

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

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING  
SANTA ANA BOARD OF EDUCATION

September 9, 2008

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:07 p.m. by Board President Hernández. Other members in attendance were Mr. Richardson, Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and Mr. Palacio. Mrs. Avila arrived during Closed Session. Mr. Richardson left during closed session and returned at 6:50 p.m.

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 student John Borjas from Santa Ana High School.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Valley High School student John Borjas was recently honored at the Annual Delhi Center Gala Tardeada Dinner, promoting unity and pride through Education, in memory of Manuel Esqueda. John who attends self-defense classes at the Delhi Center was selected for the Youth Award for his many fine attributes. He is also described as standing apart from the rest and having much potential. The Board recognized him for going above-and-beyond the call of duty and putting education first.

Ms. Russo announced that members of the SAUSD PTA Executive Board for 2008-2009 were present. The Superintendent thanked them for serving in such a vital function for our schools. She stated that their diligence and commitment to schools is appreciated.

Members present were acknowledged and thanked for being at the meeting.

President

Victor Madrigal

First VP	Rosa Aldaz
Second VP	Cecilia Aguinaga
Secretary	Regina Aguirre
Treasurer	Steve Cervillo
Auditor	Maria Mejorado
Historian	Teresa Velasquez
Parliamentarian	Naiden Rodriguez

Ms. Russo next called upon Mr. Juan Lopez, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, to introduce the latest additions to the SAUSD Administration.

Maria Duran-Smith	Principal at Heroes
William Skelly	Principal, Heninger Elementary
Donna Kertman	Principal, Muir Elementary
Norris Perez	Principal at Wilson Elementary
Linda C. DeLeon	Principal, Garfield Elementary
Jane Mitchell	Principal, Edison Elementary
Mark Bello	Principal, Mitchell Child Development Center

The Superintendent announced that this is the third year the SAUSD has opened the first day of school on the Thursday before Labor Day. This year some students had a very exciting first day of school with the opening of our newest school, Heroes Elementary. SAUSD-TV provided a brief video on that event, as well as the first day of school activities throughout the District.

Ms. Russo noted that the official Grand Opening Ceremony of Heroes Elementary would occur on Thursday, October 23, at 10:00 a.m.

Santa Ana Unified School District will officially announce its launch of the automatic external defibrillators (AEDs) program for the 2008-09 sports season on September 12<sup>th</sup> in which Segerstrom High Jaguars vs. Century High Centurions varsity football teams will play each other. Team trainers, as will all six SAUSD high schools, are equipped with AEDs beginning this school year. The devices were made possible in part by the Kevin Armstrong, M.D. Memorial Sports Foundation, an ardent supporter of Santa Ana student athletes.

The Superintendent announced that the California School Boards Association has selected Segerstrom High School as a Golden Bell Award finalist for its schoolwide writing program. CSBA is now in the process of validating school sites with this honor. Award recipients will be honored at CSBA's annual conference that will take place in San Diego in December. The SAUSD has a great history and reputation for receiving Golden Bells, having earned 25 since 1984, the most for any school district in the state.

Maria Galvan, Registered Dietitian & Nutrition Specialist for Food 4 Thought is featured in this year's Jennie-O Turkey Store School Nutrition Calendar for the month of September. Her recipe, the Cha Cha Cha Breakfast Torta is a Mexican breakfast sandwich! Her recipes serve to preserve the traditional Mexican American way of eating with a modern twist. Most of Maria's recipes tend to have Mexican American flair as she enjoys preserving the cultural cuisine. She also enjoys finding new ways to keep the school lunch menu fun & exciting! For a copy of the recipe, call (714) 558-5555.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Jack O'Connell encourages every grade-12 student in California to enter The California Museum's Dreamers Challenge to explain how he or she would change the world. The winner will earn a \$5,000 cash scholarship. The Dreamers Challenge is open to every public, private, or home-schooled high school senior expected to graduate with the Class of 2009. Entries can be an essay, video, audio, or artwork, but must be submitted digitally on CD or DVD. The deadline is October 10, 2008.

Hispanic Heritage Month begins on September 15, the anniversary of independence for five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua. In addition, Mexico declared its independence on September 16 and Chile on September 18. Ms. Russo invited the public to the Fiestas Patrias community celebration in downtown Santa Ana on Saturday (September 13) and culminating with the Parade on Sunday (September 14) at 4:00 p.m. The parade route heads south on Main and west on Civic Center, and ends at the Festival at Civic Center and Flower. SAUSD's high school bands will perform, and meet some Board members and other community leaders who will be in attendance.

The Superintendent called to the attention of the Board and attendees the beautiful artwork posted in the Board Room contributed by the students and teachers at Pio Pico Elementary and Santa Ana High Schools.

Ms. Russo stated that on Saturday, September 6, a memorial service was held for Mr. Roy Russell in the Santa Ana High School Auditorium. Several hundred family members, friends, school personnel, and community members gathered in his honor. Roy Russell graduated from Santa Ana High School and was an active community member serving on PTA's, City and District committees/commissions, running for school board, as well as volunteering throughout the community. Over 10 years ago, Roy Russell started volunteering at Santa Ana High, supporting technology at the school. The school had just received a Digital High School grant and Mr. Russell's expertise was invaluable in developing the school's technology plan and its implementation. His volunteer work eventually led to full time employment; however, working above-and-beyond the call of duty was an understatement when it came to Roy Russell. He was known to come in early, stay late, and work on weekends just to make sure that technology installation/wiring and work was done correctly. He also put in extra hours helping staff with their home, as well as professional technology challenges. In addition, Roy's expertise was shared at other schools. Staff from Willard Intermediate, Century High and Our Lady of Pillar Schools shared their gratitude for his help. Although the Board meeting was closed in his honor last week, she thought that this special man should be honored during her report. The Superintendent expressed her sympathy to Barbara and the Russell children. Trustees also paid tribute to Mr. Russell and stated that he would be missed.

#### PRESENTATIONS

##### Status of Budget Reductions for 2008-09 School Year

Mr. Murrey opened the presentation showing student enrollment versus projection. He stated that elementary opened school with an additional 137 students; less 256 intermediate students, and an additional 304 high school students equaling an increase of 185 students overall. Board discussion ensued concerning CBEDS and funding. Mr. Murrey stated that the District currently has 54,518 students which is an increase from last year and required six additional teachers in elementary, (five of six for Class Size Reduction) and 4.2 in high school.

Mr. Murrey stated that the Board previously approved budget reductions for the 2008-09 school year totaling \$29.5 million. The presentation provided an update as to the status of implementation of the approved budget Reallocation committee reductions. Reductions were revised to \$26.4 million leaving a shortfall of \$3.1 million or 89% attained.

He then called upon Mr. Tsunozumi who presented a stoplight report that identified items designated by green, yellow, and red lights which are items on target, in variance within \$250,000, or over \$250,000 in process. Mr. Tsunozumi described each yellow and red light item while addressing questions from the Board. Mr. Murrey stated that the District would continue services by using District reserves for those budget reductions not achieved.

Mr. Richardson requested a breakdown of items on #4 of Stop Light Report.

#### Summer Maintenance and Operations Project Update

The Superintendent announced great news to the Board, teachers, parents and the community who supported the District on the passage of Measure G last June. One of the goals of the Measure was to obtain the matching funds for the Critically Overcrowded Schools program. With the support of the community, the SAUSD was able to secure the funding, which will allow relief of overcrowding at some of our most impacted sites by building two-story classroom buildings on seven elementary campuses and one intermediate. Recently, the SAUSD received the final approval from the California Department of Education and the Division of State Architect. He stated that the Facilities Department would begin construction of the two-story buildings at Martin, Madison, Santiago, Lowell, Kennedy, Diamond, Greenville and Carr. She stated that they said it could not be done, but miracles do happen!

Mr. Dixon called upon Mr. Ziegler who provided a presentation of the various maintenance and operation projects completed over the summer months, which included air conditioning, asphalt, painting, flooring, electrical, playground equipment, portable removal, portable relocation, and field renovation. Pictures of before and after completion were highlighted. He identified a schedule for field renovations and seeding expected to be completed by October and showed bleacher repairs at Century High School. Mr. Ziegler stated that this is the smoothest opening of school that he has experienced in 20 years. He thanked Dave Woolsey and team for their diligence to complete a huge job at Hoover Elementary and Jeff Hackett for his hard work in acquiring an Edison \$35,000 grant towards its completion, and for his expertise on the air conditioning system at Century High School.

#### STAR Results: Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) and Academic Performance Index (API) for Individual Schools

Ms. LePatner, Director, Research and Evaluation, presented information on the 2008 STAR results, AYP and API. She stated that all public schools in California are required to take the English Language Arts STAR assessments for their grade level. Students in grades 2-8 test in mathematics; students in grades 8-11 test in mathematics for the course in which they have been enrolled; and students in grades 9-11 assessed by course exams in all core subjects. The results of the STAR tests and 10<sup>th</sup> grade California High School Exit Exam along with other measures are the basis for AYP and the API accountability report.

She provided SAUSD achievement highlights that included multi-year comparisons of CST results showing percent proficient, advanced, and accountability results in both AYP and API. Overall, there was a 6% gain in English-Language Arts Districtwide and in mathematics there were nearly 1,300 more students who scored proficient and advanced which is a 6% overall increase from 2007. Also improved was Grade-8 Algebra 1 by 13% with an 11% increase in proficiency and above levels in 8<sup>th</sup> grade general math. In science, students' proficiency or above in grade-5 increased by 9%, in Biology a 2-5% growth in proficiency and above levels. There was also a 17% increase in the percent proficient or advanced in physics. Ms. LePatner stated that Esqueda, King, Remington, and Taft elementary schools are four of the 10 most improved schools in Orange County as she reviewed their growth. Ms. LePatner announced a new

test, the California Modified Assessment administered to grades 3-8 specifically for special education students. Other tests administered to SAUSD students include the California Achievement Tests, 6<sup>th</sup> Edition (CAT/6 Survey) for grades 3 and 7 only; the California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA); California Standards Tests (CSTs); and Standards-based Test in Spanish or Aprenda for students less than 12 month in the country. Ms. LePatner added that the District met: the Participation Rate of 95%, API at 689, and the Graduation Rate at 82.2%. She provided information on comparisons and growth in language arts and mathematics for all grade levels while identifying No Child Left Behind targets.

Members of the Board expressed appreciation to staff for the report and to principals for student achievement.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Board President Hernández asked that those wishing to address the Board on matters under its jurisdiction to step to the podium.

The following individuals addressed the Board with concerns regarding the special education services for their children at the Orange County Education Arts Academy Charter School.

Yolanda Garcia, parent  
Maria Saldana, parent

The following individuals addressed the Board concerning classified layoffs effecting either instructional assistants, health clerks, substitutes, and breaks of 3.75 hours employees. They stated that the most effected are the students.

Natalia Garcia, parent  
Jesenia Gardez, SAUSD employee

Vickie Ford, parent, addressed the Board to inform them of the high number of children in her child's special education classroom and the elimination of special education instructional assistants where her child attends school.

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 4-0, Mrs. Avila abstaining due to her absence at the meeting, to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting of August 16, 2008, and it was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji and seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 26, 2008.

#### 1.0 APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

The following items were removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and separate action: Approval of Continued Funding From Santa Ana Workforce Investment Board/Youth Council and Authorization of Amendment to Agreement for Collection of Outstanding Overpayments for Phase II, Approval of Change Order No. 1 for Bid Package No. 101 Roofing Package at Valley High School, Authorization to Amend Contract for Asphalt, Paving, and Seal Coating Districtwide, and Authorization to Amend Contract for Flooring Services to Include Sub Floor Testing Districtwide.

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

- 1.1 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.

- 1.2 Approval of continued funding from Santa Ana Workforce Investment Board/Youth Council.

This item was removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and separate action.

- 1.3 Approval of expenditure summary and warrant listing of checks for Period of August 13 through August 26, 2008.

- 1.4 Approval of purchase order summary of orders \$25,000 and Over for Period of August 13 through August 26, 2008.

- 1.5 Approval of listing of agreement/contracts between Santa Ana Unified School District and various consultants submitted for period of August 13 through August 26, 2008. A copy of listings is attached to the Minutes.

- 1.6 Approval of disposal of obsolete unrepairable computer equipment, miscellaneous unrepairable furniture, equipment, or textbook.

- 1.7 Authorization to obtain Requests for Proposals for SmartNet maintenance on Cisco network equipment Districtwide.

- 1.8 Authorization to amend an agreement for collection of outstanding overpayments for phase II.

This item was removed from the consent calendar for discussion and separate action.

- 1.9 Adoption of Resolution No. 08/09-2749 - authorizing Doreen Lohnes, Assistant Superintendent, Support Services as signatory for the Santa Ana Unified School District.

- 1.10 Approval of appointment of Stradling, Yocca, Carlson, & Rauth; Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo; and Theodora, Oringher, Miller, & Richman consultants for legal and real property consulting services for future District projects.

- 1.11 Approval of Change Order No. 101 Roofing Project at Valley High School

This item was removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and separate action.

- 1.12 Approval of Change Order No. 1 for Bid Package No. 104 Asphalt/Concrete Project at Valley High school for the Emergency Repair Program in the amount of \$119,168 for a revised total of construction of \$1,335,168.

- 1.13 Acceptance of September 8, 2008, completion of contracts for Bid No. 21-08 with C.T. Georgiou Painting Company for exterior painting at Monte Vista Elementary, Alpha Décor and Painting, Inc., for exterior painting at Santiago Elementary, and Painting and Décor Ltd. for exterior painting at Santa Ana High School totaling \$85,490.

- 1.14 Authorization to amend contract for asphalt, paving, and seal coating Districtwide.

This item was removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and separate action.

- 1.15 Authorization to amend contract for flooring services to include sub floor testing Districtwide.

This item was removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and separate action.

- 1.16 Approval of readmission of previously expelled students for the fall semester of the 2008-09 school year.

**ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION AND SEPARATE ACTION**

**1.1 APPROVAL OF CONTINUED FUNDING FROM SANTA ANA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD/YOUTH COUNCIL**

Dr. Yamagata-Noji requested additional information regarding this item. Mr. Ayala, Ms. Carter, and Ricardo Quesada, representative from the Workforce Investment Board/Youth Council stated that this item allows 30 eligible low-income seniors to receive mentoring, job training, employment, and employment skills services while focusing on student success in higher education and career preparation. Funding also pays stipends for staff. Funds come from the City to the District Workforce Investment Act of 1998 in the amount of \$163,350.

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mrs. Avila, and carried 5-0, to approve continued funding from the Santa Ana Workforce Investment Board/Youth Council for an In-School Multi-Service Youth Program.

**1.8 AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND AN AGREEMENT FOR COLLECTION OF OUTSTANDING OVERPAYMENTS FOR PHASE II**

Mr. Palacio asked for clarification on this item. Mr. Murrey stated that the item seeks authorization to utilize ARC rather than Transworld for Phase II collections on accounts that have not been responded to, with customary collection methods. The ARC is an aggressive collection agency (Phase II) that eventually, if not responded to, would affect ones credit report.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mrs. Avila, and carried 5-0, to authorize the amendment of agreement for the collection of outstanding overpayments for Phase II.

**1.11 APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR BID PACKAGE NO. 101 ROOFING PROJECT AT VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL**

Mr. Palacio removed this item for clarification. Mr. Dixon stated that the replacement of roofing at Valley High School is being performed by a single prime contractor under the Emergency Repair program. Mr. Dixon described the process and clarified funding.

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 5-0, to approve change order no. 1 for bid package no. 101 roofing project at Valley High School for Emergency Repair Program in the amount of \$144,935 for a revised total of construction of \$1,608,935.

**1.14 AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND CONTRACT FOR ASPHALT, PAVING AND SEAL COATING DISTRICTWIDE**

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

Mr. Palacio asked staff to include further explanation in the background information presented to the Board and return to a future Board meeting.

**1.15 AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND CONTRACT FOR FLOORING SERVICES TO INCLUDE SUB FLOOR TESTING DISTRICTWIDE**

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

**REGULAR ACTION ITEMS**

**REGULAR AGENDA - ACTION ITEMS**

**2.0 BOARD POLICY AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION 1312.3 - UNIFORM COMPLAINT PROCEDURES (REVISED: FOR ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION)**

Mr. Palacio asked that the Williams Act forms be made available on the District's Home Page Tool Bar for user-friendly access.

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mr. Palacio, and carried 5-0 to adopt and implement 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures.

**3.0 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 08/09-2748 - IN SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 890 - EARLY COMMITMENT TO COLLEGE**

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mr. Palacio, and carried 5-0 to adopt Resolution No. 08/09-2748 - supporting Senate Bill 890, Early Commitment to College. A copy of the Resolution is included in the Minutes.

**4.0 APPROVAL OF DISTRICT'S UNAUDITED ACTUALS FOR 2007-08**

Mr. Murrey stated that Education Code Section 42100 requires that Governing Board members of each District approve on or before September 15, 2008, an annual statement of all receipts and expenditures, referred to as Unaudited Actuals from the preceding fiscal year. Mr. Murrey reviewed Unaudited Actuals and ending fund balances for 2007-08. He and Mr. Tsunozumi addressed questions from the Board, clarified funding, and fund descriptions. Mr. Murrey stated that 2007-08 Unaudited Actuals revenues were \$501 million and expenditures were at \$507 million leaving a deficit of \$5.9 million with a reserve of 5.5%. Projected for the 2008-09 is \$482 million in revenues, expenditures \$488 million and equating a deficit of \$9.6 million and a 3.8% reserves. Mr. Murrey also reviewed yearly comparisons of Designated Economic Uncertainties to expenditures by reserve percentage. At the end of 2007-08, the reserves percentage was at 5.5% and projected for 2008-09 is now 3.81.

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0 to approve the District's Unaudited Actuals for 2007-08.

**5.0 APPROVAL OF SUBMISSION OF LOIS LENSKI COVEY FOUNDATION, INC., GRANT**

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0 to approve the submission of the Lois Lenski Covey Foundation, Inc., Grant.



**6.0 AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD CONTRACT FOR PURCHASE OF PRINTER CARTRIDGES AND BUSINESS MACHINE CONSUMABLES DISTRICTWIDE**

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0 to authorize the awarding of contracts to GovConnection, Inc. and Ultimate Imaging Products for the purchase of printer cartridges and business machine consumables Districtwide in the amount of \$314,075 annually, renewable for a period of up to three years.

**7.0 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 08/09-2745 - DISTRICT APPROPRIATIONS LIMITS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2007-08 AND 2008-09**

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0 to adopt Resolution No. 08/09-2745 establishing the District's appropriations limits for fiscal years 2007-08 and 2008-09 at \$315,000,342 and \$326,739,881 respectively. Attached is a copy of the resolution.

**8.0 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 08/09-2747 - INTENT TO LEASE SURPLUS REAL PROPERTY AT SPURGEON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL**

Mr. Richardson asked that staff provide additional information regarding location of towers, income generated, and allocation of funds.

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 3-2, Mr. Hernández and Mrs. Avila dissenting, to adopt Resolution No. 08/09-2747 intent to lease surplus real property at Spurgeon Intermediate School. Attached is a copy of the resolution.

**9.0 AUTHORIZATION TO OBTAIN REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR MAINTENANCE ON CISCO NETWORK EQUIPMENT AND NETWORK CABLING DISTRICTWIDE**

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0 to authorize Administration to obtain Request for Proposal for maintenance of Cisco network equipment and network cabling Districtwide.

**10.0 AUTHORIZATION TO OBTAIN BIDS FOR INSTALLATION OF STRUCTURED CABLING SYSTEM AT VARIOUS SITES DISTRICTWIDE**

It was moved by Mr. Palacio, seconded by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, and carried 4-0, Mr. Richardson not present, to authorize Administration to obtain bids for installation of structured cabling system at various sites Districtwide.

**11.0 AUTHORIZATION TO OBTAIN BIDS FOR CISCO NETWORK EQUIPMENT AT VARIOUS SITES DISTRICTWIDE**

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mrs. Avila, and carried 4-0, Mr. Richardson not present, to authorize Administration to obtain bids for Cisco network equipment at various sites Districtwide.

**12.0 APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR OVERCROWDING RELIEF GRANT AND MODERNIZATION PROJECTS**

Mr. Palacio requested the results of the due diligence process regarding architect selection and justifying six architects opposed to 11. Mr. Palacio stated that there is a set fee for new construction and modernization that should be utilized for all architects.

It was moved by Mr. Hernandez, seconded by Mrs. Avila, and carried 5-0, to approve the appointment of gkkworks, NTD Architects, HMC, Ghataode Bannon, DKP, and LMA to provide architectural services for upcoming Overcrowding Relief Grant and Modernization Projects.

**13.0 APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT OF CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT FIRMS FOR OVERCROWDING RELIEF GRANT, CRITICALLY OVERCROWDED SCHOOLS, AND MODERNIZATION PROJECTS**

Mr. Palacio stated that there is a set fee for construction manager services for new construction and modernization projects which should be utilized.

It was moved by Mrs. Avila, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0, to approve the appointment of PCM3, Inc., Barnhart, Cordoba Corp., and C.W. Driver to provide construction management services for the Overcrowding Relief Grant, Critically Overcrowded Schools, and Modernization Projects.

**14.0 APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT OF CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT SERVICES FOR OVERCROWDING RELIEF GRANT PROJECTS**

Mr. Richardson asked staff to review the CEQA agreement to make sure SAUSD is in full compliance at Segerstrom.

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mrs. Avila, and carried 5-0, to approve the appointment of The Planning Center to provide California Environmental Quality Acts services for Overcrowding Relief Grant program projects.

**15.0 AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL BLEACHERS AT SEGERSTROM HIGH SCHOOL STADIUM**

It was moved by Dr. Yamagata-Noji, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0, to authorize advertisement for construction of additional bleachers at Segerstrom High School Stadium.

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

It was moved by Mrs. Avila, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and carried 5-0, to accept gifts in accordance with Board Policy (BP) - Gifts, Grants, and Bequests. A list is attached to the Minutes.

**17.0 APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL ACTION**

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Hernández, and carried 5-0, to approve the personnel calendar in its entirety. The Personnel Calendar is attached to the Minutes.

## **18.0 BOARD AND STAFF REPORTS/ACTIVITIES**

### Ms. Yamagata-Noji:

- She thanked Ms. Russo and Administration for a smooth opening of school along with Mr. Ziegler. She heard excellent reports!
- She is excited about Heroes Elementary School opening. She said that there were many parents and students walking to school that morning and noted that the school was needed.
- She is pleased with the excellent report on test scores. She congratulated District staff for their direction.
- She suggested an internal celebration such as the Golden Bell, said that it would be fun and highlight successes.

### Mr. Palacio:

- He announced that Mr. Yrarrazaval, Principal of Carr Intermediate, would be one of the honorees of Hispanic Education Endowment Fund -Apple of Gold Awards Ceremony, to be held on October 17, 2008, at the Anaheim Hilton at 6:00 p.m.
- He referred to a newspaper article this past June where it noted a paper loss in the amount of \$300 million by the County of Orange. He said that Education Institutions received a loss of \$1.1 million and school districts received a loss of approximately \$45,000. He advised that the SAUSD keep an eye on the market so that we do not find ourselves in a situation.

### Mrs. Avila:

- She said that at the end of summer she attended Community Day School's graduation. It is a great program and said that during the summer months intervention takes place to help students for the start of the new school year.
- She attended the Delhi Center Celebration Gala and was pleased to see Santa Ana student's great performance.
- She is thrilled with test scores and looks forward to another great year. She noted that teachers put in a lot of effort and wished them well.

### Mr. Richardson:

- He reminded staff to fly flags at half-staff in remembrance of 9/11 and the recognition of Patriots Day.
- He noted that September 11<sup>th</sup> is also the first Bond Oversight meeting for Measure G at 6:00 p.m. at the District Office.
- He enjoyed the Delhi Awards Celebration event. He suggested recognizing Paul Riordon in the near future for his work with students and involvement with the American Institute of Scientific Studies.

### Mr. Hernández:

- He is excited about the Districtwide test scores. He noted that Jim Thorpe Fundamental is making strides along with all schools doing the same.
- He is very pleased with the smooth opening of schools.

## **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 4-0, the Board took action to appoint Jesse J. Church to the position of Assistant Principal at Godinez Fundamental High School.

Moved: Hernández \_\_\_ Richardson \_\_\_ Yamagata-Noji \_\_\_ Avila \_\_\_ Palacio X  
Seconded: Hernández \_\_\_ Richardson \_\_\_ Yamagata-Noji X Avila \_\_\_ Palacio \_\_\_  
Vote: Ayes 4 Noes \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_ Absent 1

By a vote of 4-0, the Board took action to appoint William E. Mocnik, III to the position of Assistant Principal at Segerstrom High School.

Moved: Hernández \_\_\_ Richardson \_\_\_ Yamagata-Noji \_\_\_ Avila \_\_\_ Palacio X  
Seconded: Hernández \_\_\_ Richardson \_\_\_ Yamagata-Noji X Avila \_\_\_ Palacio \_\_\_  
Vote: Ayes 4 Noes \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_ Absent 1

By a vote of 4-0, the Board took action to appoint Jonathan E. Swanson to the position of Assistant Principal at Segerstrom School.

Moved: Hernández \_\_\_ Richardson \_\_\_ Yamagata-Noji X Avila \_\_\_ Palacio \_\_\_  
Seconded: Hernández \_\_\_ Richardson \_\_\_ Yamagata-Noji \_\_\_ Avila \_\_\_ Palacio X  
Vote: Ayes 4 Noes \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_ Absent 1

By a vote of 4-0, the Board took action to appoint Patricia Carter to the position of Director of the Regional Occupational Program/Vocational Education Program (ROP).

Moved: Hernández \_\_\_ Richardson \_\_\_ Yamagata-Noji X Avila \_\_\_ Palacio \_\_\_  
Seconded: Hernández \_\_\_ Richardson \_\_\_ Yamagata-Noji \_\_\_ Avila X Palacio \_\_\_  
Vote: Ayes 4 Noes \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_ Absent 1

ADJOURNMENT

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

FUTURE MEETINGS

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education (as reinstated) will be held on Tuesday, September 23, 2008, at 6:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Jane A. Russo  
Secretary  
Santa Ana Board of Education