

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

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
SANTA ANA BOARD OF EDUCATION

JANUARY 26, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:50 p.m. by President Yamagata-Noji. Other members in attendance were Mr. Richardson, Mr. Hernández, Mr. Palacio, and Mr. Reyna. Mr. Palacio left the meeting at 9:50 p.m.

Cabinet members present were Ms. Russo, Dr. Olsky, Mr. Bishop, Mr. Mendez, Mr. Ayala, Ms. Lohnes, and Mr. Dixon.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Board President Yamagata-Noji asked those wishing to address the Board in matters pertaining to Closed Session to step to the podium.

There were no speakers to address the Board regarding Closed Session items.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

The Regular meeting was immediately recessed to Closed Session to consider student discipline issues, negotiations, and personnel matters.

STUDENT-EXPULSION HEARINGS

Expulsion hearings with the Board of Education occurred on behalf of students with parents and in one case with a student advocate, for Students #166110, #156444, and #147846. The Board concluded to approve the conditions as presented by staff.

RECONVENE OPEN MEETING

The Regular meeting reconvened at 6:45 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Board Member Reyna.

SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS

Recognition of the Santa Ana Kiwanis Club

Ms. Russo acknowledged two organizations for their outstanding contributions to the early childhood education students of SAUSD.

The School Readiness vision-screening program facilitated by nurses' Colette Bywater, Juanita Stefun, Andrea Fung, and Vicki Reiser and overseen by Janneth Linnell is in its second year. The program would not be as successful without the support of the Santa Ana Kiwanis Club and President Clint Hopson, working in partnership with the Southern California College of Optometry and Dr. Janet Armstrong.

Ms. Russo and the Board of Education recognized the services and contributions of both Mr. Niedringhaus on behalf of the Santa Ana Kiwanis Club and Dr. Janet Armstrong from the Southern California College of Optometry, for their essential services. Ms. Russo invited Kiwanis Club representative Mr. Niedringhaus and Dr. Janet Armstrong to the podium where she presented a certificate to the Kiwanis Club and flowers to Dr. Armstrong.

The Caring Educators Nurturing All "CENA" is SAUSD's annual employee-sponsored holiday feast held for the community on Christmas Eve. The event was held at Valley High School for the first time with over 2,500 individuals served. Also provided to all children was a book and toy. A special video of the event led by Trustee Yamagata-Noji, employees, educators, students, friends, and Board members was shown during this announcement.

Mr. Dixon next shared Winter Break accomplishments:

- 110 classroom moves
- Moved 72 teachers to permanent classrooms
- Opened seven new classroom buildings at Kennedy, Lowell, Madison, and Martin Elementary Schools
- Returned 79 portables to vendor, reducing costs to District
- Placed interim housing at Heninger Elementary, Sierra Intermediate, Saddleback and Santa Ana High School
- Continued Valley High School construction
- Collected surplus furniture and equipment from school sites
- Completed Phase II at Diamond and Greenville Fundamental Elementary Schools
- Completed projects by maintenance and operations

In addition, Building Services ground crews, carpenters, painters, and electricians completed numerous projects during this time. Hats off to the great staff at SAUSD!

The Superintendent called upon Lorin Griset Academy's High School student leader Desiré Rodriguez. Senior Desiré provided insights on attending Lorin Griset Academy and activities for the year at the Academy.

Fundamental school open lottery registration for kindergartners, 6th graders and 9th graders for the 2010-11 school year begins Monday, February 1. Kindergartners and sixth grade students applications must be picked up by parents at the school of choice from February 1 through February 19. The elementary fundamental schools are Greenville, John Muir, and Jim Thorpe. Intermediate fundamental schools are MacArthur, Mendez, and Villa. Random computerized lottery results will be posted at each school site by February 26.

RECOGNITION

Classified Employee of Month for January - Miguel Atilano Jr.

A selection committee, consisting of classified employees elected by their peers, has reviewed nominees and selected the Classified Employee of the Month for January. The members have selected Miguel Atilano, Jr., McFadden Intermediate School Custodian. Ms. Hinshaw, McFadden Intermediate School principal, made the presentation.

Miguel has worked with the District for nine years. He is a trustworthy, hardworking, and the most conscientious employee at McFadden Intermediate. He takes pride in his work. He is respected and liked by all and has a great personality. On behalf of the District and Board, he was presented with a plaque engraved with his name and the month for which he is honored. He was provided a

gift certificate for dinner at his favorite restaurant. Present with Miguel were his wife, daughter, mother, sister-in-law, night custodial staff, and staff members. The Superintendent and Board thanked Miguel for his hard work and commitment to McFadden Intermediate and the students of Santa Ana.

DISCUSSIONS

#1 High School Commencement Dates and Locations for 2009-10 School Year

Mr. Ayala introduced the item and stated that information presented to the Board would enable discussion regarding commencement ceremonies for the 2009-10 school year. He stated that exercises are tentatively scheduled for June 17 and 18, 2010 for all high schools. Following a discussion, by consensus of the Board, it was determined that all commencement exercises will resume at the Eddie West Field (Santa Ana Bowl) which does not limit family members from attending due to the size of the facility. The Board has asked that staff consider the rotation of start times for schools in future years.

#2 Traditional Instructional Calendars for 2010-11 School Year

Mr. Lopez introduced the item. He stated that four years ago the District transitioned to a traditional calendar and therefore proposed the 3-week Winter Break. He shared the process and stated that the Calendar Committee has come up with two options for Board's review. This item will provide the opportunity for discussion of the two calendars and seeks Board direction for the selection of one calendar to be used for the 2010-11 school year.

Board discussion ensued. Mr. Hammitt and Mr. Lopez provided insights to dates of interests including test dates and holidays in reference to start date. It was determined that the committee continue to study the calendar with the addition of parents on the committee to garner insights as it relates to three-weeks of non-instructional time during Winter Break as well as issues with childcare. In addition, when the item returns for Board adoption, that staff bring additional information requested by the Board.

PRESENTATIONS

#1 Budget Updates: Governor's Proposal, Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes, (TRANS) and Sale of Measure G Funds

Mr. Bishop, Associate Superintendent Business Services, introduced the item and briefly highlighted the discussions within the budget presentation. Topics include the Governor's budget proposal, Cash Flow and TRANS, and Measure G Bond Sales.

Mr. Bishop stated that California's economy continues to suffer and is not expected to recover until 2015. And, there are no significant updates to the Governor's proposal since the previous Board meeting. He reiterated information regarding an approximate \$19.9 billion State deficit for 2009-10 and 2010-11.

Mr. Bishop said that the Governor's budget proclaims that education is protected; however, in reviewing the information it reveals impacts for the current and following year. He identified some spending reductions in Health and Human Services, State compensation along with funding shifts. He mentioned that the good news is that there would be no mid-year cuts to education. He stated however, that there are \$2 billion in reductions to Prop 98 funding. In addition, there is negative funding for COLA in the 2010-11 school year.

Mr. Tsunozumi briefly reviewed the impact the Governor's Proposal would have on the multi-year projections based on information currently available. The net impact to SAUSD due to the Governor's proposal is a funding loss ranging from \$4.7 to \$11.9 million. Additional budget cuts in 2010-11 of \$5.5-\$11.0 million would be required to offset the funding loss. These additional budget reductions are in addition to the \$31 million in reduction that the Board had authorized in December 2009. Mr. Tsunozumi stated that the Governor's proposal is not authorized until legislation has taken action. He stated that much of the flexibility language would not be available until February 1, 2010. The impact to SAUSD is a potential \$12 million reduction in revenue. He stated that the Board authorized a self-qualified First Interim Report due to concerns related to the State budget crisis and strong possibility of additional State cuts. He then discussed Cash Flows and TRANS, stating that no additional cash deferrals are proposed at this time but outlined a rationale why a TRANS may still need to be considered.

Ms. Raineri, President of Governmental Financial Strategies, Inc. provided an update on Measure C bonds. She said that as part of the ongoing debt administration, the District continually monitors financing opportunities. She said that the 4.12% interest would save District taxpayers \$6.34 million over the remaining 20 years.

Following the presentation, Mr. Bishop and Mr. Tsunozumi addressed questions from the Board.

#2 Summarized Data of Williams Settlement Second Quarterly Report

Dr. Olsky stated that in order to meet the Williams Settlement Uniform Complaint reporting requirements, staff is required to report summarized data on the nature and resolution of all complaints on a quarterly basis to the County Superintendent of Schools and the Board of Education. For the second quarterly reporting period of October 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009, the SAUSD has no complaints.

#3 Progress Report From Orange County Department of Education School Assistance and Intervention Team for Century High School

Ms. Tunstall from the Orange County Department of Education and Schools Assistance and Intervention Team (SAIT), presented an update of Century High School's second and third progress reports. Attached to the reports were corrective actions and benchmarks. In reviewing all nine essential program components, Century High School Administration and staffs are on target in terms of benchmarks, and/or have exceeded expectations as they continue striving for positive change and success in mathematics and language arts. In attendance were Century High School's principal, assistant principals, and counselors. From the County Office were Sandy Lapham and David Moorehouse. The fourth report to the Board will be on February 23, 2010.

It was by Board consensus that the Board act on Agenda Item 3.0 at this time.

CHANGE IN AGENDA ORDER

ITEM 3.0 - ACCEPTANCE OF PROGRESS REPORT FROM ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SCHOOL ASSISTANCE AND INTERVENTION TEAM FOR CENTURY HIGH SCHOOL

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Palacio, and carried 5-0, to accept the School Assistance and Intervention Team (SAIT) First Benchmark Report of Progress for Century High School by the Orange County Department of Education.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

President Yamagata-Noji asked those members of the community who wished to address the Board to step forward as he called their names.

There were no individuals wishing to speak.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Palacio, and carried 5-0, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 12, 2010.

1.0 APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1.1 Approval of Expulsion of Students for Violation of California Education Code 48900, 48900.2, 48900.3, 48900.4, 48900.7, and/or 48915(c) According to Board Policy 5144.1.

189567- Carr Intermediate

For the violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph i, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, for the fall semester, 2009-10 school year and that the expulsion order be suspended for only the spring semester, 2009-10 school year, and that the student be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status during that time period.

180883 - Carr Intermediate

For the violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph i, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the student may apply for readmission on or after June 18, 2010.

198671- Century High School

For the 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 18, 2010.

359912- McFadden Intermediate

For the violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph b, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, for the balance of the fall semester, 2009-10 school year, and that the expulsion order to be suspended until February 2, 2010, and that the student be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status.

307516- Santa Ana High School

For the 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 18, 2010.

164033- Valley High School

For the 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 18, 2010.

166110- Valley High School

For the 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 18, 2010.

156444- Valley High School

For the 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 18, 2010.

147846- Valley High School

For the 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 18, 2010.

350157- Valley High School

For the 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 18, 2010.

- 1.2 Approval of master contracts and/or individual service agreements with nonpublic schools and agencies for students with disabilities for 2009-10 school year.
- 1.3 Approval of payment and reimbursement of costs incurred for designated instructional services for students with disabilities for the 2009-10 school year.
- 1.4 Approval of readmission of previously expelled students for the Spring semester of 2009-10 school year.
- 1.5 Approval of Expulsion of Students for Violation of California Education Code 48900, 48900.2, 48900.3, 48900.4, 48900.7, and/or 48915(c) According to Board Policy 5144.1.
- 1.6 Adoption of Resolution No. 09/10-2821 - authorizing amendment 01 to California State Preschool Contract FOCSP-9370 for the 2009-10 program year.
- 1.7 Adoption of Resolution No. 09/10-2822 authorizing one-time only instructional materials contract #CIMS-9400 for the California State Preschool program for the 2009-10 program year.
- 1.8 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 of field trips is attached.
- 1.9 Approval of purchase order summary of orders \$25,000 and over for the period of December 9, 2009 through January 13, 2010.
- 1.10 Ratification of expenditure summary and warrant listings of check for the period of January 9, 2010 through January 22, 2010.
- 1.11 Approval of disposal of obsolete unrepairable computer equipment, miscellaneous furniture, equipment, or textbooks.
- 1.12 Approve listing of agreements/contracts between the Santa Ana Unified School District and various consultants submitted for the period of December 9, 2009 through January 13, 2010.
- 1.13 Authorization to award a contract for the purchase of LCD projectors Districtwide to Intelli-Tech, pursuant to Bid No. #9-10.
- 1.14 Authorization to award contract for replacement of fencing at Lincoln Elementary, to Harris Steel Fence in the amount of \$165,900.

REGULAR AGENDA - ACTION ITEMS**2.0 ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH BOARD POLICY (BP) 3290 - GIFTS, GRANTS, AND BEQUESTS**

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Palacio, and carried 5-0, to accept the gifts in accordance with Board Policy 3290 - Gifts, Grants, and Bequests. A list of gifts is attached.

3.0 ACCEPTANCE OF PROGRESS REPORT FROM ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SCHOOL ASSISTANCE AND INTERVENTION TEAM FOR CENTURY HIGH SCHOOL

This item was presented previously during the meeting.

4.0 APPROVAL OF SCHOOLWIDE SINGLE PLANS FOR STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT FOR 2009-10 SCHOOL YEAR

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

5.0 APPROVAL OF SUBMISSION OF PART II 2009-10 CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION FOR FUNDS TO CALIFORNIA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

The District application for Consolidated Application Funds is annually submitted to the California State Department of Education for its approval. Part I was approved by the Board on June 23, 2009. Part II indicates the funding level for these programs in 2009-10. Due to the uncertainty of the State budget allocations and apportionments, the Consolidated Application may need to be revised at both schools and the District office.

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0, to approve the submission of California State Department of Education the 2009-10 Consolidated Application Part II for funding categorical aid program.

6.0 BOARD POLICY AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION (AR) 4161.8 - FAMILY CARE AND MEDICAL LEAVE (NEW: FOR ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION)

It was moved by Palacio, seconded by Mr. Reyna, and carried 5-0, to adopt and implement Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 4161.8 - Family Care and Medical Leave. The Board Policy and Administrative Regulation are attached to the agenda.

7.0 AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND AWARD OF CONTRACTS FOR DENTAL EQUIPMENT FOR VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL'S HEALTH CARE ACADEMY

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Hernandez, and carried 5-0, to amend an award of contract for dental equipment for Valley High School's Health Care Academy, in the additional amount of \$8,671, pursuant to Bid #27-09.

8.0 APPROVAL OF SUBMISSION OF GRANT APPLICATION FOR READINESS AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FOR SCHOOLS

It was moved by Mr. Hernandez, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0, to approve the submission of a grant application for the 2010 Readiness and Emergency Management for Schools Competition.

9.0 AUTHORIZATION TO OBTAIN BIDS FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION AT SADDLEBACK HIGH SCHOOL UNDER EMERGENCY REPAIR PROGRAM

It was moved by Mr. Hernandez, seconded by Mr. Palacio, and carried 5-0, to obtain bids for new construction project at Saddleback High School under the Emergency Repair Program for Bid Package No. 504.

10.0 ACCEPTANCE OF FACILITIES MASTER PLAN ANNUAL UPDATE**AND****11.0 ADOPTION RESOLUTION NO. 09/10-2823 - APPROVAL OF SANTA ANA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT EDUCATIONAL SPECIFICATIONS**

Mr. Dixon introduced the item. The Facilities Master Plan (FMP) is a summation of a collaborative and comprehensive process and becomes the road map to address the District's facilities improvement needs. It examines overall educational and facilities needs beyond modernizations or improvements constructed to date at each site. The plan includes an outreach process to solicit input from District staff, school sites, and the community. Mr. Taylor, Facilities Planner, as well as Ms. Corman, Senior Facilities Planner provided information.

Mr. Taylor provided the background of the FMP and stated that it was last adopted on February 26, 2008, with an update on January 26, 2009. He then identified FMP components. He said that Educational Specifications are part of a new reporting requirement. Standardized Construction Specifications are existing standardized construction specifications which have been formalized and incorporated into the FMP as a California Department of Education (CDE) reporting requirement. Attached is the FMP which he briefly highlighted projects using a listing. He then reviewed a capacity analysis stating that there have been 2,220 reduced slots since the 2009 FMP update.

Ms. Corman provided details to the Educational Specifications. She stated that it outlines the essential design components of a school facility, ensures that construction projects promote the educational objectives of the District and creates functional teaching stations and workspaces, and it helps provide equality among school facilities. She stated that Educational Specifications must be sent to CDE as a condition of the final plan approval for all construction projects.

Mr. Dixon shared with the Board the inclusion of critical projects for Portable to Permanent (P2P) at Garfield ES, reconstruction of Mitchell, and potential of an aquatics facility at Century High School. Mr. Dixon, Ms. Corman, and Mr. Taylor addressed questions from the Board regarding Portable to Permanent (P2P), unauthorized uses of classrooms/multi-purpose rooms, Mitchell Child Development School projected construction projects, and Century High Schools projected aquatic project. Additional information from the Board was requested which will be discussed at a future Board meeting.

The Board has requested that staff bring final recommendations to the Board for review, before sending final documents to the State concerning the aquatics center at Century High School.

It was moved by Mr. Hernandez, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 4-0, Mr. Palacio was not present to accept the Facilities Master Plan and annual update and adopt Resolution No. 09/10-2823 - to approve the Santa Ana Unified School District Educational Specifications.

12.0 PERSONNEL ACTION

It was moved by Mr. Hernandez, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 4-0, Mr. Palacio not present to approve the Personnel Calendar in its entirety.

Mr. Richardson:

- He shared information about his visit to the newly opened Lyon Air Museum, across from the John Wayne Airport in Santa Ana. The museum is designed to capture the American spirit that thrived during World War II. There are educational exhibits and authentic historical aircraft. They offer educational group tours.

Dr. Yamagata-Noji:

- She participated in the Martin Luther King, Jr. assembly at Valley High School last week. She thanked Mr. Moss for a great event. She noted an author and former Los Angeles Times writer, John Mitchell spoke on the topic of "Beyond the Dream." Mr. Mitchell has written articles on African-American and Mexican-American relations as well as the African-Mexican communities in Mexico, that share a historical perspective on the common national and/or ethnic identity of cultures that span the continent. She said that it was not only interesting, but also educational.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

The Regular meeting was recessed to Closed Session to continue discussion of personnel matters.

Closed Session Action

By a vote of 5-0, the Board took action to approve a suspension and termination of a certificated employee as named in Closed Session.

Moved: Yamagata-Noji ___ Richardson ___ Hernández X Palacio ___ Reina ___
Seconded: Yamagata-Noji ___ Richardson X Hernández ___ Palacio ___ Reyna ___
Vote: Ayes 5 Nose _____ Abstain _____ Absent _____`

By a vote of 5-0, the Board took action to approve another suspension and termination of a certificated employee as named in Closed Session.

Moved: Yamagata-Noji ___ Richardson ___ Hernández ___ Palacio X Reina ___
Seconded: Yamagata-Noji ___ Richardson X Hernández ___ Palacio ___ Reyna ___
Vote: Ayes 5 Nose _____ Abstain _____ Absent _____

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:57 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, February 9, 2010, at 6:00 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
Jane A. Russo
Secretary
Santa Ana Board of Education