

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
SANTA MARIA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
February 14, 2017**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District was held on February 14, 2017 with a closed session at 5:30 p.m. and an open session at 6:30 p.m. Members present: Perez, Palera, Lopez, Garvin, Karamitsos

**OPEN SESSION**

Ms. Perez called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. and immediately adjourned the meeting to closed session.

**RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

Dr. Karamitsos called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. The Flag Salute was led by Boy Scout Jake Wallingford.

**ANNOUNCE CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS**

Dr. Richardson announced the closed session items. All certificated and classified personnel actions were approved as submitted. All recommendations for student matters were approved as submitted.

**REPORTS**

**Student Reports**

Roberto Aguilar-Luis/Delta: Delta has been invited to an anti-bullying and mentorship presentation at Ethel Pope on February 24 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Delta will be hosting a blood drive on March 3 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. He represented Delta at the LCAP Steering Committee meeting and was part of the "Instruction" group. He enjoyed being a part of the committee. Glynda Maddaleno's Leadership class is looking for sponsors for Grad Nite tickets.

Candice Corpuz/PVHS: Club news: SHARE Club hosted a dating violence awareness rally. BSU will hold Black History Month rallies next week. Center Stage is sending Daniel Geiger to the Teen Star Competition (as one of the finalists). Sports: Boys and Girls Varsity Soccer made it to CIF. Boys and Girls Wrestling won the League Championships. Grad Nite tickets are on sale. Seniors' Krispy Kreme Sale ends tomorrow.

Yailin Orozco/SMHS: Club news: FFA submitted 45 state degree applications and all were approved! A ceremony will be held in April. FBLA participated in their sectional conference last week in Thousand Oaks. FFA Horticulture team earned 1<sup>st</sup> High Team and 1<sup>st</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> individual at Arbuckle Field Day. ASB hosted their 4<sup>th</sup> successful Student Senate meeting. She thanked everyone for the activities van. The "Common-Man" campaign, to keep the campus clean, has been very successful. She thanked Las Comadres Club and Ms. Janzen for providing help with the 9<sup>th</sup> grade registration and orientation nights.

## **Principal Report – *Karen Rotondi***

- **ERHS Counseling Program**

Ms. Rotondi is extremely proud of the counseling group. They go above and beyond every day and are constantly looking at ways to improve. She introduced Gene Rickman, Assistant Principal over Guidance & Counseling. He said they do go above and beyond and are very student-centered.

The counselors are: Eric Blanco, Erin Consorti, Norma Hernandez, Jose Pererya, Julie Santoyo, and Natallie Trujillo. They gave a presentation on the counseling program at Righetti.

They have had the opportunity to attend professional development activities and have brought new programs back to campus. They are all about the students.

Programs have included:

- Warrior Unity
- Reach Higher Academy
- Promoting A through G completion
- Looking to RAMP (Recognized ASCA Model Program)

Key points included:

- Students are thirsty for more information.
- Students want to talk about issues that concern them so they have created the forums in health classes.
- Students want more activities where they can just get together (low-cost activities) so they are planning a dance after Powder Puff.
- Reach High Academy - they use partners (CAPP Grant, Hancock, UCSB EAOP, Santa Barbara Foundation, etc.) They hope to get more partners involved.
- They thanked the administration for their support and thanked the district for letting them have a department chair to represent them.
- They presented to 51 classrooms for registration information.
- Went out to seven feeder schools to welcome and register incoming freshmen.
- They are going to get posters (A-G) in every classroom which will let students know which requirement that particular class meets.
- They are now able to provide targeted services for students that need it (through new program through UCOP).
- They are moving towards a comprehensive school counseling program.

Ms. Perez commented that she has seen the counseling services evolve and she is impressed with the services and the staff servicing our students. Thanked everyone for all that they do. She thanked Dr. Richardson for supporting the counseling department.

Dr. Karamitsos said everyone needs strong guidance and she appreciates all the professionalism. Along the lines of the comprehensive high school, she knows that academics are important but so are clubs and sports. Mr. Blanco responded that they understand students that get involved in clubs, performing arts or sports are more engaged in campus and engaged with staff (coaches, advisors). They discuss that in the classroom presentations and when they have one on one discussions with students.

### **Superintendent's Report**

Last Thursday the district held the LCAP Steering Committee meeting. Approximately fifty people with a variety of stakeholders attended. The existing plan was reviewed and everyone was divided into groups (by goal) and asked to brainstorm.

The template on the plan is changing and the plan will include accountability. A draft will be shared as soon as it is ready.

Top consideration was looking at how to improve summer services to students. Also looking at summer seminar opportunities so the students can do prep work before they take courses that are A-G approved. The courses would include skills building and preparation.

One of the things the district invested in was the program from the University of California. It is an ongoing transcript evaluation. It used to be one on one with a piece of paper but this program interfaces with the UC system. The database information is uploaded and compared with UC requirements. There are some nuances to the program. The UC has benchmarks set but it will give us additional information to work with students and drive our instruction.

Dr. Richardson thanked Danny Sheridan and Reese Thompson for the groundbreaking ceremony at Righetti High School for the 38 classroom building. Dr. Karamitsos did a great job on the excavator!

### **Board Member Reports**

Dr. Garvin: He had the opportunity to attend the LCAP meeting and the groundbreaking ceremony. He commended Kenny Klein for his work with the media. Kenny networks with the media and it helps to tell a story. At the LCAP steering committee he was impressed with the group. It was a comprehensive group (parents, staff, Hancock, other feeder schools, community, students, teachers). On March 25 there is a fundraising event at the Elks Club – tribute artist from Fresno, Jeremy “Elvis” Pearce. Proceeds go to scholarships for Delta High School students.

Ms. Lopez: She congratulated all the staff for the groundbreaking ceremony. She had to work but she will get to the next one. She was pleased to hear about the extra-curricular activities and that we have a lot of teams going to CIF. She appreciates all the support from the coaches and the staff. She wished Mr. Magni luck in Russia with his arm lifting competitions. She enjoyed hearing about the guitar students from SMHS going to

Vanderhaven College. It is great that students develop into a whole person with extracurricular activities outside the classroom. Since the last board meeting she had time to interact with parents and community members and she wanted to thank everyone for reaching out. It makes one realize everyone cares about the students and the district. Please continue to reach out to her.

Mr. Palera: He attended the LCAP meeting and was impressed that they were able to wrap it up early. The group was focused and it is sinking in with everyone. They were focusing on the goals and we are progressing. He is excited to see the draft plan out of this. There are a lot of good goals on the plan.

Ms. Perez: Not a lot to say but there is nowhere else she would rather be. She loves the school district and it feels great to serve. She is very impressed with all that everyone is doing.

Dr. Karamitsos: She introduced her mother who is the embodiment of unconditional love. Her mom brought her uncle (visiting from Wisconsin) and her aunt (visiting from Arizona) to the meeting. Makes her realize that community is important. Our service to the world is motivated by love. She thanked everyone for coming.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **Technology Update – *John Davis***

The district is closing in on the second year of one-to-one devices. Moving forward to planning year three. He introduced the Tech TOSAs (Teachers on Special Assignment): Geri Coats/RHS, Matt Markstone/SMHS, and Justin Fraser/Delta. Annie Steiger/PVHS could not be at the meeting.

Mr. Davis said that working with the four TOSAs has been great. They are professional and their expertise is phenomenal. The district is incredibly fortunate to have them in our district. They work with instructional applications in the classroom. They demand their respect from their peers because they know what they are talking about.

Key points of the presentation included:

- Tablet usage among students and staff
- Turn It In Product information
- Google Apps
- Office 365, particularly One Note.
- Aeries usage among students (heavy among 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> graders)
- Looking at LMS projects
- Students are helping other students
- Most issues are small problems and user error.

Each TOSA spoke about the “early adopters” at their sites. Some of the teachers have gone paperless and everything is turned in using their tablets. Programs teachers are using include OneNote, interactive textbooks, ELA/reading intervention programs, AP Science programs, Study Island (through Edmentum) and AVID is using SAT and ACT prep programs.

One new thing is Imagine Academy through Microsoft (self-paced online learning) where students can get certifications from Microsoft. They will take a test and get certifications if they pass. The program will be paid with through the CTEIG grant.

Delta had a head start since they were the first ones with the tablets. They currently have 41% of all teachers at Delta teaching at least one period that is online.

The TOSAs can do trainings for staff or go and work with the teachers one on one.

Most students are coming in with training in Google and our district is Microsoft, but there is never too much training in technology. They want the students to be flexible and be able to use several platforms and programs.

At first, the tablets were glitchy and not reliable but the market has changed and now they are made better. The TOSAs are able to solve most of the problems and fix them quickly.

Mr. Davis said the TOSAs all have expertise and passion and it is paying off on our campuses. He introduced Larry Dragan, Director of Information Technology.

Mr. Dragan gave a quick overview of his department:

- Information Systems consists of two separate areas of expertise – Network Operations and Data Processing
  - Computer Technician works with the tablets and desktop computers.
  - Computer Network Technicians are responsible for second level client support, first level network support and network infrastructure maintenance.
  - Computer Technician II's are responsible for backup and recovery, internal connectivity management, VoP, Wireless management, server management and third level support
  - Network Systems Specialists are responsible for internet connectivity, network traffic analysis and management, network virus and threat protection and enterprise wide application support.
  - Network Operations Coordinator assists director to task all of the people above with getting everything done.
  - Admin Assistant communicates with everyone and assists director.
  - Student Information System Analysts handle Aeries Management, Specialized Database Management, Data Systems Integration, State and Federal Reporting and Internal District Reporting.

Discussion included:

- Virus attacks – are we prepared for that?
  - Mr. Dragan said he has a great staff and is very lucky to make sure that does not happen. Last huge virus we had was in 1999. They occasionally see a virus pop up but it is prevented through management tools. The district is better prepared than many districts in our area.
- TOSAs are evaluating devices currently. The timeline is tight. Hope to have a recommendation to the Board in early March so purchasing can happen in April.
- Leasing vs. buying tablets – Ms. Ortiz has been contacted by a financing company that leases tablets. The district will look at the option once a decision is made on which device the district will use.

### **Items Scheduled for Action**

#### **General**

#### **CSBA Delegate Assembly Election**

Delegates ensure that the association's governance structure reflects the interests of school districts and county offices of education throughout the state. Voting for Delegates is an action of the entire board and requires a majority vote. The term of office for each Delegate is two years beginning April 1, 2017 through March 31, 2019.

The election of CSBA Delegate for Subregion 11-A, Santa Barbara County is open. The candidate is Luz Reyes-Martin (Goleta Union School District).

A motion was made by Dr. Garvin, seconded by Mr. Palera and carried with a vote of 5-0 to approve Luz Reyes-Martin as the CSBA Delegate for Subregion 11-A.

#### **Board Policies – First Reading – *Appendix C***

The administration asked the Board to review the proposed additions or revisions to the SMJUHSD Board Policies as listed in Appendix C. The new or revised policies will be on the next board agenda for approval.

A motion was made by Dr. Garvin, seconded by Ms. Perez and carried with a vote of 5-0 to review the board policies listed in Appendix C.

#### **Teacher Assignment Options – Resolution Number 13-2016-2017**

The District is required by state law to have all teachers properly assigned within their credentialed subject areas according to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing. However, there are several Education Code options to assign teachers in areas in which they have a requisite number of units and/or expertise. The resolution outlines specific names, subject areas and Education Codes to meet this annual criteria.

A motion was made by Dr. Garvin and seconded by Ms. Lopez and carried with a roll call vote of 5-0 to approve Resolution Number 13-2016-2017.

A roll call vote was required:

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

**Approval of MOU for Classified Bargaining Unit – *Appendix D***

The District and the California School Employees Association (CSEA) have reached settlement agreement regarding the potential impacts or effects (on CSEA unit members) of the District's use of surveillance systems (including video, audio and other technology) on District property and vehicles.

The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) tentatively agreed to will take effect upon approval by both parties. (see Appendix D)

A motion was made by Mr. Palera, seconded by Ms. Perez and carried with a vote of 5-0 to approve the MOU.

**Receive Petition for the Establishment of the Olive Grove Charter School: Orcutt/Santa Maria**

Olive Grove Charter Schools, Inc., a California non-profit corporation, submitted a petition to the District for the establishment of the Olive Grove Charter School: Orcutt/Santa Maria to be located in Orcutt commencing operations in the 2017-2018 school year. The District's Board of Education must formally receive the petition to commence the Education Code charter petition process. As part of the petition process the petitioners and District staff have mutually agreed for the Board to hold the public hearing regarding the charter petition at the March 14, 2017, meeting and for the Board to take action regarding the petition at its April 11, 2017 meeting.

A motion was made by Dr. Garvin, seconded by Ms. Lopez and carried with a vote of 5-0 to receive the petition from Olive Grove Charter School.

## **INSTRUCTION**

### **Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints**

Pursuant to Education Code Section 35186, the governing board of a school district must conduct a public hearing to report the quarterly report that was submitted in January 2017 on the Williams Uniform Complaints for the months of October- December 2016. Each school site has reported that there have been no complaints in the general subject areas of Textbooks and Instructional Materials, Teacher Vacancy or Misassignments, Facilities Conditions or Valenzuela/CAHSEE Intensive Instruction and Services.

A public hearing was required. No public comments were made. A motion was made by Dr. Garvin, seconded by Mr. Palera and carried with a vote of 5-0 to approve the report as submitted.

### **Textbook Review**

The following textbook was presented for review. The textbook is aligned with the Common Core.

#### ***SMHS Science Department/Tina Bennett & Sheila Devine***

Title	Environmental Science Sustaining Your World
Author	G. Tyler Miller/Scott E. Spoolman
Publisher	Cengage Learning/Nat. Geographic Lrn.
Copyright	2017

A motion was made by Mr. Palera, seconded by Dr. Garvin and carried with a vote of 5-0 to review the textbook and approve it at the next meeting.

## **BUSINESS**

### **Approval of Resolution Number 14-2016-2017 Authorizing a Joint Use Agreement Between the City of Santa Maria and the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District for Use of Facilities**

Resolution Number 14-2016-2017 authorizes a joint use agreement between the City of Santa Maria and the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District for use of facilities.

A motion was made by Mr. Palera, seconded by Dr. Garvin and carried with a roll call vote of 5-0 to approve Resolution Number 14-2016-2017.



A roll call vote was required:

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

**Approval of Filing the General Obligation Bond Continuing Disclosure Statement for 2015-2016 – *Appendix E***

Because the District's General Obligation Bonds are publicly traded, the District is required to publish (or cause to be published) updated financial and demographic information on an annual basis. This is accomplished by posting documentation to a website approved by the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), no later than 240 days after the end of the fiscal year. Due to financial reform legislation (Dodd-Frank) it is now a recommended practice that the Board review & approve the report prepared by staff before it is uploaded to the specified website.

The report appears in Appendix E. It contains demographic information about our District such as Average Daily Attendance, revenue limit and LCFF funding amounts, budgets, debt issued, property tax information on the top 20 taxpayers in Santa Barbara County, and statistics on assessed valuations and collections in the District's enrollment area.

A motion was made by Mr. Palera, seconded by Dr. Garvin and carried with a vote of 5-0 to approve filing of the General Obligation Bond Continuing Disclosure document for the 2015-2016 fiscal year.

**Proposition 39/C2004 Bond Audits for Year Ended June 30, 2016**

In accordance with Proposition 39 Bond Funding Requirements, an independent audit of the financial statements of the proceeds and expenditures from the issuance of the C2004 Bond was conducted for the year ended June 30, 2016. The audit was completed by the firm of Christy White Accountancy Corporation. The audit report is hereby presented to the Board of Education for review and acceptance.

The report states: "There were no audit findings or recommendations related to the 2015-2016 Measure C2004 Bond Building Fund Financial and Performance Audits for the year ended June 30, 2016".

Pursuant to Education Code 15286, a copy of this report has been forwarded to Citizens Bond Oversight Committee. Copies of the report are on file at the District Support Services Center for review by the public.

A motion was made by Ms. Perez, seconded by Dr. Garvin and carried with a vote of 5-0 to approve the C2004 Bond Project Financial Statements for the year ended June 30, 2016.

### **CONSENT ITEMS**

A motion was made by Mr. Palera, seconded by Ms. Lopez and carried with a roll call vote of 5-0 to approve the consent items as presented.

A roll call vote was required:

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

### **REPORTS FROM EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS**

There were no reports from employee organizations.

### **OPEN SESSION PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments made.

### **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 Tuesday, March 14, 2017. 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 2017**

April 11, 2017	June 20, 2017	September 12, 2017
May 16, 2017	July 11, 2017	October 10, 2017
June 13, 2017	August 1, 2017	November 14, 2017
		December 12, 2017

### **ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.