

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
SANTA MARIA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
July 23, 2020**

A special meeting of the Board of Education of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District was held via videoconference on July 23, 2020 with a closed session at 5:00 p.m. and an open session immediately following.

Members present: Lopez, Garvin, Karamitsos, Perez, Palera

**OPEN SESSION**

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

**RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION/ANNOUNCE CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS**

Ms. Lopez called the meeting to order at 5:44 p.m. Mr. Garcia reported that there was no action taken during closed session.

**ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION**

**GENERAL**

**Receive Information and Potential Action on Plan for the Safe Reopening of Schools**

Public comments were read before the agenda item. Speakers included Jen Dolan, Kelli Tajima, Rosie Ojeda, B. Rodriguez, Patricia Galven, Amy Hennings, Francesca Carrillo-Diaz, Alexa Owens, Regina Sachtleben, Karen Draper, Leticia Sandoval, Jamie Tanner, Prubhjeet Bajwa and Christie Ortiz.

The District has been thoughtfully developing its reopening plans over a period of months in consultation with our community, including families and employees, as well as public health and other experts, in order to develop a plan for the safe reopening of District schools. The Governor and the California Department of Public Health ("CDPH") issued the Reopening In-Person Learning Framework for K-12 Schools in California, 2020-2021 School Year on July 17, 2020, which provided that "[s]chools and school districts may reopen for in-person instruction at any time if they are located in a local health jurisdiction (LHJ) that has not been on the county monitoring list within the prior 14 days." Because the District's LHJ remains on the County monitoring list, the recommendation of the administration is for students to return to school utilizing the distance learning model. However, the District's recommended full reopening plan will be presented and includes options for the safe return to in-person school in a hybrid model where students will partially receive instruction onsite and partially through distance learning, as well as an option allowing for the full return to in-person school. The District will shift to in-person options where it can safely do so in accordance with CDPH requirements and in consultation with County Public Health.

Mr. Davis, Ms. Ortiz, and Mr. Platt presented the Reopening Plan. A copy of the plan is available on the district's webpage.

The item was discussed. The Board thanked everyone involved in preparing the plan.

A motion was made by Mr. Palera and seconded by Dr. Karamitsos to approve the plan as presented. The motion passed with a 5-0 roll call vote.

**Roll Call Vote:**

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

**OPEN SESSION PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no additional public comments. All comments submitted were for item #1.

**NEXT MEETING DATE**

Unless otherwise announced, the next regular meeting will be held on August 4, 2020. Closed session begins at 5:30 p.m. Open session begins at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held via videoconference platform. The agenda will be posted on the district's website at [www.smjuhsd.k12.ca.us](http://www.smjuhsd.k12.ca.us).

**ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.