

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

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting  
Tuesday, January 11, 2005

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, Lynn Rodriguez

**Members Present:**

Lynn Rodriguez, President  
Annette Cordero, Vice President  
Robert Noel, Member  
Nancy Harter, Member  
Laura Malakoff, Member

**Members Absent:**

None

**Staff Present:**

Brian Sarvis, Ed.D., Interim Superintendent  
Jan Zettel, Assistant Superintendent Secondary Education  
Mary Stark, Assistant Superintendent Business Services  
Dave Hetynk, Director Facilities & Operations

Craig Price, Legal Counsel

**Public Comments** (relating to closed session items only) 6:00 p.m.

None

**Closed Session/Adjourn to Closed Session**

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

- **Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release** (Government Code section 54957)
- **Public Employment** (Government Code section 54957)  
Title: Washington Elementary School Principal
- **Student Discipline** (Education Code 48918) Expulsion Case: Number 04/05 -17 (Santa Barbara High School District)

**Return to Regular Session: 7:10 p.m.**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lynn Rodriguez.

**Spanish Translation**

Lynn Rodriguez announced that Ms. Mina Thorlaksson was available for translation, if requested.

**Announcement of Closed Session Action**

None

**Approval of Minutes-December 14, 2004**

Nancy Harter noted that the December minutes should reflect the two separate motions made during item B.1 Election of Officers.

Motion: That the Board of Education approve the minutes of the December 14, 2004 Regular Board Meeting; with the above correction.

Motion by Nancy Harter  
Seconded by Laura Malakoff  
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 Nancy Harter  
Seconded by Laura Malakoff  
Vote: 5-0

### **Introduction, Proclamations, Presentations and Recognitions**

None

### **Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Sarvis reported on the scholastic success of the advanced placement students. There are a total of 213 scholars that need to be recognized. He thanked the teachers and staff for their support during the La Conchita disaster. He also reported on his experience in Thailand during the tsunami.

### **Student Board Member Report**

Anna Messier, San Marcos High student reported on various events throughout our high schools, including fundraising efforts.

### **Correspondence**

None

### **Board Brief**

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

### **Board Focus Goals**

Lynn Rodriguez reminded those present that the Board Focus Goals are on the last pages of the Board Agenda.

### **Public Comments**

- Larry Good/Santa Barbara Community Academy (SBCA) PTA President- The future of the SBCA
- Marsha Barr/district librarian- complimented district library and other staff.

### **Action Agenda**

#### **B.1 Approval of Public Disclosure followed by Approval of Tentative Agreement between the Santa Barbara Teachers Association and the Santa Barbara School Districts for the 2004-05 School Year**

Mary Stark presented the item. She shared a presentation with the board in which she summarized both the Santa Barbara Teachers Association and the California Schools Employee Association tentative agreements with the district. She stated that the disclosures had been sent to the Santa Barbara County Education Office for their review and had been favorably received.

Dr. Sarvis clarified that Secondary Class Size Reduction was not being eliminated; it was being maximized (22:1 rather than 20:1). He went on to review the impacts of the tentative agreements, stating they were very difficult decisions.

### **Public Comments:**

- Linda Mitchell- negative impact of restructuring of the library program
- Nancy Tobin- negative impact of restructuring of the library program
- Heather McBride- negative impact of restructuring of the library program

- Linda Grand- negative impact of restructuring of the library program
- Sarah Griffin- disclosure statements, school calendars, and administrative staffing
- Asmaa Alqudsi, student - Adams School needs a new library

**Board Comments:**

- Dr. Noel- Santa Barbara Community Academy expansion
- Annette Cordero- Santa Barbara Community Academy expansion
- Nancy Harter-projected budgets

Dr. Sarvis reminded the board members there would be an I-98 projects discussion on the 1-25-05 agenda that would help clarify many of their questions.

Motion to approve the Public Disclosure and the Tentative Agreement between the Santa Barbara Teachers Association and the Santa Barbara School Districts for the 2004-05 School Year

Motion by Dr. Noel  
 Seconded by Nancy Harter  
 Vote: 5-0

**B.3 Approval of Fiscal Year 2005-06 through Fiscal Year 2007-08 Student Transportation of America, Inc. Contract for the Santa Barbara School Districts**

Item was taken out of order.

Mary Stark introduced Mr. Raymond Deleгарde as the vice president of the West Coast operations for Student Transportation of America (STA). Mr. Deleгарde gave a short overview of STA's history and Mary helped clarify the agreement and audit process.

**Board Comments:**

Nancy Harter- suggested the contract be brought to next meeting  
 Laura Malakoff- questioned the types of busses STA provides  
 Annette Cordero- questioned district policy/practice on contracting with minority or women owned businesses. Mr. Hetyonk indicated that a report would be brought back.

**Public Comment:**

- Sarah Griffin- cost of STA contract

No action was taken. Item will be brought back to 1-25-05 Board Meeting.

**B.2 Approval of Public Disclosure followed by Approval of Tentative Agreement between the California School Employees Association (CSEA) and the Santa Barbara School Districts for 2004-05 School Year**

Dr. Sarvis reviewed with the Board the CSEA Agreement.

Motion to approve the Public Disclosure followed by Approval of Tentative Agreement between the California School Employees Association (CSEA) and the Santa Barbara School Districts for 2004-05 School Year

Motion by Nancy Harter  
 Seconded by Annette Cordero  
 Vote: 5-0

**B.4 Approval of FY 2004-05 First Interim Reports for Santa Barbara Elementary and High School Districts, Multi-Year Projections, and Positive Certifications of Financial Condition**

Mary Stark presented the item and gave a recap presentation of the reports.

Motion to approve the FY 2004-05 First Interim Reports for Santa Barbara Elementary and High School Districts, Multi-Year Projections, and Positive Certifications of Financial Condition.

Motion by Nancy Harter  
Seconded by Dr. Noel  
Vote: 5/0

### **C. 1 Request to Address the Board**

The Open Alternative Permanent Site Committee gave a presentation to the board.

Mr. Erik Peterson, Open Alternative School (OAS) parent, shared a presentation for the board, which included OAS history, their needs and district promises.

Julian Palmisano, OAS student and student body president, spoke about the need for a permanent facility in which they would have somewhere safe to meet for their Student Council meetings.

Lynn Rodriguez thanked them for their report and assured them that their needs would be discussed in the 01-25-05 Board meeting, during the I98 Project Funding Report.

#### **Public Comments:**

- **Laura Wilson/Restore Santa Barbara Elementary Schools Committee-** OAS permanent facilities
- **Sarah Griffin-** schools needs

### **B.5 Discussion and Approval of Process to be Followed for Selection of Superintendent**

Lynn Rodriguez presented the item. She discussed the various options available for finding a superintendent. Some options were through the county, consulting services or through the California School Board Association (CSBA). The cost of the search was discussed.

#### **Board comments:**

The board members discussed amongst other things a full search vs. a two-tier process, public input/community involvement, and the legitimacy of a full search vs. a two-tier process.

#### **Public Comment:**

- John Bedi- support of Dr. Sarvis

Motion to approve a full search for the selection of a superintendent

Motion by Dr. Noel  
Seconded by Nancy Harter

The board members went on to discuss the pros and cons of a full search versus a two-tier search. Lynn Rodriguez went over the two-tier process and explained what it would entail..

Vote: 1-4 (Ayes: Dr. Noel/Noes: Rodriguez, Harter, Malakoff and Cordero)  
Motion failed.

Dr. Noel requested clarification of the attached CSBA proposal.

Motion to approve in concept the two-tier process and meet with CSBA advisor to determine what the details of the process will be and consider doing the first stage and then decide if proceed with second.

Motion by Annette Cordero  
Seconded by Laura Malakoff  
Vote: 4-1 (Ayes: Cordero, Malakoff, Harter and Rodriguez/Noes: Noel)

**B.6 Notice of Public Hearing- Adoption of Resolution 04/05-14, Santa Barbara Elementary School District and Resolution 04/05-15, Santa Barbara High School District-2004-05 Statement of Assurance for Instructional Materials**

Item was continued to meeting of January 25, 2005.

**B.7 Approval of Student Field Trip, La Colina Junior High School**

Motion to approve the student field trip at La Colina Junior High School

Motion by Nancy Harter  
Seconded by Annette Cordero  
Vote: 5-0

**B.8 Approval of Staff Travel: Out-of-State Travel and/or Expenses in Excess of \$500 dated January 11, 2005**

Motion to approve the Out-of-State Travel and/or Expenses in Excess of \$500 dated January 11, 2005

Motion by Nancy Harter  
Seconded by Annette Cordero  
Vote: 5-0

**B.9 Board Action on Student Expulsion Case Numbers 04/05-17 (Santa Barbara High School District)**

Motion that the student remain enrolled at Villa Esperanza and that the student fulfill the rest of the requirements as determined by the administrative panel.

Motion by Nancy Harter  
Seconded by Annette Cordero  
Vote: 5-0

**Conference Agenda**

**C.2 Approval of Fundraising for Tsunami Victims in South and Southeast Asia**

Dr. Noel recognized the Santa Barbara School Districts' student efforts to raise funds to aid Tsunami Victims in South and Southeast Asia.

Item will be brought back for vote in the Consent Agenda

**C.3 California School Board Association Pink Slip Campaign and Consideration of a Draft Resolution, Education Coalition Budget Agreement**

Dr. Sarvis presented the item. He stated that attached were a sample letter and resolution to urge Governor Schwarzenegger and legislators to keep the agreement they made with the Education Coalition last year.

Motion to approve that the board adopt the sample resolution.

Motion by Nancy Harter  
Seconded by Annette Cordero  
Vote: 5-0

**Consent Calendar**

Annette Cordero reminded the board about her questions concerning contracting with minority and women owned businesses. She requested this information be brought to a future board meeting.

Dr. Noel suggested they consult with legal counsel.

**D.1 Approval of Recommended Personnel Action dated January 11, 2004**

- D.2 Approval of Purchase Orders Report for the Period December 8, 2004 through January 5, 2005**
- D.3 Approval of Commercial Warrant Register Sheets for the Period December 8, 2004 through January 7, 2005**
- D.4 Approval of Architectural Plan Check Review Services**
- D.5 Approval of Engineering Services, Tennis Court Replacement, Dos Pueblos High School**
- D.6 Approval of Proposals for Engineering Services, Boundary Surveys**
- D.7 Approval of Title Research Consultant, Santa Barbara High School**
- D.8 Approval of Architectural Services, Roosevelt Elementary School ADA Upgrades**
- D.9 Approval of Agreements for Real Estate Appraisals for the Hidden Valley and Tatum Properties**
- D.10 Approval of Change Order No. 8 for Santa Barbara High School Modernization, Phase 1B**
- D.11 Approval of Change Order nos. 10R, 11, and 12 for San Marcos High School Auditorium Renovation**
- D.12 Approval of Contract Award, ADA Transition Plan, Dos Pueblos High School**
- D.13 Approval of Contract Award, Main Building Sewer Replacement, McKinley Elementary School**
- D.14 Approval of Contract Award, Tree Removal/Trim Brush at Drainage Channel, San Marcos High School**
- D.15 Approval of Additional Fundraising Plans for the 2004-05 School Year for Goleta Valley Junior High School, Santa Barbara Junior High School, Santa Barbara High School and Dos Pueblos High School**
- D.16 Approval of Fundraising Plans to Support Southeast Asia Tsunami Relief Efforts**

Mary Stark requested that all fundraising monies be sent to the district for deposit to special account and the district will send out checks.

Motion: Approval of all items in the Consent Calendar

Motion by Nancy Harter  
Seconded by Laura Malakoff  
Vote: 5-0

#### **Coming Events**

January 26 San Marcos High School Auditorium Gala

January 22 Music Students United will offer a benefit concert at 7 p.m. at the La Cumbre Jr. High School Auditorium

#### **Board Comments**

none

#### **Future Agenda Items**

Follow up on recycling programs at school

Textbook selection

Williams Settlement

#### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

Attest:

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Lynn Rodriguez, President  
Board of Education

Adopted by Board of Education  
on January 25, 2005