

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SANTA MARIA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District was held at the Student Services Center on May 10, 2016 with a closed session at 5:30 p.m. and open session at 6:30 p.m. Members present: Garvin, Karamitsos, Perez, Palera, Lopez

OPEN SESSION

Dr. Garvin called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. and immediately adjourned to closed session.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Dr. Garvin called the meeting to order at 6: 45 p.m. The Flag Salute was led by Kyler Corral.

ANNOUNCE CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

Dr. Richardson announced the closed session items. The Board was updated on personnel actions and labor negotiations with both units.

The Board approved the recommendation of student matters with a roll call vote. Dr. Karamitsos made a motion to approve the student matters and Mr. Palera seconded the motion. The motion carried with a roll call vote of 3-2.

Dr. Garvin	No
Dr. Karamitsos	Yes
Ms. Perez	Yes
Mr. Palera	Yes
Ms. Lopez	No

REPORTS

Superintendent's Report

1. Recognition of Retirees

The Board recognized the following retirees and thanked them for their many years of service to the students in our district.

RETIREE	POSITION	YEARS
Chavez, Rosa	Food Service Worker I	13
Hill, Karen	Administrative Asst II	12
Fraire, Patricia	Guidance Technician	37
McKinley, Richard	Grounds Maintenance II	34
Medina, Yolanda	Guidance Technician	41
Emery, John	Teacher	40
Maloney, Tom	Teacher	25

2. Recognition of Student Board Representatives-

The Board recognized the student board representatives: Sarah Galaciano/SMHS, Alex Vargas/Delta, Joseph Codamos/PVHS and Kyler Corral/ERHS. The Board thanked them for their service. They were also given their name plates to take with them.

Student Reports

Sarah Galaciano/SMHS: ASB will be hosting nominations/elections for ASB officers. They are having their end of the year banquet at the end of May. Saints Band had their annual Spring Concert and Silent Auction on April 27th. Choir and Guitar will have their concert on May 26 in the Ethel Pope Auditorium at 7:00 p.m. The FFA Banquet is May 18 and Senior Honors Night is May 25. Santa Maria and Pioneer Valley teachers will be playing their 3rd Annual Soccer against each other at SMHS.

Alex Vargas/Delta: Delta students made Spam Sushi on April 21 with Ms. Hanan from The Art Institute. Santa Maria Elks recognized Jose Hernandez Baeza as Student of the Year on May 4. This is the first time that a Delta student was recognized for a scholarship. Delta is hosting a Blood Drive on May 20. Senior Awards and Talent Competition will be held on May 25. Several presenters spoke to the Career Exploration students in April and May.

Joseph Codamos/PVHS: Cultural week was May 3 through May 5. Panther's Got Talent is this month. The Panther Pals Dance is May 18. Prom is May 14 at the Elks Lodge. Grad Night is at Magic Mountain on May 26. Senior Awards are May 16. Powderpuff Games are May 20. Girls' Softball Senior Night is May 10 and Boys' Baseball Senior Night is May 11.

Kyler Corral/ERHS: Senior Prom is May 21 at the Elks Lodge. The theme is Mardi Gras. Grad Night is on May 26 at Universal Studios. The Righetti Art Show is May 31 to June 1. Senior Awards Night is June 2 in the Gym. Boys' Tennis Team is heading to Valencia for CIF match. Girls' Softball is playing Paso and they are currently in first place in league.

Principal Reports

Mr. Domingues introduced Jeff Cooper, teacher and founder of the AP Promoters Program at SMHS. Mr. Cooper introduced a few of the students who shared what the program is about. The program is grounded in peer mentorship. It was founded in 2001.

Mr. Cooper was working in AVID and realized that a lot of students needed support transitioning from college prep to the AP program. He started training students on Saturday that would become peer mentors. At first, the peer mentors worked above and after the school day. At some point the student tutors got paid as well. Now, the students mentor during the school day. Students receive 60 units of community service.

Justin is a mentor. He was also a mentee. This program helps students achieve inside and outside the classroom.

Mary is a mentor and said she learns from the students as well. She has learned to be patient and learned that being a mentor is more than just teaching the students but helping them grow. She likes being a mentor.

Carla is also a mentor. She is also a Link Crew member and promotes messages through her membership. They want to expand the AP Promoters Program.

The students did a survey and shared the information with a PowerPoint presentation. It showed the need for outside support and they think it requires peer to peer mentorship programs after school. As it stands now the students have to fit it into their class schedule. They are asking for support from the Board.

They put the program in action and had the Intro to Education students try the program after school. They want to expand the program to all the schools.

Dr. Richardson suggested they meet with Mr. Molina to see what can be done to support the program. Mr. Cooper is in agreement with that.

Dr. Karamitsos asked how the students get involved as mentors and if there is a solid group of kids that can continue in the program. Mr. Cooper gave an overview of Intro to Education. As of now, they have 55 mentors (limited that could take it in their regular school day); during weekends and summer they have more. The purpose of serving something greater than themselves gives them buy-in. They stay because of the relationships they build with their students.

Ms. Perez said if they end up enrolling in Hancock to see her. She can hire you. She is glad to see that Mr. Cooper is still very dedicated to students and thanked him for all of his work.

Ms. Lopez commended the students for being such great leaders and putting the effort and time in the program. She asked if there is specific training and who determines if someone can be a mentor. Is there a model that different schools are using? Mr. Cooper has presented it to AP and it came from SMHS. They don't use a GPA limitation. It puts the students in a position to want to do better because they are role models. He has an entire curriculum/training manual. They do peer to peer evaluations. They evaluate each other and measure them on four criteria.

Dr. Karamitsos said she thinks it is fabulous and likes that it is peer to peer. She and Dr. Garvin said the Board supports the program and will support expansion if the district can do it.

Board Member Reports

Ms. Lopez: She has met or spoke with a lot of people that have reached out to her. Continue to reach out to her.

Mr. Palera: The year has gone by so quickly and it is an exciting time right now reading about all the students going away to college and the excitement of graduation. He was honored last week to attend the Student of the Year Dinner and it was great to see the schools being represented. It was exciting to hear that a scholarship from Delta High School will continue every year. Excited to be here tonight with the recognitions of Day of the Teacher and Classified Employee Week on the agenda.

Ms. Perez: Happy Mother's Day (today is Latino Mother's Day). She had an opportunity to visit all four school sites. Not the easiest time but thought it was important to listen to folks. She appreciates everyone that came and spoke to her. She went back to Pioneer Valley High School along with a parent, to see it during the lunch hour and it was amazing to see 2700 students getting lunch and hanging out. She walked the perimeter of the campus and randomly asked them, "Do you feel safe?" and they all said yes. She saw no issues. Diana was impressed with how smoothly everything went. Ms. Herrera and Mr. Dickinson provided a list of cameras, list of security (with their work times) and she was very impressed at how the students were managed. Students have enough time to eat. They cannot control everything but the campuses are running well. If anyone doubts it, go during lunch (and she will join you).

Dr. Karamitsos: I think in our board reports we take a lot of liberties and I want to say that it is fabulous to have all the young people here and how good you feel inside and this is what it is all about (the empowerment of young people). She read the lyrics to What a Wonderful World by Louis Armstrong.

Jack Garvin: Had an opportunity to visit Righetti (he visited with Diana Perez). Got to see a few programs and came away feeling that his home school is in good shape. It was fun to go back and check out Righetti High School.

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

GENERAL

Order of Election – Santa Barbara County – Resolutions #15-2015-2016 and #16-2015-2016

Pursuant to Section 10509 of the Elections Code, on the 125th day prior to the day fixed for the general district election, the secretary shall deliver a notice to the county elections office.

District incumbents coming up for election on November 8, 2016, are Jack Garvin and Amy Lopez. A motion was made by Mr. Palera and seconded by Ms. Perez. The Board approved Resolution Number 15-2015-2016 and Number 16-2015-2016 ordering the election and adopting policies on the candidates' statements by 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

**Order of Election – San Luis Obispo County –
Resolution #17-2015-2016 and #18-2015-2016**

The Santa Maria Joint Union High School District has students in both San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara Counties. Therefore, a Board member election must be held in both counties.

Pursuant to Section 10509 of the Elections Code, on the 125th day prior to the day fixed for the general district election, the secretary shall deliver a notice to the county elections office.

District incumbents coming up for election on November 8, 2016, are Jack Garvin and Amy Lopez.

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos and seconded by Dominick Palera. The Board approved Resolution Number 17-2015-2016 and Resolution Number 18-2015-2016 ordering the election and adopting policies on the candidates' statements by 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

Day of the Teacher – Resolution #19-2015-2016

Resolution Number 19-2015-2016 declaring May 11, 2016 to be “Day of the Teacher” in the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District. This May 11, 2016 educators around the state will mark the 34th Anniversary of California’s Day of the Teacher.

A motion was made by Ms. Lopez, seconded by Ms. Perez to approve Resolution Number 19-2015-2016 declaring May 11, 2016 to be “Day of the Teacher”. The motion 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

Classified School Employee Week – Resolution #20-2015-2016

Resolution Number 20-2015-2016 was presented declaring May 15 through May 21, 2016 to be Santa Maria Joint Union High School District’s Classified School Employees Week.

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos, seconded by Ms. Perez to approve Resolution Number 20-2015-2016 declaring May 15 through May 21, 2016 to be Classified School Employee Week. The motion 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

Reduction in Force for Classified Staff

The district must reduce certain classified positions due to lack of funds. Resolution No. 21-2015-2016 authorizes the administration to proceed with the recommended reduction in force.

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos, seconded by Mr. Palera to approve Resolution Number 21-2015-2016 which authorizes the administration to proceed with the recommended reduction in classified staff. The motion 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

Approval of Designated Representation to California Interscholastic Federation League (CIF)

Education Code 33353(a) gives the authority for high school athletics to high school governing boards. The code also requires that the boards, after joining CIF, designate their representatives to CIF leagues:

Athletic Directors

Joseph Graack, Righetti High School
Greg Lanthier, Pioneer Valley High School
Brian Wallace, Santa Maria High School

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos, seconded by Ms. Lopez to approve the designated representatives to the CIF league. The Board approved the motion with a 5-0 vote.

Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints

Pursuant to Education Code Section 35186, the governing board of a school district must conduct a public hearing to report the quarterly report that was submitted in January 2016 on the Williams Uniform Complaints for the months of October- December 2015. Each school site has reported that there have been no complaints in the general subject areas of Textbooks and Instructional Materials, Teacher Vacancy or Misassignments, Facilities Conditions or Valenzuela/CAHSEE Intensive Instruction and Services.

A Public Hearing was required. Dr. Garvin opened the public hearing and there were no public comments made. The public hearing was closed.

A motion was made by Mr. Palera, seconded by Dr. Karamitsos and carried with a vote of 5-0 to approve the Williams Quarterly Report as presented.

Educator Effectiveness Grant Proposal - *Appendix D*

The Educator Effectiveness Grant proposal was presented to the Board of Education for preview. Budget from a surplus from 2015. Have to be spent by 2018 in those 4 areas listed in Appendix D.

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos, seconded by Mr. Palera to preview the presented proposal (Appendix D) and approve it at the next board meeting. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

CONSENT ITEMS

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos, seconded by Mr. Palera and carried with a vote of 5-0 to approve the consent items as presented with the exception of Student Matters. The roll call vote for Student Matters carried with a roll call vote of 3-2. The vote results are listed under Closed Session Actions on page 1.

REPORTS FROM EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS

Karen Draper/Faculty Association: It was agreed by the Fact Finding Committee that no details will be shared until the Faculty Association shares with the members (protocol). Their meeting is Wednesday, May 11 from 3:40 to 4:40. Everyone will hear the same information at the same time. The decision is solely for the faculty association members.

Tami Contreras/CSEA: Thanked the Board for recognizing Classified School Employees Week. They have two more dates (May 12 and May 18) regarding negotiations. Looking forward to closing out the school year and coming back refreshed in August.

OPEN SESSION PUBLIC COMMENTS

SPEAKER	TOPIC
Francisco Lozano	Parent Concern

ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Dr. Garvin noticed there may be a need for a Special Board Meeting if there is a tentative agreement. The Business Office staff is working at getting the AB1200 report done. If there is a need the meeting will be on Wednesday, 5/18 at 7:30 a.m.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Unless otherwise announced, the next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be held on June 14, 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

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| June 21, 2016 | September 13, 2016 | November 8, 2016 |
| July 12, 2016 | October 11, 2016 | December 13, 2016 |
| August 2, 2016 | | |

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.