

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE  
SANTA MARIA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
JUNE 9, 2015**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District was held at the Student Services Center on June 9, 2015 with a closed session at 5:30 p.m. and open session immediately following.

Members present: Tognazzini, Garvin, Karamitsos, Palera  
Absent: Perez

**OPEN SESSION**

Mr. Tognazzini called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

There were two public comments before the board adjourned to closed session. Tami Contreras has concerns regarding the LCAP. The LCAP committee was convened in January with collaboration of 46 members with a timeline chart. She stated that the meeting with the employee association groups should have been in April and it did not happen until June. She said they received a condensed version of the plan on May 28 and it was revised on May 29 and presented in the June meeting. On the website the updated version is over \$10 million (over \$2 million added that was not on the plan in May). They are concerned that their input was not heard or considered when the plan was revised.

Matt Gentile, CSEA Labor Representative also commented on the LCAP. He stated that there were not any committee members from CSEA that were allowed to participate in the formulation of the LCAP. The key component from their perspective is meaningful engagement. This means more than just presenting the document. There was one meeting in January and the input was supposed to be given in February (with a blog posted) and that did not happen. CSEA will be bringing a uniform complaint shortly and they hope the board will consider this. They want to be a part of the district but in this area there needs to be more outreach.

**RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

The board reconvened and Mr. Tognazzini called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. Mr. Palera led the flag salute.

**ANNOUNCE CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS**

Dr. Richardson welcomed everyone. The board approved the personnel recommendations as submitted by the District. Dr. Richardson introduced two new employees – Ivan Diaz (new SMHS Assistant Principal) and Gene Rickman (new ERHS Assistant Principal). Mr. Rickman introduced his wife, Maureen.

The board also acted to name Pete Flores the new Student Services Director for the District. Pete introduced his wife, Dolores and daughter Gabby.

The board had conference with the labor negotiator. Mr. Tognazzini gave an update regarding the Faculty Associations' "Texting Tuesday" last month. Members were encouraged by the Faculty Association leadership to text the board members with teacher concerns and while they appreciate those that take the time to discuss these issues that matter to them, some of these texts during this time crossed the line. Dr. Garvin received several texts that evoked Dr. Garvin's late wife and suggested she would not approve his decisions as a board member. It is our collective belief that these types of personal attacks are inappropriate and need to be off limits. He knows many have concerns that negotiations have not yet begun on a new contract. The district made its initial proposal to the Faculty Association in March but the Faculty Association did not bring their sunshine list until May. A Public Hearing must be held on that proposal tonight before we can begin negotiations. Once the public hearing is complete the Board is very interested in starting negotiations. The district has proposed more than 20 negotiation dates during the summer because people travel and go on vacation. The proposed dates are not on Fridays or Mondays and the Board looks forward to moving on with negotiations.

Dr. Richardson announced that the board received an update on Real Property Negotiations and thanked the board for extending his contract an additional year.

## **REPORTS**

### **Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Richardson said it has been a memorable year (which included the implementation of one to one devices and the planning of additional buildings). He thanked everyone in the school district for a successful school year. He wishes everyone a restful summer. He reminded everyone that Delta is graduating at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday and the rest of the schools will be graduating on Thursday at 1:00 p.m. Next school year begins August 11, 2015.

### **Board Member Reports**

Mr. Palera: He attended the senior awards nights at all the schools in the district. Many awards and scholarships were received and it was great to see the excitement in the rooms. He was honored to attend and it was very rewarding. He discussed the Public Comment period in the meetings. It is important to him as a new board member. While we may not agree at all times, let's be respectful. Once he hears a personal attack, he shuts the speaker off. He looks forward to hearing new ideas and will listen to what you have to say even if it isn't an open discussion. He asks for those in attendance to share what you want to share and please do not be personal.

Dr. Karamitsos: She has been attending lunchtimes at the site. She thanked the teachers for bringing their concerns. All of the concerns have been investigated and followed up on. Appreciates what they are sharing and agrees with what Mr. Palera said. This is a big project (educating the children in our community). We work better if we work civilly, with honest communication. She spoke about an article in the LA Times that reflected on the fact that we view people as them; not us. So, we really want to rise above the negativity. She strongly voiced her support for the teachers in our district and supports the efforts in the classroom and that they need the support of the board. She wants everyone to be able to come and let her know what their concerns are; what their successes are. Her plea is to look at next year and try to build and strengthen relationships and move past the ill feelings that people have in the past. She quoted Vince Lombardi, "Perfection is not attainable, but if we chase perfection we can catch excellence." She told everyone to have a wonderful summer -- it is well deserved. She wishes everyone all the happiest and safest during your travels in the summer.

Dr. Garvin: He spoke about the activities that he has attended. He acknowledged Maria Larios-Horton for the great reclassification dinner. It was an outstanding event. He took advantage of the translation services – it was a wonderful night. He congratulated Santa Maria High School Band (they won the award at the Elks Parade). He was entry #31 and they were entry #32. He just saw McFarland (movie) – it is quite a great film. It reminds him of what we have going on in this district. He spoke about a Delta student that was going down the wrong path and now (with teachers help) is on the right path. Thanked all the teachers at Delta and in the District for going the extra mile.

Mr. Tognazzini: He reiterated that we do have great students in our district. We lose them every year at graduation. They are not lost, just going out to find themselves. We have great teachers and we have great staff. We have contract negotiations and everything but we have some great folks. We all attended the breaking ground ceremony of the Performing Arts Center at Pioneer Valley. Sitting during public comment the board doesn't say a word. When I was first elected I thought it was strange that we don't say a word. We have Brown Act rules to follow. We reserve that time to listen and we take that information – everything that has been said, and we take notes but we cannot respond. If you think we are not paying attention or do not care, we do care – this is the way it has to be done.

## **ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION**

### **General**

Approval of Agreement with Classified Bargaining Unit, Reopeners for 2015/16 – ***Appendix D***

The District and the California School Employees Association (CSEA) have reached an Agreement as a result of the 2015/16 reopener negotiations.

Revisions have been made to Article 2 (Hours of Employment), Article 3 (Pay and Allowances), Article 19 (Classification/Reclassification), and Appendix C (Bargaining Unit Salary Schedule). The salary schedule shall be raised by six point zero seven percent (6.07%).

Provisions of the Agreement dated May 18, 2015 shall become effective on July 1, 2015 pending approval by both parties. (See Appendix D).

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos and seconded by Dr. Garvin to approve the agreement. The motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

### **Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators – Resolution #24-2014-2015**

The Board of Trustees of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District certifies that there is an insufficient number of certificated persons who meet the state’s specified credential criteria and hereby approves the attached Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators. The District will ensure that these instructors are provided support within their respective departments and are working towards full credential certification.

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos and seconded by Mr. Palera to approve Resolution #24-2014-2015. The motion carried with a 4-0 roll call vote.

Roll Call Vote:

Mr. Tognazzini	Yes
Dr. Garvin	Yes
Dr. Karamitsos	Yes
Ms. Perez	Absent
Mr. Palera	Yes

### **Realignment of Management Salary Schedule**

The district administration met to consider and evaluate the realignment of the management employees’ salary schedule. The administration is recommending realignment of 2 positions as follows effective for the 2015/16 school year.

<b>Current Classification</b>	<b>Current Range</b>	<b>Recommended Classification</b>	<b>Recommended Range</b>
Assistant Director of Human Resources	6	Human Resources Manager	8
Transportation Manager	5	Same	6

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos and seconded by Dr. Garvin to approve the realignment of the salary schedule. The motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

## **Renew/Amend Agreements for Assistant Superintendents - *Appendix E***

The current agreements with the Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources and the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum expire June 30, 2015. The new agreements will be effective July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018. The Agreements have been updated to reflect previous increases since their last Agreements and brings all three Assistant Superintendents into alignment.

The current agreement with the Assistant Superintendent of Business Services allows for an annual adjustment to mileage. An addendum is recommended to increase the monthly mileage allowance to \$350 which will bring all three Assistant Superintendents into alignment.

A motion was made by Mr. Palera and seconded by Dr. Garvin to approve the renewed/amended agreements with the three Assistant Superintendents. The motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

## **Strategic Plan Update**

In January 2015, the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District convened the Local Accountability Plan (LCAP) Committee for the purpose of revision and alignment of the district's strategic plan to the LCAP and to provide recommendations to district staff for the creation of the 2015-2016 Local Control Accountability Plan.

The committee was comprised of 46 stakeholders representing parents, students, teachers, staff, administration, community groups, partner school districts, and DLAC/Migrant Parent Groups. The committee recommended revisions to the strategic goals that would facilitate alignment with the three state mandated areas of focus in the LCAP: Conditions of Learning, Student Outcomes, and Engagement. This information was consolidated by facilitator, James Brown, and redistributed to the committee for input.

The update is available to view online at [www.smjuhsd.k12.ca.us](http://www.smjuhsd.k12.ca.us).

A motion was made by Dr. Garvin and seconded by Dr. Karamitsos to approve the Strategic Plan as presented. The motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

## **Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)**

The Board was asked to hold a Public Hearing and receive comments on the district LCAP. The district began the LCAP process with a 46 member committee. The draft information was then distributed via "blog" for comment from committee members. The draft plan was shared with the following groups for input: Site Associated Student Body Officers, District Migrant Parent Advisory Committee, Site English Learner Advisory Committees, Site Parent Advisory Committees, Districtwide Staff Blog, Faculty Association, and CSEA.

Dr. Richardson explained that the plan went from 19 pages long originally to 125 pages long. It is a living document and will have changes. If you see the plan in February – it may change in June for approval. Another significant change is the midyear review on the budget. The amount either goes up or down. We have to make sure we adjust accordingly and we have the right amount. It is a new process. He is excited that we had 46 members to come together to work on the plan. We haven't worked out all the bugs yet. We are trying our best to get input from everyone. It is a work in progress. The board has seen the plan and had an opportunity to review it. The great thing about the LCFF for our district is that we are talking about how to spend money (not to cut it). First time we are getting money for students that sorely need it in a significant way. It will enable us to hire teachers and classified and provide services for students that need it. He appreciates everyone's help along the way. We hope that we continue to get the money and continue to write the plan and we will get better at it with each year.

Mr. Tognazzini wanted to clarify that the difference (\$2 million) for the revise (increase) was the mid-year budget. Dr. Richardson said yes and explained that they were able to put more into the plan that they originally had to take out. Mr. Tognazzini thanked him for the clarification and opened the public hearing for public comment.

Tami Contreras: She spoke as a parent/employee (not as CSEA President); she wanted to speak on the Early Academic Outreach Counselor. One of her concerns is that we have counselors on campus and other personnel to help students. We have a lot of those resources already. College was not discussed in her home, her idea was to get married, have children. Fortunately, in eighth grade, she was able to go to Poly Royal (first time to know what college was). Because she got to go visit that college – it changed her vision. She graduated from Cal Poly. She is a mom of four and wishes we could take kids to the colleges (from her own experience). The bigger bang for our buck would be to take them to UCSB; to take them to Cal Poly. The kids do not know much outside of the community. She wants the district to take some of the money and put the students on college campuses.

No other comments were made so Mr. Tognazzini closed the public hearing and opened it up for board members.

Dr. Karamitsos had questions on the LCAP:

- Goal 1: Would like to see if we hold specific contracts with those programs, she would like the length of the contracts listed in the plan. Those people from outside education need to know what these programs are. Need to include the interaction between using those different programs. I.e. Edviate Training Software – is it being used by individual teachers or do they get to have collaborative time to look at how they are utilizing programs.
- Goal 4: We talk a lot about counseling and support services. Want to make sure we pay attention to our psychologist staffing. It is insufficiently staffed in the public arena

and she does not want our project to be short staffed. A lot of mental health issues are coming to light as teenagers.

- Support in extracurricular activities. Excited we can support students and reduce fundraising. Would like it to be spelled out more clearly in the plan. Dr. Richardson commented that it has been discussed with the athletic directors.
- Attention to Attendance Software Information – Does it trigger an automatic letter and is it an outside service?
  - Steve Molina - This is one of the systems we will be using to help inform our staff in the process. What we do now is very labor intensive and this will give us an automated process and give us more time to give the students personal attention and come up with a prevention program. If a student misses two days in a row – it lets counselors know. It also helps with the SARB process. It is an outside agency that will process the letters.
  - Mark Richardson – A2A is an automated system that lets us run specific reports for us and automates notifications home to our parents.
  - Pete Flores – It is making the service more efficient and will minimize the backlog; allowing us to have interventions sooner.
  - Mr. Molina added that he, Mr. Flores, Mr. Hutton, and Mr. Dickinson all had a training on A2A. It is not going to take jobs away.
- Fighting Back Santa Maria Valley, Foster Youth Liaison - She knows it is a new process but would like to know how the process is going with FBSMV and our staff working with Foster Youth. Edwin Weaver, Director of FBSMV explained the new process and how that interface is going with FBSMV staffing and on site staffing. FBSMV does not want to duplicate services. They have three counselors (one at SM, one at PVHS, one at ERHS with one day at Delta). Their staff addresses the needs of the foster students. They are also on campus to assist with conflict resolution services for the students. They work hard with the other staff to make sure they are not overstepping.

Dr. Garvin commented on foster youth in the district. These youngsters need extra support; graduation rate is 52% in the state. They move around a lot and are not connected to anything. There is now a support group at Righetti. Hoping this is part of it. I hope we are embracing this internally as a district. These youngsters are far needier than other students.

- Mr. Weaver explained that the first job is to recognize the student and triage. They go after the students with the highest risk. They worked with a student that had nothing (and no family support) and were able to get him a phone, a job and he is finishing school. They are able to spend outside monies because you have invested in FBSMV in helping foster kids.

Dr. Garvin commented on the LCAP and the list of people that were involved in this. Our DELAC parents went from 25 to 150. As he looked through the document he looked at the tremendous amount of outreach. He hopes the parents are being recruited and participating in these training sessions. This is an outstanding document. Very excited about the new programs and my hat is off to everyone involved.

Mr. Palera thanked Dr. Richardson for the information on the document ahead of time.

The plan is available on the district's website.

### **Public Hearing to “Sunshine” the SMJUHSD Faculty Association Proposal – *Appendix F***

At the May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting, the SMJUHSD Faculty Association presented their initial bargaining proposal to the district, for acceptance by the board and public review. A public hearing is required at this time to provide an opportunity for members of the public to directly address the Board on this topic.

A public hearing was held and no comments were made. The public hearing was closed.

### **INSTRUCTION**

#### **Textbook Review**

The following textbook was presented to the Board of Education for preview. This textbook is aligned with the common core.

*SMHS English Department / Chris Kohler*

Title: Literature Y Composition  
Author: Jago, Shea, Scanlon, Aufses  
Publisher: Bedford/St. Martin  
Copyright: 2011

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos and seconded by Dr. Garvin to preview the textbook and approve it upon the second reading at the next board meeting. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

### **BUSINESS**

#### **Approval of Salary Increase for Confidential, Classified Management and Certificated Management**

Administration is proposing the same increase given to the classified bargaining unit for non-bargaining unit members which consist of confidential, classified management and certificated management employees. The proposed increase is 6.07% effective July 1, 2015.

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos and seconded by Dr. Garvin to approve the salary increase as presented. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0.



## **Approval of the Transition Partnership Program for 2015/16 through 2017/18**

District administration recommended that the Board approve administration to enter into a standard agreement with the State of California, Department of Rehabilitation for the three-year period, and effective 2015/16 through 2017/18.

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos and seconded by Dr. Garvin to approve the agreement with the Department of Rehabilitation for the Transition Partnership Program. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

## **Award of Bid for Santa Maria High School – Slurry Seal/Concrete – Areas I, O, H, N, B-B; Pioneer Valley High School – Slurry Seal – Area C Project #12-128.4**

The administration opened bids on June 1, 2015 for the SANTA MARIA HIGH SCHOOL – SLURRY SEAL / CONCRETE –AREAS I, O, H, N, B-B; PIONEER VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL – SLURRY SEAL – AREA C PROJECT #12-128.4. The bid recap and administrative recommendation follows:

BIDDER	BASE BID
CalPortland Construction	\$275,800.00
Souza Construction	\$282,850.00
R. Burke Corporation	\$351,180.00

After review of the three bids received by administration, CalPortland Construction was determined to be the initial apparent low bid; however two irregularities were identified in their bid package: failure to complete the required Re-cycled Content Certification and the Asbestos Free Certification. The second lowest bidder was Souza Construction, Inc. who provided a complete bid package as specified.

Mr. Tognazzini asked where Souza Construction is located. Mr. Wuitschick said they are out of San Luis Obispo.

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos and seconded by Mr. Palera to award the bid to Souza Construction, Inc. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

## **AWARD OF BID FOR SANTA MARIA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT BULK FUEL – BID #14-15-001**

District administration opened bids on June 1, 2015 for the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District Bulk Fuel – Bid #14-15-001. The bid recap and administrative recommendation follows:

Bidder	Bid
J.B. Dewar, Inc.	Unit Price of Gasoline and Diesel Over the Oil Price Information Service (OPIS) Daily Gallon Price <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gasoline 21,000 gal./yr. @ \$0.1475</li> <li>• Diesel 48,000 gal./yr. @ \$0.1475</li> </ul>
Silvas Oil Company, Inc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gasoline 21,000 gal./yr. @ \$0.159</li> <li>• Diesel 48,000 gal./yr. @ \$0.159</li> </ul>

After reviewing the bid(s) received by administration, J.B. Dewar, Inc. was determined to be the apparent low bidder.

A motion was made by Dr. Karamitsos and seconded by Dr. Garvin to award the bid to J.B. Dewar, Inc. The motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

**Budget Hearing for Fiscal Year 2015/2016 – Appendix C**

A summary of the proposed budget for 2015/2016 was presented as Appendix C for consideration by the Board of Education. Due to the new requirements with LCFF and LCAP, adoption will occur at the June 17<sup>th</sup> meeting. The budget information is available on the district website.

Brenda Hoff explained that the district is engaged in a process of implementing a new system in the County (called Escape). The adopted budget is a lot of work. She acknowledged the work of Budget Manager, Mary Andrade. It is a living document and a lot changed in May with the Governor’s Revised Budget. The LCFF went up by over \$10 million. The LCFF funding accounts for 84% of our revenue. We are required by law (due to high population of EL, Foster Students and Low Income) to offer the services outlined in the LCAP.

Ms. Hoff presented a PowerPoint and shared charts with the Adopted Budget Total Revenue Summary, the LCFF Funding Trend, the Total Expense Summary, the Fund Balance, General Fund and the SB 858 Reserve Requirement Calculations and Disclosures. She spoke about the changes and increases in revenues and increases in STRS for retirees, employees and the district.

Dr. Karamitsos told Ms. Hoff that she does a fabulous job at spelling it all out into language that is understandable. She thanked her for her hard work.

Mr. Tognazzini agreed and opened the public hearing for comments. There were no public comments. The public hearing was closed.

**Public Hearing for Potential New Center for Career Technical Education and Applied Agricultural Sciences Project Pursuant to California Environment Quality Act**

The District prepared an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) to evaluate the New Center for Career Technical Education and Applied Agricultural Sciences Project Pursuant to California Environment Quality Act (CEQA). A Notice of Intent to Prepare a MND was filed on May 7, 2015, establishing a 30-day public review period for public agencies and interested persons to submit written comments. No comments were received. The declaration was available for viewing at the District Support Services Center and on the District webpage. Any comments received will be included as public record. A public hearing was required.

A public hearing was held and no comments were made. The public hearing was closed.

### **CONSENT ITEMS**

A motion was made by Dr. Garvin to approve all consent items as presented. It was seconded by Dr. Karamitsos with a question about Reading Plus. Is it online? Mr. Davis answered yes, it was. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

### **REPORTS FROM EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATIONS**

Tami Contreras/CSEA: They approved the conclusions of their reopeners. She wanted to reiterate of really wanting to be a part of the LCAP process. They had members included in the January meeting but as different changes are made we would like to be consulted and part of the conversation. She asked that the district get all the input and have all the collaboration; otherwise it is just checking a box. The intention is to meet with everyone and get the valuable input and move forward and making everyone feel they are part of the process and this will make the district even better than it is.

Clint Hinkle/Faculty Association: He agrees on following up on the LCAP. It would be nice to be included in the conversation. Of the 20 grievances that they have brought to the district, four of them have went to the final step of arbitration. Each arbitration has 3 days set aside for it.

Mark Goodman/Faculty Association: Went to state council which has 750 members (district representatives) that meet four times a year. Sue Savins is the representative for the district and he attended it with her the last time. The LCAP was discussed. CTA Director, Joe Nunez worked with Mr. Brown (on developing Prop 30 and the LCAP) – their idea of meaningful consultation was a little different than what they have experienced. FA had 6 days set aside for arbitration but the district was not able to do that. They have 6 to 8 people on his team and have a date for Mr. Marsh and will work with him after this. When they bring information to the district and board on tablet training, survey on morale, survey on site needs, early outs and general teacher voice, lashing out at the person bringing the information isn't positive. They bring it because they think that the board can take a more positive approach and take the information and incorporate it into a more functional organization.

## **OPEN SESSION PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Zachary Lotshaw – Spoke about student concerns and the schedule. He feels teachers are being harassed by administration.

Lauren Hunt – Spoke about student voice. She feels the district does not listen to the voice of the students. She is a student and she will always have a voice.

Gerardo Nevarez – He was the SMHS Student Board Rep for 2014/15. He spoke about student voice. He spoke about having all three graduations at the same time. He feels that students should have had input on it.

Catherine Boyle – She recognized Shelly Klein for receiving her doctorate. Dr. Klein has over 25 years of teaching experience and has worked diligently as a mentor and presenting at conferences. She has worked on TOSA, QEIA, SSC, BTSA, Advising Clubs, SDM, CTA, AAUW, and many other committees within the educational arena.

Jose Luis Castellanos – He spoke about the intimidation of board members through texting.

Johnny Fonseca – He is a junior from Arizona State and a member of PCIC. He spoke about the teacher's impact on students. He spoke about the numbers of students going to college in our district and having students be active in the community.

Juan Fonseca – He is a PVHS parent and PCIC president. They want to be part of the negotiations table. He said they support the Superintendent, the Board, and great teachers. He wants to be a parent on the LCAP process. He feels that the faculty leadership is acting unprofessional and that some teachers at SMHS are motivating the students in political activities instead of teaching them.

Arnulfo Romero – He is president of PCIC. It was never their intention to put the trigger law into effect but did it so the parents would have a voice. Union leaders met with them on two occasions. PCIC approves and supports the public negotiations and wants them to happen as soon as possible and wants to be part of the negotiations. He told the board to keep working as they have. He thanked Dr. Richardson and Mr. Tognazzini for bringing the truth to the SM Times.

Francisco Lozano – He was glad to be part of the audience (not part of the problem). The solution is going to bring better and newer things to our students. He was very proud to see some students at the meeting. He knows that it has to start at home with his own kid but also come to the community to help. He asks everyone to open your hearts and open your minds. He congratulated Mr. Flores on his new position. He welcomed Mr. Diaz and hopes he is part of the collaboration with the children.

Morgan Hunt – She gave her speaking time to Lauren Hunt, the Editor-in-Chief of the SM Breeze Newspaper. Lauren said she has received negative comments on the stories that were published. This information is a reflection of student voice and student concern. Students are old enough to form their own opinions. This is the main avenue. The teachers have not brainwashed them. Please consider the student voice and make sure that everyone is involved and everyone has a voice.

Karen Draper - She shared a personal story that happened. She teaches students that are on the verge of not graduating. A young man had been working so hard and was ready to give up. She nagged him. He is graduating and was very sad. He told her that his family has to make a choice between his cousin (graduating from Pioneer) and his own graduation.

He may not be the recipient of the support and she asks that you consider a different schedule for next year.

Daxton Balzer – He thanked Carol Karamitsos and Diana Perez for coming to the site to listen to teacher voice. He spoke about the mandate of the SAS class and the LCFF. PVHS lost two CTE courses (due to the SAS classes). He suggested that the district increase the graduation requirements.

Kristen Kent – She teaches biology at PVHS (since it opened). She spoke about improving student learning conditions. She appreciates that Dr. Karamitsos and Ms. Perez visited the campus. She appreciates the comment about us vs. them. She spoke about the 7 period day and the increase of class size to 36 students. She feels that PVHS students were better served by block schedules. It is not safe to have 36 students in each class (there are fire, scalpels, etc.) and the higher class size increase risks.

Elizabeth Bautista – She is a student and is not representing the whole student body or the teachers. She spoke about issues at school and came for some answers. She is not on any particular side. She likes her teachers. She sees parents harassing teachers and teachers harassing parents. She has heard rumors about a charter school. She said that everyone should work together and everyone is being closed minded about it.

Francisca Vargas – She came to speak about Gradnite at Disneyland. Her daughter was able to go but many students were not able to. A bus was cancelled and many students that have never been to Disneyland were not able to go. This hurt her as a parent. She wanted to see if the board could do something about it so it doesn't happen again.

Lauren Paxton – She is a teacher at SMHS (and advisor of Yearbook and the Breeze). She spoke about student voice. She was told by a parent that she does not care for her students. She puts in long days putting the Breeze together and has put in countless hours. Teachers are working hard and they need your support (all of them).

## **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 July 14, 2015. 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. Mr. Tognazzini announced that there will be a Special Board Meeting June 17at at 11:00 a.m.

## **FUTURE REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS FOR 2015**

Tuesday, August 4, 2015  
Tuesday, September 8, 2015

Tuesday, October 13, 2015

Tuesday, November 10, 2015  
Tuesday, December 8, 2015

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 p.m.