

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

A regular meeting of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District Board of Education was held at the Support Services Center on January 21, 2025 with a closed session scheduled at 5:15 p.m. and an open session immediately following.

Members present: Aguilar, Hernandez, Baskett, Serrano, Castillo-Shiffer

OPEN SESSION

Call to Order

Mr. Aguilar called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were submitted. The meeting was adjourned to a closed session.

RECONVENED IN OPEN SESSION/ANNOUNCED CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

Mr. Aguilar called the meeting to order at 6:43 p.m. Mr. Baskett led the Flag Salute.

Mr. Garcia announced the Closed Session actions. The Board unanimously approved Personnel Actions for Certificated and Classified staff as presented.

REPORTS

Student Reports

Manuel Zamudio Calderon/SMHS: Seniors are receiving graduation information. The Wellness Center is holding a self-care action plan workshop. FFA is getting ready to compete in Spring competitions and sports teams are busy with games.

Brooke Kelman/ERHS: Senior Financial Aid nights and registration efforts are underway. Winter sports are moving into the regular season. The Wellness Center has many activities planned for students in the coming weeks, while ASB students are increasing their involvement with their grade levels.

Abbygail Velazquez/PVHS: FFA hosted their annual joint Christmas meeting. The Winter Fair was a success with a great turnout. Sport teams are gearing up for the new semester and students are excited for the next rally and winter formal dance.

Superintendent's Report

It was great to see BSU students at the MLK, Jr. celebration. Winter Intercession took place during the third week of the break. Last week, the second semester started with district wide

and site based professional development for certificated staff. To enhance safety protocols, staff ID badges have started to roll out. The Faculty Association and Administrators are interested in assessing the current bell schedule. Preliminary discussions will take place soon.

Board Member Reports

Mr. Aguilar: It is a time for reflection, renewal, and a chance to build on achievements we have heard of, along with challenges we hope to address.

Ms. Hernandez: She attended the Women’s March and was inspired by speakers at the event. She looks forward to working together with the district to address student and family concerns.

Mr. Baskett: He acknowledged the positive financial audits and recognized maintenance staff that help keep the campuses upgraded.

Ms. Serrano: She uplifted the recommitment that schools will remain safe places for learning and teaching for all students. She will be present at the upcoming LCAP meeting and thanked the community for their ongoing engagement with the feedback received.

Dr. Castillo-Shiffer: She also attended the MLK, Jr. event. She looks forward to visiting the school sites and seeing the great work of students and staff.

REPORTS FROM EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS

Faculty Association: Mr. Greeley shared results from recent surveys of educators across the state and our own community. Staff are optimistic and looking forward to collaborating with District Administration in the coming year in various areas such as school safety and overcrowding.

CSEA: The District and CSEA will be having negotiations soon. Concerns were raised about alternative education programs, the employee exit process, and staff absences.

PRESENTATIONS

Student Showcase – Righetti High School ASTRA Club

Resource Person: Dr. Krista Herrera, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction; Ted Lyon, Principal; Dayna DeBernardi-Watson, Club Advisor

Student members of Righetti’s ASTRA Club presented on the many activities and community service events members participate in.

OPEN SESSION PUBLIC COMMENTS

The District received two written public comments regarding Personnel.

Name	Topic
Maria Quen	Personnel
Kathy Grimes	Morale
Dr. Jaqueline Loew	Personnel
Michael Loew	Personnel
Peter Berrera	Personnel
Alann Pak	Personnel
Miriana Del Toro	Personnel
Marina Rodriguez-Vargas	Personnel
Lisa Walters	Transparency
Jesse Zambrano	Accountability
Heather Hunter	Personnel

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

GENERAL

Approval of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5145.13 – Appendix D

Resource Person: Feliciano Aguilar, Board President; Antonio Garcia, Superintendent; Chelsea Olson-Murphy, Legal Counsel

In accordance with AB 699, local educational agencies are required to adopt policies regarding immigration enforcement consistent with the model policy adopted by the California Attorney General. This policy includes the District's response to requests by law enforcement for access to information, students, or school grounds for immigration enforcement purposes. While the Attorney General's office has indicated that it may update its guidance and model policies in the coming months, the legal requirement to adopt this policy remains in effect now.

For additional background, the Board adopted Resolution No. 9-2016-2017 on January 10, 2017 which provided that schools within the District will remain safe places for learning and teaching for all students, regardless of immigration status. This resolution remains in effect. Board Bylaw 9310 provides for a first and second reading of a proposed or revised policy. The Board was asked to waive the second reading and immediately adopt the proposed policy related to immigration enforcement in order to comply with the law requiring such a policy be in effect.

The Board reaffirmed their dedication to all students and families, ensuring their support to not have students education disrupted.

A motion was made by Ms. Hernandez and seconded by Dr. Castillo-Shiffer to waive the second reading and adopt BP/AR 5145.13: Response to Immigration Enforcement. The motion passed with a roll call vote of 5-0.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Aguilar	Yes
Ms. Hernandez	Yes
Mr. Baskett	Yes
Ms. Serrano	Yes
Dr. Castillo-Shiffer	Yes

INSTRUCTION

Proclamation Declaring February 3-7, 2025 as National School Counseling and Guidance Week - Resolution Number 13-2024-2025

Resource Person: Dr. Krista Herrera, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction; Jose Pereyra, Director of Wellness Services

National School Counseling and Guidance Week will be celebrated February 3- 7, 2025, to focus public attention on the unique contributions of professional school counseling and guidance staff members in our schools across the country. The National School Counseling and Guidance Week, sponsored by the American School Counseling Association (ASCA), highlights the tremendous impact school counselors and guidance staff can have in helping students achieve school success and plan for a career.

The proclamation was read by the Board members:

WHEREAS, counseling and guidance staff members are employed in our schools to help students reach their full potential; and

WHEREAS, counseling and guidance staff members are actively committed to helping students explore their abilities, strengths, interests, and talents as these traits relate to career awareness and development; and

WHEREAS, counseling and guidance staff members help parents focus on ways to further the educational, personal, and social growth of their children; and

WHEREAS, counseling and guidance staff members work with teachers and other educators to help students explore their potential and set realistic goals for themselves; and

WHEREAS, counseling and guidance staff members seek to identify and utilize community resources that can enhance and complement comprehensive school counseling programs and help students become productive members of society; and

WHEREAS, comprehensive developmental school counseling and guidance programs are considered an integral part of the educational process that enables all students to achieve success in school;

THEREFORE, the Board of Education of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District do hereby proclaim February 3-7, 2025, as National School Counseling and Guidance Week.

A motion was made by Ms. Hernandez and seconded by Ms. Serrano to adopt Resolution 13-2024-2025 to declare February 3-7, 2025, as National School Counseling and Guidance Week. The motion passed with a roll call vote of 5-0.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Aguilar	Yes
Ms. Hernandez	Yes
Mr. Baskett	Yes
Ms. Serrano	Yes
Dr. Castillo-Shiffer	Yes

Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints

Resource Person: Dr. Krista Herrera, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction

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 2025 on the Williams Uniform Complaints for the months of October-December 2024. Each school site has reported that there have been no complaints in the general subject areas of Text-books and Instructional Materials, Teacher Vacancy or Misassignments or Facilities Conditions.

A public hearing was required. The public hearing was opened. No public comments were submitted. The public hearing was closed.

A motion was made by Mr. Baskett and seconded by Ms. Hernandez to approve the Quarterly Report as submitted. The motion passed with a roll call vote of 5-0.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Aguilar	Yes
Ms. Hernandez	Yes
Mr. Baskett	Yes
Ms. Serrano	Yes
Dr. Castillo-Shiffer	Yes

BUSINESS

Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Audit Report and Plan of Corrective Action – Appendix E

Resource Person: Yolanda Ortiz, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services; Michelle Coffin, Director of Fiscal Services

As required by Education Code §41010, the District retained the services of the auditing firm, Christy White Accountancy Corporation, to audit the books and accounts of the District. In accordance with Education Code §41020, the audit report for the year ended June 30, 2024 is hereby submitted to the Board of Education for review at this public meeting. The full audit report can be found on the District's website under Business Services - <http://www.smjuhsd.org/businessservices>.

A motion was made by Mr. Baskett and seconded by Ms. Hernandez to accept the submission of the audit report for the year ended June 30, 2024 and approve filing it with the County Superintendent of Schools as required by Education Code §41020. The motion passed with a roll call vote of 5-0.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Aguilar	Yes
Ms. Hernandez	Yes
Mr. Baskett	Yes
Ms. Serrano	Yes
Dr. Castillo-Shiffer	Yes

Zero Emission School Bus and Infrastructure Incentive Project - Resolution 14-2024-2025

Resource Person: Yolanda Ortiz, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services

The Zero-Emission School Bus and Infrastructure (ZESBI) incentive project pairs zero-emission (ZE) school bus vehicle incentives through the California Air Resources Board (CARB), with charging infrastructure incentives through the California Energy Commission (CEC). A total of \$500 million is appropriated from Senate Bill (SB) 114 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review, Chapter 48, Statutes of 2023) for ZESBI.

The funding is allocated to support purchases of qualifying ZE school buses to Local Educational Agencies (LEA), and to support LEAs for charging or fueling infrastructure and associated cost incentives. School buses to be replaced must be model year 2010 or older and Gross Vehicle Weight Rating of 10,001 lbs. or greater. Funding is available to LEA's serving students within the K-12 grade levels. Priority consideration will be given to applicants serving a high percentage of unduplicated pupils. The anticipated award for each ZE School Bus is \$360,000 and Infrastructure is \$75,000 for a combined maximum award of \$435,000 per bus.

The District intends to submit applications to replace up to 12 buses. The District requests authorization to submit these applications for ZESBI and, if selected for funding, enter into and fulfill terms of grant agreement. As part of the application process, Resolution #14-2024-2025 is required to be submitted with the application.

A motion was made by Mr. Baskett and seconded by Ms. Hernandez to approve Resolution #14-2024-2025 authorizing district administration to submit Zero-Emission School Bus and

Infrastructure grant applications to the California Air Resources Board for replacement of up to twelve school buses and accept grants received for the replacements and vehicle infrastructure. The motion passed with a roll call vote of 5-0.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Aguilar	Yes
Ms. Hernandez	Yes
Mr. Baskett	Yes
Ms. Serrano	Yes
Dr. Castillo-Shiffer	Yes

CONSENT ITEMS

A motion was made by Mr. Baskett and seconded by Ms. Hernandez to approve the consent items as presented. The motion passed with a roll call vote of 5-0.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Aguilar	Yes
Ms. Hernandez	Yes
Mr. Baskett	Yes
Ms. Serrano	Yes
Dr. Castillo-Shiffer	Yes

A. Approval of Minutes – **Appendix F**

Regular Board Meeting – December 10, 2024
 Regular Board Meeting (Organizational Meeting) - December 17, 2024

B. Approval of Warrants for the Month of December 2024

Payroll	\$ 12,306,549.52
Warrants	\$ 5,985,410.26
Total	\$ 18,291,959.78

C. Attendance Report

Ms. Yolanda Ortiz, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, was available to answer questions regarding the fourth and fifth month of the 2024-25 monthly attendance report.

D. Approval of Contracts

Company/Vendor	Description of Services	Amount/ Funding	Resource Person

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Francisco R. Meza	Provide administrative support as needed through June 30, 2025.	Not to exceed (NTE) \$74,733/ General Fund	Kevin Platt
Johnson Controls	One (1) year preventative maintenance service agreement for HVAC systems and related services from October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025.	\$59,100/ General Fund	Yolanda Ortiz

E. Facility Report – **Appendix B**

F. Obsolete Equipment – **Appendix C**

Education Code §17545 and 17546 allows the district to dispose of personal property belonging to the district that is unsatisfactory, no longer necessary (obsolete), or unsuitable for school use. The district administration requested authorization to dispose of obsolete items in the list below in compliance with government regulations. If an auction is warranted, the district will conduct an auction via the internet by and through the website <https://www.publicsurplus.com/sms/browse/home>. Auction notice will be posted in no less than three public places within the District, including the District’s website at <http://www.smjuhsd.org>

G. Authorization to Utilize California Multiple Award Schedule (CMAS) - Verkada through ConvergeOne, Inc. for the Length of the Contract through December 31, 2025

Section 10299 of the Public Contract Code (PCC) provides an alternative for obtaining supplies, furniture, and equipment whereby notwithstanding Section 20111 and 20112 of the PCC Code, “school districts may, without competitive bidding, utilize contracts, master agreements, and multiple award schedules established by the department [DGS] for the acquisition of information technology, goods, and services.” Section 10299 further authorizes state and local agencies to “contract with suppliers awarded the contracts without further competitive bidding.” The district administration recommended that district-wide purchases of video equipment be made utilizing the provisions of the PCC that allows purchasing from CMAS – ConvergeOne, Inc., CMAS #3-23-01-1032 through December 31, 2025.

H. Authorization to Utilize Region 4 ESC/OMNIA Partners - Synnex Corporation Contract #R200803 for the Length of the Contract through September 30, 2025

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by the department [DGS] for the acquisition of information technology, goods, and services.” Section 10299 further authorizes state and local agencies to “contract with suppliers awarded the contracts without further competitive bidding.” The district administration recommended that the purchase of Cyber Security Solutions and Associated Products and Services be made utilizing the provisions of the PCC that allows purchasing from Region 4 ESC/OMNIA Partners - Synnex Corporation Contract #R200803 for the Length of the Contract through September 30, 2025.

I. Purchase Orders

PO #	Vendor	Amount	Description/Funding
PO25-00987	RTS Solutionz, Inc	\$16,687.83	Audio/visual upgrades to the PDC / General Fund
PO25-00988		\$47,061.17	
PO25-00989		\$91,353.88	
PO25-00990		<u>\$25,784.03</u>	
		\$180,886.91	

J. Student Accountability Report Card (SARC)

The following school sites have submitted their Student Accountability Report Card for Board approval:

- Righetti High School
- Delta High School
- Pioneer Valley High School
- Santa Maria High School

Since November 1988, state law has required all public schools receiving state funding to prepare and distribute a School Accountability Report Card (SARC) by February 1st. The purpose of the report card is to provide parents and the community with important information about each public school. A SARC can be an effective way for a school to report on its progress in achieving goals. The public may also use a SARC to evaluate and compare schools on a variety of indicators. SARC reports are available to view in each school’s individual websites, district website, or a hard copy is available upon request.

After a SARC has been finalized and made public, an LEA may revise and republish it. The draft versions may be accessed at: www.smjuhsd.org/publicnotices

K. Approval of the Secondary District Plan and Application for a Work Experience Education (WEE) Program

The Secondary District Plan and application for a Work Experience Education (WEE) Program allows SMJUHS D to offer CTE work based learning and internship courses as part of our CTE program. The Secondary District Plan and

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Application for a Work Experience Education (WEE) program will be submitted to CDE after Board approval. Once Board and CDE approved, this plan allows the district to offer work experience courses that are reported to the CDE as CTE courses offered outside of any CTE pathway. Advanced students who choose to continue their education in a particular pathway can be enrolled in these courses for Work Based Learning and Internships. The WEE program connects inputs from teachers, counselors, students, parents, and employers to achieve the following purposes:

- Link the academic core curriculum with the world of work and promote students' school-to-career transitions.
- Help students develop skills, habits, and attitudes conducive to job success and personal growth.
- Assist students in career exploration and forging rewarding relationships with employers.
- Develop a positive work ethic and acquire or refine work related skills and job performance in actual work settings.

Program Types: The WEE includes both paid and non-paid experiences. The LEA may offer one or more of the following types of WEE programs authorized by the CCR, Title 5, Section 10071:

- Exploratory Work Experience Education (EWEE)
- General Work Experience Education (GWEE)
- Career Technical Work Experience Education (CTWEE)

L. Discard or Sell of Obsolete Textbooks

The following textbooks were submitted for discard by PVHS.

Textbook Title	ISBN #	# of Copies
Earth Science	0-03-092207-0	781
Chemistry, Matter and Change	0-07-866418-7	458
Biology- The Dynamics of Life	0-07-866580-9	861
Chemistry Matter and Change	0-02-828378-3	354
Biology The Dynamics of Life	0-07-829900-4	600
Holt Earth Science	0-03-092207-0	600

M. Out of State Travel

Person/Reason	Location/Date	Description	Funding Source
Hennings, Amy (SMHS) + 8 students Attend Close Up	Washington DC March 2-7, 2025	Students will participate in Close Up Washington D.C, a civics education program. They will experience our government and the po-	LCAP 1.9

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Washington DC Educational Program		litical process firsthand by interacting with congressional members and engaging in daily workshops.	
Miguel Guerra (ERHS) + 1 student International Production and Processing Expo	Atlanta, GA January 28-30, 2025	The Righetti FFA State Winning Poultry team won an all-expense paid trip to the International Production and Processing Expo.	ACTEIG

N. Acceptance of Gifts

Pioneer Valley High School		
<u>Donor</u>	<u>Recipient</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Santa Barbara County Food Action Network	Service Learning Club	\$5,000.00
California Future Business Leaders of Santa Ana, CA	FBLA	\$130.14
CAUSE Central Coast Alliance	Ballet Folklorico	\$150.00
The Souza Family	Center Stage	\$100.00
Snap Mobile, Inc.	Girl's Waterpolo	\$966.40
BundtBluff Enterprises, Inc.	AVID 2027	\$2,440.00
G Starowicz Revocable Trust	Jazz Choir	\$100.00
Total Pioneer Valley High School		<u>\$8,886.54</u>
Righetti High School		
<u>Donor</u>	<u>Recipient</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Lorna Macias	Warrior Band	\$100.00
Cane's Chicken Fingers	Soccer, Boys'	\$1,000.00
Snap! Mobile, Inc.	Waterpolo, Girls'	\$5,021.50
Power & Lighting Service, Inc	Soccer, Boys'	\$500.00
Santa Barbara Bowl Found.	Marimba/Ballet Folklorico	\$4,000.00
Zierman Plumbing & Heating, Inc	Soccer, Boys'	\$500.00
Snap! Mobile, Inc.	FFA	\$14,936.28
Rollin' Dough Nutz LLC	Football	\$1,725.00
The Kawanis Club of Guadalupe	Marimba/Ballet Folklorico	\$1,000.00
Charles & Shirley Rorabaugh	Softball	\$100.00
County of Santa Barbara	ERHS Library "Poetry Out Loud"	\$200.00
Total Righetti High School		<u>\$29,082.78</u>
Santa Maria High School		
<u>Donor</u>	<u>Recipient</u>	<u>Amount</u>
GroupRaise.com	Boys/Girls Cross Country	\$343.50
Roger Young Construction	Girls Basketball	\$150.00
Alejandro Zamora/ Maria Meza	Girls Basketball	\$300.00
MJ Communications, Inc	Close Up Club	\$1,200.00

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Juan C Lupercio	Boys Basketball	\$150.00
Henry Mayo Newhall Foundation	FFA	\$15,000.00
Saints Football Boosters	Girls Basketball	\$250.00
Twitchell & Rice LLP Attorneys at Law	Girls Basketball	\$100.00
Tri Counties Wrestling Assoc.	Boys Wrestling	\$604.07
Santa Maria High School Booster	Boys Wrestling	\$903.00
John E Bruce, Trustee, Chiado Trust	Chiado-Spargo Scholarship	\$23,392.00
Total Santa Maria High School		<u>\$42,392.57</u>
Mark Richardson CTECAF		
<u>Donor</u>	<u>Recipient</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Richard Curry	CTE Construction Classes	\$100.00 (Lumber)
Total MRCTECAF		<u>\$100.00</u>

Clarification was given regarding pending personnel matters and employee organization concerns.

FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS FOR 2025

Unless otherwise announced, the next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be held on February 11, 2025. Closed session is scheduled to begin at 5:15 p.m. Open session begins at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the District Support Services Center. For view only live-stream links, refer to page 1 of the agenda.

Regular Board Meetings for 2025:

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| March 11, 2025 | June 13, 2025* | October 14, 2025 |
| April 8, 2025 | July 15, 2025* | November 4, 2025* |
| May 13, 2025 | August 5, 2025* | December 9, 2025 |
| June 10, 2025 | September 9, 2025 | |

**Not on the second Tuesday of the month*

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.