

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

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
SANTA ANA BOARD OF EDUCATION

May 10, 2005

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Vice Board President Richardson. Other members in attendance were Mr. Tinajero, Mrs. Avila, and Mr. Palacio. Dr. Yamagata-Noji arrived at 6:15 p.m.

Cabinet members present were Dr. Bennett, Mr. Trigg, Mr. Lopez, Dr. Stainer, Dr. Bratcher, Mr. White, Mr. Sharp, and Mrs. Araujo-Cook.

MEETING RECESSED AND RECONVENED

At 5:01 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 6:15 p.m.

There were approximately 50 members of the community and District staff in the audience.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mrs. Avila.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Bennett, Deputy Superintendent temporarily officiated while Dr. Mijares attended the funeral services of a SAUSD team physician. Dr. Bennett called attention to student artwork on display from Saddleback High School and Thorpe Fundamental Elementary School.

Dr. Bennett called upon Mrs. Gayle McLean, SAUSD Director of Nurses. Ms. McLean stated that May 6 marks the start of National Nurse's Week and concludes on May 12. And, May 11th is the National Association of School Nurses Day. Mrs. McLean provided an overview of a SAUSD's nurse day-to-day role and thanked all nurses for their dedication, commitment, and tireless efforts as they serve the students and community of Santa Ana.

Dr. Mijares returned and continued with his remarks. Research from around the world reveals that playing chess improves children's critical thinking and problem solving skills. Higher math and reading test scores among chess players is one indicator. Trophies and excellent competitive results are another. Ms. Childress, a teacher at Lowell Elementary School, was called to the podium for a brief presentation. She was most pleased to announce that chess has proven to be a success in her students instructional progress. Her students compete in tournaments throughout the city in all age groups. She says they keep winning. Ms. Childress recognized each student by calling out their name as they sported ribbons and trophies. She stated that one student competed against the Grand-Master's child and won. Mr. Gerardo Mouet, Executive Director of Parks and Recreation and Community Services Agency, thanked the Board for honoring Ms. Childress who assisted with the implementation of chess clubs at various after school recreation centers in Santa Ana.

The Superintendent called upon Maria Colmenares, Counselor of Villa Fundamental Intermediate School, to introduce the District's latest *A Better Chance* (ABC) scholars. The Head Dean from the St. Margarets Prep School, Director of the ABC Program, a parent, and a student spoke in support of the program. Each student was recognized along with the school and location in which students will reside was also announced. Dr. Mijares was honored by the ABC Program Director and was presented a proclamation for his support and service to the students of Santa Ana. The Superintendent and Board commended all involved for the opportunity bestowed upon the students.

Dr. Mijares commended the SAUSD's 55 teachers at its 2005-06 *Teacher of the Year Recognition Awards and Dinner celebration* at the Bowers Museum on May 4th. A video clip captured the excitement. Three teachers, Ms. Becky Yacenda, Ms. Brigid Noonan, and Ms. Karen Bluel were named Teachers of the Year at the Districtwide level for elementary, intermediate, and high school. Board members were in attendance. He extended thanks to major sponsor Orange County Teachers Federal Credit Union. Other sponsors consisted of AIG/VALIC Financial Planning firm, Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo, and Breon & Shaeffer law firms.

The Superintendent announced May as being Classified Staff Appreciation Month. Sunday, May 15th through Saturday, May 21, the District joins the California School Employees Association in celebrating Classified School Employee Week. This year's theme is "Essential Work: Extraordinary Workers." Thank you to all classified employees who contribute so much to the success of our schools and our students.

On Saturday, May 7, Heninger Elementary competed at the Orange County Math Field Day against schools from across the county. The fourth-grade team consisted of Jennifer Hernandez, Stephanie Silva, Carlos Urzua, and Antonio Arroyo. The fifth-grade team included Izamar Rodriguez, Harley Villanueva, Hector Lopez, and Angelica Ayala. The fifth-grade team earned 3rd place in Geometry and fifth place in Statistics and Probability. The teams were prepared by teacher Silvia Ruiz.

Dr. Mijares invited the community to two separate exhibits of Santa Ana student artwork. One will be located at the Libreria Martinez Book Store in Santa Ana, *Artists in the Schools* program presenting *A Smart Exhibit*. The exhibit runs through May 22nd. The second exhibit will take place at Santa Ana High School's *Arts on the Lawn* on May 12th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., in the Kubba Gardens. This showcase of talent spans the visual and performing arts.

Mr. Trigg, Associate Superintendent, Business Services, was called to the podium. He provided information in reference to the ConnectEd parental notification contract, which expired May 1, 2005. He said that the District's choice for the non-renewal of the contract was due to costs. The \$300,000 for one year was far too expensive. He introduced a new program, which costs \$80,000 and has the ability to communicate and provide additional services. He said that the new proposed system comes with its own server and software and offers unlimited calls. It has the ability to make 2,900 calls per hour and the software is one-quarter in cost in comparison to the previous service for the first year and five percent per year thereafter. He said that hospitals and aerospace use it and the SAUSD would be the first in Southern California to utilize such a program. It would take approximately four to six weeks to install. He stated that he would bring a cost analysis to the next Board meeting.

RECOGNITIONS

Classified Employee for the Month of May - Yolanda Saludes

A selection committee consisting of classified employees selected Ms. Yolanda Saludes as the Classified Employee for the month of May. Ms. Saludes is an Instructional Assistant for severely disabled students at the Mitchell Child Development Center. Ms. Katya Fernandez, Instructional Assistant, provided the presentation. Ms. Saludes has been with the Mitchell Center for eight years. Co-workers described Ms. Saludes as patient, kind, generous of time, and unequivocally devoted to her job. She has a spotless attendance record and is early to begin her daily tasks. Her enthusiasm and great smile is an asset to the school. She truly makes a difference at Mitchell Child Development Center where it is evident that students are her top priority.

On behalf of the District and the Board, a plaque engraved with her name and month for which she was honored and a gift certificate from the Tony Romas Restaurant was presented. The Board thanked her for her contributions and for serving the students at the Mitchell Child Development Center. With Ms. Saludes were her husband Albert, sister Leticia, son Adrian, and daughter Krystal.

Management Team Recognition - Freda Odum

Ms. Marsela Longacre, Principal of Jackson Elementary and SASAA President, presented Ms. Freda Odum with the prestigious Elementary School *Administrator of the Year Award* from the Santa Ana School Administrators Association (SASAA). The purpose of the award is to publicly recognize and reward the efforts of outstanding individuals who have helped to effectively promote

leadership, dedication, and commitment toward students, staff, and parents throughout the Santa Ana Unified School District.

Ms. Odum, Principal of Hoover Elementary, has extraordinary leadership qualities, is a mentor to administrators, and a sincere and strong advocate for parents and students. Ms. Odum is the epitome of a leader. On behalf of the committee, she was presented with a plaque. With her were her husband *Ed*, friends and colleagues.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/PRESENTATIONS:

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

Victor Madrigal, Santa Ana PTA Council President and Century High parent, thanked Dr. Mijares for his support and his genuine compassion and support to students. He commended Mrs. Araujo-Cook and her staff for the Teacher of the Year event at Bower's Museum. He then commended all teachers in the SAUSD and wished all mothers a Happy Mother's Day.

Therese Mims, Santa Ana PTA Council Member, spoke in support of the ConnectEd parental notification system. She stated that the communication program has significantly increased parent involvement at many of the school sites. At a previous PTA meeting at Century High School, there were over 500 parents in attendance due to the notification system. With the discontinuance of the ConnectEd service, there were only 100 parents at last evenings PTA meeting. She provided the Board with a parent questionnaire. She asked the Board to kindly complete and return it to her, at their earliest convenience.

The following individuals spoke in support of the handball courts at Saddleback High School. They asked the Board to reconsider keeping the courts:

Gary Cruz, U.S. Handball Association, Vice President
Roy Moss, Attorney
David Ortiz, student
Jose M. Ortiz, student
Vincent Gonzales, District Safety Officer
Nick Alvidrez, community resident
Victor Aguila, SAUSD staff member

The following individuals spoke in reference to an instructor at Santa Ana High School whom they believe should be removed. They stated that the teacher is harsh and abusive.

Irma Macias, parent
Anthony Macias, student

Venancio Chavez, parent, spoke of the importance of parent involvement for the success of our students in all schools.

Kim Gerda, parent spoke in reference to a public presentation by Capital Program Management and urged Administration to disclose all information. She asked that staff look into allegations of abuse by a teacher mentioned earlier by a parent and student.

Victoria Zaragoza, President of DELAC/DAC and parent, spoke on behalf of parents who are inspired because of the work of Mr. Trigg. He has done a great job in Business Services in terms of cost effectiveness.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Tinajero, and carried 5-0, to approve the Minutes of the Special Board meeting of April 19, 2005, and Regular Board meeting of April 26, 2005.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

The following items were removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and separate action: Authorization to Obtain Bids for Purchase of Band Instruments for Segerstrom High School; Authorization to Obtain Bids for a School Food Service Management System for Food 4 Thought; Approval of Contract With Consultant for Federal Communications Commission (FCC) E-Rate Filings; Ratification of Submission of Jacob J. Javits Gifted and Talented Education Program Grant Application to U.S. Department of Education for the 2005-06, 2006-07, and 2007-08 School Years.

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0, to approve the remainder of the Consent Calendar.

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

Gifts

Diamond Elementary
\$5,000 for marquee and/or
playground equipment

Sepulveda Elementary
\$356.00 for student incentives

Visual & Performing Arts
One trombone for
Elementary instrumental
Music program

Donors

RFG Investment & Development
Mr. Roberto Gallegos
Santa Ana

Lifetouch
Eden Prairie, MN

Mrs. Kim Huddleston
Santa Ana

Approval of purchase order summary and a detailed listing of orders \$25,000 and over for period of April 12 through April 25, 2005.

Approval of expenditure summary and detailed listing of checks \$10,000 and over for period of April 13 through April 26, 2005.

Authorization to obtain bids for transportation services for NJROTC and filed trip buses for various school sites.

Authorization to obtain bids for the purchase of copier paper for warehouse stock.

Authorization to obtain bids for the purchase of classroom furniture Districtwide, with the option to renew for five years.

Approval of substitution for Sashco, Inc., of Ontario, California, as the new glazing subcontractor for the construction of Mountain View High School project.

Approval of appointment of Twining Laboratories as the District's consultant for construction material and soil testing at Lathrop Intermediate and Roosevelt Elementary School modernization projects.

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

Approval of submission of Grant for the Particulate Filter System for stationary backup generators.

Approval of agreement executed between SAUSD and JFK Transportation.

Approval of Districtwide Math Field Day Event, Saturday, May 21, 2005, at Villa Fundamental Intermediate School.

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

117385 - Santa Ana High

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.

126657 - Lathrop Intermediate

For violation of Paragraphs a and c, that the Board expel him 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 he be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status during that time period.

131030 - Santa Ana High

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

139280 - Lathrop Intermediate

For violation of Paragraphs a and c, that the Board expel him 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 he be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status during that time period.

146107 - McFadden Intermediate

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

159901 - Villa Fundamental Intermediate

For violation of Paragraph b, that the Board expel her 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 she be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status.

166244 - Mt. View High

For violation of Paragraphs c and j, that the Board expel her 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 she be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status.

129465 - Saddleback High

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.

138629 - MacArthur Fundamental Intermediate

For violation of Paragraphs b and m, that the Board expel him 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 he be permitted to return to a District school/program on a probationary status during that time period.

201218 - Lathrop Intermediate

For violation of Paragraphs b and 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.

143823 - Santa Ana High

For violation of Paragraph m, that the Board expel him from the schools of the District for the balance of 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.

137279 - Community Day Intermediate

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

157504 - Lathrop Intermediate

For violation of Paragraphs b and 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.

118988 - Saddleback High

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

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: A copy of the field trip listing is attached to the Minutes.

AUTHORIZATION TO OBTAIN BIDS FOR PURCHASE OF BAND INSTRUMENTS FOR SEGERSTROM HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Palacio inquired about the funding source. Mr. Trigg stated that it was inadvertently noted as Measure C fund, but that it was actually Fund 35, State Matching Funds, which allows for furniture and equipment.

Mr. Palacio disagreed with funding source for the purchase of band instruments. He stated that he would not support the item.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 4-1, Mr. Palacio dissenting, to authorize the Administration to obtain bids for the purchase of band instruments for Segerstrom High School.

Mr. Richardson suggested after bids have been advertised and awarded for District staff to elaborate on funding source and how it works.

AUTHORIZATION TO OBTAIN BIDS FOR A SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR FOOD 4 THOUGHT

Mr. Richardson asked for clarification on the item. Mr. Trigg described process. He then stated that the system would automate the meal service period and ensure anonymity of students with free and reduced status by eliminating the need for meal

tickets, automate the meal service processing, and report daily food service activity. This process is required for State and Federal reporting. Meals claimed would be maximized and reimbursements from the government would be increased.

Mr. Richardson requested a one-page implementation plan including timeframe.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Palacio, and carried 4-0, Mr. Tinajero not present, to authorize the Administration to obtain bids for a School Food Service Management System for Food 4 Thought.

APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH CONSULTANT FOR FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (FCC) E-RATE FILINGS

Mr. Palacio asked for clarification on the item. Mr. White stated that E-Rate is a federally funded program and over the past three years SAUSD has applied for over \$13 million in E-Rate funding. He stated that the SAUSD qualifies for this funding under the free and reduced lunch program. The Universal Service Fund for Schools and Libraries, popularly known as E-rate, provides schools and libraries access to affordable telecommunication and advanced technologies through discounts for telecommunications, internet access, and internal connections. California School Management Group (CSMG) staff has over eight years of experience with all facets of E-Rate applications. If approved, CSMG would provide consulting expertise in all aspects of the E-Rate program for year nine, which will include completion of applications for Heroes Elementary and Valley High schools.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 4-1, Mr. Palacio dissenting, to approve the appointment of California School Management Group (CSMG) to assist the District with all related Federal Communications Commission (FCC) E-Rate filings.

RATIFICATION OF SUBMISSION OF JACOB J. JAVITS GIFTED AND TALENTED EDUCATION PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION TO U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR THE 2005-06, 2006-07 AND 2007-08 SCHOOL YEARS

Mrs. Avila inquired about the funding and asked if the District had approved this type of grant previously. Dr. Stainer responded affirmatively. She said that the grant would enable an increase in student achievement in a rigorous curriculum by enhancing GATE teacher training in research-based methods designed for gifted students and effective for all students in the GATE Cluster classrooms. She said that the purpose of this competitive grant is to establish an NCLB model GATE training program that would result in a highly qualified training program that will result in "highly qualified teachers," a follow-up support system and curriculum guide for classroom use with all students where presently there is none.

Mrs. Avila requested a full report with all details concerning the grant in Week In Review.

It was moved by Mr. Tinajero, seconded by Mrs. Avila, and carried 5-0, to ratify the submission of the Jacob K. Javits Gifted and Talented Students grant application to the U.S. Department of Education for the elementary, intermediate, and high

school GATE programs for the 2005-06, 2006-07, and 2007-08 school years.

CALL FOR A PUBLIC HEARING FOR HIGH PRIORITY SCHOOLS GRANT (HPSG)
UNDERPERFORMING SCHOOLS

It was requested that the number of students listed on the action plan be included on back-up document when item returns to the Board for Public Hearing.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mrs. Avila, and carried 5-0, to call for a public hearing for the High Priority Schools Grant (HPSG) underperforming schools.

APPROVAL OF LAYOFF OF CERTIFICATED EMPLOYEES

Mr. Lopez stated that the number of certificated layoffs has been amended from twenty-two (22) to eight (8) employees, from originally 70 certificated employees recommended for layoff.

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0 to approve the layoff of eight certificated employees for the 2005-06 school year.

APPROVAL OF COLLEGE ALGEBRA MATH COURSE (FOR: ADOPTION)

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Palacio, and carried 5-0, to adopt the College Algebra Math Course.

APPROVAL OF PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS MATH COURSE (FOR: ADOPTION)

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Palacio, and carried 5-0, to adopt the Probability and Statistics Math Course.

HIGH SCHOOL TEXTBOOKS AND SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS RECOMMENDED FOR
28-DAY REVIEW

Presented for 28-day review; no action necessary.

BOARD POLICY (BP) AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION (AR) 1250 -
VISITORS/OUTSIDERS (REVISION: FOR FIRST READING)

Presented for first reading; no action necessary.

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION (AR) 3451 - PETTY CASH FUNDS (REVISION:
FOR FIRST READING)

Presented for first reading; no action necessary.

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION (AR) 3452.1 - USE OF STUDENT ACTIVITY
FUNDS (REVISION: FOR FIRST READING)

Presented for first reading; no action necessary.

BOARD POLICY (BP) AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION (AR) 3554 - OTHER FOOD SALES (REVISION: FOR FIRST READING)

Dr. Noji asked that the policy be simplified. She stated that it is inconsistent.

Presented for first reading; no action necessary.

BOARD POLICY (BP) 3554.1 - OTHER FOOD SALES FROM VENDORS (NEW: FOR FIRST READING)

Presented for first reading; no action necessary.

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION (AR) 4112.5 - CRIMINAL RECORD CHECK (REVISED: FOR IMPLEMENTATION)

Board members questioned volunteers, vendors, bus drivers (DMV requirements), and chaperones' fingerprinting and record check. The asked that Administration look into those concerns.

The Administrative Regulation was presented for implementation and requires no Board action.

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

BOARD POLICY (BP) AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION (AR) 4112.6 - PERSONNEL RECORDS (REVISED: FOR ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION)

It was moved by Mr. Tinajero, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0, to adopt and implement Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 4112.6 - Personnel Records.

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

BOARD POLICY (BP) AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION (AR) 4112.21 - INTERNS (REVISED: FOR ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION)

This item was removed from the Agenda and will be returned to a future Board meeting. Dr. Yamagata-Noji requested that the definition of intern be incorporated into Board Policy.

BOARD POLICY (BP) AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION (AR) 4112.22 - STAFF TEACHING STUDENTS OF LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY (REVISED: FOR ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION)

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, and seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji and carried, 4-0, Mr. Tinajero not present, to adopt and implement Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 4112.22 - Staff Teaching Students of Limited English Proficiency.

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

BOARD POLICY (BP), ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION (AR), AND EXHIBIT (E)
4112.24 - TEACHER QUALIFICATIONS UNDER THE NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND
ACT (REVISED: FOR ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION)

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and seconded by Mr. Richardson and carried 4-0, Mr. Tinajero not present, to adopt and implement Board Policy, Administrative Regulation, and Exhibit 4112.24 - Teacher Qualifications under the No Child Left Behind Act.

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

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION (AR) 4133/4233/4333(A) - TRAVEL EXPENSE;
REIMBURSEMENT (REVISION: FOR FIRST READING)

Presented for first reading; no action necessary.

APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL CALENDAR

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Palacio, and carried 4-0, Mr. Tinajero not present, 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:

- ❖ Commended Mrs. Araujo-Cook and her staff for a remarkable Teacher of the Year event. Congratulated teachers for their dedication and service to the children of Santa Ana.
- ❖ Congratulated students whose artwork is posted in the Old County Courthouse for one month.
- ❖ Reminded Board of Retreat on June 17, 2005.

Mrs. Avila:

- ❖ Echoed comments by Mr. Richardson regarding the Teacher of the Year event.
- ❖ Announced that the O.C. Youth Commission presents a Street Fair Open House where boxing will take place, on Fourth and Garfield on Saturday, May 14th from 11:00 to 4:00 p.m. Admission is free!

Mr. Palacio:

- ❖ Commended Mr. Ruben Martinez from Libreria Martinez for being honored recently for outstanding service toward children.
- ❖ Asked that Administration look into allegations of public speaker concerning an abuse issue.
- ❖ Requested for further details concerning handball courts prior to Board's decision to demolish courts.

Mr. Tinajero:

- ❖ Congratulated Santa Ana High School for their accomplishments in Speech and Debate. They recently placed in Top 10, Division 1, out of 160 schools.
- ❖ He announced that the Urban Debate Grant has come to an end and asked Administration to look into the possibility of continuing the support, perhaps by creating a Booster Club.

Dr. Yamagata-Noji:

- ❖ Dr. Yamagata-Noji suggested in reference to speech and debate sponsors that perhaps District can look into partnerships such as Bar Association groups, etc.
- ❖ Teacher of the Year event was well attended. It was very nice, commended Mrs. Araujo-Cook and staff.
- ❖ Thanked all those who helped organize the Proposition 98 rally.
- ❖ Attended Day of the Children "Dia De Los Niños" Day at Centennial Park. There were many resources to help Santa Ana families. Students provided her a beautiful hand-made mask representing Tlahualiles of Sahuayo.
- ❖ Announced the Construction Site Tour to be held on Thursday, May 12, beginning at 8:15 a.m. at Santa Ana High School and ending at 12:15 p.m. at Santa Ana High at the Arts on the Lawn for lunch.
- ❖ Announced performance of *Annie jr.*, at Sepulveda Elementary school on May 13, 25, 31, and June 3. For performance times, please contact the Public Information Office.
- ❖ Announced and invited the community to the O.C. Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Council Dinner and event on Thursday, May 12, at the Luck Seafood Restaurant in Santa Ana. Century High School Polynesian Club will be performing.
- ❖ Announced the Literacy Conference at Santa Ana College at 9:00 a.m., on May 12, 2005. New books will be provided to each student.
- ❖ Three individuals close to the District were inducted into the SAC Hall of Fame. She commended Dr. Victor Cota, Dr. Silas Abriego Diego, and Ms. Sylvia Frances Mendez.

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

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 3-0, the Board took action to approve an individual service agreement between the SAUSD and Pacific Child & Family Associates for the 2004-05 school year.

By a vote of 3-0, the Board took action to approve individual service agreement between the SAUSD and Therapeutic Education Center for the 2004-05 school year.

By a vote of 3-0, the Board took action to approve individual service agreement between the SAUSD and Rossier Park Schools for the 2004-05 school year.

By a vote of 3-0, the Board took action to approve the liability settlement by compromise and release for a student named in Closed Session.

By a vote of 3-0, the Board took action to appoint Dennis Ziegler for the position of Director of Building Services.

Dr. Yamagata-Noji adjourned in memory of Dr. Ken Armstrong, athletic team physician for the Santa Ana Unified School District. Dr. Armstrong attended Santa Ana schools. He received his medical degree from UCLA, was a team physician with the Pittsburgh Steelers NFL Football team, attended Princeton, and was on staff at UCI Medical Center in Orange.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Regular meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

FUTURE MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be held on Tuesday, May 24, 2005, at 6:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

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