

**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 April 12, 2016 with a closed session at 5:30 p.m. and open session at 6:30 p.m. Members present: Garvin, Perez, Palera, Karamitsos, and Lopez

OPEN SESSION

Dr. Garvin called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. and immediately adjourned to closed session.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

Dr. Garvin called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. The Flag Salute was led by Amy Lopez.

ANNOUNCE CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS

Dr. Richardson announced the closed session items. The Board approved personnel actions as submitted by a vote of 5-0.

The Board was updated on labor negotiations and student matters. The recommendations for the expulsions of three students was approved by a vote of 5-0.

PRESENTATIONS

CFW Scholarship Presentation

Jeremy Cogan from CFW presented the CFW Scholarship Award to Jesse Lara, a senior at Pioneer Valley High School. Jesse's parents were also in attendance. The scholarship is for students rising above adversity to accomplish their goals. Jesse is planning to go to college and study mechanical engineering. The scholarship award was \$2,500.00.

Migrant Education Students – Trip to Washington D.C.

Mr. Guiremand and Ms. Hennings took 19 students to Washington D.C. in February 2016. Several students fundraised for many years to be able to go on this trip. They took 14 Migrant students that applied through the Migrant Program. Adriana Martinez, Migrant Advisor was also a chaperone. Students described their experiences and favorite parts of the trip. The students thanked the Board, the teachers and everyone that helped them to be able to go on the trip. Mr. Guiremand and Ms. Hennings thanked the site coordinators, Brian Wallace (the Athletic Director at SMHS), and the countless teachers that helped students with expenses. They also thanked the students. They were a great group.

REPORTS

Student Reports

Alex Vargas/Delta: DHS participated in an all-day Anti-Bullying Program on March 9. Ten Delta students were presented a medal and treated to a tri-tip dinner at the 55th Annual CSF/Honor Student Awards and Recognition Dinner. The event was sponsored by Kiwanis Club of SM Noontime. Delta will host a Blood Drive on May 20.

Joseph Codamos/PVHS: ASB received the Outstanding Leadership Program Award while attending the CASL Conference in April. They are also planning a kindness week and visiting the junior high schools to inform them about "Future Panther Night". Gay Straight Alliance had a rally to spread the word about Day of Silence on April 14. SHARe Club will be hosting a Sexual Assault Awareness Week/Campaign April 25-29. Three PVHS girls participated at the Kiwanis Central Coast All Star Basketball Spectacular at Nipomo High School.

Paloma Ronquillo/SMHS: ASB will be helping out with the Day of Hope on April 13. They finished their Pennies for Patients Campaign. They will be hosting Awareness/Kindness Week next week. Sixteen ASB students attended CASL. Saints Band will have a Spring Concert/Silent Auction on April 27 at Ethel Pope. Asian Pacific Club is going to San Francisco for the Cherry Blossom Festival. Teen Success is training for a half marathon. GSA is working on Awareness Week on homophobia, sexism, and suicide at the end of May.

Kyler Corral/ERHS: The Band performed at Band-O-Rama; Relay for Life was held in March and they had a great turnout. Spring Club Day was a success with most clubs selling out in the first ½ hour. The Drama Department will present "Thoroughly Modern Millie." The Marine Biology teachers are participating in the LIPIDS research at UCSB. The CST Life Science Test on is on Thursday. They are in the middle of Spirit Week for Friday's Powder Puff Game.

Principal Reports

Shanda Herrera introduced Mr. Ilac, the coach of the PVHS Boy's Wrestling Team. Mr. Ilac introduced the team. They broke the school's CIF drought by winning CIF Champions this year! Mr. Ilac and the wrestling team thanked the Board, Greg Lanthier and Shanda Herrera for funding athletics. Without the support they would not have been able to do this.

Ms. Herrera also spoke about the PVHS Panther Pack. The Learning Center closed and they decided to make a rigorous program for students that needed additional support. They currently have 17 freshmen and 37 sophomores in the program. The program consists of four teachers, one counselor, one administrator and one instructional aide that work together with the students. The class sizes are small (no more than 20) and the curriculum is slow paced. Students stay together all day.

They placed students in the program that had the will and needed the additional support. The goal is to keep them on track to graduate and keep them at PVHS. The teachers meet

weekly and are able to discuss students' academic progress, their home life, etc. There is regular parent contact, regular student counseling and documentation and you have to want to be in the program.

Two students (Izzy and Heledio) spoke about what the program means to them. Both of the students did not graduate from their junior high schools. Now they feel like they have a family and they know they have support from the teachers and the other students.

The four teachers each spoke about the challenges, benefits, collaboration and growth within the program. The teachers are Mr. Bajwa/Math, Mr. Craddock/English, Ms. Burke/Science and Mr. Noel/Health & PE.

Ms. Herrera plans to continue with the program.

Ms. Lopez told the students that they did amazing jobs speaking and they should be proud of themselves.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Richardson presented certificates and plaques to the Classified of the Year Nominees and Category Winners.

Nominees were: Jennifer Abend, Krista Ballard, Mary Crowell, Heydi Elenas, Toni Fernandez, Cheryl Foster, Patty Fraire, Erik Fulton, Leticia Gamino, Jasmine Granados, Araceli Mandujano and Yolanda Medina.

Category Winners were: Alma Cervantes/Para-Educator and Instructional Assistance Category, Jamie Ellis/Support Services & Security Category, Richard McKinley/Maintenance, Operations & Facilities Category and Virginia Villa/Transportation Category.

Richard and Virgie were also selected as the 2016 Classified School Employee of the Year for Santa Barbara County in their categories. Their packets were forwarded to the California Department of Education for consideration for the statewide 2016 Classified School Employee of the Year Award.

Board Member Reports

Amy Lopez: She commended Shanda Herrera for great programs and congratulated her, her staff and her students. She met with Shanda in March. She attended the One Community Action committee meeting and said that Pete Flores is doing a great job. On April 7 she met with SMHS and Joe Domingues. It was great to speak with everyone. She said that Mr. Domingues has arranged for a World Champion Weightlifter to come in and he is going to work with the students for free. On March 24 she was invited to sit on the judging panel in Oxnard. Students competed from San Luis Obispo to Thousand Oaks and one of the students was from PVHS. The students receive free tuition to Marquette University. Ms. Lopez also did a presentation on drugs and alcohol at Delta High School.

Dominick Palera: He attended the reclassification ceremony and it was a wonderful event (acknowledging 325 students). Maria Larios-Horton did an excellent job. Statistics show these are the students that go on. It was great to see the parents there. The speaker (Author Reyna Grande) was great.

Diana Perez: Not too much to report this time but she will be visiting the four schools in the next few weeks.

Carol Karamitsos: She gets excited when people go to Washington DC because she attended George Washington University and lived in the area. She spoke about moving to Boyle Heights in California and about a book given to her by Merrie Okie. The book was written by Father Greg Boyle. It is a great book. We all belong to a community. This is a great thing portrayed in the book. He is an amazing writer and she read an excerpt from the book. He speaks about kids being in rival gangs and explains situations and how you are sometimes thrown into each other's jurisdiction. There is an allusion of separateness and we forget who we are meant to be to each other. Dissention and strife and anxiety – come to the middle. Her role is to reach out and love everyone. We need to reach out with that sentiment.

Jack Garvin: He attended One Community Action and the reclassification ceremony. He brought his copy of *The Distance Between Us* by Reyna Grande and wants to share it with anyone that wants to read it. She grew up in Mexico and she came to the United States as an illegal. It is an inspiring story. She graduated from UC Santa Cruz.

Items Scheduled for Action

GENERAL

Approval of Revised Board Policies/Administrative Regulations

The administration reviewed the following amended Board Policies that are aligned with the California School Board Association updates, which are provided as education code and laws change and they were presented for the Board's review and approval.

BP 0410	Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities
BP/AR 1312.3	Uniform Complaint Procedures

A motion was made by Ms. Perez, seconded by Dr. Karamitsos and carried with a 5-0 vote to approve the board policies as presented.

INSTRUCTION

Approve Voter Education Resolution

The Board was asked to approve Resolution # 13-2015-2016 supporting that the last two weeks in April and the last two weeks in September, 2016 be declared as “Voter Education Weeks” in the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District.

Hazel Davalos from CAUSE and three students gave a big thank you for giving the students this opportunity and passing the resolution. They thanked the government teachers to help get the students registered.

A motion was made by Ms. Perez and seconded by Dr. Karamitsos and a roll call vote was required:

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

The roll call vote carried with a 5-0 vote to approve Resolution # 13-2015-2016 declaring the last two weeks in April and the last two weeks in September, 2016 to be declared as “Voter Registration Weeks” in the SMJUHSD.

Textbook Review

The following textbooks were presented to the Board of Education for preview. These textbooks are aligned with the common core.

ERHS Social Studies Department/Alex Jauregui

Title:	Psychology, Principals in Practice
Author:	Spencer A. Rathus
Publisher:	Holt McDougal
Copyright:	2010

ERHS International Languages Department/Patricia Villalobos

Title:	Asi se dice (Levels 1,2,3 & 4)
Author:	Conrad J. Schmitt
Publisher:	McGraw Hill Education
Copyright:	2016

A motion was made Dr. Karamitsos, seconded by Amy Lopez and carried with a vote of 5-0 to preview the presented textbooks and approve them upon the second reading at the next board meeting.

BUSINESS

Inflationary Increase of Developer Fees – Level I

Legislation (AB 2926 Sterling, passed in October 1986) authorized public school districts to levy fees to assist in mitigating impactation of facilities due to the growth in student populations from new construction and expansion of residential properties within district boundaries. The State Allocation Board approved an inflationary increase to the fees at their February 2016 Board meeting.

Type Of Development	SAB Approved Rates	Previous SAB Rates	Change	Prior District Split	New District Split
Residential	\$3.48	\$3.36	\$.12	\$1.03	\$1.07
Commercial/Industrial	\$.56	\$.54	\$.02	\$.17	\$.17

Resolution Number 14 – 2015-2016 was presented to authorize the district to adjust the developer fees for residential, commercial and industrial properties pursuant to Government Code Section 65995. A Public Hearing was required. There were no comments.

A motion was made by Ms. Perez, seconded by Ms. Lopez and a roll call vote was required:

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

The roll call vote passed with a vote of 5-0 to approve Resolution Number 14-2015-2016 increasing the School Developer Fees – Level 1, per State Allocation Board approved rates, to be effective June 13, 2016.

Santa Barbara County Special Education Local Plan Joint Powers Agency Amendments

The district participates in a Joint Powers Agency with Santa Barbara County Special Education Local Plan Area (SBCSELPA). There were amendments in the agreement.

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos, seconded by Ms. Perez and carried with a vote of 5-0 to approve the amendments as presented to the Santa Barbara County Special Education Local Plan Area.

Consider approving and adopting the April 2016 3rd Status Report on the Reconfiguration and Facilities Program

Caldwell Flores Winters, Inc. (CFW) provides an update to the Board every six months, containing a review of program implementation activities. These updates also review the master program schedule and master program budget and propose adjustments to either, as warranted by developments or decisions made during the preceding six months or by the availability of new data.

Jeremy Cogan presented the update.

The third Program update has been completed and CFW will provide a summary presentation of the content contained within the report.

The District submitted to the Board the April 2016 3rd Status Report on the Reconfiguration and Facilities Program and seeks the Board's approval and adoption of the document as a record of program implementation achievements and as a summary of adjustments to the master program schedule and budget.

Mr. Palera asked if there has been an uptick of unforeseen sticker shock due to rising costs and if they are anticipating that. Mr. Cogan explained that they do see that. There are fewer companies so it also lowers supply. There is a program reserve set aside of no less than 10% so, at any such time a program comes forward and an adjustment is necessary, they would come to the district and ask to use some of the reserve.

Dr. Karamitsos noticed that Dr. LeeAnne Del Rio was in the audience and wanted to acknowledge her since she was instrumental in getting the CTE grant. She also thanked CFW and said she loves the reports. They are historical, present and futuristic, and she appreciates that.

A motion was made by Mr. Palera, seconded by Dr. Karamitsos and carried with a vote of 5-0 to adopt the April 2016 3rd Status Report on the Reconfiguration and Facilities Program.

CONSENT ITEMS

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos, seconded by Ms. Perez and a roll call vote carried with a 5-0 vote to approve the consent items.

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

REPORTS FROM EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS

Karen Draper: There is a site rep meeting this coming Thursday and we will see you on May 5 for Fact Finding.

Tami Contreras: She commented on the wonderful and positive collaboration for our students and the classified awards. She spoke about the para-educator conference. Last year she went to Dr. Richardson and asked if they could send three and he said yes. This year they are approved to send four. She thanked Dr. Richardson for honoring and acknowledging the classified employees. She is very proud of those employees that were nominated and awarded.

OPEN SESSION PUBLIC COMMENTS

SPEAKER	TOPIC
Cat Petty	Contract Negotiations
Jennifer Dolan	Teachers
Francisco Lozaro	Parent Involvement

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 May 10, 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 14, 2016 | September 13, 2016 |
| June 21, 2016 | October 11, 2016 |
| July 12, 2016 | November 8, 2016 |
| August 2, 2016 | December 13, 2016 |

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.