

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

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
SANTA ANA BOARD OF EDUCATION

March 11, 2008

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Board President Hernandez. Other members in attendance were Mr. Richardson, Dr. Yamagata-Noji, Mrs. Avila, and Mr. Palacio.

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

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Board President Hernandez asked those wishing to address the Board in matters pertaining to Closed Session to step to the podium as he called their names.

There were no speakers to address the Board.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

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

EXPULSION HEARING

The Board conducted an expulsion hearing. In attendance were mother, student, Superintendent Russo, Ms. Barron, Senior Executive Director of Pupil Support Services, and Mr. Vargas, interpreter.

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0 that the student would remain in the SAUSD's Community Day program.

RECONVENE OPEN MEETING

The Regular meeting reconvened at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Richard Flores, 3rd grade student from Adams Elementary.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Ms. Russo recognized the Kevin Armstrong, M.D. Memorial Sports Foundation. Dr. Kevin Armstrong, founder, was a former SAUSD student and later became a Clinical Professor and Orthopedic Surgeon. His mission was to encourage and enable low-income students of the SAUSD to participate in sports by providing scholarships and improving the quality of their medical care, facilities, and equipment. Tragically, Dr. Armstrong passed away in 2005, but his legacy lives on. The foundation is credited with providing free heart and health screenings

to students, and continues its support by the recent donation of six automated external defibrillators to the SAUSD. An automated external defibrillator (AED) is a portable automatic device used to restore normal heart rhythm to patients in cardiac arrest. An AED automatically analyzes the patient's heart rhythm and advises the rescuer whether a shock is needed to restore a normal heartbeat. If the patient's heart resumes beating normally, the heart has been defibrillated. Theresa Fox from Cardiac Science demonstrated the Power Heart AED device.

Dr. Armstrong's sister Karen Armstrong, mother Kathryn Armstrong, and foundation president Kevin Yen were present to receive recognition. Superintendent Russo acknowledged Ms. Edie Tonkon, widow of the late Dr. Melvin Tonkon, a former Clinical Professor at UCI and Armstrong Foundation Board member. Dr. Tonkon paved the way for the Armstrong Foundation to carry forth health programs for SAUSD students.

The Superintendent announced that the Kevin Armstrong M.D. Memorial Sports Foundation once again showed its commitment to student athleticism by serving as a sponsor along with the City of Santa Ana during a recent SAUSD All-City Intermediate Track and Field Meet at Segerstrom High School. First place results were MacArthur 6th grade girls division, 75 points; Mendez 7th grade girls division, 110 points; MacArthur 8th grade girls division, 83.33 points; Villa 6th grade boys division, 103 points; MacArthur 7th grade boys division 68 points; and Lathrop 8th grade boys division, 76 points.

Ms. Russo announced that on March 12 at 1:00 p.m., a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony is scheduled to take place for the new 10-station Outdoor Fitness Challenge course at Kennedy Elementary School. The fitness course was made possible by Orange County On Track's three-year, \$1 million Physical Education Program grant.

The Superintendent announced that Associate Superintendent of Business Services, Don Trigg, has officially retired, but probably has been working harder than ever these last few weeks on a project of great significance for Santa Ana Unified. At a time when we need his caring attitude, vision and expertise the most, Mr. Trigg has decided to "Close out the Books" on his Education Finance career. Channel 31 captured Mr. Trigg while being honored by the Association of California School Administrators as Administrator of the Year recently.

Ms. Russo invited the public to the upcoming *Cesar Chavez Day of Service and Learning* on Saturday, March 22. The day will begin at Cesar Chavez High School, located at 2128 South Cypress, for a Rally at 11:45 a.m., followed by a march at 12:30 p.m. from the school to Delhi Park, located on Warner and Halladay, where a Celebration of Chavez's legacy of service and social change through peaceful means will occur.

The Superintendent drew the attention to those present to the beautiful artwork posted in the Board Room from Adams and Wilson Elementary and Willard Intermediate Schools.

CHANGE IN AGENDA ORDER

2.0 BOARD POLICY (BP) AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION (AR) 3515.7 AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS (NEW: FOR ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION)

It was by consensus of the Board that item 2.0 be moved up due to the family being present for the presentation and recognition.

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mrs. Avila, and carried 5-0 to adopt Board Policy 3515.7 and implement Administrative Regulation 3515.7 Automated External Defibrillators.

A copy of the Board Policy and Administrative Regulation is attached.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Board President Hernandez asked that those wishing to address the Board step to the podium.

The following individuals addressed the Board to voice their support regarding employee Ms. Aguinaga and the assistance she has provided them and many other parents. They have asked the District to increase her hours as she is a four-hour employee and many need her assistance through out the day.

Luis Benites, SAUSD parent
Maria Alvarez, SAUSD parent

Lorraine Gerard, SAUSD teacher addressed the Board to request Board's approval of an out of country field trip.

Meg Robinson, SAUSD employee addressed the Board to support the traditional calendar on the Board Agenda. She talked about the work be done prior to students beginning and how other calendars would affect testing dates.

The following individuals addressed the Board to voice concerns regarding budget cuts. They urged the Board to stop cuts to staff and to restore aide's hours, not to cut Class Size Reduction. Some spoke about funding a librarian's position, school police reductions, nurses being reduced, teacher lay offs, the new hiring of Assistant Director of Fiscal Services, and the overall affects of student's education.

Angelica Flores, SAUSD parent
Richard Flores, SAUSD student
Roman Novelo, SAUSD parent
Maria Alvarez, SAUSD parent
Patricia Tirado, SAUSD parent
Ms. Romero, SAUSD parent
Susy Brommers, SAUSD parent
Robert Chavez, SAUSD employee
Thomas Gordon, SAUSD resident

Maria Tirado, SAUSD former student addressed the Board to voice her concern regarding shared textbooks at Valley High when she attended a number of years ago. She urged the Board to assure that each student had their own textbook. She also asked staff to teach with a more hands on approach.

Rachel Moyer, from Pennsylvania, addressed the Board in support of the Automated External Defibrillators on the Board Agenda. She shared her deceased son's story; and stated that she would be donating an AED to the SAUSD for the Board's action item on the Agenda of adopting and implementing the device at school sites.

PRESENTATIONS

Update and Status of School Building Program

Mr. Jerry Hills, Construction Manager, presented an update and status report of the SAUSD building program. Various pictures were presented of completed and ongoing construction projects. He then examined the relocation schedule. He reviewed expenditures for projects currently under construction at \$54,474,693; completed projects at \$429,987,168, for a total of \$484,461,861.

Special Education Stop-Light Report

Ms. Lohnes, Assistant Superintendent, Support Services, stated that in April 2007, School Services of California presented an evaluation of Special Education to the Board. At that same time, in response to the recommendations of SSC, staff presented a special education action plan. Staff was directed to provide progress reports quarterly. In July 2007, and November 13, 2007 staff presented quarterly progress reports as a response to the action plan of April 2007. The Stop-Light Report provided this evening is the third progress report. The lights on the report showing green indicate items are on target, yellow indicates items are in development, red indicates that there is no action on item, and black indicates item was completed. Ms. Lohnes outlined each item for clarification. There were six green lights, two yellow lights, and four black light for a total of 12 items. She reviewed each light and its progress.

Mrs. Avila asked that staff look into a program where occupational therapists could be trained to become facilitators for others.

Dr. Noji recommended utilizing SAC to help with void of Speech Therapists. In addition, to encourage aides to become therapists as SAC has a paraprofessional department.

Mrs. Avila interested in documentation to learn more about problems in identifying whether a child has special needs in terms of English language issue.

Below is a copy of the Stop-Light Report.

No.		Items
1	B	Shared Responsibility for and Support of Sp. Ed Students by District and School Site Administration
2	B	Systematic Communication w/all Staff, Administration, and Parents
3	B	Categorical Funding for Special Education Students
4	B	Additional Elementary Autism Programs
5	G	Best Practices in Special Ed Evaluation of English Learners
6	G	Effective Teaching Strategies Focus in Staff Development
7	Y	Systematic Interventions Prior to Special Ed Referral
8	Y	Occupational and Physical Therapists hired in lieu of Private Contractors
9	G	System of Staff Development: IEPs, Effective Teaching Strategies, Web-based IEP, and Parent Education
10	G	Due Process Activity: Ensure the rights of parents and students
11	G	Fundamental Schools Accessibility for Special Ed Students
12	G	CDE Verification Review: Assure Compliance in all Areas

Review of Retiree Health Benefits

Ms. Boden, Director of Risk Management, introduced the item then called upon Mr. David Durian, with Mercer Consulting, who provided a summary of the SAUSD retiree health benefits. He reviewed eligibility for those 65 and older and the requirement for retirees to enroll and pay for both Medicare A (hospitalization) and B (physician services). He briefly reviewed premium cost comparisons for those retirees with Medicare and without Medicare (48% of retirees are enrolled in Medicare and 52% are under 65 and not enrolled in Medicare) and the current retiree enrollment. Currently 86% of retirees are enrolled in the Blue Cross PPO Plan, 13% in the Blue Cross HMO, .003 in Blue Cross Senior Secure and 1% in Kaiser. He stated that the District currently pays a non-Medicare rate for those

retirees who are not yet Medicare eligible. He then clarified relationship between active retiree vs post eligible retirees and the effect of post-eligible retirees on District's pool. He then reviewed post-retirement retiree contributions and premium rates for single, two party, and family. He followed up with benchmark data.

Mr. Richardson inquired about benefit restructuring for pre-65 rates so they are actuarially based on providing care to pre-65 retirees. Mr. Durian stated that the average (blended) premium plus retiree contributions (or implicit rate subsidy) may not cover the true underlying cost of retiree benefits and he stated that later in the meeting the GASB 45 valuation Study presentation would address the implicit rate subsidy issue.

It is with Board consensus that the following item be brought before the Board for discussion and separate action due to its relevance at this time.

12.0 ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD 45 VALUATION REPORT OF OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

Ms. Boden presented the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) 45 Actuarial Valuation Study prepared by SMART. Ms. Boden stated that it is a requirement that all Districts report unfunded liabilities that reflect future costs of retiree benefits in their financial statements. Additionally, in the footnotes of financial statements, unfunded liabilities must also be noted. The SAUSD's GASB 45 financial reporting implementation date is 2007-08 school year.

Ms. Boden reviewed key actuarial assumptions, the Districts current situation, post-employment benefits for certificated; classified employees, dependents, and survivor benefits; results; implicit rate subsidy and costs; differences between actuarial valuation results as of July 1, 2007 and those of July 1, 2005, and potential funding of OPEB obligations options.

Board discussion ensued regarding 5% future medical inflation, other post-employment benefits (OPEB), dependent coverage, healthcare trends, annual required contribution (ARC), employer contribution, actuarial accrued liability, bonds and potential funding. Ms. Boden and Mr. Durian addressed questions.

The Board has asked that this item be returned to a future Board meeting when the Actuary expert can be present to explain additional details.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0 to approve Minutes of the Regular Board meeting of February 26, 2008.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

The following items were removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and separate action: Authorization to Obtain Bids for Adams Elementary School Playground Equipment Installation and Authorization to Obtain Bids for Site Preparation and Installation of Playground Equipment at Diamond, Franklin, and Martin and Taft Elementary Schools.

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

1.1 Approval of purchase order summary of orders \$25,000 and over for the period of February 13 through February 26, 2008.

- 1.2 Approval of expenditure summary and warrant listing of expenditures over \$25,000 for the period of February 13 through February 26, 2008.
- 1.3 Approval of agreements/contracts between the Santa Ana Unified School District and various consultants submitted during the period of February 13 through February 26, 2008.
- 1.4 Approval to dispose obsolete un-repairable computer equipment, miscellaneous furniture, equipment, or textbooks.
- 1.5 Food Services - Statement of Operations and Balance Sheet for July 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007.
- 1.6 Approval of Change Order No. 1 for Bid Packages No. 07-07A, 07-11, and 07-12A for Construction of Facilities Relocation project in the amount of \$236,091.62 for a revised total construction cost of \$15,187,558.54.
- 1.7 Approval of Change Order No. 3 for Qualified Zone Academy Bond project in the amount of \$22,243.28 for a revised total construction cost of \$2,730,228.61.
- 1.8 Approval of Change Order No. 3 for Bid Package No. 2 for construction of Valley High School Modernization project in the amount of \$124,781.02 for a revised total construction cost of \$20,019,333.57.
- 1.9 Authorization to award a contract to P.H. Hagopian Contractor, Inc. apparent lowest responsible bidder for a total amount of \$246,800 for the construction of the Facilities Relocation Project.
- 1.10 Authorization to obtain bids for the installation of Adams Elementary School's playground equipment in the amount of \$150,000.

This item was removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and separate action.
- 1.11 Authorization to obtain bids for site preparation and installation of new playground equipment at Diamond, Franklin, Martin and Taft Elementary Schools.

This item was removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and separate action.
- 1.12 Approval of Extended Field Trips in Accordance with Board Policy (BP) 6153(a) - School-Sponsored Trips and Administrative Regulation (AR) 6153.1 - Extended School-Sponsored Trips. See attached list.
- 1.13 Approval of payment and /or reimbursement of costs incurred for designated instructional services of students with disabilities.
- 1.14 Approval of master contracts and/or individual service agreements with nonpublic schools and agencies for student with disabilities for 2007-08 school year.
- 1.15 Approval of recommendation by the Administrative hearing panels to expel students, as listed, for the recommended terms including the remediation conditions:

130511 - Cesar Chavez High

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 February 2009.

326896 - Lathrop Intermediate

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 19, 2008.

173265 - Lathrop Intermediate

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 19, 2008.

136447 - Saddleback High

For 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 spring semester, 2007-08 school year, and that the expulsion order be suspended until June 19, 2008, and that he be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status.

159687 - Sierra Intermediate

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 February 2009.

169483 - Spurgeon Intermediate

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 19, 2008.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND SEPARATE ACTION

Trustee Palacio removed these items from the Consent Calendar for discussion and separate action.

It was by consensus of the Board that both items be discussed simultaneously due to similarities in each item. Mr. Palacio inquired about costs for both items. Mr. Hills clarified costs vs. volume of equipment.

1.10 Authorization to Obtain Bids for Adams Elementary School Playground Equipment Installation

and

1.11 Authorization to Obtain Bids for Site Preparation and Installation of Playground Equipment at Diamond, Franklin, Martin and Taft Elementary Schools

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 5-0 to authorize administration to obtain bids for the installation of Adams Elementary School's playground equipment in the amount of \$150,000 and site preparation and installation of new playground equipment at Diamond, Franklin, Martin, and Taft Elementary School.

REGULAR ACTION ITEMS

2.0 BOARD POLICY (BP) AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION (AR) 3515.7 AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS (NEW: FOR ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION)

This item was presented earlier in the meeting.

3.0 ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH BOARD POLICY (BP) 3290 - GIFTS, GRANTS, AND BEQUESTS

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mrs. Avila, and carried 5-0 to accept the gifts in accordance with Board Policy 3290 - Gifts, Grants, and Bequests. A list is attached to the Minutes.

4.0 APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL BUDGET REDUCTIONS FOR 2008-09 SCHOOL YEAR

Mr. Trigg, Interim Superintendent, Business Services, stated that at the December 13, 2007, Board meeting, the Board authorized 2008-09 budget reductions totaling \$14.9 million. The Orange County Department of Education requested that the District identify additional budget reductions of \$2.1 million by March 15, 2008. This reduction will enable the District to attain the \$17 million budget reduction target that was set pre-Governor's proposal.

At the February 26, 2008, Board meeting, the Board authorized one-time savings of \$913,660 through early implementation in 2007-08 of select reduction proposals originally slated for implementation in 2008-09. Before the Board was an item to approve \$1.2 million in reductions that must be met by March 15, 2008. Mr. Tsunezumi then reviewed the additional proposed budget reductions. He provided information on average salaries, health and welfare costs, and cost to salary ratio. Ms. Lohnes, Chief Miyashiro, and Mr. Minnick and Dr. Byfield also provided information concerning reductions before the Board. Mr. Tsunezumi emphasized that the same level of police service that students and staff currently receive will not change. Ms. Lohnes described the instructional assistant schedule and again, there would be the same level of assistance in classrooms to keep in compliancy with IEPs. She also clarified paraprofessional positions and their job duties. Mr. Minnick stated that while nurses will be reduced there is a compliancy issue that most certainly would be met. In fact, under the new plan there will be an extra nurse at the high school level, intermediate will remain the same and elementary will go from having 1.9 in an average workday per week to 1.4.

Item: 122 (\$500,000)

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 3-2, Mrs. Avila and Mr. Palacio dissenting to approve the elimination of approximately 30 part time, benefited positions totaling \$500,000. This proposal would increase affected employees from the previously approved 25% to 31%.

Item: 40 (\$500,000)

The Board had previously rejected a proposal to eliminate the entire SAUSD Police Department at a savings of \$4.7 million. This proposal is an approximate 10% reduction.

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 3-2, Mrs. Avila and Mr. Palacio dissenting, to approve the reduction of SAUSD police expenditures.

Item: F (\$315,000)

The Board previously rejected a proposal to eliminate six nurse positions. Reducing six nurses would have provided nurse staffing a level equivalent to O.C. average of 2,452:1.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 3-2, Mrs. Avila and Mr. Palacio dissenting to approve the elimination of three nurse positions.

At this time, Mr. Trigg has asked that 7.0 be removed from the Agenda as the Board fulfilled their commitment to reduce the needed funds to submit a Positive Certification of financial status to the Orange County Department of Education.

5.0 CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL STATUS (POSITIVE) - JANUARY 31, 2008

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 5-0, to certify the District financial status as "positive" and that the District can meet its financial obligations through the remainder of this fiscal year and for the subsequent two fiscal years.

6.0 APPROVAL OF 2007-08 SECOND INTERIM REPORT - POSITIVE CERTIFICATION ADDENDUM DOCUMENT

Mr. Trigg stated that the Governor's January 2008 budget proposal contains potential severe reductions to K-12 Education in both the current year and in 2008-09. The Orange County Department of Education (OCDE) is aware of the difficulties districts face in identifying and implementing budget reductions in time to be included with the 2007-08 Second Interim Report. The OCDE is requesting that districts who are submitting a positive certification for their 2007-08 Second Interim Report, based on an assumption that includes significant budget reductions in 2008-09 not yet approved or implemented, approve "Attachment A", along with the approval of the Second Interim Report.

In summary, (Attachment A) states the following:

- In certifying the 2007-08 Second Interim Report as positive, the Board understands its fiduciary responsibility to maintain the District's fiscal solvency for the current and subsequent two fiscal years.
- The District will identify and implement a total of \$35.9 million in on-going budget reductions for 2008-09. Note: \$14.9 million in on-going cuts were approved at the December 11th and December 13th Board meetings leaving a balance of \$21 million in on-going cuts remaining to be made).
- The District will submit a detailed list of Board approved reductions with the 2008-09 July 1 Budget.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 5-0, to approve the recommended reductions to be made in the areas of staffing, services, and programs.

7.0 CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL STATUS (QUALIFIED)- JANUARY 31, 2008

This item was removed from the Agenda.

8.0 AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD CONTRACT FOR 403B THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATION SERVICES DISTRICTWIDE

Mr. Trigg stated that the 403b is a retirement plan available to employees of non-profit, tax-exempt organizations, including educational institutions. New 403 regulations which will go into effect January 1, 2009, will offer employers a unique opportunity to drastically improve the quality and cost of 403b retirement plans.

Dr. Yamagata-Noji inquired about notification to employees of the change in the 403b plan.

Mr. Darin Woinarowicz, representative from the OCTFCU stated that they would write letters and meet with individuals. He stated that the plan they currently will have no interruptions to services. In terms of the credit union name change to "Schools First Federal Credit Union," they will notify all employees.

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Hernandez and carried 5-0 to authorize the award contract for 403b third Party Administration Services Districtwide to the Orange County Teachers Federal Credit Union (OCTFCU) for a period not to exceed two years.

9.0 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 07/08-2710 - AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSFER EXPENDITURES FROM DISTRICT'S SPECIAL RESERVE FUND TO DISTRICT'S MEASURE C FUND

It was moved by Mrs. Avila, seconded by Mr. Richardson and carried 4-1, Mr. Palacio dissenting to adopt Resolution No. 07/08-2710 transfer expenditures from District's Special Reserve Fund to the District's Measure C Fund.

10.0 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 07/08-2711 - AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSFER EXPENDITURES FROM DISTRICT'S SPECIAL RESERVE FUND TO DISTRICT'S STATE FUND

It was moved by Mrs. Avila, seconded by Mr. Richardson and carried 4-1, Mr. Palacio dissenting to adopt Resolution No. 07/08-2711 transfer expenditures from the District's Special Reserve fund to the District's State Fund.

11.0 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 07/08-2717 - AUTHORIZATION OF SIGNATURES FOR SANTA ANA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Palacio and carried 5-0 to adopt Resolution No. 07/08-2717 to authorize Ronald W. Murrey, Association Superintendent, business Services; Joe Dixon, Assistant Superintendent, Facilities and Governmental Relations; Herman Mendez, Assistant Superintendent, Elementary Education, Alex Ayala, Assistant Superintendent, Secondary Education; and Kelvin Tsunezumi, Executive Director, Fiscal Services, as Signatories for Santa Ana Unified School District.

12.0 ACCEPTANCE OF GOVERNMENTAL ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD 45 VALUATION REPORT OF OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

This item was removed for discussion and separate action earlier in the meeting. It was determined that this item would be returned to the subsequent Board meeting.

13.0 ACCEPTANCE OF COMPLETION OF CONTRACT FOR BID PACKAGE NO. 8 FOR VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL MODERNIZATION PROJECT

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Palacio and carried 5-0 to accept the March 11, 2008, completion of contract with the above listed contractor for Bid Package No. 8 for the construction of Valley High School Modernization Project for a total amount of \$996,292.

14.0 APPROVAL TO RELEASE CONTRACT RETENTION FOR BID PACKAGE NO. 07-07A FOR SAVALA CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES RELOCATION PROJECT

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Richardson and carried 5-0 to approve to release contract retention with Savala Construction in the amount of \$259,929 for bid package no. 0707A for construction of the Facilities Relocation Project with represents 50% of the escrow retention amount.

15.0 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 07/08-2714 - AUTHORIZATION OF AMENDMENT 01 TO STATE PRESCHOOL CONTRACT FOR 2007-08 SCHOOL YEAR

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Palacio and carried 5-0 to adopt Resolution No. 07/08-2714 for authorization of amendment 01 to State Preschool Contract CPRE-7249 for the 2007-08 program year.

16.0 CALL FOR PUBLIC HEARING: ASSEMBLY BILL 602 ANNUAL BUDGET AND SERVICE PLANS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2008-09

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mrs. Avila and carried 5-0 to call for a public hearing in compliance with Assembly Bill 602 Annual Service and Budget Plans.

17.0 APPROVAL OF REDUCTION OF CERTIFICATED MANAGEMENT CALENDAR DUTY DAYS FOR 2008-09 AND 2009-10 SCHOOL YEARS

Mr. Lopez stated that the impact of this action would be a reduction of the General Fund expenditures related to Certificated Management compensation by approximately \$495,000 over the next two school years.

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mrs. Avila and carried 5-0 to approve the reduction of Certificated Management Calendar duty days for 2008-09 school years.

18.0 APPROVAL OF TRADITIONAL CALENDAR FOR 2008-09 SCHOOL YEAR

Mr. Lopez provided information from parent surveys and stated that the calendar for the 2008-09 school year would provide many new benefits to the District such as:

- Three weeks of non-instruction during the Winter break
- A set Spring Break schedule for the first full week in April
- Final duty on a Friday, providing for sufficient time to prepare for Summer school

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 4-1, Mrs. Avila dissenting, to approve the Traditional Instructional Calendar for the 2008-09 school year.

19.0 APPROVAL OF NEW JOB DESCRIPTION: ROVING LEAD CUSTODIAN

It was moved by Mr. Avila, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 4-1, Mr. Palacio dissenting, to approve the new job description of Roving Lead Custodian.

20.0 APPROVAL OF REVISED JOB DESCRIPTION: CUSTODIAN

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

21.0 PERSONNEL ACTION

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0 to approve the Personnel Calendar in its entirety. A copy is attached to the Minutes of this meeting.

22.0 BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS

Mrs. Avila

- Announced that Ms. Russo will be speaking at the next EPIC meeting.

Mr. Richardson

- Enjoyed the intermediate school track meet; the stands were filled. He thanked the City of Santa Ana for providing trophies and medals.

- Attended a YMCA annual dinner held at the Hacienda. It would be timely to present a YMCA presentation on their new project.
- Looks forward to Don Trigg's retirement celebration tomorrow evening. He paid tribute to him for his service to the SAUSD.

Mr. Hernández

- Had an opportunity to attend the Hispanic Bar Association Dinner recently, in which he is a member. Among the Bar Association Board of Directors were two former Santa Ana Unified School District students. He said that, it speaks volumes of students that are produced by SAUSD.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:20 p.m.

FUTURE MEETINGS

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, March 11, 2008, at 6:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Jane A. Russo
Secretary
Santa Ana Board of Education