

**SANTA MARIA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL
DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Special Meeting
March 31, 2020
6:30 p.m. Open Session**

The Santa Maria Joint Union High School District mission is, "We prepare all learners to become productive citizens and college/career ready by providing challenging learning experiences and establishing high expectations for achievement."

This meeting is being conducted pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 issued by California Governor Gavin Newsom on March 17, 2020. Consistent with these orders the Board room will not be open to the public for this meeting. Any or all Board members may attend the meeting by phone or videoconference platform. Archives of meetings are available on the District's website at www.smjuhsd.k12.ca.us.

This meeting can be attended on-line by joining a Zoom meeting at 6:30 p.m. on March 31, 2020 at <https://zoom.us/>. When joining, please use this meeting code: 473 974 485

The District is committed to swiftly resolving any requests for reasonable modification or accommodation for individuals with disabilities who wish to observe the meeting, please contact Tammy Rhine at (805) 922-4573, extension 4202 by noon on March 31, 2020.

I. OPEN SESSION

A. Call to Order/Flag Salute

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

If you would like to address the SMJUHS Board of Education at the March 31, 2020 special meeting, please be reminded that, since this is a special meeting of the Board, comments will be limited to only items that appear on the agenda.

There are two options for participation:

1. In writing: Submit your comment via email, limited to 250 words or less, to the Assistant to the Superintendent, Tammy Rhine, by 4:00 p.m. on March 31, 2020. The email address is SMJUHS-D-Public-Comment@smjuhsd.org.

2. By phone: If you would like to make a comment by phone, please call 805-922-4573, extension 4202 and state your name and phone number. You will be called between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. on March 31, 2020. Request for addressing the Board by phone must be received by 4:00 p.m. on March 31, 2020. Please note: The time limit to address the Board may not exceed two minutes. The Board is not required to respond to the Public Comment.

III. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

1. Approve Resolution Delegating Authority to Take Necessary Action to Protect Students and Staff from the Spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19)– Resolution Number 14-2019-2020

Resource Person: Antonio Garcia, Superintendent

Resolution Number 14-2019-2020 gives the Superintendent authorization to take any and all actions necessary to ensure the continuation of public education and the health and safety of District students and staff, including the authority to make decisions concerning the internal operations of the District and to close District programs and facilities in consultation with or at the direction of the county office of education and/or public health officials.

***** IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT** the Board of Education approve Resolution Number 14-2019-2020.

Moved _____

Second _____

A Roll Call Vote is Required:

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

SANTA MARIA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

GOVERNING BOARD

RESOLUTION NO. 14-2019-2020

**RESOLUTION DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO TAKE NECESSARY
ACTION TO PROTECT STUDENTS AND STAFF FROM THE
SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)**

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a statewide emergency arising from the coronavirus (COVID-19).

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Governor Newsom issued an executive order directing Californians to cancel large public gatherings and to enforce social distancing; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a State of Emergency due to the outbreak and spread of a coronavirus (COVID-19).

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the City of Santa Maria declared a state of emergency arising from the coronavirus (COVID-19).

WHEREAS, Article I, Section 28, of the California Constitution declares that “[a]ll students and staff of public, primary, elementary, junior high, and senior high school . . . have the inalienable right to attend campuses which are safe, secure and peaceful.”; and

WHEREAS, Education Code section 35161 permits the Board of Education to delegate to the Superintendent broad authority to carry on activities and programs including the expenditure of funds for programs and activities which, in the determination of the Board of Education and the Superintendent are necessary to meet the needs of the District to address the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and which are not inconsistent with the purposes for which the funds were appropriated; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the Board hereby declares the existence of an ongoing public health emergency within the county arising from the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED the Superintendent is delegated authority to take all appropriate action to respond to the coronavirus (Covid-19) pandemic, including, but not limited to, any action:

- A. To ensure and protect the welfare, safety and educational well-being of all students;
- B. To cancel or modify any activities, programs, or courses, up to and including the continuing closure of schools and program sites.

- C. To protect District property.
- D. To declare an emergency pursuant to Government Code § 3100 et seq., and to assign District employees (in their capacity as disaster service workers) to perform such disaster service activities as may be assigned to them;
- E. To make further declarations of emergency and to take emergency action as permitted by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that should any portion of this Resolution be held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this Resolution are declared to be severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED that this Resolution is an emergency measure within the mandate and jurisdiction of the Board and is necessary for the immediate welfare of the schools and pupils thereof. Therefore, this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption and shall remain in effect until repealed by formal Board action.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the following vote of the Board of Education of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District, County of Santa Barbara, State of California on March 31, 2020.

A Roll Call Vote is required:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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

IV. NEXT MEETING DATE

Unless otherwise announced, the next regular meeting will be held on April 7, 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.

V. ADJOURN
