

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

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
SANTA ANA BOARD OF EDUCATION

March 22, 2005

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. by Board President Yamagata-Noji. Other members in attendance were Mr. Richardson and Mr. Palacio. Mrs. Avila arrived at 5:10 p.m. and Mr. Tinajero was not in attendance.

Cabinet members present were Dr. Mijares, Dr. Bennett, Mr. Trigg, Mr. Sharp, Mr. White, Dr. Stainer, Dr. Bratcher, and Mrs. Araujo-Cook. Mr. Lopez was not in attendance.

MEETING RECESSED AND RECONVENED

At 5:00 p.m., the Regular meeting was 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 6:10 p.m.

There were approximately 20 members of the community and District staff in the audience.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Mijares called attention to student artwork on display from Villa Fundamental Intermediate and the Intermediate Division of Taft School.

Congratulations were extended to Maritza Urquiza, an eighth-grade student from Lathrop Intermediate, who was a finalist in the prestigious Sixth Annual Holocaust Art and Writing Contest *Change Our World Legacy of Liberation*. The contest was co-sponsored by Chapman University, the Samueli Foundation, and The "1939" Club, which is one of the largest and most active Holocaust survivor organizations in the United States. Willard Intermediate and Century High also participated in the writing contest.

Pio Pico Elementary recently celebrated Dr. Seuss's 100th Birthday and their Second Annual Literacy Fair. A brief video clip featured literacy in action as students, staff, and parents participated on that special day. Board President Yamagata-Noji provided words of encouragement to students as Superintendent Mijares conveyed the words *read to succeed*. Present were Santa Ana Council Members Alberta Christy and Jose Solorio. The event was supported by various organizations such as the Santa Ana Public Library and the Rotary and Kiwanis service clubs. The student's favorite visitor was the Cat in the Hat, can you believe that!

Edison parent, Catalina Herrera, was recognized as a nominee for the CABE (California Association for Bilingual Education) *Parent of the Year* Award. CABE honors outstanding contributors to bilingual education. Edison Principal, Chad Hammitt, cited Catalina's tireless volunteerism and enthusiasm.

Seventy-five Wilson Elementary students cycled through their neighborhood, thanks to Learning for Life and the Mike Carona Foundation. In addition to learning about bike and road safety at a recent Bike Day Camp, students participated in a community-service neighborhood beautification project. As a reward, OC Sheriff Mike Carona presented each participant with a new bike, lock, and helmet.

Congratulations were extended to two e-Business Academy seniors at Century High. Students Santiago Avila and Xylon Quezada were selected as finalists for the 2005 *Bank of America* Achievement Awards. The awards recognize and honor outstanding high school seniors whose scholastic attainment, sense of responsibility, and evidence of leadership provide the most promise of future success and service to society.

The Superintendent invited the community to attend the following events:

- ❖ Honor Choir Concert on Thursday, March 24, at 7 p.m. at the Santa Ana High School auditorium. The concert will feature elementary, intermediate, and high school honor choirs of more than 300 students in all. This is the highlight of the year for the choir programs.
- ❖ Arte Flamenco performance on Tuesday, March 29, at 6:30 p.m., also at the Santa Ana High School auditorium. The performers will be students from Heninger Elementary, who have been training with famed dancer Clarita Corona for this exhibition.
- ❖ Fifth Annual Cesar Chavez Holiday, March 26, at Santa Ana's Campesino Park from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Participants in this educational event include Teresa Chavez-Delgado, daughter of Cesar Chavez, and other community leaders including Sal Tinajero.
- ❖ Healthy Kids Day, April 2, at Eddie West Field from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Health Expo will offer free health screenings, family activities, live music and entertainment.
- ❖ The American Diabetes Association is presenting a Health Fair on Third Street, between Bush and Spurgeon on Sunday, April 3, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free diabetes screening will be available along with music, prizes and entertainment.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Board's Intention to Dedicate an Easement to Southern California Edison Company (SCE) Over a Portion of Segerstrom High School Property Owned by the District

President Yamagata-Noji opened the public hearing to receive comments regarding the Board's intention to dedicate an easement to Southern California Edison Company (SCE) over a portion of Segerstrom High property owned by the District.

Hearing no comment, the public hearing was declared closed.

PRESENTATION:

SCHOOL BUILDING PROGRAM

Mr. Hills, District's Construction Manager, presented an update and status report of the Santa Ana Unified School District's School Building Program. Various pictures and aerial views were also provided.

Manuel Esqueda Elementary
Construction start date: October 2003
Anticipated completion date: April 2005
Current completion status: 97%
Contract price: \$15,380,000

Segerstrom High
Start date: March 2002
Anticipated completion date: August 2005
Current completion status: 70%
Contract price: \$53,000,000

Hector G. Godinez Fundamental High School
Construction start date: October 2003
Anticipated completion date: March 2006
Current completion status: 59%
Contract price: \$65,800,000

Mountain View High
Construction start date: October 2004
Anticipated completion date: July 2006
Current completion: 5%
Contract price \$11,400,000

MODERNIZATION PROJECTS:

Lincoln Elementary Modernization
Construction start date: September 2004
Anticipated completion date: March 2005
Current completion status is at 98%
Contract Price is \$2,400,000

Jackson Elementary Modernization
Construction start date: September 2004
Current completion status is at 72%
Anticipated completion date: July 2005
Contract price is \$2,500,000

Hoover Elementary Modernization
Construction start date: December 2004
Current completion status: 32%
Anticipated completion date: September 2005
Contract price is \$2,700,000

Fremont Elementary Modernization
Construction start date: December 2004
Anticipated completion date: May 2005
Current completion status: 28%
Contract price is \$2,900,000

McFadden Intermediate Modernization
Construction start date: December 2004
Anticipated completion date: August 2005
Current completion status: 12%
Contract price is \$4,100,000

Sierra Intermediate Modernization
Construction start date: February 2005
Anticipated completion date: August 2005
Current completion status 8%
Contract price is \$1,200,000

Upcoming Modernization Projects
Jefferson Elementary School (June-September 2005, \$1.6 million)
Lowell Elementary School (June-September 2005, \$2.3 million)
Roosevelt Elementary School (May-September 2005, \$2.7 million)
Lathrop Intermediate School (June 2005-September 2006, \$4.3 million)

Completed Projects to Date

- ❖ Roof replacement and repairs at eleven sites
- ❖ Replacement of fire alarm and Public Address Systems at six sites
- ❖ New flooring and abatement work at five sites
- ❖ Taft Elementary - new parking lot and ADA requirement
- ❖ MacArthur Intermediate new roofs, air conditioning new/upgrades, fire alarm

Upgrade and ADA Requirements

- ❖ Jefferson Elementary - installation of air conditioning, electrical upgrades, gas service upgrade, roof replacement
- ❖ Placement of new portable restrooms at 24 Sites
- ❖ Exterior painting at 34 sites
- ❖ Garfield Elementary - addition of two classrooms to existing building
- ❖ Romero Cruz Elementary - new modular multi-purpose room
- ❖ Sierra Intermediate - new administration building and alterations to classrooms
- ❖ Demolition of existing buildings at the future sites of Mountain View High, Manuel Esqueda Elementary and Hector G. Godinez Fundamental High schools
- ❖ Monroe Elementary modernization
- ❖ Taft Elementary modernization
- ❖ John Adams Elementary modernization
- ❖ Madison Elementary modernization
- ❖ Jackson, Lincoln, Roosevelt & Washington school classroom building additions
- ❖ Qualified Zone Academy Bonds/Higher Education Centers

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Palacio, and carried 4-0, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board meeting of March 8, 2005.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

The following items were removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and separate action: Approval of Change Order No. 4 for Bid Package 9 for Construction of Segerstrom High School Project and Approval of Continued Participation in Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act (VATEA) Tech-Prep Consortium for 2004-05 School Year.

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 4-0, to approve the remainder of the Consent Calendar.

Approval of Gifts in Accordance With Board Policy (BP) 3290 (a) - Gifts, Grants, and Bequests.

Gifts
Muir Fundamental
\$275 for field trip

Donors
Muir Fundamental PTA
Mrs. Anabel Jimenez
Santa Ana

ELD/Bilingual Education
and Student Achievement

Teacher Designated Learning
Mr. Robert O. Dettloff
Huntington Beach

Approval of purchase order summary and a detailed listing of orders \$25,000 and over for period of February 23 through March 8, 2005.

Approval of expenditure summary and detailed listing of checks \$10,000 and over for period of February 23 through March 8, 2005.

Approval of substitution of listed fire curtain subcontract for Bid Package No. 17 for the construction of Segerstrom High School project.

Approval to accept the March 9, 2005, completion of contract with Ortco, Inc., in the amount of \$47,300 for the removal of existing playground equipment, site preparation, and installation of new playground equipment at Lincoln and Edison Elementary Schools.

Approval to approve Change Order No. 7 for Bid Package 1 for construction of Godinez Fundamental High School project in the amount of \$110,418 for a revised total construction cost of \$63,593,873.80.

Approval to Change Order No. 6 for Bid Packages No. 86, 88, 92, 93, 101, and 102 for a revised total project construction costs of \$15,722,678.24 for the construction of Manuel Esqueda Elementary School project.

Approval of appointment of Ninyo & Moore as the consultant for soil testing at Hoover and Lowell Elementary Schools modernization projects.

Approval of appointment of Twining Laboratories as the consultant for construction material testing at Jackson Elementary and McFadden Intermediate School modernization projects.

Approval of appointment of Twining Laboratories as the consultant for construction material testing at Fremont Elementary and Sierra Intermediate School modernization projects.

Authorization of disposal of obsolete unrepairable computer equipment, pursuant to Education Code Sections 39520 and 39521, Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 3270.

Authorization of disposal of obsolete unrepairable textbooks, pursuant to Education Code Sections 39520 and 39521, Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 3270.

Authorization of disposal of surplus unrepairable miscellaneous furniture, pursuant to Education Code Sections 39520 and 39521, Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 3270.

Ratification of contract for the renewal of the license, product, and software for the Oracle financial system to the Oracle Corporation, in the amount of \$137,765.38 (tax included), in accordance with the State of California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS), Contract No. 3-94-70-0013, pursuant to the provision of Public Contract Codes Section 20118. The Board finds and determines that it is in the best interest of the District to purchase items utilizing the CMAS contract.

Approval of submission of the Planetarium Research Investigation Project (PRIP) grant application to the Beaumont Foundation of America.

Readmission of Expelled Former Student for the Spring Semester of the 2004-05 School year.

Approval of Expulsion of Students for Violation of California Education Code 48900, 48900.2, 48900.3, 48900.4, 48900.7, or 48915 According to Board Policy 5144.1.

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

199848 - Lathrop Intermediate

For violation of Paragraph b, that the Board expel him from the schools of the District and that he may apply for readmission on or after January 15, 2006.

130413 - Century High

For violation of Paragraph g, that the Board expel her from the schools of the District for the remainder of the spring semester 2004-05 school year and that the expulsion order be suspended for only the fall semester of the 2005-06 school year, and that she be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status during that time period.

198152 - Carr Intermediate

For violation of Paragraphs .2 and I, that the Board expel him from the schools of the District and that he may apply for readmission on or after January 15, 2006

125764 - Santa Ana High

For violation of Paragraph b, that the Board expel him from the schools of the District and that he may apply for readmission on or after June 15, 2005.

151388 - Sierra

For violation of Paragraph c, that the Board expel her from the schools of the District and that she may apply for readmission on or after January 15, 2006.

117573 - Santa Ana High

For violation of Paragraphs c and j, that the Board expel him from the schools of the District for the remainder of the spring semester 2004-05 school year, that the expulsion order be suspended for only the fall semester of the 2005-06 school year, and that he be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status during that time period.

153326 - Sierra Intermediate

For violation of Paragraph c, that the Board expel him from the schools of the District for the remainder of the spring semester 2004-05 school year, that the expulsion order be suspended for only the fall semester of the 2005-06 school year, and that he be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status during that time period.

117297 - Saddleback High

For violation of Paragraph b, that the Board expel him from the schools of the District for the spring semester, 2004-05 school year, and the fall semester 2005-06, school year; however, that the expulsion order be suspended until January 15, 2006, and that he be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status.

164979 - McFadden Intermediate

For violation of Paragraph b, that the Board expel her from the schools of the District and that she may apply for readmission on or after June 15, 2005.

308738 - Lathrop Intermediate

For violation of Paragraph b, that the Board expel him from the schools of the District for the balance of the spring semester, 2004-05 school year and that the expulsion order be suspended until June 15, 2005, and that he be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status.

149013 - Carr Intermediate

For violation of Paragraph c, that the Board expel her from the schools of the District for the spring semester 2004-05 school year, the fall semester, 2005-06 school; however, that the expulsion order be suspended until January 15, 2006, and that she be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status.

143746 - Carr Intermediate

For violation of Paragraph c, that the Board expel her from the schools of the District and that she may apply for readmission on or after January 15, 2006.

173461 - Sierra Intermediate

For violation of Paragraph b, that the Board expel him from the schools of the District for the balance of the spring semester, 2004-05 school year and that the expulsion order be suspended until June 15, 2005, and that he be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status.

151993 - Lathrop Intermediate

For violation of Paragraph c, that the Board expel him from the schools of the District and that he may apply for readmission on or after January 15, 2006.

140745 - McFadden Intermediate

For violation of Paragraph c, that the Board expel her from the schools of the District for the spring semester, 2004-05 school year, and the fall semester 2005-06, school year; however, that the expulsion order be suspended until January 15, 2006, and that she be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status.

198152 - Lathrop Intermediate

For violation of Paragraph c, that the Board expel him from the schools of the District and that he may apply for readmission on or after January 15, 2006.

109015 - Santa Ana High

For violation of Paragraph c, that the Board expel him from the schools of the District for the balance of the spring semester, 2004-05 school year and that the expulsion order be suspended until June 15, 2005, and that he be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status.

148915 - Lathrop Intermediate

For violation of Paragraph c, that the Board expel him from the schools of the District and that he may apply for readmission on or after January 15, 2006.

139598 - Lathrop Intermediate

For violation of Paragraph c, that the Board expel her from the schools of the District for the spring semester, 2004-05 school year, and the fall semester 2005-06, school year; however, that the expulsion order be suspended until January 15, 2006, and that she be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status.

198474 - Lathrop Intermediate

For violation of Paragraph b, that the Board expel him from the schools of the District and that he may apply for readmission on or after January 15, 2006.

150503 - Carr Intermediate

For violation of Paragraph c, that the Board expel her from the schools of the District for the remainder of the spring semester 2004-05 school year, that the expulsion order be suspended for only the fall semester of the 2005-06 school year, and that she be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status during that time period.

139092 - McFadden Intermediate

For violation of Paragraph c, that the Board expel her from the schools of the District for the spring semester, 2004-05 school year, and the fall semester 2005-06, school year; however, that the expulsion order be suspended until January 15, 2006, and that she be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status.

141959 - Carr Intermediate

For violation of Paragraph c, that the Board expel her from the schools of the District for the spring semester, 2004-05 school year, and the fall semester 2005-06, school year; however, that the expulsion order be suspended until January 15, 2006, and that she be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status.

189038 - Carr Intermediate

For violation of Paragraph c, that the Board expel her from the schools of the District for the spring semester, 2004-05 school year, and the fall semester 2005-06, school year; however, that the expulsion order be suspended until January 15, 2006, and that she be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status.

Approval of Extended Field Trips in Accordance With Board Policy (BP) 6153(a) - School-Sponsored Trips and Administrative Regulation (AR) 6153.1(a) - Extended School-Sponsored Trips:

Lincoln Elementary
Mile High Pines
Angelus Oakes, CA
March 21-25, 2005

Mendez Fundamental
Eighth Grade Washington Tour
Washington, D.C.
March 27-April 1, 2005

Remington Elementary
Alpine Meadows Science School
Angelus Oakes, CA
April 18-22, 2005

Century High
Career Center
CampMED at Lazy W. Ranch
San Juan Capistrano, CA
May 6-8, 2005

Century High
Model United Nations Conference
El Toro High School
El Toro, CA
April 9-10, 2005

Century, Saddleback, Santa Ana, and Valley Highs
CSUF Upward Bound
Spring Break Southern College Tour
Southern CA
March 28-31, 2005

Century High
Chamber Singers
Heritage Festival
San Diego, CA
April 1-2, 2005

Saddleback High
Dance Team
Professional Dance Network Convention
Palm Springs, CA
April 22-24, 2005

Santa Ana High
Chamber Singers
Heritage Music Festival
New York, NY
March 29-April 4, 2005

Santa Ana High
Dance Club
Dance and Movement Conference
Palm Springs, CA
Mary 13-15, 2005

Santa Ana High
Outdoor Science club
Red Rock Canyon State Park
Chantil, CA
March 19-20, 2005

Valley High
Dance Club
Dance & Movement Conference
Palm Springs, CA
May 13-15, 2005

APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 4 FOR BID PACKAGE 9 FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SEGERSTROM HIGH SCHOOL PROJECT

Mr. Sharp stated that the first two change orders called for additional amounts and the third one was a large credit due to reduced costs for air conditioning units. He stated that the air conditioning units did not meet the standards that the plans called for. Therefore, the manufacturer created units to meet the architects and engineers specifications, which lowered costs and as a result causing a substantial credit.

Mr. Sharp stated that in reference to the fourth change order, a meeting with the Athletic Directors and Administrators occurred regarding athletic field lighting. Mr. Hills further clarified and provided specifics in reference to the lighting. He stated that Valley High School is the only high school to have lighted fields due to a joint-use agreement with the City. At the meeting, it was determined that because the school would not have any night games, the lighting was not necessary, therefore saving costs and showing a credit to Change Order No. 4.

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 4-0, to approve Change Order No. 4 for Bid Package No. 9, electrical, for construction of Segerstrom High School project for a credit of (\$91,599.20) for a revised total project construction cost of \$54,132,957.25.

APPROVAL OF CONTINUED PARTICIPATION IN VOCATIONAL AND APPLIED TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION ACT (VATEA) TECH-PROP CONSORTIUM FOR 2004-05 SCHOOL YEAR

Mrs. Avila inquired about articulation. Dr. Bratcher stated that Rancho Santiago Community College District (RSCCD) has received funding for a Tech-Prep Consortium involving Garden Grove USD, Orange USD, SAUSD, and the Central County Regional Occupational Program. He said that articulation among the four institutions has been an ongoing effort. This effort has resulted in course articulation in nine vocational subject areas with agreements covering

41 high school courses articulating with 27 college courses. Moreover, vocational articulation efforts have extended well beyond the curriculum to include career counseling, outreach services, staff development, nutrition, fashion design, human development, cosmetology, accounting, office technology, and banking. Dr. Bratcher stated that the Tech-Prep Consortium through RSCCD submitted and received funding for \$140,000 and is necessary for the Board to approve participation in order to receive the \$7,000 stipulated for District efforts.

It was moved by Mrs. Avila, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 3-0, Mr. Palacio not present, to approve continued participation in the Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act (VATEA) Tec-rep Consortium for the 2004-05 school year.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 04/05-2604 - AUTHORIZING THE DEDICATION OF AN EASEMENT TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON (SCE) COMPANY IN CONNECTION WITH SEGERSTROM HIGH SCHOOL SITE

It was moved by Mrs. Avila, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 3-0, Mr. Palacio not present to adopt Resolution No. 04/05-2604 - authorizing the dedication of an easement to Southern California Edison (SCE) Company in connection with Segerstrom High School site.

A copy of the Resolution is attached to the Minutes.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 04/05-2605 - DECLARATION OF INTENT TO REIMBURSE EXPENDITURES FROM PROCEEDS OF OBLIGATIONS TO BE ISSUED BY THE DISTRICT OR A JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY AND DIRECTING CERTAIN ACTIONS

Dr. Yamagata-Noji asked for clarification on the item, specifically in reference to the resolution. Mr. White stated that there were several QZAB projects and higher education centers constructed in reference to the loan. And, that this item is a new proposal for science labs at Carr, Spurgeon, and Willard Intermediate schools for an amount of \$4.5 million. He stated that the QZAB is a lottery system and if the SAUSD is selected, the District will be looking at a Community Facilities Grant for \$4.5 million. He stated that the District is asking for the Board's approval to move forward with the application process at this time.

It was moved by Mrs. Avila, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 3-0, Mr. Palacio not present, to adopt Resolution No. 04/05-2605 - declaring the intent to reimburse expenditures from proceeds of obligations to be issued by the District or a joint powers authority and directing certain actions.

A copy of the Resolution is attached to the Minutes.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 04/05-2606 - CERTIFICATION OF A BOARD MEMBER'S ABSENCE FROM A BOARD MEETING DUE TO ATTENDANCE AT A CONFERENCE

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Palacio, and carried 3-0, Mr. Palacio not present, to adopt Resolution No. 04/05-2606 - certification of a Board Member's absence from a Board meeting due to attendance at a conference.

A copy of the Resolution is attached to the Minutes.

BOARD POLICY (BP) 4020 - DRUG AND ALCOHOL-FREE WORKPLACE (REVISED: FOR ADOPTION)

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Palacio, and carried 4-0, to adopt Board Policy (BP) 4020 - Drug and Alcohol-Free Workplace.

A copy of the Board Policy is attached to the Minutes.

BOARD POLICY (BP) 4030 AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION (AR) 4030 - NONDISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT (REVISED: FOR ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION)

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Palacio, and carried 4-0, to adopt Board Policy (BP) and implement Administrative Regulation (AR) 4030 - Nondiscrimination in Employment.

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

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION (AR) 4031 - COMPLAINTS CONCERNING DISCRIMINATION (REVISED: FOR IMPLEMENTATION)

No action necessary, presented for implementation.

A copy of the Administrative Regulation is attached to the Minutes.

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION (AR) 4032 - REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION (REVISED: FOR IMPLEMENTATION)

No action necessary, presented for implementation.

A copy of the Administrative Regulation is attached to the Minutes.

BOARD BYLAW 9011 - DISCLOSURE OF CONFIDENTIAL/PRIVILEGED INFORMATION (REVISED: FOR FIRST READING)

The Board provided suggestions and revisions to the Board Policy. Dr. Yamagata-Noji requested that once revisions have been completed that copies be sent home in Week In Review for Board's review.

Presented for first reading; no action required.

BOARD POLICY 2005 - REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION (REVISED: FOR FIRST READING)

The Board requested that Board Policies, Minutes, and Agendas be made available via District Website. Also, that it be made clear that requests be made through the District's Public Information Office.

Dr. Bennett stated that updates to the Website would occur soon, as the Web Developer interviews are scheduled for next week and hiring is shortly following.

Presented for first reading; no action required.

APPROVAL OF NEW JOB DESCRIPTION: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF RISK MANAGEMENT

It was by request of Board member Palacio that this item be further discussed in Closed Session.

Dr. Yamagata-Noji stated that the approval of a job description is an open item and that the personnel issue could be discussed in Closed Session at the end of the Agenda. She stated that the new job description is higher than the Directorship position, which the District currently employs.

Mr. Trigg, Associate Superintendent, provided information in the absence of Mr. Lopez, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources. He stated that with the new workers' compensation laws and the increase of cases, the District must work pro-actively to approve the job description and hire an executive director to oversee the increased duties. He stated that on the average, examiners handle 135-150 cases per person and currently they are handling approximately 500 each. He advised the Board that if timelines are not met, the District is subject to penalties.

Dr. Yamagata-Noji stated that the Board's vote would be announced later in the meeting.

APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL CALENDAR

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 4-0, to approve the Personnel Calendar as presented.

A copy of the Personnel Calendar is attached to and becomes a part of the Official Minutes of this meeting.

BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS/ACTIVITIES - REPORTS ON VISITS TO SCHOOLS, CONFERENCES ATTENDED, OR MEETINGS SCHEDULED

Mr. Richardson

- ❖ He appreciated the memorandum from Chief Miyashiro regarding proactive security measures at secondary schools in light of the incident at Minnesota High yesterday. He asked the chief to provide information pertaining to procedures currently in place at the SAUSD. Chief Miyashiro stated that the SAUSD's success in preventing and deterring major incidences is based on a "total team approach" to safety. In addition to Board policies regarding zero tolerance, strict dress codes and closed campuses, we have numerous resources available. These include armed uniformed school police officers, uniformed security officers, after school programs for at-risk students, counseling services, Student Success Teams (SST), resiliency training, developmental assets training, parent conflict resolution training, peer assistance leadership programs, and other student activities that keep students focused on the school environment. He said that the District has a Safe School Plan of Action in compliance with Senate Bill 187 and each school has effective preventive strategies to address the needs of high-risk students.

Mr. Tinajero:

- ❖ He could not attend the Century High School Pancake Breakfast, but his wife and two sons attended and had a wonderful time.
- ❖ Requested that District ask business partners to provide support to students for such winnings as CIF, etc.
- ❖ Congratulated Santa Ana High School for their accomplishments in Speech and Debate. They recently qualified for State. Competition will take place on April 26, 2005, at Cal State Northridge.
- ❖ Announced that Cesar Chavez High will celebrate the 5th Annual Cesar E. Chavez Holiday on March 26, 2005. Please call the Public Information Office for details.

- ❖ Santa Ana High School Marching Band and Ballet Folklorico dancers will perform at Campesino Park on March 26, 2005.
- ❖ Asked Administration if there was anything the District can do to receive ADA from SAC for utilizing SAUSD's classrooms.
- ❖ Asked to meet with Dr. Mijares to discuss the possibility of establishing intermediate speech and debate teams that would feed into high schools. Competition would be between our own schools.

Dr. Yamagata-Noji:

- ❖ Asked that Dr. Bennett and Chief Miyashiro coordinate parent meetings to discuss pronounced graffiti, drug use, and other concerns, which may assist to solve those problems.
- ❖ Enjoyed the Second Annual Pio Pico Literacy Fair. Administrators did an outstanding job. Asked to view a glimpse of student-created video footage.
- ❖ Thanked Ms. Araujo-Cook and Dr. Bratcher for their help in Les Miserables. She said that the performance was phenomenal. And, was amazed at the orchestra. The fact that they never stopped throughout the performance. Great job!
- ❖ Inquired about a future Charter Hearing update.
- ❖ Inquired about ADA/enrollment at school sites. She asked what the District is doing to communicate to schools and parents in reference to the importance of student attendance.

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

By a vote of 3-0, the Board took action to approve the appointment of Rebecca Churnside, Dawn Miller, and Crystal Jimenez to positions of Summer School Principals.

By a vote of 3-0, the Board took action to approve payments for costs incurred related to educational needs, for the 2004-05 school year.

By a vote of 4-0, the Board took action to approve the new job description Executive Director of Risk Management.

A copy of the new job description is attached to the Minutes.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Regular meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

FUTURE MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, April 12, 2005, at 6:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Al Mijares, Ph.D.
Secretary
Santa Ana Board of Education