

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

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District was held in the Support Services Center on May 18, 2011, with a closed session at 5:30 p.m. and open session at 6:30 p.m. Members present: Tognazzini, Walsh, Garvin and Karamitsos. Absent: Reece

Open Session

Mr. Tognazzini called the meeting to order and Dr. Walsh led the flag salute.

Presentations

Righetti High School MANdrigals

Denise Paulus, RHS teacher, has been teaching choral music fulltime since 1991. Her program began with two small choirs and has grown to four choir groups. Ms. Paulus introduced the MANdrigals (boys in the Madrigal choir) and they performed two songs for the audience. Ms. Paulus said that this year the boys in the choir wanted to branch out and try some barbershop. She is working with the Central City Chordsmen to see about this group participating in barbershop quartet competitions next year.

Masonic Foundation Award Presentation to Righetti High School Student (Kimberly Kallies)

Dick Dyson, representative of the California Masonic Foundation, reported that this year more than 3,500 students submitted applications for a Masonic scholarship. Kim Kallies is one of just forty-one students selected to receive a scholarship. Mr. Dyson said the foundation has awarded a total of \$549,000 this year. He noted that this award is not only a significant accomplishment for Ms. Kallies, but for Righetti and the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District as she is the first Santa Maria Valley student to receive a Masonic scholarship. Ms. Kallies received a four-year scholarship valued at \$10,000.

Presentation by Pioneer Valley High School Link Crew

Dee Ringstead introduced Link Crew teachers: Marcie Guerra, John Marino, and Brooke Baarstad. Link Crew is comprised of trained junior and senior Link Leaders who welcome freshmen in a way that provides them with a solid transition into high school. Link Crew begins with a Freshman Orientation Day before school begins and is involved throughout the year with follow-ups to touch base with the freshman. Through whole groups and partner activities, Link Crew facilitates the creation of relationships among the leaders and freshman. Link Leaders have praised Link Crew for providing them with an opportunity to become a mentor to the freshmen at their school and to learn leadership skills that they will utilize throughout life as well. Link Crew's success is proven by the increase in student retention as well as a significant increase in freshmen grades and a decrease in behavior problems. Ms. Ringstead said Freshmen Orientation Day will be August 12, 2011 from 8 to 12 pm.

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Board Recognition of Tenth through Twelfth Grade Students Who Received Perfect Scores on the California High School Exit Examination (CAHSEE) and/or California Standards Tests (CSTs), and/or the California Alternate Assessment (CAPA).

Dr. Kimberly welcomed students and parents to this year's final group of students being honored for perfect scores on the CAHSEE and/or CSTs, and/or the CAPA. He reported that over 300 students have been recognized this year. Dr. Kimberly said he is proud of these students who have set the example for other students. The skills these students have achieved will stay with them throughout their adult life. Principals read names while Board members and student board representatives presented certificates of achievement to students being recognized.

Announce Closed Session Actions

Closed Session Actions - Dr. Kimberly, Superintendent, reported the following closed session actions: (1) Student Matters - The Board approved two proposed expulsions/suspended expulsions as presented; (2) Certificated and Classified Personnel Actions - The Board approved hiring, transfers, promotions, evaluations, terminations, and resignations as presented; and 3) Conference with labor negotiators. Dr. Kimberly reported that the board was provided an overview of the May Revise which was released on May 16th as it relates to negotiations. More information will be provided at the June 15th board meeting.

Dr. Sergio Flores, Human Resources, reported that after a very extensive search and paper screening of a large pool of qualified applicants, a principal and two assistant principal positions have been filled. Dr. Flores announced the following: 1) Shanda Herrera with the district for 15 years will replace Dee Ringstead, Principal at PVHS; 2) Rhett Carter, currently Athletic Director at PVHS was selected for the assistant principal position at SMHS; and 3) Marvin Atkins, an assistant principal for four years and experience working with student activities, was selected for the assistant principal position at PVHS.

Items Scheduled for Information

Superintendent's Report

Educational use of IPAD Technology

Dee Ringstead, Pioneer Valley Principal, introduced Jody Dowell, special education teacher. Mr. Dowell provided an overview of a piloted program which uses IPADS for classroom instruction for severely handicapped students. This program allows students to build social, life, and communication skills. There are also other uses such as painting and playing the piano. Mr. Dowell explained there is a significant savings using this newer technology. The cost of an IPAD is approximately \$500 (funded by special education). Mr. Dowell said the applications are reasonably priced and some of them are free. To demonstrate how the IPADS are used he provided a video showing SH students using the IPADS during class instruction. Mr. Dowell invited all to the Special Olympics event at PVHS on Friday, May 20th.

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May Revise Update

Diane Bennett, Assistant Superintendent of Business, reported positive news from the May Revise. Because the State received more income during the last four months, the district's funding could remain "flat." This could result in the district remaining at the current ADA funding instead of the anticipated \$370 per ADA reduction for next year. Ms. Bennett stated that the district will have a positive budget because of the district reserves, however, she cautioned that the district is still deficit spending approximately \$2.25 million per year. Ms. Bennett is scheduled to attend a School Services workshop and will provide the board an update after the workshop.

Student Reports:

Eric Salazar – Delta

Melissa Tinoco - Pioneer Valley

Lauren Gomes - Santa Maria

Sensika Niyathapala - Righetti

Daniel Torralba for Eric Salazar/Delta: Representatives from the following organizations spoke with Career Exploration students: Santa Barbara Business College, Wyotech, ITT Tech, UTI, and Chapman University. Activities for the month of May include: Celebration for 128 students with perfect attendance during all days of CST testing; attendance and academic award assembly; senior, Emily Adams, received a scholarship from Minerva; Delta's leadership class has been hosting Dragon Battles every Friday with students, teachers, staff and the principal participating in the event; Juan Sanchez collected \$350 for student scholarships from recycling cans and bottles from the campus; and; Delta's first graduation on the new campus takes place on June 8 at 2 pm.

Melissa Tinoco/PVHS: Pioneer activities for May include: Panther Idol; Asian Pacific Day; Prom Rally, Special Olympics, SMHS vs PVHS senior boys, staff versus students; Prom, Senior Awards Night, Battle of the Bands; and FFA banquet. June activities: Year book distribution, gradnight, senior bbq and pool party; and graduation on June 9th. Pioneer FFA had it first 2nd State Championship judging and won by over 120 points; National FFA conventions in Indianapolis; and Andrew King and Tyler Dickinson were elected to the Santa Barbara Sectional Officer Team.

Anahi Mendoza for Lauren Gomes/SMHS: Activities for May: STAR testing; Ballet Folklorico earned two more first place awards and "Best of the Year" award at the Sabor Latino Folklorico Competition in Redondo Beach; Spanish Honor Society had a formal ceremony where 10 students were officially initiated into the club and their community service at Sanchez Elementary School was completed; FFA banquet recognition of student achievement; announcement of the 2011-2012 FFA officers and senior program completers; Saints Choir Spring Sing Concert; Saints Jazz Choir; election of new ASB officers; Annual Senior Medal's Luncheon; and Prom. June activities: Gradnite at Disneyland; graduation rehearsal; and the 20th Anniversary and Farewell show to Mr. Amezcua on June 4.

Sensika Niyathapala/RHS: May activities: Selection of speakers and singers for graduation; Special Olympics Volunteer Youth Club will host a rally for the Special Warriors; Gradnight, CAHSEE celebration for the sophomore class, annual art show chalk festival, and Choir Concert at Pacific Christian. June activities: Seniors award night and graduation is on June 9 at 11:30 am.

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Reports from Employee Organizations

Lisa Walters, Faculty Association representative, thanked the district for moving temporary teachers to probationary status. She also provided an update on the CTA state of emergency. Certificated staff was asked to sign post cards to be mailed to Assemblyman Katcho Achadjian and Senator Sam Blakeslee. Ms. Walters reported that Assemblyman Katcho responded to the CTA president and sounded positive about hearing from constituents.

There was no classified report.

Board Member Reports

Dr. Walsh, currently on four scholarship committees, thanked classified and certificated staff for the recommendation letters they've written for their students. Dr. Karamitsos thanked the student board representatives for their participation and wished them well in their upcoming activities. Dr. Garvin reported he recently attended a meeting in Sacramento about the time of the May Revise release. He reported hearing positive talk about no more cuts to education and is hopeful that a budget will be adopted in a timely manner.

Items Scheduled for Action

General

Reclassification of Classified Employees

The Reclassification Committee met to consider and evaluate the reclassification requests per the CSEA contract Article XVIII. The committee recommended the reclassification of the classified positions listed below effective July 1, 2011. Dr. Kimberly asked that the board approve the following reclassifications as presented:

<u>Current Classification</u>	<u>Current Range</u>	<u>Recommended Classification</u>	<u>Recommended Range</u>
Data Specialist I	18	Data Specialist	20
Accounting Asst III	18	Fiscal Technician	24
Admin Asst-Technology	24	Admin Asst III	26
Administrative Asst I (2 employees)	22	Admin Asst II	24
Computer Network Tech II (1 employee)	30	Network Systems Specialist	32
Computer Tech	20	Computer Tech	22

A motion was made by Dr. Walsh, seconded by Dr. Garvin and carried with a 4-0 vote to approve the recommendations of the Reclassification Committee as presented.

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Classified School Employee Week

Resolution 14-2010-2011 declaring May 16 through May 20, 2011 to be Santa Maria Joint Union High School District's Classified School Employee Week was presented to the board for approval. Dr. Garvin noted the importance of this resolution which recognizes and honors the contributions of classified school employees.

A motion was made by Dr. Garvin, seconded by Dr. Karamitsos and carried with a 4-0 Roll Call vote to approve Resolution 14-2010-2011.

Day of the Teacher

Dr. Kimberly asked that the board approve Resolution 15-2010-2011 declaring May 11, 2011 to be "Day of the Teacher" in the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District. Mr. Tognazzini said the approval of this resolution confirms teachers are respected and appreciated by the board, students, and all district staff.

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos, seconded by Dr. Walsh and carried with a 4-0 Roll Call vote to approve Resolution 15-2010-2011.

Board Policies

Dr. Kimberly requested the board approve the Board Policies/Administrative Regulations listed below. He explained that the revisions are aligned with California School Boards Association updates, which are provided as education code and laws change. These policies/regulations will be included in the existing sections upon adoption.

Business – Series 3000

Budget BP 3100

Personnel – Series 4000

Drug and Alcohol-Free Workplace BP 4020

Reasonable Accommodation AR 4032

Maintenance of Criminal Offender Records AR 4112.62

A motion was made by Dr. Walsh, seconded by Dr. Karamitsos and carried with a 4-0 vote to approve the Board Policies/Administrative Regulations as presented.

Reduction in Force for Classified Staff

Per the CSEA labor agreement, bus routes are selected at the end of 20 school days. As a result of the routes established this school year, the district must reduce certain classified positions for the beginning of next school year due to lack of work and/or lack of funds. Resolution No. 16 -2010-2011 which authorizes the administration to proceed with the recommended reduction in force was presented for approval.

A motion was made by Dr. Walsh, seconded by Dr. Karamitsos and carried with a 4-0 Roll Call vote to approve Resolution No. 16-2010-2011 which authorizes the administration to proceed with the recommended reduction in classified staff.

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Business

Adoption of School Facilities Needs Analysis – Level II Fees

Pursuant to Government Code Sections 66995.5 et. seq., the District is required to adopt a School Facilities Needs Analysis in order to levy the alternative school facility fees provided under Senate Bill 50. The School Facilities Needs Analysis, prepared by School Works, Inc., demonstrates that the district may impose a maximum of \$2.01 per square foot in Level II Fees on new residential construction; an increase of \$0.28 square foot. Ms. Bennett explained that prior to adopting the School Facilities Needs Analysis, the Board must conduct a public hearing and respond to any comments it receives. Level I fees require a public hearing and approval of a School Facilities Needs Analysis every other year; every year for Level II fees. Ms. Bennett reported that there were no questions or protests concerning the Level II fees. A public hearing was held with no comments.

Current Fee	Level II	Proposed Fee	
Through May 18, 2011	\$1.73	Effective May 19, 2011	\$2.01

Resolution Number 17-2010-2011 authorizes the district to adjust the Level II fees for new residential construction pursuant to Government Code Section 65995. The District's School Facilities Needs Analysis is available for viewing online at: <http://www.smjuhsd.k12.ca.us/~bhoff/2011%20SFNA%20Level%20II.pdf> and was made available for public review at least 30 days prior to the public meeting, as required by law.

A motion was made by Dr. Walsh, seconded by Dr. Karamitsos and carried with a 4-0 vote to approve Resolution 17-2010-2011.

Public Disclosure of Collective Bargaining Agreement with Classified Unit

In accordance with AB 1200 reporting requirements, the district must make public disclosure of any proposed collective bargaining agreements with their various employee organizations as to the effects of the agreements on the District's financial status. The District reached tentative agreement with the Classified Bargaining Unit (California School Employees' Association Chapter #455) on April 15, 2011 and the unit scheduled a ratification vote on May 17, 2011.

The district received funding from the Federal "Jobs" Bill that provides funding for school site staffing for education and related services. The board had previously recognized this Federal Jobs Bill funding in the budget and authorized a number of certificated and classified positions be hired with this funding. The estimated balance of funding available after these hirings provided a one-time set of dollars that was been made available to each of the bargaining units.

Dr. Kimberly explained that the classified bargaining unit's tentative agreement is to provide a "one-time off-schedule payment in lieu of retirement contributions" to each classified bargaining unit member equivalent to 0.72% annual base pay, employed as of May 18, 2011 that completes their assigned work year through June 2011.

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A motion was made by Dr. Walsh, seconded by Dr. Garvin and carried with a 4-0 vote to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Classified Bargaining Unit to provide the "One-time off-schedule payment in lieu of retirement contributions" from the Federal Jobs Bill funding as presented.

Public Disclosure of Confidential Salary Increase

In accordance with AB 1200 reporting requirements, the district must make public disclosure of any proposed collective bargaining agreements with their various employee organizations as to the effects of the agreement on the District's financial status. The district has reached tentative agreement with the classified bargaining unit to utilize the Federal Jobs Bill funding to provide a "one-time off-schedule payment in lieu of retirement contributions" to the classified employees. The superintendent recommended to include the Confidential employees in a similar manner. This payment will be equivalent to 0.72% annual base pay for each confidential employee, employed as on May 18, 2011 that completes their assigned work year through June 2011.

A motion was made by Dr. Walsh, seconded by Dr. Karamitsos and carried with a 4-0 vote to approve the "one-time off-schedule payment in lieu of retirement contributions" for the Confidential employees.

Athletic Training Services for Pioneer Valley, Righetti and Santa Maria High Schools

Ms. Bennett explained that on May 10, 2010 the Board of Education approved the district administration to enter into two contracts for services to provide Athletic Training Services for the 2010-11 school year. Sims Physical Therapy is providing services at Righetti and Santa Maria High Schools; and Santa Maria Valley Physical Therapy provides services at Pioneer Valley High School. Ms. Bennett requested that the board approve to extend the current contracts for an additional 2 years as the agreements have been mutually beneficial to the schools and the companies.

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos, seconded by Dr. Walsh and carried with a 4-0 vote to approve the extension of the two contracts for services to provide Athletic Training Services for the 2011-12 and 2012-13 school years.

Energy Conservation Project

This item will be presented at the June 15, 2011 board meeting.

Consent Items

A motion was made by Dr. Walsh, seconded by Dr. Karamitsos and carried with a 4-0 vote to approve the following items as presented:

- A. Approval of Minutes
 - April 13, 2011- Regular Meeting
 - April 21, 2011 - Special Meeting

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Payroll	\$5,158,725.61
Warrants	<u>1,902,648.96</u>
Total	<u>\$7,061,374.57</u>

C. Pupil Personnel Matters

- ERHS student #323097, 12th grade.
For: Possession of a controlled substance
Recommendation: Suspended expulsion through June 15, 2011 with preferred placement in Reach.
- ERHS student #329574, 10th grade.
For: Assault
Recommendation: Expulsion through December 31, 2011 with preferred placement in FCS.

D. Acceptance of Gifts**Pioneer Valley High School**

Donor	Recipient	Amount
Timothy Towne	PVHS (drum heads/\$250 value)	\$250.00
Wal-Mart	Pioneer Valley	800.00
County of Santa Barbara/ Fund 3050	Science Club	200.00
J & J Mechanical	Boys' Wrestling	400.00
Panda Express	Jazz Choir	145.87
Altrusa International/SM Foundation	Link Crew Club	600.00
Greg/Linda Dickinson	Papa "D" Scholarship	100.00
Dorothy Dickinson	Papa "D" Scholarship	150.00
Tom/Dohnna Contreras	Papa "D" Scholarship	100.00
Dickinson Janitorial Supplies, Inc.	Papa "D" Scholarship	100.00
Wal-Mart	PVHS Marquee Fund	800.00
PG & E Corp. Foundation	Link Crew Club	200.00
PG & E Corp. Foundation	Boys' Golf	250.00
PG & E Corp. Foundation	Girls' Golf	250.00
PG & E Corp. Foundation	Mesa Club	500.00
PG & E Corp. Foundation	Math Honor Society	500.00
Carolyn Moir	Jack Moir Scholarship	500.00
Santa Maria Elks Lodge 1538	Elks Scholarships	7,500.00
Santa Maria Rotary Breakfast Club	Rotary Club Scholarships	<u>2,000.00</u>
TOTAL PIONEER VALLEY SCHOOL		<u>\$15,345.87</u>

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Santa Maria High School

Donor

Sal Cimbolo, Friends of Golf

TOTAL SANTA MARIA SCHOOL

Recipient

Boy's & Girls' Golf

Amount

310.00

\$310.00

E. Denial of Claims

1. The District is in receipt of a claim from William G. Baumgaertner, Esq. from Haight, Brown & Bonesteel, LLP on behalf of Harrison M. Smith and Mark Smith, with regards to alleged personal injury that occurred on December 15, 2010.

It is recommended that the Board deny the claim and refer the matter to the District's insurance carrier.

2. The District is in receipt of an Application for Leave to Present Late Claim and a Claim for Damages from Lisa Trigueiro on behalf of her son, Brandon D. Trigueiro, Santa Maria High School Student, with regards to alleged personal injury that occurred on September 28, 2010.

It is recommended that the Board accept the *Application for Leave to Present Late Claim for Damages*. It is further recommended that the Board deny the claim and refer the matters to the District's insurance carrier.

F. Request for Travel

<u>School</u>	<u>Instructor/Charge</u>	<u>Event/Location</u>	<u>Dates</u>
PVHS	Samantha Van Patten	Charles Paddock Zoo Snooze, Atascadero	5/28-29/11
	Vanessa Carrillo	Educational trip to Spain	6/13-25/11
SMHS	Heather Penk	Magic Mountain & UCLA campus visit	4/20-21/11
	Lorin Cuthbert	Auto racing event, Bakersfield	6/3-5/2011
	Doug Silva	Team building/camping trip, Lopez Lake	6/4-5/11

Completed pre-arranged Absence and Release of Liability Forms with parent/guardian's signature are on file at each site. The names of students and chaperones are also on file and have been approved by the site principal.

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G. Approval/Ratification of Purchase Order

<u>P.O.#</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description & Funding Source</u>
11-0922	Westberg & White Inc.	\$35,000.00	Architect Fees, C-2004 Bond

H. Bilingual Assessor Waiver Request

Kathleen Pritchard, Director of English Learner/Migrant Education programs, is requesting approval for submittal of the Bilingual Assessor Waiver Request Form. This form reports the number of new students that entered our school district this year who speak a language listed on the form.

The purpose of the Bilingual Assessor Waiver Request Form is to ask permission of the state to waive the requirement to test the students mentioned in the form in their primary language because the number of new students that speak each identified language is less than 10. The waiver is for one year, and the district's present waiver expires June 20, 2011. In the absence of this waiver the district would be required to contract with a bilingual tester in the Arabic, Pilipino, and Vietnamese languages.

I. Authorization for Sale of Obsolete Equipment, Appendix C

Education Code §17545 allows the district to sell personal property that is no longer necessary or suitable for school use. The district administration is requesting authorization to conduct a public auction through the internet at *interschola.com* to sell equipment that is obsolete, surplus or damaged beyond repair to the highest responsible bidder.

The obsolete equipment is listed in Appendix C. Each school and program will have an opportunity to request surplus property from the list. Notices of items for sale are posted at all district sites, on the internet at www.interschola.com or www.publicsurplus.com and e-mailed to all staff.

J. Attendance Reports

Ms. Diane Bennett, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, was available to answer questions regarding the eighth month attendance report.

K. Facilities Report, Appendix B

Open Session Public Comments

Dr. Garvin shared a letter he wrote and delivered to legislators concerning the economy of the Santa Maria Valley as a result of the district reducing its budget over the last three years. His intent was to stress that these reductions have a direct impact on local businesses. Dr. Garvin received positive responses from the legislators.

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Items not on the Agenda

No items were addressed that were not on the agenda.

Next Meeting Date

Unless otherwise announced, the next regular meeting will be held on June 15, 2011, with a closed session at 5:30 p.m. and open session at 6:30 p.m. at the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District Support Services Center at 2560 Skyway Drive, Santa Maria, CA 93455.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.