

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

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
SANTA ANA BOARD OF EDUCATION

July 8, 2008

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:53 p.m. by Board President Hernández. Other members in attendance were Mrs. Avila and Mr. Palacio. Dr. Yamagata-Noji and Mr. Richardson arrived during Closed Session

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

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

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

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

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

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

RECONVENE OPEN MEETING

The Regular meeting reconvened at 6:10 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Dr. Yamagata-Noji.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Highlights were shown of the nearly 500 SAUSD adults who became the first graduates of the Limited English-Proficiency program Sed de Saber. This pilot program provided through the English Works initiative is a self-pacing, individualized beginning level English program designed for adults who have limited access to an English educational program. More than 1,000 adults who are parents of SAUSD children. Those who completed the program did so in approximately 126 days.

Also spotlighted via slide show were the SAUSD parents who participated in the May "Parent Technology Day" which included workshops on Internet safety, email use, free online resources to support student learning, and online resources on college and career planning. This event was sponsored by SAUSD's Technology Department.

Congratulations were offered to Century High School staff, students, and parents for the successful 6-year accreditation by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges. This accreditation certifies that the school has fulfilled all the requirements to award a high school diploma and validates the integrity of a schools' program.

Ms. Russo announced that a back-to-school rally will be held for families on Saturday, August 2 from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. near the Santa Ana stadium. Hosted by the City of Santa Ana, the event is entitled "Improving Your Life Through Education - Telemundo Back-To-School." Students will be treated to giveaways, school supplies, and where families will have access to informational seminars.

Santa Ana High Saints Marching Band was congratulated on their being selected to open the August 14th Galaxy versus Chivas U.S.A. soccer game at the Home Depot Center in Carson. The Saints will open the game with the Star Spangled Banner and will perform at pre-game and half-time shows.

Thanks were given to Guaranty Chevrolet for once again sponsoring the District's high school perfect attendance incentive program. SAUSD employees will be offered special GM supplier employee pricing on most models until the end of 2008.

The Superintendent extended sincere thanks and best wishes to School Police Chief Jim Miyashiro as he moves on to a promotional opportunity at the Riverside Community College District. She highlighted his 24 years in the law enforcement field, emphasizing the past 11 years with Santa Ana Unified School District.

City Councilmember Sal Tinajero stepped to the podium to present a Certificate of Appreciation on behalf of the City of Santa Ana. He praised Mr. Miyashiro for his dedication to the community and applauded his ability to provide resources for extra officers through grant funding.

Ms. Claudia Orneles was also present to extend the appreciation of Senator Lou Correa for Mr. Miyashiro's service. Congresswoman Loretta Sanchez was represented by Jessica Fernandez, who presented a congressional declaration in recognition of his service.

Mr. Miyashiro was congratulated by the Superintendent and members of the Board who each wished him well in his future position.

The Superintendent added remarks regarding some information which has been distributed in the community alleging 1,000 classified staff layoffs. She stated that 358 classified employees are currently being affected, but new position classifications will bring back some people. She emphasized that these are difficult times and that the Board and administration have struggled to bring about the best possible solution to the reduced funding the District will receive from the State of California.

PRESENTATIONS

Facility Improvement Plan

Mr. Dixon and Mr. Hills provided the Board with a review of the status of the Facilities Improvement Plan made possible through Measure G. Mr. Dixon stated that the District will be initiating projects at every school as soon as possible to show results right away from Measure G funding which was passed in the June election.

The report outlined the following goals:

- Minimize interruptions to instruction
- Expedite construction process
- Maximize State funding
- Leverage local funds
- Balance all available funding sources for effectiveness
- Show immediate results
- Transparency and collaboration

Mr. Hills reviewed the eight Critically Overcrowded Schools projects; the five Overcrowded Relief Grant projects; the eight Modernization projects; and the 34 Emergency Repair Program projects which are totally funded by the State.

Mr. Dixon discussed the additional funding which will be required due to some categories of these projects requiring a District match. He also detailed the process by which approval will be acquired. The first step is working with site administrators, who will be collaborating with their respective site councils. Facilities staff will be available to assist. A Bond Oversight Committee will be appointed during an August Board meeting. Additionally a Superintendent's Facility Improvement Advisory Committee will be appointed to assist with educational specifications and will include site administrators, district administrators, certificated and classified staff, and community members.

In response to a question from Mr. Richardson, Mr. Dixon assured the Board that every school will have a project and share in the process.

Mr. Richardson requested that this presentation be placed on the District web site for greater community access.

Members of the Board expressed appreciation to staff for the report.

CHANGE IN ORDER OF AGENDA

Mr. Hernández received concurrence to move forward with two agenda items related to the Facilities presentation.

PUBLIC HEARING - REQUESTING GRANT FUNDING FOR CRITICALLY OVERCROWDED SCHOOLS NEW CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Mr. Hernández declared the meeting open to conduct a Public Hearing to receive comments regarding the transfer plan of surplus eligibility grant units for Critically Overcrowded School projects. Anyone wishing to address the trustees on this topic was invited to step to the podium.

Hearing no comment, the Public Hearing was closed.

11.0 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 08/09-2736 REQUESTING GRANT FUNDING FOR CRITICALLY OVERCROWDED SCHOOLS NEW CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Mr. Dixon stated that this resolution is a technicality to accessing funding for critically overcrowded schools new construction projects.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 5-0 to adopt Resolution No. 08/09-2736 requesting grant funding for Critically

Overcrowded Schools New Construction Projects. A copy of the Resolution is attached.

Summarized Data of Williams Settlement Fourth Quarterly Report

Dr. Olsky stated that one complaint had been received regarding textbooks and instructional materials and had been resolved.

Mr. Palacio requested that the Williams Uniform Complaint process be given more visibility. He indicated that community members are not aware of the process.

This item was presented for information per the reporting requirements of Education Code Section 35186(d).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

The following members of the audience addressed the Board regarding the classified layoffs and related budget issues:

Carlos Sanchez	SAUSD employee	Judy Lighter	SAUSD retiree
Ramon Quintanella	SAUSD employee	John Grace	SAUSD employee
Pilar Sanchez	SAUSD employee	Sharon Courson	SAUSD employee
Jeanette Vargas	SAUSD employee	Erika Sepulveda	SAUSD parent
Vivian Martinez	SAUSD employee	Fermin Aguas	SAUSD student
Daniel Sanchez	SAUSD student	Eduardo Aguilar	SAUSD student
Alma Sanchez	SAUSD employee	Marina Wycoff	SAUSD employee
Florentino Zarate	SAUSD student	Roman Reyna	Community Resident
Janet Schermer	SAUSD employee	Ricky Valle	SAUSD employee
Marylou Ontiveros	SAUSD employee	Ana Valencia	Community Resident
Eileen Maeda	SAUSD employee	Mrs. Salcedo	SAUSD employee
Janice Raasch	SAUSD employee	Aurelia Todd	SAUSD employee
John Westmyer	SAUSD employee	Michele Martinez	SAUSD alumni
Grace Ward	SAUSD employee	Richard Martinez	SAUSD employee
Sandra Coloman	SAUSD employee	Silvia Rabadan	SAUSD employee
Salvador Hernández	SAUSD employee	Robert Chavez	CSEA Representative

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Yamagata-Noji asked that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on June 10, 2008, be reviewed to incorporate further discussion. The Board requested that those Minutes be amended and returned to the August 12 meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mrs. Avila, and carried 4-0, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting on June 24, 2008. Mr. Richardson abstained due to his absence from that meeting.

1.0 APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

The following items were removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and separate action: Approval of Listing of Agreements/Contracts Between Santa Ana Unified School District and Various Consultants Submitted for Period of June 11, 2008 through June 24, 2008; Approval of New/Renewal of Membership in Organizations for 2008-09 School Year; Authorization to Award Contract for

Exercise Equipment at Santa Ana High School; Approval of Extended Field Trips; Approval of Expulsions of Students for Violation of California Education Code 48900, 48900.2, 48900.3, 48900.4, 48900.7, and/or 48915(c) According to Board Policy 5144.1 and Adoption of Resolution No. 08/09-2738 - Certification of a Board Member's Absence from a Board Meeting - Rob Richardson.

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

- 1.1 Approval of Expenditure Summary and Warrant Listing of Checks for Period of June 11 Through June 24, 2008.
- 1.2 Approval of Purchase Order Summary of Orders \$25,000 and Over for Period of June 11 Through June 24, 2008.
- 1.3 Approval of Listing of Agreement/Contracts Between Santa Ana Unified School District and Various Consultants Submitted for Period of June 11, 2008 Through June 24, 2008. This item was removed for discussion and separate action.
- 1.4 Approval of Disposal of Obsolete Unrepairable Computer Equipment, Miscellaneous Unrepairable Furniture, Equipment, or Textbook.
- 1.5 Approval of New/Renewal of Membership in Organizations for 2008-09 Fiscal Year. This item was removed for discussion and separate action.
- 1.6 Authorization to Award Contract for Purchase of Computer Equipment for Godinez Fundamental High School.
- 1.7 Authorization to Award Contract for First Aid Supplies Districtwide.
- 1.8 Authorization to Award Request for Proposal for Fixed Asset Inventory Management System Districtwide.
- 1.9 Authorization to Award Contract for Exercise Equipment at Santa Ana High School. This item was removed for discussion and separate action.
- 1.10 Approval of Renewal of Contract with SchoolsFirst Federal Credit Union for Automated Teller Machine at District Office.
- 1.11 Authorization to Award a Contract for Flooring Services to Include Sub-floor Testing Districtwide.
- 1.12 Approval of Change Order No. 5 for Bid Packages No. 07-11, 07-11B, 07-11D, and 07-10B for Facilities Relocation Project.
- 1.13 Approval of Change Order No. 6 for Bid Packages No. 07-12, 07-12A, 07-12B, and 07-13 for Facilities Relocation Project.
- 1.14 Approval of Change Order No. 7 for Bid Packages No. 07-04 and 07-06A for Facilities Relocation Project.
- 1.15 Acceptance of Completion of Contract for Bid Packages No. 07-07A, 07-09B-01, 07-09B-04, 07-11B, 07-11D, 07-12A, and 07-12B for Facilities Relocation Project.
- 1.16 Approval to Release Contract Retention for Bid Package No. 07-11 for P.H. Hagopian Contractor of Facilities Relocation Project

- 1.17 Approval of Extended Field Trips in Accordance With Board Policy (BP) 6153 - School-Sponsored Trips and Administrative Regulation (AR) 6153.1 - Extended School-Sponsored Trips. This item was removed for discussion and separate action.
- 1.18 Approval of Head Start Parent Handbook for 2008-09 School Year.
- 1.19 Approval of Head Start/State Preschool Policy Committee Bylaws for 2008-09 School Year.
- 1.20 Approval of Memorandum of Understanding With Arnold and Mabel Beckman Foundation for Participation in Sustainability Grant of Beckman@Science Education Initiative for 2008-09 School Year.
- 1.21 Approval of Eligibility Recruitment, Selection, Enrollment and Attendance Plans for Head Start Program for 2008-09 School Year.
- 1.22 Approval of Payment and Reimbursement of Costs Incurred for Designated Instructional Services for Students With Disabilities.
- 1.23 Ratification of Master Contracts and/or Individual Service Agreements With Nonpublic Schools and Agencies for Students With Disabilities for 2007-08 School Year.
- 1.24 Approval of Master Contracts and/or Individual Service Agreements With Nonpublic Schools and Agencies for Students With Disabilities for 2008-09 School Year.
- 1.25 Approval of Expulsions of Students for Violation of California Education Code 48900, 48900.2, 48900.3, 48900.4, 48900.7, and/or 48915(c) According to Board policy 5144.1. This item was removed for discussion and separate action.
- 1.26 Approval of Student Teaching Agreements With Santa Ana Unified School District for 2008-09 School Year.
- 1.27 Approval of Internship Agreements With Santa Ana Unified School District for 2008-09 School Year.
- 1.28 Adoption of Resolution No. 08/09-2738 - Certification of a Board Member's Absence from a Board Meeting - Rob Richardson. This item was removed for discussion and separate action.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION AND SEPARATE ACTION

- 1.3 APPROVAL OF LISTING OF AGREEMENT/CONTRACTS BETWEEN SANTA ANA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND VARIOUS CONSULTANTS SUBMITTED FOR PERIOD OF JUNE 11, 2008 THROUGH JUNE 24, 2008

Dr. Yamagata-Noji asked that this item be removed for discussion of the necessity of these expenditures. She stated that the District is in a financial crises and requested that these contracts be further reviewed.

Mr. Murrey stated that the cuts in the budget have left the District without the expertise on staff.

Mr. Hernández stated that what the District has done in the past may not be what is needed now and that changes are required.

Superintendent Russo stated that this item would be removed from the Board's action, reviewed to make as many cuts as possible, and brought back at the next Regular Meeting.

Mrs. Avila and Mr. Richardson asked that the Board receive an explanation of need for each consultant, noting the anticipated benefit to the District.

1.5 APPROVAL OF NEW/RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP IN ORGANIZATIONS FOR 2008-09 SCHOOL YEAR

Dr. Yamagata-Noji suggested that the Board hold off on approving memberships at this time. She indicated that the District cannot continue operating in the routine way.

Mrs. Avila questioned the worthiness of membership in several organizations and asked that staff verify the benefits.

Mr. Palacio asked that memberships be categorized according to need.

Ms. Russo stated that this item will be reviewed prior to being brought to a future Board meeting.

1.9 AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD CONTRACT FOR EXERCISE EQUIPMENT AT SANTA ANA HIGH SCHOOL

In response to questions by Members of the Board, Ms. Russo stated that this equipment is submitted through Visual and Performing Arts funding.

Mr. Richardson asked if these funds could be used for salaries instead of laying off employees.

Ms. Russo stated that this funding could not be used for personnel.

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 4-1, Mrs. Avila dissenting, to authorize the Administration to award a contract for exercise equipment at Santa Ana High School to Advantage Fitness Products in the amount of \$86,081.37.

1.17 APPROVAL OF EXTENDED FIELD TRIPS IN ACCORDANCE WITH BOARD POLICE 6153 - SCHOOL-SPONSORED TRIPS AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION 6153.1 - EXTENDED SCHOOL-SPONSORED TRIPS

Dr. Yamagata-Noji removed this item from the Consent Calendar to question the cost of students attending a conference at Cal State Long Beach.

Mr. Mendez stated that this particular field trip is through Migrant Education funding, which must be used in specific ways.

Mr. Palacio requested that the funding source be noted on the Board's backup in the future.

Dr. Yamagata-Noji stated that she did not want these students denied the opportunity to attend the conference, but she would like the costs to be questioned before coming to the Board.

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 5-0 to approve the extended field trips as listed.

- 1.25 APPROVAL OF EXPULSION OF STUDENTS FOR VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA EDUCATION CODE 48900, 48900.2, 48900.3, 48900.4, 48900.7, AND/OR 48915(c) ACCORDING TO BOARD POLICY 5144.1

Mr. Hernández reported that the Board had deliberated in Closed Session regarding expulsion matters and had revised the terms for student #172885.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Palacio, and carried 4-1, Dr. Yamagata-Noji dissenting, to approve the expulsion of students for the recommended terms including the remediation conditions as follows:

318732 - Community Day Intermediate
For the violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph a, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the date eligible to reapply be on or after February 3, 2009.

172885 - Mendez Fundamental School
For the violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph g, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the date eligible to reapply be on or after February 3, 2009.

328400 - Spurgeon Intermediate
For the violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph f, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the date eligible to reapply be on or after February 3, 2009.

310983 - Spurgeon Intermediate
For the violation of Education Code Section 48900, paragraph a, that the Board expel the student from the schools of the District, and that the date eligible to reapply be on or after February 3, 2009.

- 1.28 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 08/09-2738 - CERTIFICATION OF A BOARD MEMBER'S ABSENCE FROM A BOARD MEETING - ROB RICHARDSON

Mr. Richardson removed this item from the Consent Calendar to state that he would be abstaining.

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mrs. Avila, and carried 4-0, Mr. Richardson abstaining, to adopt Resolution No. 08/09-2738 certifying Rob Richardson's absence from the Regular Board Meeting of June 24, 2008 - copy attached.

REGULAR ACTION ITEMS

CHANGE IN AGENDA ORDER

Mr. Hernández received consensus from the Board to move forward with Items 25.0 through 31.0. Following a brief discussion of Item 25.0, it was the consensus of the Board to proceed to Item 31.0 due to the large number of staff and community members in the audience waiting to hear the Board's deliberations on this matter.

31.0 APPROVAL OF CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE LAYOFFS

Mr. Lopez stated that the item before the trustees was the next step following the Board's adoption of the Budget at the previous meeting. He detailed the budget factors leading to this point and reviewed the layoffs that were determined by the Board, both those that were from the general fund and those at the site level due to the loss of categorical funds.

Staff responded to questions from members of the Board during a lengthy discussion. The desire to keep a music program and accompanists was expressed by the members.

Mr. Richardson pointed out the importance of the Board taking accountability for money the District must reduce. And, it vital to turn every stone to find cost savings. However, the answers are not here, but in Sacramento. He emphasized that each member of the Board has been wrestling with the decisions, but in the end, the Board made the assessment that teachers remain the most important.

Mr. Hernández expressed how difficult it has been for Board Members to hear the pleas, sometimes even from family members, making it really hit home. He stated that the District is at the bottom rung. The Board must take fiduciary responsibility. He pointed out that the decision was made to keep and fund Class Size Reduction (CSR) programs. It has been a thorough process, not just staff making suggestions and the Board taking those blindly.

Mr. Palacio stated his belief that employees have sacrificed for the last four years. He stated that the impact to classified employees this year is horrific and, further, cuts to Special Education. He indicated that cuts are affecting the classroom. He urged the Board to review carryover and reserve funds. He pointed out expenditures which he stated were unnecessary.

Mrs. Avila thanked members of the audience for giving input to the Board. She pointed out that it is State funding plus declining enrollment which has created this situation. It has been necessary to cut \$100 million; 40% of the General Fund. She stated that she did not feel she had had sufficient time to study the total impact. She indicated that she had voted against cutting the Special Education positions.

Dr. Yamagata-Noji gave recognition to the employees whose positions are being deliberated acknowledging the great work they do. She stated that she does support the District's caring staff and understands the frustrations of the employees. She stated that, although she is dismayed that the cuts have gone so far, funding is dependent on the State. SAUSD is even more dependent on categorical funding because of the special needs within its student population.

She continued by asking that the Administration go back and look for additional cuts, even those that cause inconvenience. She acknowledged that cutting conferences, consultants, and other costs will not save everybody's jobs, but could help. She stated that the Board had passed a Budget at the last meeting which was contingent upon this action regarding layoffs.

A discussion took place regarding some areas where substantial costs could be recouped, including those mentioned earlier in the meeting. It was further suggested that a discussion take place with CSEA regarding all classified employee's benefits being assigned to Kaiser. Mr. Lopez stated that there had been no offer from CSEA to convert all CSEA employees to Kaiser.

The Administration was requested to seek direction regarding the use of one-time funds such as contingency reserves. The Orange County Department of Education is the agency which oversees the District's budget and must approve such matters.

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 3-2, Mr. Palacio and Mrs. Avila dissenting, to approve the Classified Employee Layoffs.

The Superintendent stated that the Administration would follow up on suggestions brought forth and would continue to look for cost savings.

25.0 APPROVAL OF NEW JOB DESCRIPTION - ACTIVITIES CLERK

Following brief discussion regarding the duties and the salary of this new job description, it was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mr. Hernández, and carried 3-1, Mr. Palacio dissenting, Mrs. Avila not present,

to approve the new job description of Activities Clerk. A copy of the job description is attached.

26.0 APPROVAL OF NEW JOB DESCRIPTION - AUTISM PARAPROFESSIONAL

Following brief discussion regarding the duties and the salary of this new job description, it was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 4-0, Mrs. Avila not present, to approve the new job description of Autism Paraprofessional. A copy of the job description is attached.

27.0 APPROVAL OF NEW JOB DESCRIPTION - SITE CLERK

Following brief discussion regarding the duties and the salary of this new job description, it was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 3-1, Mr. Palacio dissenting, Mrs. Avila not present, to approve the new job description of Site Clerk. A copy of the job description is attached.

28.0 APPROVAL OF NEW JOB DESCRIPTION - INSTRUCTIONAL MEDIA CLERK

Following brief discussion regarding the duties and the salary of this new job description, it was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 4-1, Mr. Palacio dissenting, to approve the new job description of Instructional Media Clerk. A copy of the job description is attached.

29.0 APPROVAL OF NEW JOB DESCRIPTION - SCHOOL EQUIPMENT TECHNICIAN

Following brief discussion regarding the duties and the salary of this new job description, it was moved by Mrs. Avila, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 4-1, Mr. Palacio dissenting, to approve the new job description of School Equipment Technician. A copy of the job description is attached.

30.0 APPROVAL OF NEW JOB DESCRIPTION - EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN

Dr. Yamagata-Noji asked that a new job description be developed for the position of accompanist.

Following brief discussion regarding the duties and the salary of this new job description, it was moved by Mrs. Avila, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 4-1, Mr. Palacio dissenting, to approve the new job description of Equipment Maintenance Technician. A copy of the job description is attached.

2.0 APPROVAL OF REINSTATEMENT OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING FOR AUGUST 12, 2008

Superintendent Russo stated that factors involving the Governor's budget have imposed an unusual burden on school districts related to budget and personnel. Meeting deadlines in those two areas necessitate the reinstatement of the August 12 meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 4-1, Mrs. Avila dissenting, to reinstate the Regular Board Meeting of August 12, 2008.

3.0 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 08/09-2734 - CERTIFYING TO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ORANGE COUNTY ALL PROCEEDINGS IN JUNE 3, 2008 GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND ELECTION

It was moved by Mrs. Avila, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0 to adopt Resolution No. 08/09-2734 certifying to the Board of Supervisors of Orange County all proceedings in June 3, 2008, General Obligation Bond Election. A copy of the Resolution is attached.

4.0 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 08/09-2735 - REQUESTING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF ORANGE COUNTY TO ISSUE AND SELL GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000,000

It was moved by Mrs. Avila, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0 to adopt Resolution No. 08/09-2735 requesting the Board of Supervisors of the County of Orange to issue and sell General Obligation Bonds in aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$100,000,000. A copy of the resolution is attached.

5.0 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 08/09-2737 - DECLARATION OF INTENTION TO REIMBURSE EXPENDITURES FROM PROCEEDS OF OBLIGATIONS ISSUED BY SANTA ANA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Palacio, and carried 5-0 to adopt Resolution No. 08/09-2737 declaring the intention to reimburse expenditures from proceeds of obligations issued by the Santa Ana Unified School District. A copy of the Resolution is attached.

6.0 APPROVAL OF RENEWAL OF EDWARD B. COLE SENIOR ACADEMY CHARTER 2008-13 SCHOOL YEARS

With respect to a question regarding extending the deadline for an additional thirty days to allow The Edward B. Cole Sr. Academy to submit and the District to review all documentation, Mr. Hernández asked that the Education Code be perused while the Board moved forward with other agenda items.

7.0 AUTHORIZATION TO OBTAIN BIDS FOR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY FOR WIRELESS COMMUNICATION TOWER AT SPURGEON INTERMEDIATE

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mrs. Avila, and carried 4-1, Mr. Hernández dissenting, to authorize the Administration to obtain bids for lease of real property for wireless communication tower at Spurgeon Intermediate School.

8.0 APPROVAL OF LICENSING AGREEMENT WITH EXCELSIOR SOFTWARE, INC. PINNACLE EDUCATION SOLUTIONS SUITE

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mr. Palacio, and carried 5-0 to approve the licensing agreement with Excelsior Software, Inc. Pinnacle Education Solutions Suite.

6.0 CONTINUATION OF ACTION ON ITEM 6.0 - APPROVAL OF RENEWAL OF EDWARD B. COLE SENIOR ACADEMY CHARTER 2008-13 SCHOOL YEARS

Upon review of the pertinent Education Code Section, it was determined that an additional thirty-day extension would be invalid.

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0, to conditionally approve the renewal of the charter agreement with Edward B. Cole Senior Academy for a five-year term, effective retroactively from July 1, 2008, and ending June 30, 2013, contingent upon receipt of the final document to be brought back to the SAUSD Governing Board for final consideration by August 26, 2008.

9.0 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 08/09-2740 REGARDING PROCUREMENT OF SOFTWARE TO ASSIST DISTRICT IN MANAGING ITS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

And

10.0 AUTHORIZATION FOR COLBI TECHNOLOGIES INC., TO PROVIDE ACCOUNTABILITY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM SOFTWARE SERVICES

Mr. Hernández stated that these items are linked and asked that one action be taken combining the two agenda items.

Mr. Palacio questioned the expenditure of more than \$330,000 on this software.

Mr. Dixon responded by stating that the cost is .1% of total project costs. It is a unique program designed specifically and exclusively for the State of California School Building Program. Not only is it proving to be cost effective in those districts currently using the program, but it will assist the District in being transparent and providing accountability to the community for a specific project or the entire building program.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 4-1, Mr. Palacio dissenting, to adopt Resolution No. 08/09-2740 regarding procurement of software to assist the District in managing, tracking, and building the District's Capital Improvement Program (copy attached); and further to authorize Colbi Technologies Inc. to provide Accountability Capital Improvement Program software services.

11.0 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 08/09-2736 REQUESTING GRANT FUNDING FOR CRITICALLY OVERCROWDED SCHOOLS NEW CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

This item was acted upon earlier in the meeting immediately following the mandated Public Hearing.

12.0 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 08/09-2739 - AUTHORIZING LEVY OF SPECIAL TAXES WITHIN COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2004-1 OF SANTA ANA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (CENTRAL PARK PROJECT) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-09

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 5-0 to adopt Resolution No. 08/09-2739 to authorize and provide for the levying of special taxes within Community Facilities District No. 2004-1 of the Santa Ana Unified School District (Central Park Project) for Fiscal Year 2009-09 (copy attached).

13.0 AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD CONTRACT FOR BID PACKAGE NO. 104 FOR PAVING/ASPHALT AT VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL EMERGENCY REPAIR PROGRAM

Mr. Palacio questioned the difference between the dollar value of the bids from lowest to highest.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 4-1, Mr. Palacio dissenting, to authorize the Administration to award a contract to Hardy & Harper, Inc. for a total amount of \$1,216,000 for the paving/asphalt at Valley High School Emergency Repair Program.

14.0 APPROVAL OF PRE-APPROVED LIST FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR FUTURE DISTRICT PROJECTS

And

15.0 APPROVAL OF PRE-APPROVED LIST FOR ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR FUTURE DISTRICT PROJECTS

Mr. Hernández received Board census to consider these two items simultaneously.

Ms. Russo stated that these two items would normally be placed on the Consent Calendar; however they have been placed on the action calendar to ensure the transparency of the process related to Measure G with the public.

Mr. Dixon stated that these pre-approved lists would allow the District to be more responsive and timely. Each firm on the short list would be requested to submit a proposal, after which the District would negotiate with firms to get the best price.

Dr. Yamagata-Noji and Mr. Richardson asked that the Board be provided an explanation of how and when the pre-approved lists will be used and if there is a dollar figure for each item for separate Board approval.

Mr. Dixon stated that he would provide that information in the Board's weekly bulletin.

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Hernández, and carried 5-0 to pre-approve the following firms for construction management services for future District projects: PCM3, Teluca Management, URS, Bernards, Parsons, Barnhart, Inc., C.W. Driver, Pinnacleone, Cordoba Corp., and Lundgren Management Corp.; and further to pre-approve the following firms for submission of Requests for Proposals for architectural services for future District projects: LPA, HMC, NTD, Ghataode Bannon, GKK Works, Lionkis, WLC, LMA, Jubany Nac, Harley Ellis Devereaux, WWCOT, MVE, IBI Group, Perkins & Will, DKP, Dougherty & Dougherty, and Ralph Allen & Partners.

16.0 APPROVAL OF SUBMISSION OF PART I 2008-09 CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION FOR FUNDS TO CALIFORNIA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Dr. Olsky informed the members that this is the first in a two-step annual process where the District applies for funding of categorical aid programs. Part I, which was required to be submitted by June 30, 2008, provides the basic school-level participation data needed by the California Department of Education for presentation to the legislature and federal officials. Part II, which includes specific school-level categorical budgets and 2007-08 carryover information, will be submitted for approval prior to February 2009.

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0 to ratify submission to the California State Department of Education the 2008-09 Consolidated Application Part I for funding categorical aid programs.

17.0 APPROVAL OF REVISION OF PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH GREATER SANTA ANA BUSINESS ALLIANCE, FORMERLY SANTA ANA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Dr. Olsky outlined the revisions to the partnership agreement. She stated that the principal has been on the Board of Directors, but will no longer be on that Board because the principal serves as the Chief Executive Officer. In response to a question from Mrs. Avila, Dr. Olsky stated that the principal would definitely be attending the Board of Directors meetings.

In an additional question, Mrs. Avila was assured that High School Inc. students are receiving the core academic program.

Mr. Richardson requested and the Board concurred that the agreement contain language requiring that the principal be in an ex-officio capacity.

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 4-0, Mr. Hernández not present, to approve revision of partnership agreement that includes the changing of all references of the Santa Ana Chamber of Commerce to the Greater Santa Ana Business Alliance and which reflects new selection criteria for membership on the High School Inc. Academies at Valley High School Board of Directors, with language added to the agreement specifying that the principal serves in an ex-officio capacity with the Board of Directors.

18.0 CALL FOR PUBLIC HEARING: REVIEW STATEMENT OF ASSURANCE FOR PUPIL TEXTBOOK AND INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS FOR 2007-08 SCHOOL YEAR PER EDUCATION CODE SECTION 60119 AND 60422

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 4-0, Mr. Hernández not present, to call for a Public Hearing to review the Statement of Assurance for Pupil Textbook and Instructional Materials for 2007-08 school year.

19.0 APPROVAL OF PARTICIPATION IN "INVESTING IN HUMAN CAPITAL: A SYSTEM BUILDING APPROACH TO DISTRICT REFORM" - A PROPOSAL TO CARNEGIE CORPORATION

Ms. Russo stated that this proposal would allow the District to partner with Springboard Schools and the Carnegie Corporation to continue developing a system of professional staff development and mentoring system for District, and site administrators, and aspiring administrators, focused on improvement of student academic achievement. It is a three-year program with Springboard Schools. Although Springboard Schools pays \$750,000, there is an annual \$75,000 cost to the District for participation which is budgeted in Title II; there is no cost to the General Fund.

Mrs. Avila requested a copy of the grant and questioned the need for a consultant on this matter.

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 4-1, Mrs. Avila dissenting, to approve participation in "Investing in Human Capital: A System Building Approach to District Reform" - a proposal to Carnegie Corporation with Springboard Schools.

20.0 HIGH SCHOOL COLLEGE CAREER PLANNING TEXTBOOK RECOMMENDED FOR 28-DAY REVIEW

This item was presented to give members of the Board the opportunity to review the listed textbooks; no action required.

21.0 HIGH SCHOOL COLLEGE CAREER PLANNING COURSE (REVISION: FIRST READING)

Mr. Ayala stated that revisions to this course outline have been developed by a committee comprised of social science teachers from the five comprehensive high schools, Career Specialists, and representative from the Regional Occupational Program.

Presented for first reading, no action was required.

22.0 APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE TO PARTICIPATE IN PROFESSIONAL LEARNING SUPPORT SPECIALIST PROGRAM

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0 to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the University of California, Irvine and SAUSD to Participate in the Professional Learning Support Specialist Program.

23.0 RATIFICATION OF CERTIFICATED STAFF MENTORING GRANT FOR 2007-08 SCHOOL YEAR

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0 to ratify submission to the California Department of Education of the Certificated Staff Mentoring Grant for the 2007-08 school year.

24.0 APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR SPECIAL SCHOOLS PROGRAM WITH ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR 2008-09 SCHOOL YEAR

The Board was requested to approve a Memorandum of Understanding which will provide continuation of services for District students in the Special Schools Program.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Palacio, and carried 5-0 to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Orange County Department of Education for the 2008-09 school year.

25.0 APPROVAL OF NEW JOB DESCRIPTION: ACTIVITIES CLERK

Refer to action taken earlier in the meeting.

26.0 APPROVAL OF NEW JOB DESCRIPTION: AUTISM PARAPROFESSIONAL

Refer to action taken earlier in the meeting.

27.0 APPROVAL OF NEW JOB DESCRIPTION: SITE CLERK

Refer to action taken earlier in the meeting.

28.0 APPROVAL OF NEW JOB DESCRIPTION: INSTRUCTIONAL MEDIA CLERK

Refer to action taken earlier in the meeting.

29.0 APPROVAL OF NEW JOB DESCRIPTION: SCHOOL EQUIPMENT TECHNICIAN

Refer to action taken earlier in the meeting.

30.0 APPROVAL OF NEW JOB DESCRIPTION: EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN

Refer to action taken earlier in the meeting.

31.0 APPROVAL OF CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE LAYOFFS

Refer to action taken earlier in the meeting.

32.0 ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH BOARD POLICY 3290 - GIFTS, GRANTS, AND BEQUESTS

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Palacio, and carried 5-0, to accepts those gifts listed in accordance with Board Policy 3290 - Gifts, Grants, and Bequests.

33.0 APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL ACTION

Mr. Lopez called to the attention of the trustees the retirement of Edward Samuel following 35 years of service to the District. His last assignment was with the Visual and Performing Arts Department.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mrs. Avila, and carried 5-0, to approve the Personnel Calendar in its entirety (copy attached).

34.0 DISCUSSION: ESTABLISHMENT OF A NICHOLAS ACADEMIC CENTER AT VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

Ms. Russo stated that Judge Mandel from the Henry T. Nicholas Academic Center has requested that the Board consider an agreement for providing an after school Center at Valley High School for District students. The agreement will be based on use of the facility for the program after regular school hours. Some modernization of facilities will be involved. The cost of that modernization and purchase of capital assets, as well as utility and custodial costs, will be paid by the Henry T. Nicholas Academic Center.

Presented for information, no action was required.

35.0 BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS/ACTIVITIES

Ms. Avila:

- She was happy to have attended the Nova Academy graduation ceremony.
- She also attended the Open Court training.

Mr. Palacio:

- Requested again information on the Civic Center reservation process.

Mr. Richardson:

- Requested a report on retiree medical actuarial.

Mr. Hernández:

- Expressed concern about the Civic Center process and asked that the District get a legal opinion on those procedures.

REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Hernández reported that the Board had taken the following actions in Closed Session:

By a vote of 5-0, the Board took action to approve the agreement with a classified employee as named in Closed Session in the amount of \$5,000 to resolve all issues.

Moved: Hernández ___ Richardson ___ Yamagata-Noji ___ Avila ___ Palacio X
 Seconded: Hernández ___ Richardson ___ Yamagata-Noji x Avila ___ Palacio ___
 Vote: Ayes 5 Noes _____ Abstain _____ Absent 0

By a vote of 5-0, the Board took action to appoint Ms. Cheryl Weaver to the position of Principal at Villa Fundamental Intermediate School.

Moved: Hernández ___ Richardson ___ Yamagata-Noji X Avila ___ Palacio _
 Seconded: Hernández ___ Richardson X Yamagata-Noji ___ Avila ___ Palacio ___
 Vote: Ayes 5 Noes _____ Abstain _____ Absent 0

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 p.m.

FUTURE MEETINGS

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education (as reinstated) will be held on Tuesday, August 12, 2008, at 6:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Jane A. Russo
Secretary
Santa Ana Board of Education