0

Future Agenda Items

Items delayed will be brought to the next board meeting

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 p.m.

Attest:

Nancy Harter, President
Board of Education

Adopted by Board of Education
on November 9, 2004