

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
SANTA MARIA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
February 8, 2022**

A regular meeting of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District Board of Education was held at the Support Services Center on February 8, 2022, with a closed session at 5:00 p.m. and an open session immediately following. Consistent with AB 361 and Government Code section 54953, this meeting was held remotely.

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

**OPEN SESSION**

**Call to Order**

Dr. Karamitsos called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. The Board received several letters that will be read in closed session. Public comments for closed session items:

Live Call:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Topic</b>
Crystal Recinos	Personnel

The meeting was adjourned to a closed session.

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

Dr. Karamitsos called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. Ms. Lopez led the Flag Salute. Mr. Garcia announced the closed session actions:

- The Board unanimously approved the personnel actions and student matters as presented.

**REPORTS**

**Student Reports**

Brian Monighetti/ERHS: Spirit Week was planned for the first St. Joseph's vs Righetti rivalry basketball game. Counselors have started registering students for next year's classes. Staff and students have been visiting the junior highs to introduce the upcoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders to the school. Warrior Welcome takes place tomorrow and Cash for College on February 15<sup>th</sup>.

Jasmin Rodriguez/SMHS: ASB is busy helping organize and decorate various events such as winter sports and fundraising activities. Students will be attending the California Association Student Leader Conference and Seniors are prepping to purchase caps & gowns. Assemblies, earthquake drills, and COVID test distributions were completed.

Henry Valdez/PVHS: Students and staff have been following the COVID guidelines. Student Council has had multiple events including planning a leadership program award. FFA has been busy with their conference and FFA week. PVHS sports had a few great wins in soccer and basketball.

### **Superintendent's Report**

Mr. Garcia thanked the student board reps for their reports in addition to rest of the student body and staff. FAFSA and college application completion is underway. February 7<sup>th</sup> through 11<sup>th</sup> is National School Counseling and Guidance Week. He thanked all counselors and support staff for assisting our students. He reminded parents and students of the many support services available to them. Zeste Consulting has started the initial phase towards rebranding the school district. All school sites, along with the local communities, have been visited as part of the process. Our district website is also being updated. It was clarified that, though the state's indoor mask mandate ends on February 15<sup>th</sup> for vaccinated individuals, this does not apply to our school or health care settings. COVID testing continues at all sites. The District will be switching testing providers to widen the scope of testing to include the community and rely less on our staff. All staff who have been part of that component were thanked. Mr. Garcia addressed the Righetti High School incident by sharing the parent/guardian, student, and staff message that was sent out by the Superintendent's office.

### **Board Member Reports**

Dr. Garvin: He congratulated the RHS Fruit Tree Pruning Team as they were recently named state champions. The public's feedback on the trustee area map process is appreciated. The selected map will go to the County Committee for approval.

Ms. Lopez: She congratulated all counselors during their celebration week. Data regarding COVID-relief funded counseling services was requested, along with a follow up on ethnic and gender study course offerings. She thanked the public for their continued support and feedback.

Mr. Palera: He shared the same sentiments as the other board members and is glad to hear public COVID testing will be available. He has accessed the Santa Maria Bonita services and states it is run efficiently. Mr. Palera congratulated the counselors on their celebration week.

Ms. Perez: She congratulated all the counselors including EAOP and foster/homeless liaisons.

Dr. Karamitsos: February is Black History Month. A quote from Dr. May Jemison was shared and connected to education; the possibilities are endless, and we do not want to limit our students and community in what they are striving for. She also congratulated the school counselors.

### **REPORTS FROM EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS**

Patty Peinado: There was nothing to report for the Faculty Association.

Tami Contreras: She appreciates the Board for the staff recognitions and to Mr. Garcia for their meeting. She would like the Board members to meet with different district stakeholders so they may receive a different perspective.

**OPEN SESSION PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Written Public Comment:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Topic</b>
Susie Eichel	Virtual Board Meetings
Melinda Davis	Personnel

Live Calls:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Topic</b>
Mia Relyea	Personnel

**PRESENTATIONS**

**District Website**

Resource Person: John Davis, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum; Matt Stockton, Director of Instructional Technology

A preview of the new District website was given by Mr. Stockton. The previous District website was developed in 2011 and redesigned in 2014. The new website is much more student and parent centered in terms of an easier navigation through the resource pages and is more appealing from a design standpoint. Mr. Stockton also shared the purpose and goals for the website. The updated website may be switched to different languages. Additional security has been researched and shared with administrators. It also accommodates whatever device the user may have. A hot topic option was suggested. The anticipated launch date is scheduled for March 1, 2022.

**ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION**

**GENERAL**

**CSBA Delegate Assembly Election**

The election of CSBA Delegate for Subregion 11-A is open. The candidate is Peter Wright (College ESD). 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. All re-elected and newly elected Delegates will serve two-year terms beginning April 1, 2022 – March 31, 2024.

A motion was made by Dr. Garvin and seconded by Mr. Palera to select candidate Peter Wright. The motion passed with a roll call vote 5-0.

**Roll Call Vote:**

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

**Public Hearing Regarding Proposed Composition of By-Trustee Area Maps, Discussion and Possible Approval of Resolution 28-2021-2022 – Initiating a Proposal to the Santa Barbara County Committee on School District Organization for the adoption of By-Trustee Area Elections – Appendix F**

Resource Person: Yolanda Ortiz, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services; Chelsea Olson Murphy, Attorney – Lozano Smith

At the April 10, 2018, Board Meeting, the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District (“District”) Board of Education (“Board”) approved a resolution to direct staff to lead the school district to the change from at-large elections to by-trustee area elections. Trustee areas will include five (5) areas that make sure the 5 areas are each represented by an elected Board member who will live within a specific trustee area.

At its September 14, 2021, and October 12, 2021, meetings, the Board considered information presented by the District’s professional demographer National Demographics Corporation (“NDC”) regarding the process and potential criteria for drawing the trustee area boundary maps, and the Board held statutorily required public hearings to receive input from the community on the trustee area map creation process, pursuant to Elections Code section 10010(a)(1).

On November 19, 2021, the District timely published three proposed trustee area maps on the District’s website for consideration by the Board and the community. On November 30, 2021, the District also received several maps submitted by the community. It timely posted those maps to the website on December 7, 2021.

On December 14, 2021, the Board received a second presentation from NDC on the proposed by-trustee area maps. The Board then held the second of two statutorily required public hearings on the proposed by-trustee area maps. Based on input from that meeting, an additional “purple map” was created and timely published on the District’s website on January 11, 2022.

On January 18, 2022, in response to requests from the community, the Board held an additional public hearing to receive additional input on the proposed by-trustee area maps.

A public hearing was required. The public hearing was opened.

Written Public Comment:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Topic</b>
Ivette Peralta	Redistricting
Daniel Gonzalez	Redistricting
Lay Tep	Redistricting

Live:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Topic</b>
Angel Lopez	Redistricting

Yaquilina Aguirre	Redistricting
Janet Guzman	Redistricting
Zayra Serrato	Redistricting

The hearing was closed.

A motion was made by Dr. Garvin and seconded by Ms. Lopez to approve Resolution 28-2021-2022 – Initiating a Proposal to the Santa Barbara County Committee on School District Organization for the adoption of By-Trustee Area Elections, as presented. The community input given through this long process was appreciated. Clarification was given that Appendix F, referenced in the resolution, is the Purple Map. The motion passed with a roll call vote 5-0.

Part of the resolution was read into the record:

Now therefore be it resolved, after a public hearing on the matter, the Board of Education of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District hereby resolves as follows:

1. The above recitals are correct and true.
2. The Board hereby approves and recommends the adoption of by-trustee area elections, and the adoption of the trustee area map set forth in Appendix F (Purple Plan).
3. Upon giving special consideration to the purposes of the California Voting Rights Act, and after considering the preferences expressed by members of the District, the Board hereby proposes that trustee areas two, four, and five be scheduled for election in 2022, and trustee areas one and three be scheduled for election in 2024.
4. The District Superintendent or designee is hereby authorized and directed to send a copy of this Resolution to the County Committee, and to work with the County Committee and the County Clerk-Recorder’s Office to conduct acts necessary so that trustee area elections can be implemented in the election cycles scheduled in 2022 and 2024.

Passed and adopted by the Board of Education of the Santa Maria Joint Union School District, at a regular meeting of the Board of Education held February 8, 2022.

**Roll Call Vote:**

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

**Discussion and Possible Approval of Resolution 29-2021-2022**  
**Authorizing Continued Use of Remote Teleconferencing Provisions Pursuant to AB 361 and Government Code section 54953.**

Resource Person: Chelsea Olson Murphy, Attorney – Lozano Smith

Consistent with Government code section 54953, on October 7, 2021, the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District adopted Resolution 16-2021-2022, finding that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

Since October 7, 2021, the Board has made findings at least every 30 days that the circumstances continue to meet the requirements of AB 361 and Government Code section 54953 for the District to continue conducting meetings remotely.

A motion was made by Dr. Garvin and seconded by Ms. Perez to adopt Resolution 29-2021-2022, to make a finding that the current circumstances meet the requirements of AB 361 and Government Code section 54953 for the SMJUHSD Board to continue conducting meetings remotely.

It was clarified that approval of the resolution allows the district to continue to meet in the virtual format but allows flexibility to also meet in person if deemed safe to do so.

The motion passed with a roll call vote 5-0.

**Roll Call Vote:**

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

**INSTRUCTION**

**Supplement to the Annual Update to the 2021-22 Local Control & Accountability Plan. INFORMATION ONLY- Appendix D**

Resource Person: John Davis, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum; Steve Molina, Director of Student Services

California’s 2021–22 Budget Act, the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, and other state and federal relief acts have provided local educational agencies (LEAs) with a significant increase in funding to support students, teachers, staff, and their communities in recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic and to address the impacts of distance learning on students. Section 124(e) of Assembly Bill 130 requires LEAs to present an update on the Annual Update to the 2021–22 LCAP and Budget Overview for Parents on or before February 28, 2022, at a regularly scheduled meeting of the governing board or body of the LEA.

The Board was provided the following information:

- The Supplement to the Annual Update for the 2021–22 LCAP (2021–22 Supplement)
- All available mid-year outcome data related to metrics identified in the 2021–22 LCAP
- Mid-year expenditure and implementation data on all actions identified in the 2021–22 LCAP

This item was informational only. No action was required by the Board.

**BUSINESS**

**Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Audit Report and Plan of Corrective Actions – Appendix E**

Resource Person: Yolanda Ortiz, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services; Michelle Coffin, Director of Fiscal Services

As required by Education Code §41010, the District retained the services of the auditing firm, Christy White Accountancy Corporation, to audit the books and accounts of the District. In accordance with Education Code §41020, the audit report for the year ended June 30, 2021 was submitted to the Board of Education for review at this public meeting. The full audit report can be found on the District’s website.

A motion was made by Dr. Garvin and seconded by Ms. Lopez to accept the submission of the audit report for the year ended June 30, 2021 and approve filing it with the County Superintendent of Schools as required by Education Code §41020. The motion passed with a roll call vote 5-0.

**Roll Call Vote:**

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

**CONSENT ITEMS**

A motion was made by Ms. Lopez and seconded by Dr. Garvin to approve all consent items as presented. The motion passed with a roll call vote 5-0.

**Roll Call Vote:**

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

A. Approval of Minutes – **Appendix G**

Regular Board Meeting - January 12, 2022  
Special Board Meeting - January 18, 2022

B. Approval of Warrants for the Month of January 2022

Payroll	\$ 9,903,445.55
Warrants	8,594,536.55
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 18,497,982.10</b>

C. Approval of Contracts

COMPANY/ VENDOR	DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES	AMOUNT/FUN DING	RESOURCE PERSON
Allan Hancock Joint Community College District	Joint use of SMJUHSD CTE Center premises for increased opportuni- ties to college students from Jan-May 2022.	No cost	John Davis
Maxim Healthcare Staffing Services, Inc.	Two medical assistants to support school health offices from Jan-June 2022.	NTE \$56,320/ ESSER II	John Davis
Santa Maria Elks Lodge #1538 Club Services	Venue rental and secu- rity for ERHS 2022 prom.	\$2,325/ RHS ASB	John Davis
Santa Maria Elks Lodge #1538 Club Services	Venue rental and secu- rity for SMHS 2022 prom.	\$2,325/ SMHS ASB	John Davis
Corazon del Pueblo	Collaboration with in- structors to curate & ex- hibit student work during community showcases.	\$43,930/ Title IV	John Davis

D. Facility Report – **Appendix B**

E. Obsolete Equipment – **Appendix C**

Education Code §17545 and 17546 allows the district to dispose of personal property belonging to the district that is unsatisfactory, no longer necessary (obsolete), or unsuitable for school use. The district administration is requesting authorization to dispose of obsolete items in the list below in compliance with government regulations. If an auction is warranted, the district will conduct an auction via the internet by and through its representative RT Auctions. Notices of items for sale at auction will be posted in no less than three public places within the District, including the District’s website at <http://www.smjuhsd.k12.ca.us>

F. Student Matters - Education Code Sections 35146 & 48918

Administrative Recommendation to order expulsion: 202122-02  
 Administrative Recommendation to rescind the order of expulsion: 345519

G. Notice of Completion



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The following projects were substantially complete. 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) SMHS BLDG 820/830 FASCIA & GUTTERS. #21-387 with Falcon Roofing Company. Substantial Completion on January 5, 2022.
- 2) FIRE SPRINKLER HEAD REPLACEMENTS, #21-398, with Whittle Fire Protection, Contractor. Substantial Completion on January 10, 2022.
- 3) SMHS 300s WINDOW COVERINGS, #20-360. with One Source Home Solutions, Contractor. Substantial Completion on January 18, 2022.

H. Out of State Travel

PERSON/REASON	PLACE/DATE	FUNDING
Payne, Tony Clinic of Champions (Coaching Clinic)	Reno, NV January 25-26, 2022	Athletics LCAP 2.6
Eichel, Susie Aruba Atmosphere 2022 (Network Training)	Las Vegas, NV March 28 – April 1, 2022	General Funds
Sal Reynoso 2022 Utah Education Career Fair	Logan, Utah February 16-17, 2022	General Funds

I. Purchase Orders

PO #	Vendor	Amount	Description/Funding
PO22-01050	Central City Tool Supply	\$62,314.69	Equipment for Metal and Woodshops / General Fund: LCFF and CTEIG
PO22-01112	Dell Marketing LP	\$101,701.34	Computers for SMHS computer labs / General Fund: Site Title I
PO22-01113 PO22-01114 PO22-01115 PO22-01117 PO22-01118	Culver-Newlin Inc.	\$133,925.06	Furniture ERHS modernization / Fund 25 Developer Fees

J. Acceptance of Gifts

<b>Pioneer Valley High School</b>		
<u>Donor</u>	<u>Recipient</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Santa Barbara County Probation Peace Officer's Association	Boys' Basketball	\$250.00
Snap! Mobile Inc	Boys' Basketball	\$3,346.90
Snap! Mobile Inc	Girls' Basketball	\$2,622.80
Santa Barbara Bowl Foundation	Center Stage	\$2,500.00

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<b>Total Pioneer Valley High School</b>		<b>\$8,719.70</b>
<b>Righetti High School</b>		
<b><u>Donor</u></b>	<b><u>Recipient</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Robert L. Bletcher	Wrestling	\$100.00
Snap! Mobile, Inc. (AKA SnapRaise)	Girls' Basketball	\$7,816.80
<b>Total Righetti High School</b>		<b>\$7,916.80</b>
<b>Santa Maria High School</b>		
<b><u>Donor</u></b>	<b><u>Recipient</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Santa Maria Rotary Foundation	Band	\$400.00
Snap Raise	Girls' Wrestling	\$3212.40
Santa Maria FFA Boosters	FFA	\$17,000.00
Elks Recreation Inc	FFA – OH	\$1500.00
Elks Recreation Inc	FFA – OH	\$1500.00
<b>Total Santa Maria High School</b>		<b>\$23,612.40</b>

**FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS FOR 2022**

Unless otherwise announced, the next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be held on March 8, 2022. Closed session begins at 5:00 p.m. Open session begins at 6:30 p.m. Please refer to the March 8<sup>th</sup> agenda for further details on meeting location/access.

Regular Board Meetings for 2022:

April 12, 2022	June 14, 2022	September 13, 2022
May 10, 2022	July 12, 2022	October 11, 2022
June 7, 2022	August 2, 2022	November 8, 2022
		December 13, 2022

**ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.