

Santa Barbara School Districts

Board of Education Meeting Minutes

Annual Organizational and Regular Meeting – Tuesday, December 11, 2007

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Board Members In Attendance

Nancy Harter, Board 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 5:00 p.m.

A.2 Public Comment (related to closed session)

None

CLOSED SESSION

The board adjourned to closed session.

B.1 Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Government Code § 54956.9(a))

Jane Doe and Patricia B. vs. Santa Barbara School Districts, et al.
Santa Barbara County Superior Court Case No. 1263677

B.2 Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Government Code § 54957)

Superintendent

B.3 Student Discipline (Education Code § 48918)

Expulsion case numbers: 07/08-03, 07/08-08, 07/08-14, 07/08-22, and 07/08-23, and 07/08-28

REGULAR SESSION

The board returned to regular session at 7:05 p.m.

C.1 Pledge of Allegiance

Board president Harter led the pledge.

C.2 Spanish Translation

Vivian Rodriguez was present to provide Spanish translation.

C.3 Headsets for Hearing Impaired

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

C.4 Introductions, Proclamations, Presentations and Recognitions

The La Colina Junior High School choir performed for the board.

Superintendent Sarvis recognized outgoing board president Harter.

ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

D.1 Election of Officers – President and Vice President

Motion made by board member Noël to have board member Malakoff serve as the new board president. Seconded by board member Cordero.

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

Motion made by board member Harter to have board member Parker serve as the new board vice president. Seconded by board member Noël.

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

D.2 Appointment of a Representative and an Alternate to Elect Members of the Santa Barbara County Committee on School District Organization

Motion made by board vice president Parker to have board member Cordero serve as the representative and board member Harter as the alternate of the Santa Barbara County Committee on School District Organization. Seconded by board member Harter.

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

D.3 Designation of Secretary-Clerk and Assistant Secretary-Clerk

Motion made by board member Harter to have Superintendent Sarvis serve as the secretary-clerk. Seconded by board member Cordero.

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

Motion made by board vice president Parker to have the assistant superintendent of business services serve as the assistant secretary-clerk. Seconded by board member Cordero.

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

D.4 Designation of Authorized Signatories

Motion made by board member Harter to have Shirley Corpuz, director of fiscal services, and Superintendent Sarvis be the designated authorized signatories. Seconded by board vice president Parker.

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

D.5 Designation of Date and Time of Regularly Scheduled Meetings

Board president Malakoff reviewed the following:

The second, fourth, and fifth Tuesdays of each calendar month, commencing at 7:00 p.m. are designated as the regularly scheduled meetings of the board of education, with the exception of:

March 2008	One meeting only March 11, 2008 (the March 25, 2008 board meeting conflicts with spring break)
July 2008	One meeting only – July 8, 2008
September 30 2008	May not have closed session or may have closed session at end of meeting (end of religious holiday)
November 2008	The first board meeting in November falls on Veterans Day. An alternate date needs to be chosen (recommended: Tuesday, November 18, 2008).
December 2008	One meeting only – December 9, 2008

Motion made by board member Harter to accept the dates and time of the regularly scheduled meetings and the exceptions. Seconded by board member Cordero.

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

D.6 Committee Appointments

Board members volunteered for a number of committees:

Board Committee – Measure V Bond Oversight Committee	Board member Harter
Santa Barbara County School Board Association	Board member Harter
Santa Barbara Education Foundation	Board member Cordero
City of Santa Barbara Armory Committee	Board member Noël
Gevirtz Research Center Liaison	Board vice president Parker

Motion made by board member Harter to approve the various committee appointments as volunteers indicated. Seconded by board vice president Parker.
Motion passed. Vote: 5-0 / Ayes: 5 (Cordero, Harter, Malakoff, Noël, Parker) / Noes: 0

REGULAR SESSION

The board returned to regular session.

E.1 Announcement of Closed Session Action

No action to report.

E.2 Acceptance of Donations

Motion made by board member Harter to approve with gratitude the listed donations. Seconded by board vice president Parker.

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

E.3 Superintendent's Report

- Winter break dates
- *Board Brief* of November 30, 2007
- Holiday school concert dates

E.4 Student Report

- San Marcos High School's Katie Shara gave the student report.

E.5 Correspondence

None.

E.6 Public Comments

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Board member Harter pulled item F.3 for discussion and indicated she was not present at the October 23, 2007 board meeting and therefore was pulling those minutes from item F.1.

Motion made by board member Harter to approve all of the consent agenda with the exception of F.3 and the October 23 board minutes. Seconded by board member Cordero.

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

F.1 Approval of Minutes – October 9, 2007; October 23, 2007; October 30, 2007; November 1, 2007; November 20, 2007

Board member Harter pulled the October 23, 2007 board minutes.

F.2 Approval of Additional Fundraising for 2007-08 for Santa Barbara Junior High School and Santa Barbara High School

F.3 Approval of Santa Barbara High School English Students Trip to Ashland, Oregon

Item pulled by board member Harter for discussion.

F.4 Approval of Staff Travel: Out-of-State Travel and/or Expenses in Excess of \$500, dated November 27, 2007

F.5 Approval of Consultant Agreement between Jensen Learning and Santa Barbara School Districts for Professional Development Training on January 5, 2008

F.6 Approval of Recommended Personnel Action Items Dated December 11, 2007

F.7 Approval of Commercial Warrant Register Sheets for the Period November 26, 2007 through December 7, 2007

F.8 Approval of the Transportation Agreement with Goleta Union School District for the 2007-08 School Year

F.9 Approval of the Redevelopment Consulting Services Contract with Public Economics, Inc.

F.10 Approval of Purchase Order Report for the Period November 7, 2007 through December 4, 2007

F.11 Approval of Change Order No. 1, Pavement Rehabilitation at Peabody Charter School

F.12 Approval of Contract Award to Pat McCarthy Construction, Inc. Franklin Elementary School Modernization

F.13 Rejection of All Bids, ADA Phase II, Bid Package B, Dos Pueblos High School

F.3 Approval of Santa Barbara High School English Students Trip to Ashland, Oregon
Board member Harter requested all future contracts having to do with student field trips include language stating that all school rules apply to school fieldtrips. Paul Turnbull, assistant superintendent of secondary education, indicated he would add language from Education Code 48900.

Motion made by board member Harter to approve the Santa Barbara High School trip to Ashland, Oregon. Seconded by board member Cordero.

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

F.1 Approval of Minutes – October 23, 2007

Motion made by board member Cordero to approve the October 23, 2007 board minutes. Seconded by board vice president Parker.

Motion passed. Vote: 4-0-1 / Ayes: 4 (Cordero, Malakoff, Noël, Parker) / Noes: 0 / Abstentions: 1 (Harter)

ACTION AGENDA

G.1 Public Hearing on Intent to Convey and Approval of Grant of Easement to Southern California Edison at Monroe Elementary School

The board moved to item G.3.

G.2 Public Hearing and Approval of Resolution 07/08-14 Regarding Williams Sufficiency/Insufficiency of Instructional Materials for Santa Barbara High School District

The board moved to item G.3.

G.3 Third Reading and Approval of Board Policy 1240, “Volunteer Assistance”

Kris Robertson, director of personnel, presented Board Policy 1240. Board president Malakoff inquired who would cover the cost of the tuberculosis (TB) testing and the fingerprinting. Board vice president Parker inquired how often was TB testing required. Ms. Robertson will provide the information at a future board meeting. Board vice president Parker requested a volunteer background form be added to the volunteer packet.

No action was taken. Item will return to future agenda.

G.4 Board Action on Student Expulsion Case Numbers 07/08-03, 07/08-08, 07/08-14, 07/08-22, 07/08-23, and 07/08-28

In the case of 07/08-08, a motion was made by board member Harter to approve the stipulated agreement. Seconded by board vice president Parker.

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

In the case of 07/08-28, a motion was made by board member Harter to approve the findings and recommendations of the hearing panel. Seconded by board vice president Parker.
Motion passed. Vote: 5-0 / Ayes: 5 (Cordero, Harter, Malakoff, Noël, Parker) / Noes: 0

In the case of 07/08-03, a motion was made by board member Harter to approve the stipulated agreement. Seconded by board member Noël.
Motion passed. Vote: 5-0 / Ayes: 5 (Cordero, Harter, Malakoff, Noël, Parker) / Noes: 0

In the case of 07/08-23, a motion was made by board member Harter to approve the findings and recommendations of the hearing panel. Seconded by board member Noël.
Motion passed. Vote: 5-0 / Ayes: 5 (Cordero, Harter, Malakoff, Noël, Parker) / Noes: 0

In the case of 07/08-22, a motion was made by board member Harter to approve the findings and recommendations of the hearing panel. Seconded by board vice president Parker.
Motion passed. Vote: 5-0 / Ayes: 5 (Cordero, Harter, Malakoff, Noël, Parker) / Noes: 0

In the case of 07/08-14, a motion was made by board member Harter to suspend the expulsion and for the student to attend Community Day School (CDS) with the stipulation that this is the chance. Seconded by board member Cordero.
Motion passed. Vote: 3-2 / Ayes: 3 (Cordero, Harter, Malakoff) / Noes: 2 (Noël, Parker)
Michael Gonzalez, director of compliance and categorical programs, inquired what the length of the student's stay at CDS was. Board member Harter replied for the remainder of the school year and summer.

G.1 Public Hearing on Intent to Convey and Approval of Grant of Easement to Southern California Edison at Monroe Elementary School

Eric Smith, interim assistant superintendent of business services, indicated there was no encumbrance on Monroe Elementary School property.

Board president Malakoff opened the public hearing.

Public comment:

None.

Motion made by board member Harter to approve the intent to convey and to approve the easement to Southern California Edison at Monroe Elementary School. Seconded by board member Cordero.
Motion passed. Vote: 5-0 / Ayes: 5 (Cordero, Harter, Malakoff, Noël, Parker) / Noes: 0

Board president Malakoff closed the public hearing.

G.2 Public Hearing an Approval of Resolution 07/08-14 Regarding Williams Sufficiency/Insufficiency of Instructional Materials for Santa Barbara High School District

Mr. Gonzalez indicated the district was obligated, per California Education Code, to annually approve a resolution indicating whether each student had sufficient textbooks in certain subjects. Mr. Gonzalez indicated a review of the 2007-08 school year confirmed the district met the Education Code requirements and was therefore recommending the board approve the resolution.

Motion made by board member Harter to approve resolution number 07/08-14. Seconded by board member Cordero.

Board member Noël inquired if Superintendent Sarvis was also recommending the resolution be approved. Superintendent Sarvis agreed.

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

CONFERENCE AGENDA

H.1 First Interim Budget Report

Mr. Smith indicated the first interim budget report was a qualified status report and explained this meant the district would not meet its second year financial requirements. Board member Noël requested clarification in regard to the loan made to the cafeteria fund a number of years ago. Mr. Smith will provide clarification through a future *Board Brief*. Superintendent Sarvis indicated Mr. Smith would not be present at the next board meeting, in which the board was due to take action on the first interim budget report.

Motion made by board member Harter to approve the first interim budget report. Seconded by board member Cordero.

Motion made by board member Noël to amend the motion to approve a qualified certification. Seconded by board vice president Parker.

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

The board adjourned for a fifteen-minute break.

H.2 First Reading of the Tentative Agreement for the Proposed Calendar between the Santa Barbara School Districts and the Santa Barbara Teachers Association

Ms. Robertson presented the proposed calendars. She indicated the Santa Barbara Teachers Association (SBTA) was voting on the item tonight and if ratified the districts and SBTA would continue their work with the calendars.

H.3 Proposal to Constitute a LEAP Council in the Santa Barbara High School District, Replacing the Former Secondary Curriculum Council

Mr. Turnbull shared his proposal to add the Curriculum Council (CC) to the Local Education Agency Plan (LEAP) and form a LEAP Council. He presented a comparison between the LEAP and the CC.

Public Comment:

- Layne Wheeler spoke in opposition to the creation of a LEAP Council as described by Mr. Turnbull.

Board member Cordero requested Mr. Wheeler explain the differences between LEAP and CC. Mr. Wheeler indicated the LEAP had a more limited scope, because of state mandates, whereas the CC was more encompassing.

- John Houchin spoke in opposition to the creation of a LEAP Council as described by Mr. Turnbull and indicated the stipend amount Mr. Turnbull referred to in his presentation was incorrect. The correct amount was \$2,100 per year, not \$3,500.

Board vice president Parker and board member Harter indicated they would not support a LEAP Council funded from the general fund.

H.4 Report on Recent Single Plan for Student Achievement Presentations

Postponed to a future board meeting.

H.5 Report on Healthy Kids Survey

Davis Hayden, director of research, evaluation and technology, presented various data extracted from the 2006-07 Healthy Kids Survey. Pat Ebener, Rand Corporation, and Shereen Khatapoush, Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, district research partners, also presented data.

Public Comment:

- Layne Wheeler spoke in opposition to how the data was presented.

Board president Malakoff announced the board meeting would continue past 10:30 p.m.

I. Coming Events

Special board meeting on December 13, 2007.

J. Board Comments

None.

K. Future Agenda Items

- Closed session items 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. on December 13, 2007

L. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

Attest:

Laura Malakoff, President
Board of Education

Adopted by the Santa Barbara School Districts Board of Education
on March 11, 2008

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