

**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 September 11, 2013, with a closed session at 5:30 p.m. and open session at 6:30 p.m. Members present: Karamitsos, Reece, Tognazzini, Walsh, Garvin. Absent: None

Open Session

Dr. Reece called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was adjourned to closed session. There were no closed session public comments.

Closed Session Items

The Board adjourned the closed session at 6:30 p.m. and reconvened for open session at 6:35 p.m.

Reconvene in Open Session

Dr. Karamitsos called the meeting to order. Mr. Tognazzini who retired from the army lead the flag salute in honor of 911 and the loss of a former district student serving our country.

Closed Session Actions

Dr. Karamitsos called for a moment of silence; an opportunity for people to reflect on the loss and pain that has touched their lives.

Superintendent Richardson reported the following closed session action items:

Student Matters – Education Code Sections 35146 & 48918: The Board approved one student expulsion and one re-admission from expulsion as presented.

Certificated and Classified Personnel Actions: The Board approved hiring, transfers, promotions, evaluations, terminations, and resignations as presented.

Conference with Labor Negotiators: The Board was updated on labor negotiations with the Faculty Association (California Teachers Association) and the California School Employees Association (CSEA).

Presentations

Report on Summer Facilities Projects

Gary Wuitschick, Support Services Director and Reese Thompson, Director of Facilities and Operations provided a review of projects performed throughout the district. The district has received a final Division of State Architect (DSA) certification for a project at Delta.

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RHS projects: Demolition of existing greenhouse; portable roof replacement on the greenhouse restroom; moving a portable off campus (creative thinking by Krista Ballard and a contractor saved the district \$20,000); room 735 was converted to three offices and a reception area; fence work on Bradley Road; asphalt paving; corridor painting incorporating Righetti colors; classroom carpet replacement; locker removal and repainting; cafeteria draining repair and removal of sun screens.

Pioneer Valley: Concrete repair; grounds improvements; new controllers for baseball and softball score boards; and grass planted by the science building. Preparation to submit construction documents to DSA for the Performing Arts Center will take place in November.

SMHS: Portable roof replacement in rooms 611, 612, 613, 614; band room window replacement; practice field renovation; hard floor and carpet care; and umbrellas for tables at the Learning Center have been installed. Final DSA approval for the new classroom building on Broadway is expected in early October. The bid process can then take place— the district hopes to break ground in January 2014.

District-Wide Projects: A well drilled at Righetti will save the district approximately \$70,000 in water usage; transportation activity – install power to regenerate diesel particulate filters; and evaluation for a new training center which is still in design phase. The training center will be used for meetings and trainings and will accommodate larger groups. To save money, district staff will do some of the work.

Student Art – One World, Many Voices

Merrie Okie-Golden, art teacher at Santa Maria High School and her students (Cynthia Barajas, Myra Sanchez, and Vanessa Mendoza) presented a mural to the Board. They titled the mural One World Many Voices. The mural was in honor of the victims and heroes of 911. The students thanked Ms. Okie-Golden for allowing them the opportunity to work on their first painting project. Students agreed to work on a theme that would represent everyone.

Reports

Superintendent Report:

Mr. Thompson introduced Mark Brogoitti, the new Energy Manager. Mr. Brogoitti replaced Gene Overton who retired in July. He comes to our district from C & D Aerospace and has over 30 years of experience in the mining and processing business. Mr. Brogoitti has a Bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering technology and is a licensed professional engineer.

Mr. Domingues introduced Steve Campbell, new assistant principal at SMHS. Mr. Campbell comes from Paso Robles School District where he was a director of special projects for eleven years. He was also dean of students at San Luis Coastal and taught science while in Colorado. Mr. Campbell earned a Bachelors and Master degree at Colorado State University. He introduced his wife and children and looks forward to getting to know SMHS and meeting the staff.

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Principal Reports

Principals reported on the opening of this school year.

Delta: Principal Prieto-Chavez recognized her office staff for an outstanding school opening this year. She also recognized those responsible for enrolling students and making home visits. Mrs. Chavez is looking forward to a great school year.

Pioneer Valley: Principal Herrera reported a great start with 2700 plus students this year. The Link Crew students worked with incoming freshman and PV is working on a positive behavior intervention system to encourage students to make right choices.

Righetti: Principal Molina said the first two weeks have been great and students are getting to class on time. He is pleased with staff and their support of students. Righetti is still working on the California Academic Partnership Program (CAPP) grant and building partnerships with Cal Poly, UCSB, and Allan Hancock College.

SMHS: Principal Joe Domingues reported that by the end of week 100 percent of students were in classes. He introduced Luis Santos who will participate in a national conference in October. This is the first time a local student will take part in the Youth Leadership Seminar in Washington D.C. Only 250 students were nominated, fifty were accepted and Luis is one of six students selected from California. Luis spoke about his upcoming trip and looks forward to attending the seminar.

Student Reports:

SMHS/Samantha Galicinao: Samantha is a senior and ASB president at SMHS. Her goal is to attend Stanford (pre-med then branch out to other areas such as journalism and politics). ASB has 41 new students; Spirit Week took place August 20-23 with each class hosting a lunch time rally; AP Promoters hosted the first March of the Saints; the Class of 2014 will nominate for class characters and begin their catalog sale on September 19. CST scores surpassed the goal of 711 by two points. Parent Teachers night is scheduled for September 12.

DHS/Leticia Mora: Leticia is a senior and after high school wants to be a detective. Last year Delta had 244 graduates and this term there are approximately 179 new students. Dragon Battles take place on Fridays during homeroom. The Community Health Center Mobile Clinic will be at Delta from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. every second and fourth Tuesday of the month. Mayra Hernandez was awarded a new computer at the Business Appreciation Luncheon hosted by the Santa Maria Valley Industry Education Council and the Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce. The computer was awarded through the Computer Connections program.

Righetti/Shane Hunter: Shane is a senior and ASB president. Shane wants to be an aerospace engineer. It is important to Shane to work on being a better person in addition to working towards a degree. There has been positive feedback about the upgrades and changes; giving the school their own identity and a focus on school pride. Shane thanked the board and district for approving the improvements. ASB students will go on their retreat

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and bring back ideas for positive changes such as the Link Crew program at PVHS. “Be the Change” cards have been distributed to teachers and voting by text will be continued this year. The first rally was a success with a majority of students dressed up for the purple wave. Shane added that last year RHS received most of the Elks scholarships.

Reports from Employee Organizations

Krista Ballard, CSEA President, reported that the classified contract was ratified at the last Chapter meeting and there is an MOU in place regarding a salary increase. With the new Local Control Funding Formula, it is hoped that the Board consider reinstating classified positions that were eliminated or hours reduced due to a lack of funding. Some of those positions include bus attendants, instructional aides, attendance assistants and computer technicians. Reinstating these positions will allow classified staff to provide the level of service they once provided to students and staff.

Certificated Report – Comments and Concerns:

- Lisa Walters: Spoke about SMHS’s fight to apply for the QEIA grant which was supported by CTA. Ms. Walters said QEIA funding has allowed the district to make students the number one priority. It allows for smaller classes, more teachers and more time with students. She reported that SMHS students scored more than 700 on state testing.
- Mark Goodman: Shared his concerns about requested changes. He said the contract indicates that changes be approved by staff then by the district-wide decision making body. He spoke about the value of SDM and the proposal from the district to do away with it. Mr. Goodman also spoke about the district’s negotiating team and the rewriting of about half of the contract. He asked for board changes that will allow all to work effectively as a group.
- Eric Farnsworth: He recalled an agreement (20 years ago) between teachers and administration that teachers would choose the schedule at each site. He said it was an agreement that was negotiated into the contract. His concern is that the group that is demanding a schedule change has asked for three different schedules in one year. It is hoped that the Board understands there is no perfect schedule; however, teachers know which schedule is best for each site.
- Riccardo Magni: An issue with Focus on Learning leader stipends has now been resolved. Righetti and Pioneer Valley will have WASC visits in March and schools must get WASC passed in order for students to go to college. Concerning health care – he asked that the Board direct the district to send the required document which will confirm the benefit program, plan benefits, and benefit cost. Mr. Magni said he is confident that teachers know how to pick a schedule that works.
- Carolyn Moir: Ms. Moir said she has 12 years of data that shows that the Block schedule works. She stated that removing the hiring ratio from the contract will not be a positive change. She supports keeping the hiring ratio in order to keep students the number

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one priority.

- Clint Hinkle: Thanked the Board for hiring Highly Qualified Teachers (HQT). He clarified with Principal Domingues that SMHS does have HQT math teachers. Mr. Hinkle asked that future board meetings be rotated between schools in order to accommodate a larger audience.

Dr. Karamitsos emphasized the importance for all to get along as the mutual goal is the betterment of all students.

Board Member Reports

Dr. Garvin agreed with student representative, Shane Hunter that Righetti looks great with all the upgrades and the attention to detail. He is pleased with the work done on the Strategic Plan and he plans to attend open houses at school sites. Dr. Walsh also visited the campus and is very pleased with the changes at RHS.

Dr. Karamitsos recalled a comment by her father, "Be the best you can be." Her point was that we all have different potential and someone that inspires us. She stated that the Board cares about education and is aware of the important issues to be addressed. The board is united and is committed to respecting others, being trustworthy and honest.

Items Scheduled for Action

Instruction

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. John Davis, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, provided the following plan which addresses Education Code 52304.1: This plan was updated with the county education office.

▶ Conduct annual meetings between SMJUHSD guidance/SMJUHSD administrative personnel and ROP guidance/ROP administrative personnel to conduct joint planning and continued integration to maximize ROP student enrollment.

▶ Maintain joint responsibility at each high school site between SMJUHSD and ROP administration and guidance personnel to maximize ROP student enrollment.

▶ Allow SMHS juniors and seniors to enroll in year-long ROP classes (i.e., take one ROP block in terms 1, 2, 3, and 4).

▶ Maintain timely communication between SMJUHSD and ROP guidance personnel regarding all registration/scheduling procedures and timelines.

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- ▶ Continue with the effective ROP Publicity Program to all District sophomores, juniors, and seniors.

- ▶ Continue with the integration of the ROP Guidance and Publicity Programs with:
 - a. SMHS, PVHS, RHS and DHS student career path and career counseling programs
 - b. SMHS, PVHS and RHS Career Center efforts.

- ▶ Institute joint planning between SMJUHSD Superintendent, SMJUHSD Assistant Superintendent, SMHS Principal, PVHS Principal and RHS Principal and ROP Director to identify new potential ROP courses.

A motion was made by Dr. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Tognazzini and carried with a 5-0 vote to approve the proposed plan to improve and increase student participation in the Santa Barbara County Regional Occupational Program.

Instructional Materials Certifications for 2013-2014

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.”

John Davis, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction, reported that District Resolution No. 3-2013-2014 indicates that the district has certified for 2013-2014 that Education Code Section 60119 has been followed. A public hearing was held with no public comment.

A motion was made by Mr. Tognazzini, seconded by Dr. Walsh and carried with a 5–0 roll call vote to adopt Resolution Number 3–2013–2014, which indicates that the district has fulfilled Education Code Section 60119.

ROLL CALL:

Dr. Karamitsos	Yes
Dr. Reece	Yes
Dr. Walsh	Yes
Mr. Tognazzini	Yes
Dr. Garvin	Yes

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SANTA MARIA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
Resolution Number 3-2013-2014

SUFFICIENCY OF INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS - STATEMENT OF ASSURANCE

WHEREAS, the governing board of Santa Maria Joint Union High School District, County of Santa Barbara, State of California, in order to comply with the requirements of Education Code 60119 held a public hearing on September 11, 2013, at 6:30 pm, which is on or before the eighth week of school and which did not take place during or immediately following school hours, and;

WHEREAS, the governing board provided at least 10 days' notice of the public hearing posted in at least three public places within the district that stated the time, place, and purpose of the hearing, and;

WHEREAS, the governing board encouraged participation by parents, teachers, members of the community, and bargaining unit leaders in the public hearing, and;

WHEREAS, information provided at the public hearing and to the governing board at the public meeting detailed the extent to which textbooks and instructional materials were provided to all students, including English learners, in the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District, County of Santa Barbara, and;

WHEREAS, the definition of "sufficient textbooks or instructional materials" means that each pupil has a textbook or instructional materials, or both, to use in class and to take home to complete required homework assignments, and;

WHEREAS, sufficient textbooks and instructional materials were provided to each student, including English learners, in mathematics, science, history-social science, and English/language arts, including the English language development component of an adopted program, consistent with the cycles and content of the curriculum frameworks, and;

WHEREAS, sufficient textbooks or instructional materials were provided to each pupil enrolled in foreign language or health classes, and;

WHEREAS, sufficient laboratory science equipment was provided for science laboratory classes offered in grades 9-12, inclusive;

Therefore, it is resolved that for the 2013-2014 school year, the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District, County of Santa Barbara, State of California has provided each pupil with sufficient textbooks and instructional materials consistent with the cycles and content of the curriculum frameworks.

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Resolution 3-2013-2014 (page 2)
Sufficiency of Instructional Materials - Statement of Assurance

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Board of Education of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District, County of Santa Barbara, and State of California at a regular meeting of the said board on this 14th day of September, 2011.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 11TH day of September, 2013 by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Karamitsos, Reece, Walsh, Tognazzini, Garvin

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

President/Secretary/Clerk of the Board of Education
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General

Board Policies/Administrative Regulations

Superintendent Richardson reported that the Board has reviewed the policies listed below. Administration has also reviewed the amended Board Policies/Administrative Regulations which are aligned with California School Boards Association updates. A summary of the revisions/changes made was presented in Appendix C of the agenda for review and adoption. The complete revised policies and regulations are part of the agenda and are posted on the district's website at www.smjuhsd.k12.ca.us. The policies/regulations will be included in the existing sections upon adoption.

Philosophy, Goals, Objectives, Comprehensive Plans - Series 0000

Charter School Authorization	AR 0420.4
Charter School Renewal	BP 0420.42
Charter School Revocation	BP 0420.43

Personnel – Series 4000

Lactation Accommodation	BP 4033
Certification	AR 4112.2
Employee Notifications	BP/E 4112.9/4212/9/4312.9
Staff Teaching English Language Learners	AR 4112.22
Drug & Alcohol Testing of Bus Drivers	BP/AR 4112.42
Postretirement Employment	AR 4117.14/4317.14
Industrial Accident/Illness Leave	AR 4161.11
Family Care & Medical Leave	AR 4161.8

Board Bylaws - Series 9000

Agenda/Meeting Materials	BB 9322
Actions by the Board	BB 9323.2

A motion was made by Mr. Tognazzini, seconded by Dr. Walsh and carried with a 5-0 vote to approve the Board Policies/Administrative Regulations as presented.

Ratification of CSEA Labor Agreement

Tracy Marsh, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, reported that the District and CSEA have negotiated and agreed on comprehensive changes to language throughout the labor agreement for classified employees and a new article for the transportation department. Mr. Marsh said meetings with CSEA for the past six months have been positive and educational. He thanked the CSEA team members as well as district personnel involved in classified negotiations.

A motion was made by Mr. Tognazzini, seconded by Dr. Walsh and carried with a 5-0 vote to approve the new CSEA labor agreement in effect through June 30, 2016.

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Strategic Plan Update

In the spring of 2013 the Board of Education directed that a strategic plan be developed for our district. Superintendent Richardson explained that the plan presented is a result of several months of effort on the part of a diverse group of stakeholders. The plan includes five goals and fifteen initiatives. The next phase will be to create action plans for the initiatives and present to the Board for approval at a future board meeting. Superintendent Richardson said a planning component which is part of the Local Control Funding Formula will be incorporated into the plan. Santa Maria Energy will fund the cost of printing and mailing Strategic Plan booklets. Dr. Garvin reported that he attended two of the meetings and noted a lot of work on behalf of all stakeholders.

A motion was made by Dr. Walsh, seconded by Dr. Reece and carried with a 5-0 vote to approve the Strategic Plan as presented.

Business

2012/2013 Unaudited Actuals

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 2012/2013, and the figures were listed on the appropriate state forms which are posted on the District website at www.smjuhsd.org under "District News".

Yolanda Ortiz, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, explained that the district's year-end fund balance includes a decrease of \$235,000 from what was projected at the time the District adopted its 2013-14 budget. The adjustments were due to revenue decreases, expenditures, transfers and other sources and contributions. A summary of the budget changes was presented in Appendix F of the board agenda.

A motion was made by Dr. Reece, seconded by Mr. Tognazzini and carried with a 5-0 vote to authorize the District to file the 2012/2013 Annual Statement with the County Superintendent of Schools.

Adoption of 2013/14 Gann Limit

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. Mrs. Ortiz asked that the Board approve Resolution Number 4-2013-2014 which reflects the calculation of the estimated appropriation limit for the 2013/14 school year.

A motion was made by Mr. Tognazzini, seconded by Dr. Walsh and carried with a 5-0 vote to approve Resolution Number 4-2013-2014, adopting the 2013/14 Gann Limit.

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Dr. Karamitsos	Yes
Dr. Reece	Yes
Dr. Walsh	Yes
Mr. Tognazzini	Yes
Dr. Garvin	Yes

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RESOLUTION NUMBER 4-2013-2014

ADOPTION OF THE 2013-2014 GANN LIMIT

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District that pursuant to Article XIII-B of the State Constitution and Government Code Sections 7900, et. seq., an adjusted appropriation limit for the 2012-13 school year has been calculated in the amount of \$41,615,786.88.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the revenues applied to the 2013-14 school year are not anticipated to exceed the appropriations subject to limitation, \$43,790,261.68.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Education of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District this 11th day of September, 2013, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Karamitsos, Reece, Walsh, Tognazzini, Garvin

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

President/Secretary/Clerk of the Board of Education
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Public Disclosure of Collective Bargaining Agreement and Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) 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. Mrs. Ortiz reported that the District reached tentative agreement with the Classified Bargaining Unit on August 15, 2013 and the unit ratified the agreement on August 28, 2015.

The MOU includes a two percent (2.00%) increase to the classified bargaining unit salary schedule, retroactive to July 1, 2013. It also includes a one-time payment to each unit member returning to the district for the 2013/14 school year that is equal to three percent (3.00%) of his/her 2013/14 base salary. The one-time payment, salary schedule increase, and any retroactive pay due will be reflected in the September 30, 2013 pay warrant.

The estimated current year cost of the agreement is \$378,228 for the one-time payment, and \$252,152 for the salary schedule increase. The on-going cost of the salary schedule increase is projected to be \$257,195 for 2014-15, and \$262,339 for 2015-16.

A motion was made by Dr. Walsh, seconded by Dr. Garvin and carried with a 5-0 vote to approve the AB 1200 Public Disclosure of Collective Bargaining Agreement and the MOU with the Classified Bargaining Unit.

Public Disclosure of Agreement and Approval of salary increase for Confidential, Classified Management and Certificated Management

In accordance with AB 1200 reporting requirements, the District must make public disclosure of any proposed agreements with their various employee organizations as to the effects of the agreements on the District's financial status.

Mrs. Ortiz explained that Administration proposed the same increase given to the classified bargaining unit for non-bargaining unit members which consists of confidential, classified management and certificated management employees for two percent (2.00%) increase to the respective salary schedules, retroactive to July 1, 2013. The proposed increase also includes a one-time payment to each non-bargaining unit member returning to the district for the 2013/14 school year that is equal to three percent (3.00%) of his/her 2013/14 base salary. The one-time payment, the salary schedule increase, and any retroactive pay due will be reflected in the September 30, 2013 pay warrant.

The estimated current year cost of the agreement is \$122,150 for the one-time payment, and \$81,433 for the salary schedule increase. The on-going cost of the salary schedule increase is projected to be \$83,062 for 2014-15, and \$84,723 for 2015-16. Further documentation of the fiscal impacts (as required by AB1200) is shown in Appendix E.

A motion was made by Dr. Walsh, seconded by Dr. Garvin and approved with a 5-0 vote to approve the AB 1200 Public Disclosure of the Agreement and Approval of salary increase with the Confidential, Classified Management and Certificated Management for a one-time

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payment and an ongoing increase retroactive to July 1, 2013.

Authorization to Piggyback on Waterford Unified School District for School Buses District-Wide for the Length of the Contract through December 31, 2013

Section 20118 of the Public Contract Code provides an alternative for obtaining supplies, furniture, and equipment, commonly referred to as “piggybacking”. Notwithstanding Section 20111 and 20112 of the Public Contract Code, the governing board of any school district without advertising for bids and with board determination that it is in the best interest of the district, may authorize the purchase of such supplies, furniture and equipment.

Waterford Unified School District has awarded their school buses bid to A-Z Bus Sales, Inc. (Piggyback Bid # 01/12, expires December 31, 2013). With Board approval the district may “piggyback” on their bid.

A motion was made by Mr. Tognazzini, seconded by Dr. Reece and carried with a 5-0 vote to grant approval to obtain school buses pursuant to a “piggyback” clause in the Waterford Unified School District bid for which the originating district has complied with all competitive bidding requirements.

Consent Items

A motion was made by Mr. Tognazzini, seconded by Dr. Walsh and approved with a 5-0 vote to approve the following consent items as presented. *All items listed are considered to be routine and may be enacted by approval of a single motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items; however, any item may be removed from the consent agenda upon request of any member of the board and acted upon separately.*

- A. Approval of Minutes
August 7, 2013 - Regular Meeting
- B. Approval of Warrants for the Month of August 2013

Payroll	\$1,610,542.58
Warrants	<u>2,797,123.46</u>
Total	\$4,407,666.04

- C. Facility Report – **Appendix B**
- D. Acceptance of Gifts

Santa Maria High School

Donor	Recipient	Amount
The Jane Merlo Memorial Golf Fund	SMHS Golf	\$2,000.00
Paula M Dunlap	Auto Club	100.00
Micaela Ponce	FFA	270.00
Santa Maria FFA Boosters	FFA	10,000.00
Calif. Women for Ag Santa Maria Chapter	FFA	500.00

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Juan Gonzalez	FFA	270.00
Paula Mena	FFA	270.00
Altrusa Club of the Central Coast Foundation	FFA	500.00
Kevin & Stephanie Mendez	FFA	300.00
37th District Agricultural Association	FFA	200.00
Rabobank	Auto Club	250.00
Elks Rodeo Parade	Band	<u>200.00</u>
Total Santa Maria High School		\$14,860.00

E. Student Discipline Matters

- Administrative Recommendation for Student Expulsion: Student # 333428
- Administrative Recommendation for Student Re-admission from Expulsion/Suspended Order and/or Expulsion: Student # 335038

F. Request for Travel

School	Instructor in Charge	Event/Location	Dates
PVHS	Shawna Van Gronigan	Shakespeare Festival, Ashland, Oregon	4/21-24/2014
RHS	Denise Paulus	Madrigals Camping Trip, Lake Nacimiento	9/6-8/2013
RHS	Deanna Byrne	Shakespeare Festival, Ashland, Oregon	4/21-24/2014

All required paperwork is/will be on file at the school before departure. No student was excluded from the field trip due to lack of funds.

G. Approval/Ratification of Purchase Order

<u>P.O. #</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Funding Source & Description</u>
			Cafeteria Fund 13:
14-0079	7Up/RC Bottling Co.	\$75,000.00	Open PO 7Up/RC Products
14-0082	Central Coast Produce	\$88,000.00	Open PO cafeteria supplies
14-0085	Gold Star Foods	\$365,000.00	Open PO for misc. supplies
14-0086	Jordano's	\$365,000.00	Open PO for misc. supplies
14-0091	Producers Dairy Foods	\$185,000.00	Open PO for misc. supplies
14-0092	Sysco Foods	\$275,000.00	Open PO for cafeteria foods
14-0093	Team So-Cal	\$122,000.00	Open PO. for products
14-0094	School Lunch Products	\$182,000.00	Open PO for cafeteria purchases
14-0269	Presence Learning	\$100,000.00	Special Education Funding: Consulting Services for online

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140296	CIO Solutions	\$97,828.43	Speech and Language Services for 2013-14 Technology Funds: Network switches/extended service
14-0233	J.B. Dewar	\$250,000.00	General Funds: Bulk Fuel Bid

H. Teaching Agreements for 2013/14 School Year

California Polytechnic University/San Luis Obispo, Chapman University, National University, University of Phoenix, Western Governors University, University of Southern California, University of Phoenix and California State University have requested the District's participation in their teacher training programs for the 2013/14 school year, whereby the District would provide teaching experience through practice teaching to their students. The District's participation in these programs benefit both the new teachers that are training for the teacher credentialing program and also allows the District first-hand experience with prospective teaching candidates for future teaching vacancies.

I. Notice of Completion

The following project has been substantially completed and in order to file the necessary Notice of Completion forms with the County of Santa Barbara, the Acceptance of Substantial Completion needs to be formally accepted by the Board of Education.

- 1) Pioneer Valley High School – Site Concrete Repairs - Project #07-038.6; Vernon Edwards Constructors, Inc. - General Contractor

Open Session Public Comments

The following is a list of speakers and their comments/concerns:

Shelly Klein, teacher, spoke about the history of capacity building. She thanked the Board and superintendent of 20 years ago for approving a process (Shared Decision Making) that allowed those with expertise to share in the decision making and problem solving in education. She added that trainings provided such as Interest Based problem solving resulted in a positive process for all stakeholders.

Carol Moir, teacher, spoke about the hiring ratio and block schedule. She clarified that the block schedule is not a result of the teacher strike; it is a result of the restructuring movement in the 1990s. Ms. Moir plans to present data that validates that the current schedule works. She spoke about research concerning the number of students teachers should work with in order to be successful.

Stacy Newby, instructional aide, shared concerns about increased health premiums and her request to attend parent meetings. Mrs. Newby stated that Mr. Goodman is an excellent teacher— her statement was in response to a comment (by a parent) that Mr. Goodman should not be teaching students. Mrs. Newby asked if the school schedule had been ad-

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dressed at negotiations.

Raul Ceja, LULAC member, said he knows a lot of great teachers and for many years has supported them. His concern is that not all students are getting the education needed and as a result are causing problems for society.

Pedro Reyes, LULAC member, introduced Luis Santos who will attend a leadership conference in Washington D.C. Luis said the current schedule is working well for him and allows more time to do homework.

Esperanza Salazar, LULAC member, spoke in support of changing the schedule. She is aware that we have excellent teachers as she learned English and has excelled because of them. Her message is that it would be better to work together to improve education for students.

Dana Valverde would like our students to have a better opportunity to get into universities. She presented data showing the number of credits required to graduate by school districts in the surrounding areas. The data shows that our district is one of a few that requires the least amount of credits to graduate. Concerning the block schedule, she noted that teachers are experts at teaching and asked that they leave the block schedule to the experts.

Minga Ceja, LULAC member, also supported teachers during the strike in the 1990s. Her issue is not with the teachers, it is with the association. She would like the focus to be on positive issues as well as equity and fairness.

Rafaela Moreno, PCIC member, said she will continue to build partnerships with the community and parents. Parents will continue to participate at meetings to show support for their students. She expects good work from professionals in the community and expects the same professionalism at schools.

Jose Castellanos, LULAC member, thanked all teachers for their services to our district. He referred to comments made in a newspaper article concerning the current block schedule and how it affects test scores. Mr. Castellanos and parents are interested in having access to school data, specifically the pass and failure rates of teachers. He noted that the SMHS administration and the superintendent are open to changes; however, the association leadership continues to fight to make any recommended changes.

Arnulfo Romero, PCIC member, thanked the board, the superintendent and those teachers who support students. His children, although told were not college material, have all successfully attended universities. He noted that association leaders do not demonstrate professionalism. He spoke in favor of changing the bell schedule and a committee that does not allow parent participation. He does not agree that only teachers should decide on the school schedule.

Mary Foley, teacher, asked that time be allowed to research the effects of the block schedule.

Lisa Crusan's concern is related to the hiring of a district negotiator at \$150.00 per hour and the lack of opportunity to discuss items listed in the Consent part of the agenda.

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Catherine Boyle, teacher, also spoke about working together to support students. She noted that teachers love students, as demonstrated by the schedule they keep. Teachers are at school by 7 a.m. and leave well after the school day is over. She urged that all groups work together to support student needs.

Margaret Rucker, teacher, also spoke about supporting the needs of students. She clarified that students at RHS take 6 classes and have an opportunity to take a 7th class. The credit choice was made by Doug Kimberly so it is an issue the district needs to address. Mrs. Rucker collaborates with Mr. Goodman and noted his students are excelling. She asked that Mr. Marsh be directed to sign the required document related to health care.

Karen Draper, teacher, shared her concerns about the block schedule at SMHS. She reminded all that the process that needs to be followed to review the schedule is taking place. Those interested in the meeting dates can contact the school's front office.

Mary Jacka, CRLA, agrees that all groups need to work together. She feels that teachers do not want to cooperate with parents. She suggested energy be used to focus on students and support positive changes. She noted that Luis Santos is a good example and all should be proud of him.

Auni Baldwin, teacher, stated that positive progress concerning student achievement cannot be made unless all groups work together. She asked that groups not be segregated— us and them. She feels that segregating a person or group based on their appearance is counter-productive.

Roberto Michel, SMHS parent, stated that parents are not against teachers— they want to work with them. However, he is saddened that they are treated as ignorant. Teachers are employed because of students. Parents want teachers to help students be successful.

Clint Hinkle, teacher, spoke about the credit reduction instituted by the former superintendent and approved by the Board. He has issues with groups that are making statements yet do not present facts. He feels that being handed demands does not promote working together.

Lisa Walters, teacher, reminded all that students are the number one priority and the product of the future. She asked that parents and teachers work together as often good ideas come from healthy discussion. She also spoke about L1 classes that were eliminated due to financial concerns by the Board.

Teri Magni, teacher, stated teachers also worry about students leaving high school and not being prepared for the world. Teachers love their students and don't think of them as a name and number.

Dr. Karamitsos stated that although the Board does not respond to comments, their concerns are heard.

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Items not on the Agenda

There were no items discussed that were not on the agenda.

Next Meeting Date

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be held on October 9, 2013. Closed session begins at 5:30 p.m. Open session begins at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at Pioneer Valley High School Cafeteria, 675 Panther Drive, Santa Maria, CA 93455.

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November 13

December 11

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11 p.m.