

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

MINUTES

SPECIAL STUDY SESSION  
SANTA ANA BOARD OF EDUCATION

April 10, 2012

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:57 p.m. by President Richardson. Other members in attendance were Mr. Hernández, J.D., Dr. Yamagata-Noji, Mr. Palacio, and Mr. Reyna.

Cabinet members present were Dr. Meléndez de Santa Ana, Dr. Olsky, Mr. Bishop, Mr. Lopez, Mr. Mendez, Ms. Lohnes, Mr. Dixon, Ms. Miller, and Mr. Hammitt.

CLOSED SESSION PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Richardson asked those wishing to address the Board in matters pertaining to Closed Session to step to the lectern.

There were no individuals wishing to address the Board on matters of Closed Session.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

The Special Study Session meeting was immediately recessed to consider legal issues, negotiations, and personnel matters.

RECONVENE OPEN MEETING

The Special meeting reconvened at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by President Richardson.

CHANGE IN ORDER OF AGENDA

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Richardson reported that the Board had taken action in Closed Session by a vote of 5-0, to approve the appointment of Bianca R. Barquin to the position of Director of Human Resources.

Mr. Richardson reported that the Board had taken action in Closed Session by a vote of 5-0, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Santa Ana Educator's Association and Santa Ana Unified School District.

CHANGE IN ORDER OF AGENDA

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Board President Richardson asked those wishing to address the Board on matters related to agenda items to step to the lectern. There were no Public Presentations.

CHANGE IN ORDER OF AGENDA

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

The following item was removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and separate action:

1.0, Approval of Submission of K-5 California Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program Grant Reapplication for 2012-13 School Year

It was moved by Mr. Hernández, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 3-0, Mr. Palacio and Mr. Reyna not present, to approve the remaining items on the Consent Calendar, as follows:

- 1.1 Ratification of Submission of Orange County Arts Education Collaborative Grant Funding Application for 2012-13 School Year
- 1.2 Approval of Head Start Budget Adjustment for 2011-12 Program Year
- 1.3 Approval of Expulsion of Students for Violation of California Education Code Sections 48900, 48900.2, 48900.3, 48900.4, 48900.7, and/or 48915(c) According to Board Policy 5144.1
- 1.4 Approval of Master Contracts and/or Individual Service Agreements With Nonpublic Schools and Agencies for Students With Disabilities for 2011-12 School Year

**REGULAR AGENDA - ACTION ITEMS**

**ITEM REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION AND SEPARATE ACTION:**

- 1.0 Approval of Submission of K-5 California Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program Grant Reapplication for 2012-13 School Year

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Hernández, and carried 3-0, Mr. Palacio and Mr. Reyna not present, to Approve the Submission of K-5 California Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program Grant Reapplication for 2012-13 School Year.

2.0 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 11/12-2920 - PROCLAIMING APRIL 18, 2012, AS PARENTS' DAY

It was moved by Mr. Hernández, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 3-0, Mr. Palacio and Mr. Reyna not present, to adopt Resolution No. 11/12-2920 - designating Wednesday, April 18, 2012, as SAUSD's Parents' Day.

CHANGE IN ORDER OF AGENDA

4.0 APPROVAL TO NAME SANTA ANA HIGH SCHOOL'S NEW TRACK "EARL ENGMAN TRACK AT CLAYTON FIELD"

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Hernández, and carried 4-0, Mr. Reyna not present, to approve the naming of Santa Ana High School's new track the "Earl Engman Track at Clayton Field".

CHANGE IN ORDER OF AGENDA

PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION

Status of K-Grade 6 Program Schools and Proposed plan for the Future

Mr. Herman Mendez, Assistant Superintendent, Elementary Education, presented an overview of the implementation of the K-6 program schools. This included student performance data and its implications in answering key questions about the status of K-6 program schools.

In addition, a proposed plan for the future was brought forth for the Boards consideration. Board members expressed comments:

Mr. Richardson inquired on what is happening at the intermediate to high school.

Mr. Hernández asked about actions at the transition points.

Dr. Yamagata-Noji suggested to provide a K-8 research from an outside source to examine the comparison between grade configuration and Cohort statistical analysis; and inquired on facility costs for K-8.

Mr. Palacio suggested to focus on the intermediate level and to provide an update reporting system of how the K-8's are doing.

CHANGE IN ORDER OF AGENDA

3.0 APPROVAL OF K-8 CONFIGURATION FOR ESQUEDA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 5-0 to approve the K-8 Configuration for Esqueda Elementary School, over a three-year implementation period as noted: K-6 in 2012-13, K-7 in 2013-14, and K-8 in 2014-15 school years.

Santa Ana Unified School District's After-School and Enrichment Programs Study Session

Dr. Olsky, Deputy Superintendent/CAO, provided to the Board of Education an update on the Santa Ana Unified School District's after-school and enrichment programs provided to District schools.

The presentation provided detailed information about the program prior to 2008 and reviewed the expectations and operational guidelines for THINK Together as a program manager. Each Board member expressed comments:

Mr. Richardson proposed to change the title of the After-school Program to Extended Learning Program; Set up a time for returning to provide the Board additional information, steps and reports.

Mr. Hernández requested to improve staff collaboration and ensure the involvement of the principal in the program.

Dr. Yamagata-Noji suggested providing opportunities for project-based learning; Suggested to investigate programs specific to the intermediate students; Asked if survey responses and program evaluations were employed; Recommended to include a research model in to the next plan; Requested a grid of all services provided currently via the extended learning programs.

Mr. Palacio suggested it is time for added management.

Mr. Reyna asked if there are regulations for SES provider advertising.

District Strategic Plan Timeline and Progress

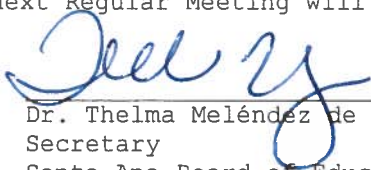
Dr. Olsky, Deputy Superintendent/CAO, provided an update to the timeline and progress for completing an updated District Strategic plan. District staff has completed extensive preliminary work in gathering data. Through this process, a group of key stakeholders will convene as the Continuous Improvement Team for five strategic planning committee meetings. Results will be shared with the Board of education in June 2012.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

The next Regular Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 24, 2012, at 6:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

  
Dr. Thelma Meléndez de Santa Ana  
Secretary  
Santa Ana Board of Education