

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SANTA MARIA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
September 8, 2015**

OPEN SESSION

Mr. Tognazzini called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Dr. Richardson announced a few changes to the agenda. One of the items from Action Item #2 was pulled - Board Policy 4040 will be tabled until the October Board meeting. Another change is under Presentations - Mark Brogoitti will not be able to present tonight and his presentation will be moved to October.

No other business. The meeting was adjourned to closed session at 5:31 p.m.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Mr. Tognazzini called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. The Flag Salute was led by Connor Roberts, Delta Student Board Representative.

ANNOUNCE CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

Dr. Richardson announced the closed session items. Certificated and classified personnel actions were approved as submitted. The board was updated with labor negotiations and real property negotiations.

REPORTS

Student Reports

Mr. Tognazzini welcomed and introduced the new student board representatives.

Joseph Codamos, PVHS - He provided the Board with the highlights which included a Welcome Back Dance and Class Rally Week. He spoke about the great student turnout in the student section (called "The Jungle") at the first home football game. Eighty-five students from various clubs will be attending a CADA/CASL Leadership Conference in San Luis Obispo on September 21.

Kyler Corral, ERHS – College Boot Camp started this week (it lasts 6 weeks) for seniors to help them with the college application process. There is an assembly tomorrow about social media "#iCANHELP". Last week was spirit week and they had a tailgate party on the corner of Foster and Bradley and then they walked over to St. Joseph to attend the ballgame.

Connor Roberts, Delta - School started strong. Discussed Dragon Battle Competitions. Delta has begun its first outreach event this year. They are gathering useful items for elderly people and will also be visiting them. Their TOSA, Mr. Fraser, is helping everyone become familiar with tablet use. Guest speakers have included UTI, Art Institute, Ca Conservation Corps and National Guard.

Sarah Galicinao, SMHS - The 4th Annual March of the Saints happened the first week of school – this is where Alumni come back and speak about the colleges they attended. They

recently picked Homecoming Court and they had their first home football game. It is the first year for the Robotics Club. Students are continuing to show Saints Pride by keeping campus clean, getting involved, attending sporting events, club meetings, and involved in the community.

Mr. Tognazzini told the students to feel free to leave if they need to for study requirements and to let the board know if they have any questions.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Richardson said that attendance is right under 7900 students. That is 29 students over the projection numbers and the numbers continue to go up.

The Back to School Nights at all sites were well attended. District staff divvied up and went to all sites.

He said a thank you to all the classified and certificated staff for all they do. Classified staff did a great job during the summer to make sure everything was done. All the credit goes to the people that do the hard work day to day.

Board Member Reports

Mr. Palera: He officially welcomed the student board representatives, classified and certificated staff. Mother nature messes with everyone and it is hard to focus with the warm weather. He thanked Dr. Richardson for working with the Sheriff's office to have a Resource Officer at Righetti full-time. He attended the opening of the new building at SMHS – great turnout and tremendous building. Hats off to everyone for their efforts in getting it opened.

Ms. Perez: She echoed Mr. Palera's comments. She also attended the opening of the SMHS building. Loved seeing the new classroom style. New way to provide space for students. A couple of months ago Dr. Garvin recommended "McFarland" (the movie). She is organizing an event in October at Allan Hancock College and was able to get Carlos Pratt (one of the stars from the movie) to attend. All students are invited to attend.

Dr. Karamitsos: She wants to welcome the students and everyone else back. She told the student board representatives that their job here is very important. Sadly, last year a student felt he wasn't able to bring student issues here. If there is a concern or need (at the student level) – please bring it to the Board. The Board exists for students. The students are the objective. She told them to feel empowered and speak what they need to say. She attended the SMHS football game. They played a great game (the score did not reflect that). The dance team and cheerleaders and the marching band did a great job. Football is a co-ed sport (according to Title 9). Maybe we need to let football contain the band, the cheer and the dance teams. She would like to make that a proposal for the future.

Dr. Garvin: He agrees with the good comments to the students. Events happen, concerns come up and there may be agenda items that they want to comment on. He also commended Karen Rotondi for setting up the assembly at Righetti.

Mr. Tognazzini: It is tough speaking last - everything gets said that he wanted to say. The ribbon cutting ceremony at SMHS was great. The principal and assistant principals did a great job of touring and discussing how things were working. He appreciates Dr. Karamitsos' comments about the student board. They all feel that way. He told the students that anything they need to bring up – please do. He spoke about the passing of Raul Ceja, a community member that was involved and attended board meetings. He was the very quiet, calming effect during some times that were contentious. He was a person that was a quiet leader. He asked for a few moments of silence for Mr. Ceja.

PRESENTATIONS

Athletic Directors Update

Greg Lanthier/PVHS: This is a presentation about the impact on the increase in the athletic budget and what the impacts are that you won't see. Part of the deal is students do not have to pay to attend sporting events. More students that are involved the better morale and less discipline. He can already feel the changes with his coaches. They don't have the burden of fund-raising. When you let coaches know this – it is a lure. Booster Clubs can now concentrate on other things. ASB accounts can use their funds to enhance their programs.

Joe Graack/ERHS: He spoke about the regular purchases not previously funded by the District. Also discussed how this funding will cover the regular use of equipment, all tournament entry fees and all officials' costs.

Brian Wallace/SMHS: He discussed the one-time purchases. All three sites are buying storage containers (nice, safe places to keep equipment). Funds will also cover new competition mats, new scoreboards, gym chairs, pitching machines, golf bags and clubs, washer/dryers, speakers for the gym, new weight room equipment, filming equipment and track hurdles.

Mr. Graack shared the Student Participation Rates for each school. PV – 36.22%; ERHS – 43.37%; SMHS – 32.80%. Dr. Karamitsos asked if these were unduplicated numbers. They will check and get back to her. Mr. Wallace said that the SMHS numbers were unduplicated. Southern California participation rate is around 35% and our numbers are near or better.

Ms. Perez asked how they determine when things need replaced. How often do they replace things?

Mr. Wallace said that they decided to do 3 years for uniforms and approximately 10 years for large equipment. Some equipment does last longer.

Mr. Lanthier said that the track surfaces last 10-12 years and then they need to be replaced.

Dr. Garvin said that it does help the kids be connected and he commends them for putting the presentation together. Athletics are an important piece for boys and girls. He thinks what the district is doing is great – especially not charging for attendance.

Mr. Graack noticed at the volleyball game that there is already more student participation by there being no cost to the students.

Kyler Corral commented that it is great that everyone can go to the game whether they can afford it or not. Makes the kids feel more included.

The presentation also covered the Coaches Clearance Process and Coaches Training. Each site has 2 to 3 coaches meetings a year and athletic trainers go over the concussion and CPI training. Each of the coaches are trained over and over again to make sure they are updated with safety protocols.

Mr. Palera commented that football gets a lot of notoriety with concussions and asked if other sports have this problem as well. Mr. Graack said that impact testing is done with several sports and that proper testing and evaluation is done with the athletic trainers.

Dr. Richardson thanked them and recognized them for turning this resource into something that is tangible for kids on a daily basis. He appreciates it. Dr. Karamitsos appreciates the level of professionalism.

Energy Program Update – Marc Brogoitti

This agenda item was cancelled and will be moved to October.

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

General

Approve Increase in Substitute Teacher Pay Rates

Based on a comparison of neighboring districts, administration recommended an increase in the substitute teacher pay rate effective August 11, 2015. Substitute teacher pay rates will increase as follows:

1-10 Days from \$96 per day to \$110 per day
11+ Days from \$110 per day to \$120 per day

A motion was made by Dr. Garvin and seconded by Dr. Karamitsos. Mr. Tognazzini commented that his lowest pay is \$105/day (without education but hard work) to put things into perspective. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote to approve the increase in sub pay.

Approval of Revised Board Policies, Administrative Regulations and/or Exhibits – Appendix C

The administration has reviewed the following amended or new Board Policies/Administrative Regulations, aligned with California School Boards Association updates, which are provided as education code and laws change.

These policies and regulations were presented for the Board’s review and adoption and will be included in the existing sections upon approval.

A summary of revisions/changes made was presented in Appendix C. The complete revised policies and regulations are part of the agenda which is posted on the district’s website at www.smjuhsd.k12.ca.us.

Board Policy Number	Title
BP 4131	Staff Development
BP 4231	Staff Development
AR 4161.8/4261.8/4361.8	Family Care and Medical Leave

BP/AR 4040 was pulled from the agenda and will be brought back for approval in October.

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos, seconded by Dr. Garvin and carried with a vote of 5-0 to approve the revised policies and regulations.

Approval of The Teacher Assignment Options Resolution – Resolution Number 4-2015-2016

The District is required by state law to have all teachers properly assigned within their credentialed subject areas according to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing. However, there are several Education Code options to assign teachers in areas in which they have a requisite number of units and/or expertise. Resolution Number 4-2015-2016 outlines specific names, subject areas and Education Codes to meet this annual criteria.

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos and seconded by Diana Perez. Resolution Number 4-2015-2016 passed with a roll call vote of 5-0.

Roll Call Vote:

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

INSTRUCTION

Instructional Materials Certifications for 2015-2016

Pursuant to Education Code Section 60119, the governing board of a school district must conduct a public hearing to discuss “whether each pupil in each school in the district has, or will have prior to the end of the fiscal year, sufficient textbooks or instructional materials, or both, in each subject that are consistent with the content and cycles of curriculum framework adopted by the state board.” District Resolution Number 5-2015-2016 printed on the following pages indicates that the district has certified for 2015-2016 that Education Code Section 60119 has been followed.

A motion was made by Dr. Garvin and seconded by Ms. Perez and carried with a 5-0 roll call vote to approve Resolution Number 5-2015-2016 stating that the district has fulfilled Education Code Section 60119.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Regional Occupational Program

Education Code 52304.1 requires the Governing Board to annually review and assess participation in Regional Occupational Programs (ROP). The law further requires the Board to prepare an annual plan to increase the participation of these pupils. The plan was presented to address the Education Code requirements. It is recommended that the Board of Education approve the district’s agreement with the Country Regional Occupational Program (ROP).

A motion was made by Ms. Perez, seconded by Dr. Garvin and carried with a vote of 5-0 to approve the agreement and maintaining the relationship with ROP.

BUSINESS

2014-2015 Unaudited Actuals – Appendix D

Pursuant to Education Code Section 42100, the school district must file an annual statement with the County Superintendent of Schools regarding prior year actual income and expenditures no later than September 15. This District closed its books for 2014-2015, and these figures are shown on the appropriate state forms which are posted on the District website at www.smjuhsd.k12.ca.us under Parents/Community, Public Notices, Financial Reports, Financial Reports 2014-2015.

Brenda Hoff discussed the year-end actuals, including the change in the 2014-2015 Ending Balance and its corresponding effect on the 2014-2015 Beginning Balances. A brief summary of the changes is in Appendix D of the agenda.

Dr. Richardson thanked Ms. Hoff and commended her for a great job on the report.

A motion was made by Dr. Garvin, seconded by Dr. Karamitsos and carried with a vote of 5-0 to authorize the District to file the 2014-2015 Annual Statement with the County Superintendent of Schools.

Approval of 2015-2016 Gann Limit – Resolution Number 6-2015-2016

Education Code Section 42132 requires that by September 30th of each year school district governing boards adopt a resolution identifying their estimated appropriations limit for the current year and their actual appropriations limit for the preceding year. Resolution Number 6-2015-2016 reflects the calculation of the estimated appropriation limit for the 2015-2016 school year.

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos, seconded by Dr. Garvin and carried with a roll call vote of 5-0 to approve Resolution Number 6-2015-2016 adopting the 2015-2016 Gann Limit.

Roll Call Vote:

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

CONSENT ITEMS

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos and seconded by Dr. Garvin to approve the consent items as presented. Dr. Karamitsos would like a follow up on the EAOP Program at a future meeting. Dr. Richardson said it will be included in the LCAP Update in October. The motion passed with a vote of 5-0 to approve the consent items as presented.

REPORTS FROM EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS

Karen Draper/Faculty Association: She was asked to report that they had their first negotiations and there were a few bumps but teachers hope that negotiations don't go as long as last time.

OPEN SESSION PUBLIC COMMENTS

Arnulfo Romero/PCIC: He stated that the parents would like to be a part of the negotiations committee because they have seen that students are the most affected in the negotiations of the contract. He also commented on the amount of D's and F's in the math department at SMHS. He said no one is doing anything about it. He said that they would like the negotiations to be public.

Jose Castellanos/PCIC: He had the opportunity to attend the grand opening of the SMHS classroom building and heard the band at SMHS. Parents are concerned about student success. They would like the Board to address the teachers that are giving D's and F's. The D's and F's are skyrocketing. They hope the Board is taking this into consideration when negotiating with the teachers.

Juan Fonseca/PCIC: He wants to increase parent participation at PVHS. They would like to extend Cafecito to PVHS. They have parents eager to participate. Parent involvement is very important. Bringing Cafecito to PVHS will let parents know how the students are doing.

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 Tuesday, October 13, 2015. 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 2015

Tuesday, November 10, 2015

Tuesday, December 8, 2015

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.