

Santa Ana Unified School District
1601 E. Chestnut Avenue
Santa Ana, California 92701

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
SANTA ANA BOARD OF EDUCATION

May 22, 2007

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:45 p.m. by Board President Richardson. Other members in attendance were Mrs. Avila, Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and Mr. Hernandez. Mr. Palacio arrived at 5:55 p.m.

Cabinet members present were Ms. Russo, Dr. Olsky, Mr. Trigg, Mr. Lopez, Dr. Stainer, Dr. Bratcher, and Ms. Lohnes.

MEETING RECESSED AND RECONVENED

The Regular meeting was immediately recessed to Closed Session to consider real estate negotiations, legal matters, personnel matters, special education contracts, and student discipline issues.

The Regular meeting was reconvened at 6:43 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Hernandez.

CHANGE IN AGENDA ORDER

RECOGNITION

Longevity Recognition for Employees Who Have Served for 25, 30, and 35 Years

The Board of Education annually recognizes those employees who have served the Santa Ana Unified School District for 25, 30, and 35 years. Out of the 131 employees with service in these categories, 41 were in attendance and were presented with plaques and/or certificates. The employees received personal greetings from the Superintendent and Trustees and were commended for their dedication to the students of the District.

MEETING RECESSED AND RECONVENED

At 7:00 p.m., President Richardson recessed the Regular Meeting for a reception to honor the employees receiving longevity awards hosted by the Orange County Teachers Federal Credit Union. The Regular Meeting was reconvened at 7:35 p.m.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Rueben Martinez Book Store offered middle school students the chance to win \$250 by designing a logo to illustrate the mission of LEAP (Literacy, Enrichment, Achievement Plus.) The LEAP provides literacy and enrichment opportunities to families to achieve their dreams. Approximately 130 students submitted entries. Mr. Martinez and Mr. Ream were present to announce SAUSD finalists and winner of the LEAP award. Sana Ahmed and Tiffany Vu from MacArthur, Fernando Esuabiaga from Sierra, Xavier Gonzales, Kathie Camanos, Nayali Antunez, Jessica Briskorn and David Andrade from Mendez. Tiffany Vu from MacArthur was the winner. The Board congratulated all students for their diligence and hard work.

The Superintendent and Board of Education congratulated Ms. Maggie Rosette, Principal of Cesar Chavez High School, who was named Administrator of the Year, 2007, by the California Continuation Education Association, District 10. This is Ms. Rosette's second time to receive this honor. Her devotion and dedication for her students is what drives her to give.

Ms. Russo introduced Ngoc Tran, the 2007 Valedictorian for Spurgeon Intermediate. He had a 4.0 GPA and on the Principal's Honor Roll during 6th, 7th and 8th grade. Ngoc was a Spurgeon Medal Winner for three consecutive years; he is the fastest typist in Spurgeon's history, with a 1-Minute Speed Test of 116 WPM! He has competed at the Academic Pentathlon and was on the Spurgeon's winning Science team this year. Ngoc is the Winner of the 2007 Summer iD Technology Camp Scholarship; he won two medals in the 2006 Math Field Day, and is competing again on June 2, 2007. He is an ABC "A Better Chance" Scholarship winner and will be attending Edina High School in Minnesota; was a "Future Business Leaders of America" competitor in the 7th and 8th grade, winning 2nd Place in the Creed event at the Southern Section Conference in February 2007. Outside of school, he won the Team Award in the "Lion Dance" at Hue Quang Temple. Ngoc was present to demonstrate his typing speed at the Board meeting.

A celebration dinner was recently held for educators and support services of the year, at Kubba Gardens at Santa Ana High School. The event was followed by an outstanding awards ceremony in the school's auditorium. Channel 31 captured this special evening and presented a brief video of that event. The entire video will be televised next week on Channel 31.

Century High School's Precision Drum Line performed at the 16th annual *Visions of Sound* event held at the Century High School's Auditorium. Other students also put their best foot forward and Channel 31 was there to memorialize the Centurions' majestic performance. A video captured the event.

The Superintendent announced that on Friday, June 8th Dr. Robert Dynes, President of the University of California system, will tour Saddleback High due to the high number of students enrolling in UC schools. The SAUSD has one of the highest numbers of graduates accepted to UC campuses, compared to similar schools. President Dynes is interested in what Saddleback is doing to make a difference.

Ms. Russo congratulated Ronnie Rios, a Saddleback High School student, who won first place at the U.S. Men's Boxing Championship in San Diego on March 24th. He now advances to the 2008 Olympic Box-Offs being held at the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colorado, in early June. Depending on the outcome, he may be participating in the Olympic Games in Beijing, China in 2008!

The Superintendent and Board congratulated Oscar Aguilar, a 4th grade student at Heninger Elementary, who has been selected to receive a scholarship to attend the Summer Institute Gifted Residential Program at UCLA, from July 29th to August 18th, 2007.

For the past 20 years, the Assistance League of Santa Ana (ALSA) has awarded scholarships to SAUSD seniors who have successfully completed an ROP class. This year, 22 SAUSD high school seniors will receive \$800 scholarships from the ALSA. In the 20 years of the program, ALSA has awarded over 600 scholarships totaling more than \$500,000!

Congratulations to Janice Hopper, Project Director for the Academies at Century High School, who was recently selected as a *High Impact Teacher of the Year* in Science, Math, and Technology by Project Tomorrow! The Superintendent and Board of Education also thanked Janice for her commitment to the Santa Ana Unified School District. She will be retiring at the end of the year after 18 years of outstanding service to our SAUSD Family.

Congratulations to Edison Elementary, which recently received a \$20,000 grant through Nell-Soto Parent/Teacher Program. The program is designed to strengthen communication between schools and parents as a means of improving academic achievement through home visits and community meetings.

The Superintendent called to the attention of the Board and attendees the beautiful artwork posted in the Board Room contributed by the students and teachers at Romero-Cruz and Madison Elementary Schools.

RECOGNITIONS

Classified Employee of the Month for May - Thomas Muñoz

Dr. DeVera Heard, Director of Community Day Schools, presented Mr. Thomas "Tom" Muñoz, as Classified Employee of the Month for May 2007. Mr. Muñoz serves as a Food Service Worker at Community Day. Tom performs his duties with expertise, efficiency, and with a consistent positive attitude. Mr. Muñoz was thanked by members of the Board and congratulated by all those present for his service to the students of the Santa Ana Unified School District. He was presented with a commemorative plaque, a gift certificate to his favorite restaurant, and flowers in recognition of this award.

Management Team Recognition - Jean Williams

Ms. Anita Ford, President of the Santa Ana School Administrators Association, asked those present to join in recognizing recently named High School Administrator of the Year by the Association.

Ms. Jean Williams, currently serving as Principal of Middle College High School, was commended for her dedication, professionalism, and caring attitude toward students, staff, and parents. She received a plaque to commemorate her recognition, flowers, a gift certificate, and the personal congratulations of the Board and Administration.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing #1:

The meeting was declared open to conduct a public hearing to receive comments regarding the Santa Ana Unified School District's initial bargaining proposal to Santa Ana Educators' Association and Successor Agreement for 2007-10 school years.

Anyone wishing to speak to this matter was asked to approach the podium for comment.

Hearing no comments regarding the Santa Ana Unified School District's initial bargaining proposal to Santa Ana Educators' Association and Successor Agreement for 2007-10 school years, Mr. Richardson declared the hearing closed.

Public Hearing #2:

The meeting was declared open to conduct a public hearing to receive comments regarding the Santa Ana Educators' Association to the Santa Ana Unified School District and Successor Agreement for 2007-10 school years.

Anyone wishing to speak to this matter was asked to approach the podium for comment.

Hearing no comments regarding the Santa Ana Educators' Association to the Santa Ana Unified School District and Successor Agreement for 2007-10 school years, Mr. Richardson declared the hearing closed.

PRESENTATIONS

PUBLIC COMMENTS/PRESENTATIONS:

Mr. Richardson asked that those members of the public wishing to address the Board on matters pertaining to the proposed reductions to step to the podium as he called their names.

Jennifer Isensee, SAUSD staff member, addressed the Board to request that a listing of seriously disruptive students be sent to schools at the beginning of each semester for the purpose of safety for students and staff.

The following individuals addressed the Board to support the Write from the Beginning and Thinking Maps supplemental materials to be used with Open Court:

- Karen Stepanski, SAUSD staff member
- Terri Davis, SAUSD staff member
- Vivian Hanson, SAUSD staff member
- Rosemary Ball, SAUSD staff member
- Tanya Guzman, SAUSD staff member
- Jennifer Wright, SAUSD staff member
- Deenee Riggs, SAUSD staff member

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Hernandez, seconded by Mrs. Avila, and carried 5-0, to approve the Minutes of the Regular meeting of May 8, 2007.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

The following items were removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and separate action: Approval of Listing of Agreements/Contracts Between Santa Ana Unified School District and Various Consultants for Period of April 25 Through May 8, 2007, and Approval of Holdover of Digital Transmission Development and Lease Agreement Between District and Cross Country Wireless, Inc. ("Sprint").

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mr. Palacio, and carried 5-0, to approve the remaining items on the Consent Calendar as follows:

Approval of purchase order summary of orders \$25,000 and over for period of April 25 through May 8, 2007.

Approval of expenditure summary and detailed listing of checks \$25,000 and over for period of April 25 through May 8, 2007.

Approval of listing agreements/contracts between the Santa Ana Unified School District and various consultants for the period of April 25 through May 8, 2007. This item was removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and separate action.

Approval of disposal of obsolete un-repairable computer equipment, miscellaneous furniture, equipment, or textbooks.

Authorization to reject all bids, revise the plans and scope, and rebid the bid package for the construction of the Facilities Relocation Project.

Approval of Holdover of Digital Transmission Development and Lease Agreement between District and Cross Country Wireless, Inc., "Sprint". This item was removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and separate action.

Acceptance of a gift in accordance with Board Policy 3290 - Gifts, Grants, and Bequests. A list is attached to the Minutes.

Approval of extended field trips in accordance with Board Policy (BP) 6153 - School-Sponsored Trips and Administrative Regulation (AR) 6153.1 - Extended School-Sponsored Trips. A list is attached to the Minutes.

Approval of recommendations of the administrative hearing panels to expel students for the recommended terms and with the recommended remediation conditions:

345526 - Carr Intermediate School

For violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph b, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the student may apply for readmission on or after June 20, 2007.

329528 - Carr Intermediate School

For violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph b, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the student may apply for readmission on or after June 20, 2007.

158301 - Spurgeon Intermediate School

For violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph f, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the student may apply for readmission on or after January 15, 2008.

170576 - Lathrop Intermediate School

For violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph b, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the student may apply for readmission on or after January 15, 2008.

152481 - McFadden Intermediate School

For violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph f, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the student may apply for readmission on or after June 20, 2007.

147244 - Saddleback High School

For violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph i and n, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the student may apply for readmission on or after May 22, 2008.

172952 - Sierra Intermediate School

For violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph b, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the student may apply for readmission on or after June 20, 2007.

140931 - Century High School

For violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph f, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the student may apply for readmission on or after June 20, 2007.

119178 - Century High School

For violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph b and c, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the student may apply for readmission on or after June 20, 2007.

173699 - McFadden Intermediate School

For violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph b, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the student may apply for readmission on or after June 20, 2007.

153032 - Century High School

For violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph c, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the student may apply for readmission on or after June 20, 2007.

163550 - Sierra Intermediate School

For violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph f, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the student may apply for readmission on or after January 15, 2008.

140857 - Century High School

For violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph f, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the student may apply for readmission on or after June 20, 2007.

139585 - Saddleback High School

For violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph a, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the student may apply for readmission on or after January 15, 2008.

328523 - Lathrop Intermediate School

For violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph b, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the student may apply for readmission on or after January 15, 2008.

159898 - Lathrop Intermediate School

For violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph b, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the student may apply for readmission on or after January 15, 2008.

131196 - Century High School

For violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph c, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the student may apply for readmission on or after June 20, 2007.

154868 - Saddleback High School

For violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph a, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the student may apply for readmission on or after January 15, 2008.

190031 - Lathrop Intermediate School

For violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph c, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the student may apply for readmission on or after January 15, 2008.

178902 - Lathrop Intermediate School

For violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph c, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the student may apply for readmission on or after May 22, 2008.

Approval of payment and/or reimbursement of costs incurred for designated instructional services for students with disabilities.

Approval of master contract and/or individual service agreements with nonpublic schools/agencies for students with disabilities for the 2006-07 school year.

Approval of Board Member attendance at 15th Annual Model Schools Conference, Washington, D.C., June 30-July 4, 2007, sponsored by the International Center for Leadership Education.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION AND SEPARATE ACTION:

1.3 APPROVAL OF LISTING OF AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS BETWEEN THE SANTA ANA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND VARIOUS CONSULTANTS FOR THE PERIOD OF APRIL 25 THROUGH MAY 8, 2007

Mr. Palacio removed this item from the Consent Calendar for clarification of the environmental monitoring at Villa Fundamental Intermediate. He asked that a copy of the consultant agreement be sent home for Board member's review.

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0, to approve the attached listing of agreements/contracts between the Santa Ana Unified School District and various consultants for the period of April 25 through May 8, 2007.

A list is attached to the Minutes.

1.6 APPROVAL OF HOLDOVER OF DIGITAL TRANSMISSION DEVELOPMENT AND LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN DISTRICT AND CROSS COUNTRY WIRELESS, INC. ("SPRINT")

Mr. Palacio removed this item from the Consent Calendar for clarification.

Mr. Trigg stated that the agreement expired in April 2007, but the parties agreed to extend it on a month by month basis in order to permit the District to sustain its educational video transmissions and to continue to receive financial compensation while a new agreement is negotiated. Mr. Palacio requested a copy of the lease agreement in Week In Review.

It was moved by Mrs. Avila, seconded by Mr. Hernandez, and carried 5-0, to approve the holdover of the Digital Transmission Development and Lease Agreement between the District and Cross Country Wireless, Inc. ("Sprint").

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2.0 OPEN COURT WRITING COMPONENT UPDATE

Dr. Stainer introduced Ms. Ledon from Harvey, Ms. Moyer from Muir Fundamental, and Ms. Pappas from Santiago Elementary Schools, who shared the Open Court presentation. Dr. Stainer outlined the presentation which included student achievement data, Open Court writing program and supplemental materials including Thinking Maps and Write From The Beginning.

Dr. Stainer stated that questions have been raised regarding appropriate implementation of the Open Court Writing component and the use of supplemental strategies. She stated that teachers are fully implementing all Open Court components and students are demonstrating growth in all areas of the program, but many teachers have indicated that students are experiencing difficulty in writing in the upper grades. This issue was first presented to the Board of Education in October of 2003. Many teachers state that the Open Court Writing Component produces far better results when embedded with Thinking Maps and WFTB. She stated that because Reading First is the source for funding that Reading 1st has a fiscal responsibility to assure that expenditures are legitimate. The Education Code allows the purchase of supplementary strategies that support core adoptions. Reading First allows purchases that support the core program by filling in gaps or enhancing the use of the core program, as stated in the original grant application. Dr. Stainer stated that frequent Reading First reviews are ongoing and that approval of budgets and expenditures occur twice yearly. There is on-going staff development and support to assure that Open Court is implemented and working for all teachers. Ms. Ledon, Ms. Moyer, and Ms. Pappas provided data and demonstrations of the Thinking Maps and WFTB supplementary strategies in various grade levels. Dr. Stainer addressed questions from the Board. She also clarified that the Open Court core program adopted by the Board has been fully implemented in schools and may be utilized independently or with the use of supplemental materials Write From The Beginning and Thinking Maps.

3.0 AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM UPDATE

This item was removed from the Agenda and will return to a future Board meeting.

4.0 AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD CONTRACT FOR BID PACKAGES NO. 07-06A AND 07-07 FOR FACILITIES RELOCATION PROJECT

It was moved by Mr. Hernandez, seconded by Mrs. Avila, and carried 3-0-1, Dr. Yamagata-Noji not present and Mr. Palacio dissenting, to authorize the award of contracts to the apparent lowest responsible bidders, Zusser Company, Inc. and Savala Construction, Inc., for a total amount of \$2,168,000 for the construction of facilities relocation project.

5.0 AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD CONTRACT FOR BID PACKAGES NO. 07-12B, 07-12C, 07-12E FOR FACILITIES RELOCATION PROJECT

It was moved by Mr. Hernandez, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 3-0-1, Dr. Yamagata-Noji not present and Mr. Palacio dissenting, to authorize the award of contracts to the apparent lowest responsible bidders, Lettang Mechanical HAC, The Siess Companies, Inc DBA Complete Door Systems, Bithell, Inc., and Universal Metro, Inc., for a total amount of \$769,228 for the construction of facilities relocation project.

6.0 AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD CONTRACT FOR DATA EQUIPMENT FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CENTER

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Hernandez, and carried 4-0, Dr. Yamagata-Noji not present, to authorize the award of contracts for the purchase of data equipment for Information Technology Center utilizing Calnet 2 and California Multiple awards Schedule (CMAS) No. 3-05-00-00271F to AT&T (formerly SBC Datacom).

7.0 AUTHORIZATION TO OBTAIN BIDS FOR REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF AIR CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT AT CENTURY HIGH

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mrs. Avila, and carried 5-0, to authorize the Administration to obtain bids for the removal and replacement of air conditioning equipment at Century High.

8.0 APPROVAL OF EXTENSION OF LEASE TERM FOR HEAD START ADMINISTRATION LOCATED AT 2700 N. MAIN STREET

Mr. Trigg stated that the landlord agrees to extend the lease term from June 1 through November 30, 2007.

It was moved by Mr. Hernandez, seconded by Mrs. Avila, and carried 4-1, Mr. Palacio dissenting, to approve the extension of lease term for Head Start Administration located at 2700 N. Main Street in Santa Ana.

9.0 APPROVAL OF EXTENSION OF LEASE TERM FOR COMMUNITY DAY INTERMEDIATE/HIGH SCHOOL LOCATED AT 2626 S. PULLMAN AVENUE

It was moved by Mr. Hernandez, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 4-1, Mr. Palacio dissenting, to approve the extension of lease term for Community Day Intermediate/High School located at 2626 S. Pullman Avenue.

10.0 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 06/07-2690 - AUTHORIZATION OF SIGNATURE FOR SANTA ANA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mr. Palacio has asked the staff to research the signature term and whether renewed annually.

It was moved by Mrs. Avila, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 4-1, Mr. Palacio dissenting to adopt Resolution No. 06/07-2690 authorizing Cathie A. Olsky, Ed.D., Deputy Superintendent as Signatory for Santa Ana Unified School District.

A copy of the resolution is attached to the Minutes.

11.0 ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION (AR) 4040.1 - EMPLOYEE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR USE OF E-MAIL (REVISED: FOR FIRST READING)

Board members provided suggestions to the administrative regulation which included a notice of sign off at school sites to protect both the employee and District. Another was a recommendation for staff to review union communication by means of e-mail. The item will be returned to a future Board meeting.

Presented for first reading; no vote necessary.

12.0 APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH CAMBODIAN FAMILY

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mr. Palacio, and carried 5-0, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with The Cambodian Family to provide mentoring services to Santa Ana youth.

13.0 APPROVAL OF SUBMISSION OF MENTORING PROGRAM GRANT CFDA 84.184B

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Hernandez, and carried 5-0, to approve the submission of the West Coast Community Development Center Mentoring Program grant application to the U.S. Department of education for 2007-10 school years.

14.0 APPROVAL OF SITE DISCRETIONARY BLOCK GRANT EXPENDITURE PLANS

Based on legislation, funds are to be approved by the site's School Site Council. They are one-time expenditures designed to close the achievement gap, or for professional development.

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Hernandez, and carried 5-0, to approve the site one-time discretionary Block Grant expenditure plans.

15.0 APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO SUBCONTRACT NO. 2005-1683 WITH THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA/LITERACY AND HISTORY CLASSROOM GRANT

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Hernandez, and carried 5-0, to approve the Amendment No. 2 to Subcontract No. 2005-1683 with The Regents of the University of California/Literacy and History Classroom grant.

16.0 BOARD POLICY (BP) AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION (AR) 5127 - GRADUATION CEREMONIES AND ACTIVITIES (REVISED: ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION)

The Board asked that a presentation be considered for the subsequent Board meeting to include reinstatement of the Certificate of Completion, information concerning adult education or GED, Community College enrollment, and information on graduating class of 2007.

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Hernandez, and carried 5-0, to adopt Board Policy and implement Administrative Regulation 5127 - Graduation Ceremonies and Activities.

A copy of the revised Board Policy and Administrative Regulation are attached.

17.0 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 06/07-2680 - PROCLAIMING JUNE 8, 2007, AS PARENTS' DAY IN THE SANTA ANA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Hernandez, and carried 5-0, to approve the initial reopening bargaining proposal to Santa Ana Unified School District for the 2007-10 school years and call for a public hearing on May 22, 2007.

A copy of the resolution is attached to the Minutes.

18.0 APPROVAL OF CLASSIFIED REDUCTIONS AND STANDARDIZED WORK YEAR SCHEDULED

Mr. Lopez stated that with the establishment of the traditional calendar for 2006-07 school year, the district agreed to allow classified staff moving from year-round to the traditional calendar a one-year moratorium to stay on the year-round calendar work year. For the 2007-08 school year, these employees will be placed on a traditional work-year schedule. Mr. Lopez stated that CSEA was receptive to standardizing terms and positions.

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mr. Richardson and carried 3-2, Mrs. Avila and Mr. Palacio dissenting, to approve the classified reductions and standardized work-year schedules.

19.0 APPROVAL OF REVISED JOB DESCRIPTION: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL OCCUPATIONAL PROGRAM AND HIGH SCHOOL, INC. ACADEMIES

Revisions were suggested by the Board. This item was removed from the Agenda and will return to a future Board meeting with those revisions.

20.0 APPROVAL OF INSTRUCTIONAL CALENDARS FOR 2007-08 SCHOOL YEAR

Due to concerns raised regarding Spring Break dates, the calendar will be reviewed by the Calendar Committee. This item was removed from the Agenda and will return to a future Board meeting.

21.0 PERSONNEL ACTION

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 5-0, to approve the Personnel Calendar in its entirety. A copy is attached to the Minutes.

22.0 BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS/ACTIVITIES

Mr. Palacio:

- ❖ With regards to the Hispanic Education Endowment Fund (HEEF) scholarships, Mr. Palacio is extremely pleased with the hard work expressed by all schools and the Higher Education Specialists who worked diligently on behalf of students. There will be approximately one-third SAUSD scholarship recipients to receive awards at the upcoming Hispanic Education Endowment Fund (HEEF) celebration.
- ❖ Announced that on June 7 there will be a CSUF scholarship ceremony that will include HEEF recipients; principals are invited. Mr. Palacio will send information to the Board.
- ❖ Last week's health and nutrition fair organized by Councilwoman Michelle Martinez was well received. Mr. Palacio represented the Board of Education.

Dr. Yamagata-Noji:

- ❖ Congratulated Don Trigg, Associate Superintendent, Business Services, for receiving the Association of California School Administrator's (ACSA) Region XVII Business Services Award. Dr. Yamagata-Noji added that two other SAUSD administrators were also honored Mr. Jack Oakes, Director of ROP, for Career Technical Education; and Mrs. Lucinda Nares-Pueblos, Principal, Lathrop Intermediate School, for Valuing Diversity Award. Congratulations were offered to the recipients.
- ❖ Career Beginnings scholarship and fundraiser event occurred the same evening as the *Teachers of the Year*. She thanked the sponsors of the Career Beginnings event Crevier BMW, Ingram Micro, and Wells Fargo. Both events were very successful.
- ❖ The insight tour last week was excellent! The community received an inside look at the District by joining in the bus tour of campuses and lunch at the Arts on the Lawn at Santa Ana High, on May 17, 2007. She thanked Councilmember Michelle Martinez and Councilmember David Benavidez for their support.
- ❖ Attended the National Hispanic Business Women's Association (NHBWA) scholarship event. She met two individuals who were former Santa Ana students. One of the students was A Better Chance (ABC) student.

Mrs. Avila:

- ❖ Also congratulated Don Trigg, Associate Superintendent, Business Services, for receiving the Association of California School Administrator's Region XVII Business Services Award, Mr. Jack Oakes, Director of ROP, for Career Technical Education, and Mrs. Lucinda Nares-Pueblos, Principal, Lathrop Intermediate School, for Valuing Diversity Award.
- ❖ Mrs. Avila stated that her non-profit organization, Orange County Youth Commission, celebrated ten years. The event was held at the Doubletree with over 200 guests in attendance.
- ❖ She really enjoyed the Arts on the Lawn (ending point of the insight tour) at Santa Ana High School.

Mr. Hernandez:

- ❖ He congratulated students from Saddleback and Santa Ana High Schools who received the Gates Millennium scholarships recently as identified in the Orange County Register.
- ❖ Attended the Educator of the Year event. The support was great to see, function was outstanding!
- ❖ He visited Lathrop, met with principal. He stated that Mrs. Nares-Pueblos has done a remarkable work at Lathrop. He enjoyed the writing program.
- ❖ He congratulated retirees and longevity staff for their years of dedicated service.
- ❖ Visited Carver, thanked principal and staff for their hard work.

Mr. Richardson:

- ❖ He congratulated Ms. Russo for being the 2007 honoree at the Assistance League's annual dinner held recently at the Santa Ana Zoo. She now joins a list of past award recipients. He acknowledged former outstanding employees Pat Plesche and Joan Williamson who were actively involved in the Assistance League and who made a difference in the community.
- ❖ He thanked Ms. Angela Burrell, Public Information Officer, for putting on a first-class Educator of the Year event.
- ❖ Last week, the Teachers of the Year and their Administrators were also recognized by the Kiwanis Club at a luncheon meeting.

- ❖ He read in Week In Review that Architects, Construction, and Engineering (ACE) students were recognized recently. He invited students and their advisors to come to a future Board meeting to highlight the program.
- ❖ He acknowledged Century High School staff Mr. Alan Gersten and Ms. Janice Hopper for their dedication and service to SAUSD students. He added that more than 50 students provide assistance annually to the Salvation Army during the holidays to prepare gift baskets.
- ❖ He and Mr. Hernandez recently met with a couple of City Council members to discuss the Godinez fence issue. He is requesting that an item be agendized for the next Board meeting, a prior to that time, staff provide Board with details as to where the fence, gate, lights, and materials are proposed and outline District's process including meetings held and timelines.
- ❖ He asked that staff look into scheduling a Retreat in July. He requested that members of the Board submit by e-mail in the next few days, topics or issues that they would like discussed.
- ❖ He referred to Week In Review and emergency preparation that takes place at school sites and how situations are handled. Three school sites had deficiencies that need to be addressed. Please provide the Board information regarding those. Additionally, he stated that it is important that an elected official play a role in the Emergency Operating Center.

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

By a vote of 4-0, the Board took action to approve the reassignment of administrators as identified in Closed Session.

Moved: Richardson ___ Avila ___ Yamagata-Noji ___ Hernández X Palacio ___
Seconded: Richardson X Avila ___ Yamagata-Noji ___ Hernández ___ Palacio ___
Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstain _____ Absent: _____

By a vote of 4-0, the Board took action to approve a settlement agreement concerning a certificated employee identified in Closed Session.

Moved: Richardson ___ Avila ___ Yamagata-Noji ___ Hernández X Palacio ___
Seconded: Richardson X Avila ___ Yamagata-Noji ___ Hernández ___ Palacio ___
Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstain _____ Absent: _____

By a vote of 4-0, the Board took action to appoint Robert A Chavez to the position of Manager of Network Computer Services.

Moved: Richardson ___ Avila ___ Yamagata-Noji ___ Hernández X Palacio ___
Seconded: Richardson ___ Avila ___ Yamagata-Noji X Hernández ___ Palacio ___
Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstain _____ Absent: _____

By a vote of 4-0, the Board took action to approve the workers' compensation compromise and release in the amount of \$55,000 to include all issues.

Moved: Richardson ___ Avila ___ Yamagata-Noji ___ Hernández X Palacio ___
Seconded: Richardson ___ Avila ___ Yamagata-Noji X Hernández ___ Palacio ___
Vote: Ayes 4 Noes 0 Abstain _____ Absent: _____

By a vote of 5-0, the Board took action to approve the employment contract for Cathie Olsky, Ed.D., Deputy Superintendent.

Moved: Richardson ___ Avila X Yamagata-Noji ___ Hernández___ Palacio ___
Seconded: Richardson ___ Avila ___ Yamagata-Noji ___ Hernández___ Palacio X
Vote: Ayes 5 Noes 0 Abstain _____ Absent: _____

Additionally, there were four litigation cases discussed in Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Regular meeting was adjourned at 11:40 p.m.

FUTURE MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, June 12, 2007, at 6:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Jane A. Russo
Secretary
Santa Ana Board of Education