

SANTA MARIA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Special Meeting
September 24, 2012
5:00 p.m. – Closed Session; 5:30 p.m. – General Session
Support Services Center
2560 Skyway Drive, Santa Maria, CA 93455

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PROFESSIONAL GOVERNANCE STANDARDS

Adopted by the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District April 11, 2001

THE BOARD

School districts and county offices of education are governed by boards, not by individual trustees. While understanding their separate roles, the board and superintendent work together as a “governance team.” This team assumes collective responsibility for building unity and creating a positive organizational culture in order to govern effectively.

To operate effectively, the board must have a unity of purpose and:

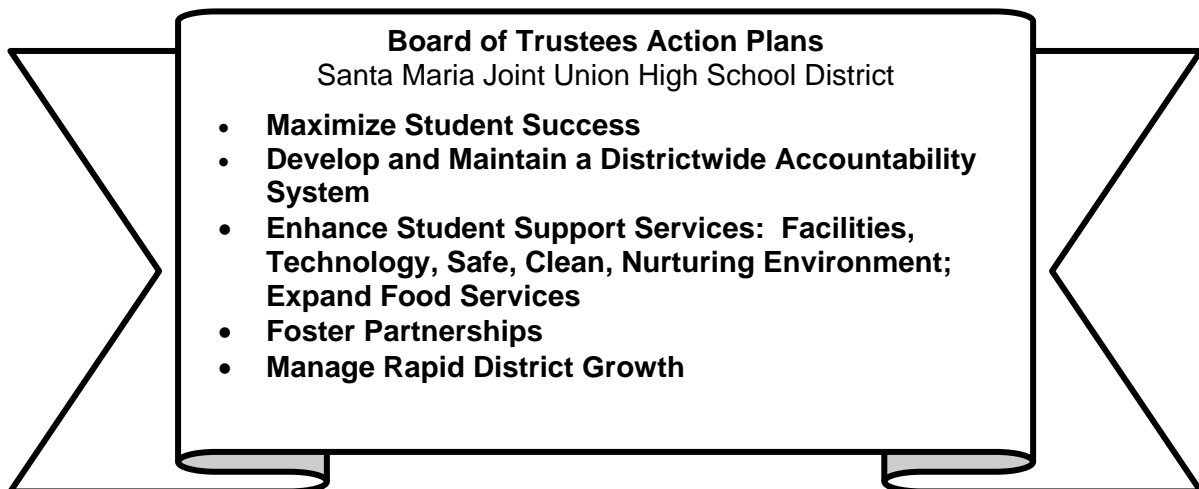
- Keep the district focused on learning and achievement for all students.
- Communicate a common vision.
- Operate openly, with trust and integrity.
- Govern in a dignified and professional manner, treating everyone with civility and respect.
- Govern within board-adopted policies and procedures.
- Take collective responsibility for the board’s performance.
- Periodically evaluate its own effectiveness.
- Ensure opportunities for the diverse range of views in the community to inform board deliberations.

THE INDIVIDUAL TRUSTEE

In California’s public education system, a trustee is a person elected or appointed to serve on a school district or county board of education. Individual trustees bring unique skills, values and beliefs to their board. In order to govern effectively, individual trustees must work with each other and the superintendent to ensure that a high quality education is provided to each student.

To be effective, an individual trustee:

- Keeps learning and achievement for all students as the primary focus.
- Values, supports and advocates for public education.
- Recognizes and respects differences of perspective and style on the board and among staff, students, parents and the community.
- Acts with dignity, and understands the implications of demeanor and behavior.
- Keeps confidential matters confidential.
- Participates in professional development and commits the time and energy necessary to be an informed and effective leader.
- Understands the distinctions between board and staff roles, and refrains from performing management functions that are the responsibility of the superintendent and staff.
- Understands that authority rests with the board as a whole and not with individuals.



THE BOARD'S JOBS

The primary responsibilities of the board are to set a direction for the district, provide a structure by establishing policies, ensure accountability and provide community leadership on behalf of the district and public education. To fulfill these responsibilities, there are a number of specific jobs that effective boards must carry out.

Effective boards:

- Involve the community, parents, students and staff in developing a common vision for the district focused on learning and achievement and responsive to the needs of all students.
- Adopt, evaluate and update policies consistent with the law and the district's vision and goals.
- Maintain accountability for student learning by adopting the district curriculum and monitoring student progress.
- Hire and support the superintendent so that the vision, goals and policies of the district can be implemented.
- Conduct regular and timely evaluations of the superintendent based on the vision, goals and performance of the district, and ensure that the superintendent holds district personnel accountable.
- Adopt a fiscally responsible budget based on the district's vision and goals, and regularly monitor the fiscal health of the district.
- Ensure that a safe and appropriate educational environment is provided to all students.
- Establish a framework for the district's collective bargaining process and adopt responsible agreements.
- Provide community leadership on educational issues and advocate on behalf of students and public education at the local, state and federal levels.

THE SUPERINTENDENT:

- Promotes the success of *all* students and supports the efforts of the Board of Trustees to keep the district focused on learning and achievement.
- Values, advocates and supports public education and all stake holders.
- Recognizes and respects the differences of perspective and style on the Board and among staff, students, parents and the community — and ensures that the diverse range of views inform board decisions.
- Acts with dignity, treats everyone with civility and respect, and understands the implications of demeanor and behavior.
- Serves as a model for the value of lifelong learning and supports the Board's continuous professional development.
- Works with the Board as a "governance team" and assures collective responsibility for building a unity of purpose, communicating a common vision and creating a positive organizational culture.
- Recognizes that the board/superintendent governance relationship is supported by the management team in each district.
- Understands the distinctions between board and staff roles, and respects the role of the Board as the representative of the community.
- Understands that authority rests with the Board as a whole; provides guidance to the Board to assist in decision-making; and provides leadership based on the direction of the Board as a whole.
- Communicates openly with trust and integrity including providing all members of the Board with equal access to information, and recognizing the importance of both responsive and anticipatory communications.
- Accepts leadership responsibility and accountability for implementing the vision, goals and policies of the district.

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I. Open Session

Call to Order/Flag Salute

II. Public Comments on Closed Session Items

At this time any member of the public may address the Board concerning the Closed Session Items. Testimony is limited to three minutes each person and fifteen minutes each topic. The Board President will, if appropriate, direct administration to respond in writing.

III. Adjourn to Closed Session

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IV. Reconvene in Open Session

Call to Order/Flag Salute

V. Announce Closed Session Actions

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VI. Items Scheduled for Action

- A. Exemption of Facilities from Local Zoning Ordinances for the Proposed New Classrooms at Santa Maria High School

Government Code Section 53094 allows the Governing Board, by a two-thirds vote of its members, to render a city or county zoning ordinance inapplicable to a proposed use of property when the purpose is for classroom facilities. The district is requesting such exemption of the proposed new Santa Maria High School classrooms. If approved, the District Superintendent or designee shall be required to give written notice to the City of Santa Maria within ten days of action.

Resolution Number 9-2012-2013 printed on the following page, authorizes the exemption of facilities from local zoning ordinances for the proposed new classrooms at Santa Maria High School.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the Board of Education approve Resolution Number 9-2012-2013 exempting facilities from local zoning ordinances for the proposed new classrooms at Santa Maria High School.

Moved _____

Second _____

Vote _____

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**SANTA MARIA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 9-2012-2013**

**Resolution Exempting Facilities from Local Zoning Ordinances
for the Proposed New Classrooms at Santa Maria High School**

WHEREAS, the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District proposes to construct a 14-classroom addition on the existing campus of Santa Maria High School, located at 901 South Broadway in the City of Santa Maria, Santa Barbara County, California;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code Section 53094, this Board may by a two-thirds vote of its members render a city or county zoning ordinance inapplicable to a proposed use of property when the purpose is for classroom facilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Board of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District renders inapplicable any City of Santa Maria zoning ordinances which may otherwise be applicable to the Santa Maria High School property, as they relate to the construction and operation of new classroom facilities and associated improvements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District Superintendent or his designee is directed to give written notice to the City of Santa Maria within ten (10) days of this action.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the following roll call vote this 24th day of September, 2012.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes:

Noes:

Abstain:

Absent:

Board of Education President/Clerk/Secretary
Santa Maria Joint Union High School District

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B. Board/Superintendent Workshop

The Board will conduct a workshop on Board Operations and Goal Setting

VII. Consent Items

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the Board of Education approve the following consent items as presented. *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.*

Moved _____ **Second** _____ **Vote** _____

A. Notice of Completion

The following projects have 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) Righetti High School – Portable Roof Replacement Rooms 505, 506, 507 and 629 - Project #12-129.1; Craig Roof Company – General Contractor
- 2) Santa Maria High School – Roof Replacement Rooms 609, 610 and 628 – Project #12-129.2; Craig Roof Company – General Contractor
- 3) Santa Maria High School – Learning Center – Roof Replacement Rooms 820, 830 and 900; – Project #12-129.3; Craig Roof Company – General Contractor
- 4) Santa Maria High School – Paving Gym Area - Project #12-128.1 – Maino Construction – General Contractor

VIII. Open Session Public Comments

The public may address the Board on any matter (except personnel) concerning the District and not on the agenda. Note: The time limit to address the Board may not exceed three minutes. The Board is not required to respond to the Public Comment. The public may also address the Board on each item on the Agenda as the Board takes up those items. Persons wishing to speak should complete a blue request form and hand it to the Board secretary.

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IX. Items Not on the Agenda

Note: The law generally prohibits the Board from discussing items not on the agenda. Under limited circumstances, the Board may discuss and act on items not on the agenda if they involve an emergency affecting safety of persons or property, or a work stoppage, or if the need to act came to the attention of the District too late to include on the posted agenda.

X. Next Meeting Date

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XI. Future Meeting Dates

November 14, 2012
December 12, 2012

XII. Adjourn

Date of Service Notice to Board Members	September 20, 2012
Date of Service Notice to Public	September 20, 2012
Date of Service Notice to Santa Maria Times	September 20, 2012