

Santa Barbara School Districts

Board of Education Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting – Tuesday, February 27, 2007

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Board Members In Attendance

Nancy Harter, President
Laura Malakoff, Vice President

Annette Cordero, Member
Robert Noël, Member
Kate Parker, Member

REGULAR SESSION

A.1 Call to Order

Board president Nancy Harter called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

A.2 Public Comments

None

CLOSED SESSION

The board adjourned to closed session.

B.1 Conference with Labor Negotiator (Government Code § 54957.6 and 3549.1)

Agency Designated Representative: Director of Personnel Kristine Robertson

Employee Organizations: California School Employees Association and Santa Barbara Teachers Association

B.2 Student Discipline (Education Code § 48918)

Expulsion cases: Numbers 06/07-36, 06/07-45, 06/07-46, 06/07-47 and 06/07-50

REGULAR SESSION

The board returned to regular session.

C.1 Pledge of Allegiance

Board president Harter led the pledge.

C.2 Spanish Translation

Ms. Vivian Rodriguez was present to provide Spanish translation.

C.3 Headsets for Hearing Impaired

Board president Harter announced that headsets were available for the hearing impaired.

C.4 Announcement of Closed Session Action

Board president Harter stated there was no reportable action from closed session.

C.5 Acceptance of Donations

A motion was made by board member Parker to approve with gratitude the listed donations. Seconded by board vice president Malakoff.

Motion passed. Vote: 5-0 / Ayes: 5 (Harter, Malakoff, Cordero, Noël, Parker) / Noes: 0

C.6 Introductions, Proclamations, Presentations or Recognitions

Superintendent Sarvis recognized John Becchio, Santa Barbara Junior High School principal, for the "Looking Good Santa Barbara" award. The award was given on behalf of the school's outstanding recycling program. Santa Barbara Junior High's goal is to reduce one trash pick up per week which would save the district approximately \$100 per pick up.

C.7 Superintendent's Report

- Categorical program monitoring
- *Board Brief*, February 15, 2007
- EduSoft data on teacher and administrator ratios
- Week of the school administrator
- Measure V construction tours
- District history
- Upcoming events

C.8 Student Report

Kelsey Farish, Santa Barbara High School student, reported on Santa Barbara High School events.

C.9 Public Comments

- Tiare Dodson spoke in opposition to Santa Barbara Community Academy (SBCA) funds coming out of the secondary district.
- Laura Baker spoke in opposition to SBCA moving to La Cumbre Junior High School.

CONSENT AGENDA

Board vice president Malakoff pulled item D.13. Board member Noël pulled item D.7 and D.10. Superintendent Sarvis stated in item D.1, the minutes for December 8, 2006, a correction is recommended to state that Dr. Noël was not present at Dos Pueblos High School nor closed session.

A motion was made by board vice president Malakoff to approve the items on the consent agenda with the exception of item D.7, D.10, and D.13 plus the correction to the December 8, 2006 minutes. Seconded by board member Cordero.

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

D.1 Approval of Minutes – November 21, 2006; December 8, 2006; January 19, 2007; January 30, 2007; and February 6, 2007

D.2 Approval of Staff Travel – Out-of-State Travel and/or Expenses in Excess of \$500 dated January 30, 2007

D.3 Adoption of Board Resolution No. 06/07-24, Resolution Regarding Absent Board Member Compensation

D.4 Approval of Requisition No. 181698, Ballard & Tighe, Publishers

D.5 Approval of Purchase of Printers and Folder/Sealers for Aeries to Print Student Progress Reports and Grade Reports

D.6 Approval of Increasing the Salary Schedule of our Microcomputer/Network Support Technicians from Range 52 to Range 58, Changing the Title to District Computer Support Technician, and Updating the Job Description

D.7 Approval of Recommended Personnel Action Items Dated February 27, 2007

Item D.7 pulled by board member Noël for further discussion later in the meeting.

D.8 Approval to Release a Certificated Management Employee from an Administrative Position

D.9 Approval of a California Department of Education Child Nutrition Grant Submission in the Amount of \$56,400 for Breakfast Expansion on Santa Barbara High, Santa Barbara Junior High, Harding and Peabody Elementary Campuses

D.10 Approval of Transportation Agreement with Goleta Union School District for the 2006-07 School Year

Item D.10 pulled by board member Noël for further discussion later in the meeting.

D.11 Approval of Purchase Order Report for the Period February 7, 2007 through February 20, 2007

D.12 Rejection of Bids, Play Area Renovations, Harding Elementary School

D.13 Approval of Proposal from Dudek for Environmental Review Services for the Potential Consolidation/Relocation of Santa Barbara Community Academy to La Cumbre Junior High School Campus

Item D.13 pulled by board vice president Malakoff for further discussion later in the meeting.

D.14 Approval of Proposal from Forbess Consulting Group, Inc. for Engineering Services for Eight New Classrooms at San Marcos High School

D.15 Acceptance of Proposal from Hoffman Associates Inc. for Division of State Architect Inspection Services, Campus Modernization Phase IA at Dos Pueblos High School

D.16 Approval of Completed Contract, Infrastructure Upgrades Phase II at Santa Barbara High School

D.17 Approval of Change Order No. 9, Site Elevators at Santa Barbara High School, Project B

ACTION AGENDA

E.1 Second Reading and Adoption of Modifications to Administrative Regulation 5144.1 "Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process"

Michael Gonzalez, director of compliance and categorical programs, stated the administrative regulations incorporate all of the changes and recommendations made by the board from the previous nine sessions. Mr. Gonzalez stated the last sentence in the third paragraph on page 15 of 18 should be deleted. Board president Harter pointed out two typing errors on page 15.

A motion was made by board member Parker to approve the second reading and adoption of modifications to Administrative Regulation 5144.1 "Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process." Seconded by board vice president Malakoff.

Motion passed. Vote: 5-0 / Ayes: 5 (Harter, Malakoff, Cordero, Noël, Parker) / Noes: 0

E.2 Review of Cesar Chavez Charter and Approval of Memorandum of Understanding Revisions

Mr. Gonzalez stated the board approved the four appendices of the Cesar Chavez Dual Immersion Charter School's memorandum of understanding (MOU) at the November 28, 2006 board meeting. After further direction from the board to determine if changes to the MOU could be made, staff consulted with Paul Minney, the districts' charter school consultant from Spector, Middleton, Young & Minney.

Mr. Minney stated the additional language that the education code requires for the renewal should be in the form of an amendment to the charter document, not the MOU.

A motion was made by board member Cordero to approve the Cesar Chavez Charter School memorandum of understanding without modifications to section E.E.1. Seconded by board member Parker.

Motion passed. Vote: 5-0 / Ayes: 5 (Harter, Malakoff, Cordero, Noël, Parker) / Noes: 0

E.3 Board Action on Student Expulsion Case Numbers 06/07-36, 06/07-45, 06/07-46, 06/07-47, and 06/07-50

In the case of 06/07-45, a motion was made by board member Cordero, to uphold the findings and recommendations of the hearing panel with the exception that the student be allowed to return to the district in August 2007. Seconded by board vice president Malakoff.

Motion passed. Vote: 5-0 / Ayes: 5 (Harter, Malakoff, Cordero, Noël, Parker) / Noes: 0

In the case of 06/07-47, a motion was made by board member Noël, to uphold the findings and recommendations of the hearing. Seconded by board member Parker.

Motion passed. Vote: 5-0 / Ayes: 5 (Harter, Malakoff, Cordero, Noël, Parker) / Noes: 0

In the case of 06/07-46, a motion was made by board member Cordero, to uphold the findings and recommendations of the hearing with the exception that the student be allowed to return to the district in August 2007. Seconded by board vice president Malakoff.

Motion passed. Vote: 5-0 / Ayes: 5 (Harter, Malakoff, Cordero, Noël, Parker) / Noes: 0

In the case of 06/07-50, a motion was made by board member Parker, to uphold the findings and recommendations of the hearing. Seconded by board vice president Malakoff.

Motion passed. Vote: 5-0 / Ayes: 5 (Harter, Malakoff, Cordero, Noël, Parker) / Noes: 0

In the case of 06/07-36, a motion was made by board member Noël, to uphold the findings and recommendations of the hearing. Seconded by board vice president Malakoff.

Motion passed. Vote: 5-0 / Ayes: 5 (Harter, Malakoff, Cordero, Noël, Parker) / Noes: 0

CONFERENCE AGENDA

F.1 Continued Discussion of Budget Reductions

Ed Diaz, assistant superintendent of business services, described the process of budget review and showed the board actual adjustments to make positive changes to the elementary budget.

The board adjourned for a 15-minute break.

F.2 Report on Revisions of Peabody Charter, Memorandum of Understanding, and Charter Facilities Use Agreement

Mr. Minney and Kate Ford, principal of Peabody Charter School, reported on changes made to the memorandum of understanding and discussed student enrollment priorities. Board president Harter requested more justification on the acceptance of the transfers. Superintendent Sarvis stated that it will be revisited with Peabody and brought back to the board for approval on March 15, 2007.

F.3 Follow-up Report on Basic Aid

Robert Wolfe, director of fiscal services, spoke about basic aid status of the elementary district.

F.4 Report on Systematic English Language Development Program

Robin Sawaske, assistant superintendent of elementary education, reported on English language development requirements and explained the timeline of progress from spring 2006 through the 2007-08 school year. Ms. Sawaske stated students receive both English language arts and English language development.

G. Return to Consent Items Designated for Discussion

D.10 Approval of Transportation Agreement with Goleta Union School District for the 2006-07 School Year

Board member Noël inquired about the expenses of transportation and whether parents are involved. Mr. Wolfe stated the transportation agreement with Goleta Union School District is an ongoing contract and is not paid for by parents.

D.13 Approval of Proposal from Dudek for Environmental Review Services for the Potential Consolidation/Relocation of Santa Barbara Community Academy to La Cumbre Junior High School Campus

Board member Parker expressed concerns about the use of Measure V bond funds and stated it should be charged to the general fund. Superintendent Sarvis stated it could be changed to I-98 funds.

A motion was made by board president Harter to approve the proposal from Dudek for environmental review for the potential consolidation/relocation of Santa Barbara Community Academy to La Cumbre Junior High School campus and would designate that it come out of I-98 funds and be re-adjusted as appropriate, depending on future use of La Cumbre Junior High School. Seconded by board member Cordero.

Motion passed. Vote: 3-2 / Ayes: 3 (Harter, Malakoff, Cordero) / Noes: 2 (Noël, Parker)

H. Coming Events

The next regular board meeting will be Tuesday, March 13, 2007.

The March 27, 2007 regular board meeting has been cancelled due to spring break.

There will be a special board meeting on Tuesday, March 20, 2007.

I.1 Board Correspondence

None

I.2 Board Comments

None

J. Future Agenda Items

None

K. Adjournment

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

Attest:

Nancy Harter, President
Board of Education

Adopted by the Santa Barbara School Districts Board of Education
on April 24, 2007

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