

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SANTA MARIA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
October 11, 2016**

OPEN SESSION

Dr. Garvin called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and immediately adjourned to closed session.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Dr. Garvin called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m.

The Flag Salute was led by Isabella Powell, Student Representative for Righetti High School.

ANNOUNCE CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

Dr. Richardson announced the closed session items. Certificated and classified personnel actions were approved as submitted. The Board was updated on Labor Negotiations on both units and the Board approved the student recommendations as submitted.

RECOGNITION

Naming of Facility – Righetti High School Pool

Mr. Bob Nelson, former student and athlete at Righetti High School, requested the Board of Education consider naming the Righetti High School Pool in honor of Mr. Rob Knight.

The Superintendent convened a committee. The committee heard the request from Mr. Nelson and unanimously agreed to forward the recommendation to the board.

Mr. Knight has been teaching and coaching in the district for 26 years and has over 500 wins in his career as a coach. He was named CIF Coach of the Year five times.

A Public Hearing was required. Dr. Garvin opened the public hearing.

Mr. Nelson said this was inspired by the many alumni and past students of the program. He told of the difference Mr. Knight made in his life and the life of many others. Righetti High School will be celebrating fifty years of water sports.

Mr. Adrian Salazar also spoke in favor of naming the pool after Mr. Knight. He feels it is well deserved.

Mr. Palera feels it is deserved. He knows Mr. Knight and Mr. Nelson well but philosophically he does not believe in naming buildings or facilities after someone. He would be alright with it if it was temporary (maybe for the 50th anniversary celebration).

Ms. Perez is in favor of naming it after Mr. Knight. She feels he deserves it. She said it seems like the city of Santa Maria has a process of naming buildings. It is honoring individuals and it is a board policy.

There were no more public comments and the public hearing was closed.

Dr. Karamitsos made a motion to approve the naming of the facility to the Rob Knight Aquatic Center. She commented that we do have the board policy in place and that she understands Mr. Palera's position on the issue. The district currently has a pool at SMHS that has the name of a beloved coach and here is another one and she is in favor of voting for it. Maybe we should look at our policy and the process.

Dr. Richardson would make that suggestion. As we look at it now we do not have a protocol or a process. His suggestion is to work on an administrative regulation and bring examples back to the Board that would be more in line. This would be for future facilities.

Ms. Lopez respects everyone's opinion. In our community we do take pride in naming things after deserving people.

The motion stood and it was seconded by Ms. Perez to name the Righetti High School pool the Rob Knight Aquatic Center. The motion carried with a vote of 4-1 (with Mr. Palera voting no).

Dr. Richardson congratulated Mr. Knight and asked him to speak. Mr. Knight thanked everyone for the honor. He spoke of the feeling when the pool was built seven years ago and jumping in with the team and coaches. It was surreal. He had the same feeling with this honor.

REPORTS

Student Reports

Candace Corpuz/PVHS: ASB hosted Club Rush which is a chance for all clubs to promote membership. ASB is starting a new project, People of PVHS. They interview a random person a day – staff and student. Each person's interview is posted on social media pages. St. Joes Dress Up Week is this week in preparation for the game on Friday. They are going to have their Around the World Rally. Homecoming tickets go on sale this week. Homecoming is October 28 and the dance is October 29. It is season themed. Each class is a different season.

Isabella Powell/ERHS: Club Day was Sept. 30 at lunch and over twenty clubs participated and it was a success. Homecoming last week and dance on last Saturday. ASB Officers are preparing group lessons and team building ideas for class and they are working on activities for next semester.

Roberto Aguilar-Luis/Delta: On September 28 some students and teachers attended the FBLA Luncheon. It was a great experience. Thirty students and teachers attended Allan Hancock Career Day on September 30. National Guard gave an Anti-Bullying presentation. Leaders of Hope group spoke at Arellanes and Tommy Knust Junior Highs.

Yailin Orozco/SMHS: Homecoming theme is Once Upon A Time; first dance of the year is on Saturday. After homecoming ASB will shift their attention to National Red Ribbon Week coming up. FFA had benefit dinner to fundraise for the national trip. Alpine Club will be hiking to Bishops Peak and Montana de Oro soon. Environmental Club went camping at Refugio and did a beach cleanup from Pismo Beach to Grover Beach. Career Fair was held and had thirty different careers. All students attended. Also had Anti-Bullying assembly.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Richardson had the opportunity to go and meet with the student board representatives at each of the school sites. He is working on a group called the Superintendent's Council. Each student board representative is recruiting three students and their principals and we will work on different issues and policies to bring to the Board. He is excited about it.

He worked the bulk of his career at a school site so he is excited to work with students again.

The first meeting is next week.

Board Member Reports

Ms. Lopez: It is good to see everyone. She had a tour of the Performing Arts Building at PVHS. She was impressed. It was jaw-dropping and it is still under construction. There was an impromptu performance by the kids and it was the icing on the cake. Thank you for having us. She cannot wait for it to open. She saw all the pictures from the SMHS and RHS football game and it was great seeing everyone show their pride. The last few weeks she met with some staff from SMHS and thanked Mr. Domingues for setting it up. She also thanked Dr. Richardson, Karen Rotondi and Danny Sheridan for their assistance. There is a lot of community spirit.

Mr. Palera: He is still not able to get around very much due to his foot surgery. He has become a news junkie. It is great to see the students and hear their reports and he was moved by the Righetti Homecoming King and Queen results. He follows the stories and feels good when he sees and listens to the student board representatives.

Ms. Perez: She attended the Migrant Ed Parent meeting on Sunday. Maria Larios-Horton and her staff were there and it was amazing. It was great to see everyone there. She sat in on the workshops. The other event was Cash for College at PVHS. There were around 300 – 350 students and parents there who showed up to fill out the FAFSA. PVHS did a great job in promoting and getting the students there. Our counselors in our district are outstanding. Great to see that type of service for our students. The last event was the CIF meeting last night regarding information on moving to the Central Valley. Parents and families need the information and to understand the pros and cons. Feels well-informed but would like us to get more information to the families.

Dr. Karamitsos: She went to homecoming at Righetti. She attended her Righetti 35-year reunion this past summer. She also went to the Pioneer and SMHS game and it was the

most attended game she has been to. She also went to the Righetti and SMHS game. After the game the two bands stayed and played games and interacted together. It was a show of comradery between the two bands. Last night she went to see Father Greg Boyle from Homeboy Industries. He told stories and he makes you feel inspired. The message he gives is that we belong to each other. We need to focus on the youth and the potential that they have. They are really a gift (to the older people). We need them. We are here to promote and guide the youth along to give them what they need. She told the students that they have a lot of power as student leaders. She wants them to remind other students that we want to serve them and meet their needs because they are the future and she thanked them for being there.

Dr. Garvin: Athletic Directors did a great job last night. It is about connecting students with athletics and we also had a lot of coaches in attendance. He attended Panther Forum and Ms. Herrera had a great turn out. He also attended the Quarterly Schools meeting. They talk about everything that is going on in the city and community. He attended a nutrition meeting along with Mr. Davis.

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

General

Board Policies – First Reading

The administration asked the Board to review the proposed revisions to the board policies listed below. The policies will be on the next board agenda for approval.

BP/AR 1312.3	Uniform Complaint Procedures
BP/AR 6142.1	Sexual Health and HIV/AIDS Prevention Instruction

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos and seconded by Ms. Perez to review the proposed revisions. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Approval of Agreement for Classified Bargaining Unit, Job Descriptions – *Appendix C*

The District and the California School Employees Association (CSEA) have reached Agreement for new and revised job descriptions, and changes to existing bargaining unit classifications. The Agreement dated June September 7, 2016 will take effect pending approval by both parties.

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos and seconded by Mr. Palera. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0 to approve Appendix C as presented.

Approval of Resolution Number 5-2016-2017 to support Proposition 55: The California Children’s Education and Health Care Protection Act of 2016

Resolution Number 5-2016-2017 supports Proposition 55: The California Children’s Education and Health Care Protection Act of 2016. Proposition 55 would extend the current income tax provisions of Proposition 30 for 12 years.

This measure is important to ensure that as much as \$4 billion dollars in revenue for public education do not permanently disappear in the next two to three years.

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos, seconded by Ms. Perez and carried with a roll call vote of 5-0.

A Roll Call Vote was required:

Dr. Garvin	Yes
Dr. Karamitsos	Yes
Ms. Perez	Yes
Mr. Palera	Yes
Ms. Lopez	Yes

INSTRUCTION

Math Placement – Information Only

Mr. Davis gave an update on math placement. He described the criteria for placement which consists of: prior Math course grade, prior Math teacher recommendation, prior CST/SBAC Test score and Renaissance Learning Math Placement Test.

He showed current placement numbers by school site and courses. Most students coming into the district are not ready. We are asking what opportunities do we have in the district to accelerate and meet college requirements. All of our sites are doing different things. No one has the answer on the best way to approach it. In the next two to three years we will be able to have statistics and data and be able to make some moves.

Dr. Karamitsos asked how they formulate the class and if it is departmentally decided. Mr. Davis said it is. Dr. Richardson said we have been looking at data (related to last year’s seniors). We looked at every student that came into our district (who placed less than Algebra). About 3% of the kids (30 districtwide) made it to second semester of Algebra 2.

We know we need to do work with our feeder schools to ensure we get students at grade level. The next domino is how well they do on SBAC. The items on that test are driven by Algebra 2 material. You can see how this plays out for our district when students start behind. It is hard to catch up and there are a lot of consequences that follow. Not to mention the college and career track piece. We are looking at what we can do to get the students on track to move forward.

Dr. Karamitsos asked if there could be a summer school class (before they start 9th grade). Dr. Richardson said we are looking at everything to see what can be done. One of the things we have been looking at is elongating the school year and putting some prep work up front (giving the student a 3 to 4-week class in the summer as a prep class).

BUSINESS

Adoption of the 4th Status Report on the Reconfiguration and Facilities Program dated October 2016

In August 2014, the Board of Education for the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District (“District”) adopted a Reconfiguration and Facilities Program (“Program”) prepared by Caldwell Flores Winters, Inc. (CFW) that assessed the facilities needs at the District’s four high school sites and presented an improvement and financing program to accommodate these needs.

As part of the Agreement with the District, CFW prepares semi-annual Program updates to the Board that review implementation activities. Ernesto Flores from CFW presented the fourth update.

A motion was made by Ms. Perez to adopt the report as presented. It was seconded by Mr. Palera. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0 to approve the fourth program update as presented.

Selection of Vernon Edwards Constructors, Inc. as the Lease Lease-Back partner for the delivery of the Righetti High School New 38-Classroom Facility Project and authorization to negotiate a Guaranteed Maximum Price contract upon receipt of Division of the State Architect approval of construction documents.

On August 19, 2016, the District issued an RFP for the construction of the Project pursuant to the lease lease-back methodology. All prequalified LLB entities were invited to submit proposals for the Project. The District received one proposal from Vernon Edwards Constructors, Inc. (VEC). A committee consisting of a representative from the Board of Education, District staff and representatives of Caldwell Flores Winters, Inc., interviewed VEC on September 29, 2016.

After a thorough review of VEC’s proposal and information presented in the interview, the selection committee recommended that the Board approve VEC as the LLB partner for the delivery of the Project and authorize District staff, to negotiate a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) contract with VEC as soon as the Division of the State Architect (DSA) approves the construction documents for the Project.

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos and seconded by Mr. Palera to select Vernon Edwards Constructors, Inc. as the Lease Lease-Back partner for the Righetti High School New 38-Classroom Facility Project and authorize District staff to negotiate a Guaranteed Maximum

Price contract upon receipt of Division of State Architect approval of the construction documents. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

CONSENT ITEMS

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos and seconded by Ms. Perez to approve the consent items as presented.

A Roll Call Vote was required:

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| Dr. Garvin | Yes |
| Dr. Karamitsos | Yes |
| Ms. Perez | Yes |
| Mr. Palera | Yes |
| Ms. Lopez | Yes |

The motion carried with a roll call vote of 5-0.

REPORTS FROM EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS

There were no reports from the employee organizations.

OPEN SESSION PUBLIC COMMENTS

Speaker	Topic
Terri Zuniga	Response to concern
Kelly Davis	Tablet update

ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no items discussed that were not on the agenda.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Unless otherwise announced, the next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be held on November 8, 2016. Closed session begins at 5:30 p.m. Open session begins at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the District Support Services Center.

FUTURE REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS FOR 2016

December 13, 2016

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.