

**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
SANTA MARIA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District was held in the Support Services Center on April 17, 2013, with a closed session at 5:30 p.m. and open session at 6:30 p.m. Members present: Karamitsos, Tognazzini, Walsh, Garvin. Absent: Reece

Open Session

Dr. Karamitsos called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Public Comments on Closed Session Items

Stacia Malm, SMHS employee, reported that staff is concerned about inappropriate remarks directed at an employee at the March 20 SDM meeting at SMHS. She asked about the recommendations approved at the March 13 board meeting which allow parents equity on the SDM committee. Does that approval allow parents to publicly humiliate district employees? She reported that an employee was verbally attacked three times by a parent representative. Negative comments about the employee were made at SDM meetings which resulted in that employee receiving a sub-standard evaluation with an improvement plan that was not tracked, setting up the employee for failure. It was noted that an administrator present did nothing to stop the comments.

Mr. Cooper, SMHS teacher, organized a parent/teacher forum on March 26. The purpose of the forum was to create a team-like approach for both sides; to dissolve animosity and reduce inaccurate perceptions. The actions of parent(s) attacking employees are counter-productive to that effort and do not build teamwork and representation of building peaceful relationships.

The Board was asked about a parent remark to keep the focus on student needs, not district employees. Mrs. Malm agrees that parent training is needed and asked that professional standards be part of SDM. Providing guidelines to parents for dealing professionally at meetings would be beneficial for all—classified were provided an ethics handout. She asked about a comment made by Mr. Galvan at last month's Board meeting about change at SMHS – does this mean employees can be singled out? She asked for the Board's support and looks forward to continue to share future concerns. Mrs. Malm asked that the Board investigate complaints/negative comments as they may not always have all the information.

Dr. Karamitsos adjourned the meeting to closed session at 5:45 p.m. and reconvened for open session was at 6:45 p.m. Raul Macias, SMHS Board Representative led the flag salute.

Announce Closed Session Items:

Superintendent Richardson reported on the following closed session items:

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Student Matters – Education Code Sections 35146 & 48918. The Board approved expulsions/suspended expulsion(s) and/or and requests for re-admission as presented.

Certificated and Classified Personnel Actions. The Board approved personnel actions as presented.

Conference with Labor Negotiators. The Board was updated on negotiations with the Faculty Association (California Teachers Association) and the California School Employees Association (CSEA).

Conference with Real Property Negotiations. The Board was updated on property negotiations.

Items Scheduled for Information

Superintendent's Report

Strategic Planning Update

Dr. Richardson reported on the Strategic Planning meeting held on April 15 and the work and goals of the committee. The meeting was held at Santa Maria Energy, formerly Café FX. A PowerPoint showing the names of participants (site principal, classified and certificated representatives, students, and parent participants) was provided. Representatives from three main feeder districts, Allan Hancock College, County Education Office and community members are also part of the committee. Jim Brown, former superintendent of Lompoc School District led the five groups to help move the process along. Mr. Brown also works for Pivot Learning and Leadership Associates. District staff members served as the facilitators.

The presentation also included the agenda items for the day. The groups studied the internal scan (district information) and external scan (direction of world, education system). The groups developed a student profile— what a successful district graduate would look like. They also developed a district profile — what a high performing district would look like. Dr. Richardson and his Cabinet will consolidate the data gathered at the April 15 meeting and send to committee members along with other student profile and district profile samples prior to the May 6 meeting.

Following are the topics for the May 6 meeting: Developing Strategic Goals, Identifying Key Strategies for each Goal, Progress Indicators for Goals and Strategies, Vision Statement, Mission Statement, and Reviewing Core Values and Beliefs. Some of the items will be addressed by the committee and some by the writing team.

Once the process has been completed it will be brought to the June board meeting as a draft. Dr. Richardson said the goal is to have the plan approved at the July or August board meeting.

Board Member Graduation Assignments

Dr. Karamitsos, Dr. Walsh, Mr. Tognazzini, and Dr. Garvin will attend all graduations. Dr. Reece was absent.

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June 5	Delta	2:00 p.m.	Delta
June 7	Righetti	11:30 a.m.	Warrior Stadium
June 7	Santa Maria	2:00 p.m.	R. Baldiviez Stadium
June 7	Pioneer Valley	5:00 p.m.	Panther Stadium

Principal Reports

Shanda Herrera, PVHS Principal, is proud of the Ag department at PVHS. Mr. Guerra's FFA students explained to the audience how they benefit from being a part of FFA and they thanked the Board for their support of the program. Students brought in flower bowls for each board member to show their appreciation. Tyler Dickinson, PVHS graduate and currently enrolled at Cal Poly still participates in the 5 year FFA program. He is glad to be part of a great program. He thanked the advisors and the school board for their support of the program.

Steve Molina, ERHS Principal, introduced Eric Blanco. Mr. Blanco spoke about the bully button which was inspired by a California counselor. It has been in place at RHS since last April and has approximately 16,000 views. The bully button helps schools and the district stay in compliance with AB 9 "Seth's Law" which went in affect in 2012. This feature allows students a way to report bullying anonymously and for schools to track all incoming reports. Mr. Blanco reported that one of goals at a Guidance Summit he attended was to increase the use of school websites. Using technology allows family, students and staff a way to stay connected to schools. It helps engage parents and allows them to learn of school activities and events. (www.twitter.com/erhsguidance)

A Board member asked about adding Spanish language applications which Mr. Blanco will research. Board members thanked Mr. Blanco for his leadership and effort in placing the Bully Button on websites as well as other links to keep parents informed of RHS activities and events.

Joe Domingues, SMHS Principal, thanked his teachers for their efforts in searching for grants to enhance student achievement. Miguel Gonzales, Barbara Johnston, and Patty Wagner were honored at the 2013 Grant Recognition Dinner in March. The event was sponsored by Santa Barbara County Education Office. Marianne Angel also received a grant to study in France this summer.

Esther Prieto-Chaves introduced math teacher, Justin Fraser. Mr. Fraser is working on a project to find ways to engage students not only in math, but in reading, writing, and other skills needed to be successful. His students are working on making a video game called The Frozen Sword. Mr. Fraser and his students are fundraising on Kickstarter.com. To date, \$4,410 has been donated to help fund the video— a professional musician is composing music for the game. To show the student's work, Mr. Fraser showed a clip of the video. Mrs. Chavez added that the Delta staff is helping Mr. Fraser and his students by providing ideas and support. A story about this project was featured in The Sun. Mrs. Prieto-Chavez presented Mr. Fraser a certificate of recognition for his efforts.

Student Reports: Daisy Cervantes-Soria, Delta; Raul Macias, Santa Maria; Stephany Rubio, Pioneer Valley; and Tyland Towne, Righetti. School highlights:

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PVHS: Junior, Courtney Tompkins, placed 3rd for girls' wrestling; ASB's new executive board interviewed applicants for next school year; class officers and executives are in place; Spring Fair was a success, annual CST pool party to reward students that scored higher than average on one of their standardized was held; twelve students went to the California Association of Student Leaders in San Jose, PVHS was recognized for efforts on raising money to build a water well in Kenya; and five students went to Los Angeles for the California State Science Fair— the first time Santa Maria has participated.

SMHS: Annual Spring Fair held; collected \$1,467.41 for Pennies for Patients, Spirit Week with emphasis on STAR testing; administration hosted a STAR test rally; AVID 2013 students attended Los Angeles area universities; AVID 2014 students are planning a trip to colleges and universities; AVID 2015 students visited UCLA and UC Long Beach; AVID 2016 students raised over \$600 in car wash; Cinco de Mayo rally is planned; Choir members attended a Cal Poly Art performance; Close-Up Washington fundraiser; a parent/student meeting held concerning current questions/issues; the GSA club participated on "Day of Silence; band attended Band-o-Rama; French Club had a trip to PCPA theater; Ballet Folklorico competed in Huntington Beach; Las Comadres club is creating a school garden; Fellowship of Christian Athletes participated in "Serve Santa Maria Valley"; Alpine club organized another day trip; CSF finished their can food drive; American Red Cross fundraised over \$100 at the Spring Fair; Teen Success club to SB zoo; Spanish Honor Society will volunteer at Sanchez Elementary; FBLA students participated in Highway I clean-up; Domestic Violence Solutions is invited to SHARe the Word meeting; Marine Science club field trip to Monterey Bay Aquarium; nutrition club is planning an elementary school nutrition presentation; Class of 2013 is planning prom; Class of 2014 is planning class events and fundraisers; Class of 2015 is selling Jamba Juice after school; and Saints Varsity club visited local elementary schools during Reading Across America day.

Delta: Dragon battle on March 15 – Leprechaun Obstacle Race; Boxhead Showdown on April 5; Spirit Week March 25-28: Decades Day; Teachers Impersonation Day, PJ Day; final Blood Drive on May 10; grad night tickets have been sold and graduates are departing on May 17 with RHS; annual senior BBQ is on May 31 for all graduating juniors and seniors; Presenters who spoke with Career Exploration students include: Robert Wagner, Universal Institute; Hayden McDevitt-Kuntz, Driscoll Berries; and James DesGrange, Air Force.

Reports from Employee Organizations

Tami Contreras, First Vice President for CSEA, reported that negotiations are in process. She is enjoying the new committee and feels that employees are being heard. Articles related to monetary and health benefits will be addressed after the May Revise. The CSEA State Recognition banquet will be held at Santa Barbara City College. Two districts employees (only two from California) will receive union steward jackets. Mrs. Contreras feels fortunate to be part of the Strategic Planning Committee and the process. She would like board members to attend as there are great conversations taking place as well as issues classified employees are facing. Budget cuts over the years which have resulted in some classified positions not being filled; those responsibilities fall on other classified employees. It is frustrating for employees when they are criticized for jobs they are performing while being pulled in many directions. Some have received poor evaluations and have been criti-

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cized in public forums for jobs they should not be doing.

Lisa Walters, Faculty Association Representative, shared a message about working for the collective good with no personal benefit. The message was about a plan for a water well to be built in Ecuador which came to a standstill, but eventually was built because of people helping other people.

Ms. Walters shared a suggestion made by SMHS parents about scheduling an open meeting at SMHS. The meeting would be with the principal, one board member, and the superintendent. Ms. Walters said parents feel that they are not being heard.

Board Member Reports

A Tri-County Coalition meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 19 in Goleta. Former State Superintendent Jack O'Connell and Congresswoman Lois Capps will speak about the latest education news. Some of the topics will include insights on the Governor's budget, locally controlled funding formula, and Common Core Assessment System.

The Board agreed with the positive comments about the Strategic Planning meeting held on April 15. The commitment of the participants is much appreciated and the Board anticipates positive outcomes. Members of the audience were thanked for their attendance and their engagement in our high school system.

Items Scheduled for Action

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 April 2013 on the Williams Uniform Complaints for the months of January- March 2013. Mr. John Davis, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction, 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 held with no comments from the public.

A motion was made by Dr. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Tognazzini and carried with a 4-0 vote to approve the Quarterly Report on Williams Uniform Complaints as presented.

Student Off-Campus Lunch Incentive for CST Achievement

Santa Maria High School Administration requested board approval for a three day student off-campus lunchtime privilege for those students who scored Proficient or Advanced in two or more subjects on the 2012 "California Standard Tests" (CST). Mr. John Davis stated that this request is not unusual; other districts offer many types of incentives.

One board member did not approve of the off-campus lunchtime privilege. He supports a closed campus to ensure that students have a safe place to be during the school day. He is also concerned about outside influences when students are off campus. A closed campus also keeps non-students from coming on campus. He added that the Santa Maria Po-

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lice Department also supports a closed campus.

Mr. Domingues reported that only students who have met the criteria are eligible for the off campus privilege and only about 150 students return permission slips, much less than the number of students eligible. There have been no previous problems reported during the last two years. Mr. Domingues said SMHS will look at other alternatives to reward students for the next school year. A board member encouraged Mr. Domingues to consider other privileges for next year.

A motion was made by Dr. Garvin, seconded by Dr. Walsh and carried with a 3-1 vote to approve the three day student off-campus lunchtime privilege. Mr. Tognazzini voted against the request.

General

Reduction in Force for Classified Staff

Per the CSEA labor agreement, bus routes are selected at the end of 20 school days. As a result of the routes established this school year, the district must reduce certain classified positions for the beginning of next school year. Tracy Marsh, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, explained that this reduction takes place every year. Bus drivers are guaranteed 4 hours per day, however, some routes require more time which initiates a bidding process at the beginning of each school year. Resolution No. 21-2012-2013 allows the district to return all drivers to a four hour position, establish bus routes and prepare for the bidding process for the coming year.

A motion was made by Dr. Walsh, seconded by Dr. Garvin and carried with a 4-0 roll call vote to approve Resolution No. 21-2012-2013 which authorizes the administration to proceed with the recommended reduction in classified staff.

ROLL CALL:

Dr. Karamitsos	Yes
Dr. Reece	Absent
Dr. Walsh	Yes
Mr. Tognazzini	Yes
Dr. Garvin	Yes

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SANTA MARIA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NUMBER 21-2012-2013

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF REDUCTION OF CLASSIFIED SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Superintendent recommends and the Board finds it is in the best interest of the District that certain services now being provided by the District be reduced due to lack of work or lack of funds to the following extent:

Number of Positions	Classification	Disposition
13	Bus Drivers (total of 8.5 hours)	Reduce to 4 hour minimum/driver

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Superintendent is authorized and directed to issue a Notice of Layoff to the affected classified employee(s) of the District pursuant to California Education Code §45117 no later than 60 days prior to the effective date of the layoff for lack of work or lack of funds resulting from the reduction of services as set forth above.

This resolution, proposed by Board Member Dr. Walsh, and seconded by Board Member Dr. Garvin, was passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District of Santa Barbara County, California, on April 17, 2013, by the following vote:

ROLL CALL

AYES: Karamitsos, Walsh, Tognazzini, Garvin
NOES:
ABSENT: Reece

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Business

Public Hearing to Receive and Expend Educational Protection Account (“EPA”) Funds

Educational Protection Account “EPA” funds result from the passage of Proposition 30, temporary taxes to fund education. Mrs. Yolanda Ortiz, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, explained that this is not new money— this money is due to a cut that was avoided with the passage of Proposition 30. As part of the requirements of the law, the money raised from the taxes was to be set aside in an “EPA” account.

The California Department of Education has notified school districts that EPA funds will be disbursed to districts in June 2013. The CDE has estimated that our District’s EPA funds will amount to \$8,979,874. Prior to spending the funds, districts are required to hold a public meeting to discuss and approve the use of the EPA funds. Mrs. Ortiz added that money may not be spent on administrative expenses. Administration proposed that the EPA funds be used for employee salaries, wages, and benefits in the functions deemed allowable under the law, for the months of April, May, and June 2013. As part of the District’s year end closing process, a report showing the expenditure of the EPA funds is required to be posted on the District’s website. A public hearing was held with no public comments.

A motion was made by Dr. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Tognazzini and carried with a 4-0 roll call vote to approve Resolution No. 22-2012-2013 regarding the use of EPA funding.

Roll Call:

Dr. Karamitsos	Yes
Dr. Reece	Absent
Dr. Walsh	Yes
Mr. Tognazzini	Yes
Dr. Garvin	Yes

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RESOLUTION NUMBER 22-2012-2013

RECEIVE AND EXPEND EDUCATIONAL PROTECTION ACCOUNT (“EPA”) FUNDS

WHEREAS, the voters approved Proposition 30 on November 6, 2012;

WHEREAS, Proposition 30 added Article XIII, Section 36 to the California Constitution effective November 7, 2012;

WHEREAS, the provisions of Article XIII, Section 36(e) create in the state General Fund an Education Protection Account to receive and disburse the revenues derived from the incremental increases in taxes imposed by Article XIII, Section 36(f);

WHEREAS, before June 30th of each year, the Director of Finance shall estimate the total amount of additional revenues, less refunds that will be derived from the incremental increases in tax rates made pursuant to Article XIII, Section 36(f) that will be available for transfer into the Education Protection Account during the next fiscal year;

WHEREAS, if the sum determined by the State Controller is positive, the State Controller shall transfer the amount calculated into the Education Protection Account within ten days preceding the end of the fiscal year;

WHEREAS, all monies in the Education Protection Account are hereby continuously appropriated for the support of school districts, county offices of education, charter schools and community college districts;

WHEREAS, monies deposited in the Education Protection Account shall not be used to pay any costs incurred by the Legislature, the Governor or any agency of state government;

WHEREAS, a community college district, county office of education, school district, or charter school shall have the sole authority to determine how the monies received from the Education Protection Account are spent in the school or schools within its jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, the governing board of the district shall make the spending determinations with respect to monies received from the Education Protection Account in open session of a public meeting of the governing board;

WHEREAS, the monies received from the Education Protection Account shall not be used for salaries or benefits for administrators or any other administrative cost;

WHEREAS, each community college district, county office of education, school district and charter school shall annually publish on its Internet website an accounting of how much money was received from the Education Protection Account and how that money was spent;

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WHEREAS, the annual independent financial and compliance audit required of community college districts, county offices of education, school districts and charter schools shall ascertain and verify whether the funds provided from the Education Protection Account have been properly disbursed and expended as required by Article XIII, Section 36 of the California Constitution;

WHEREAS, expenses incurred by community college districts, county offices of education, school districts and charter schools to comply with the additional audit requirements of Article XIII, Section 36 may be paid with funding from the Education Protection Act and shall not be considered administrative costs for purposes of Article XIII, Section 36.3

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:

1. The monies received from the Education Protection Account shall be spent as required by Article XIII, Section 36 and the spending determinations on how the money will be spent shall be made in open session of a public meeting of the governing board of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District.

2. In compliance with Article XIII, Section 36(e), with the California Constitution, the governing board of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District has determined to spend the monies received from the Education Protection Act for the 2012-13 school year, on employee salaries, wages, and benefits in those non-administrative functions as allowed under the law, for the months of April, May, and June, 2013, up to the amount of funding available.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 17th day of April, 2013 by the following vote:

ROLL CALL

AYES: Karamitsos, Walsh, Tognazzini, Garvin

NOES:

ABSENT: Reece

ABSTAIN:

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Public Hearing to Receive and Expend Tier III Categorical Funds

The District's 2013-14 proposed budget will recognize the anticipated receipt of the "Tier III Categorical Funds" listed below. In accordance with Education Code Section 42605(c)(2) as amended by AB189 (Chapter 606/2011) effective January 1, 2012, the District is required to hold a public hearing at a regularly scheduled meeting to discuss, approve, or disapprove the proposed use of the funding. The meeting and public hearing are required to be held in advance of and separate from the meeting and public hearing for adopting the District's budget for the 2013-14 school year.

In addition, AB189 requires that the District identify programs proposed to be closed in the agenda for the public hearing. All of the Tier III programs noted below have already been closed by the District prior to enactment of AB189 and therefore no separate public hearing regarding closure of the programs is required.

TIER III CATEGORICAL FUND REVENUE ANTICIPATED TO BE RECEIVED IN 2013-14:

Program Name	Total Amount
CAHSEE Intensive Instruction & Services	\$ 237,776
Morgan Hart CSR	175,837
GATE	54,179
Instructional Materials	432,793
PAR	25,299
CBET	43,218
Pupil Retention Block Grant	160,760
Professional Development Block Grant	184,896
School & Library Improvement Block Grant	442,505
Carl Washington School Safety	246,143
Adult Education	580,753
Supplemental School Counselors	445,025
Arts & Music Block Grant	<u>105,557</u>
TOTAL TIER III Income to General Fund	\$ 3,134,741
State Deferred Maintenance to Fund 14	\$ 257,878

The administration recommends that the use of this funding be designated as the backfill for revenues lost due to the deficiated Revenue Limit, which includes the lack of a funded COLA since 2007-08. These funds will be utilized to maintain certificated and classified staffing, to cover salaries and employee benefit obligation as defined by current Collective Bargaining agreements, and complete various facility maintenance projects in the District.

A public hearing was held. There were questions concerning the monies being swept and incoming money to the district. Mrs. Ortiz explained that Tier III Categorical Funds have been swept for the last several years for district use. The incoming money is not new money—the money represents a cut that was avoided with the passage of Proposition 30. The Board President clarified that the district wants to maintain all the programs listed above however; there will be different funding sources for those programs.

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A motion was made by Dr. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Tognazzini and carried with a 4-0 vote to approve the proposed use of funding as specified herein.

Adoption of Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring Report Program for the Proposed Santa Maria High School New Classroom Building, Santa Maria, California - Project 06-015, and making written determination and findings for the proposed project

The District prepared an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The District prepared A Notice of Intent to Prepare a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) which was filed on October 5, 2012 establishing a 30-day public review period. Three written comments were received from the public in response to the Mitigated Negative Declaration: Native American Heritage Commission, City of Santa Maria Community Development Department, and Santa Barbara Air County Pollution Control District. Mr. Wuitschick reported that each letter was considered and discussion with the appropriate agencies has taken place. The District considered the comments received and made revisions which were not substantial.

As required by CEQA, the district prepared a Mitigation Monitoring Reporting Program. The mitigation part of the process requires the Board, via Resolution, adopt the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration, adopt certain findings, adopt a mitigated monitoring and reporting program and authorize staff to execute and file a Notice of Determination with the State Clearinghouse and the Santa Barbara County Clerk.

Mr. Wuitschick reported that the district is in the final stages of this process. Part of the process addresses the California Environmental Act requirements related to air quality control, archeological remains, dust and particle mitigation during construction and noise suppression during construction. Mr. Wuitschick said each of these items will be addressed through contractors as the process moves forward.

A motion was made by Dr. Walsh, seconded by Mr. Tognazzini and carried with a 4-0 roll call vote to approve Resolution No. 23–2012-2013 adopting the initial study/mitigated negative declaration and mitigation monitoring reporting program for the proposed Santa Maria High School New Classroom Building located at 901 South Broadway, Santa Maria, Santa Barbara County, California and making written determinations and findings for the proposed project.

Roll Call:

Dr. Karamitsos	Yes
Dr. Reece	Absent
Dr. Walsh	Yes
Mr. Tognazzini	Yes
Dr. Garvin	Yes

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RESOLUTION NUMBER 23-2012/2013

ADOPTING THE INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND MITIGATION MONITORING REPORTING PROGRAM FOR THE PROPOSED SANTA MARIA HIGH SCHOOL NEW CLASSROOM BUILDING LOCATED AT 901 SOUTH BROADWAY, SANTA MARIA, SANTA BARBARA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, AND MAKING WRITTEN DETERMINATIONS AND FINDINGS FOR THE PROPOSED PROJECT

WHEREAS, the SMJUHSD has identified a site located at 901 South Broadway, Santa Maria, Santa Barbara County, California (Assessor's Parcel Number 123-150-012.), for the construction of a new classroom building (the "Project"); and,

WHEREAS, the SMJUHSD determined that the Project was subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and prepared an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration pursuant to CEQA, attached hereto as Appendix C and incorporated herein by reference, evaluating the potential environmental impacts of the Project; and,

WHEREAS, the SMJUHSD determined that the mitigation measures identified in the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration would reduce all environmental impacts to less-than-significant levels; and,

WHEREAS, the SMJUHSD prepared a Notice of Intent to Prepare a Mitigated Negative Declaration on October 5, 2012 and filed it with the State Clearinghouse (#2012101021) and the Santa Barbara County Clerk, establishing a 30-day public review period. The Mitigated Negative Declaration was made available to the public during this review period; and,

WHEREAS, three (3) comments were received in response to the Mitigated Negative Declaration, as noted below:

- a. Native American Heritage Commission. Dave Singleton, Program Analyst, October 9, 2012; and
- b. City of Santa Maria, Community Development Department. Lawrence W. Appel, Director of Community Development. November 5, 2012; and
- c. Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District, Technology and Environmental Assessment Division. Carly Wilburton, Air Quality Specialist. October 16, 2012; and

WHEREAS, the SMJUHSD has considered the comments received during the public review period and, as a result of those comments, has made changes to the mitigation measures, but the changes are not substantial revisions and do not in any manner to alter the conclusions in the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND); and,

WHEREAS, the SMJUHSD prepared a Mitigation Monitoring Reporting Program (MMRP) in accordance with CEQA, attached hereto as Appendix C the MND and incor-

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porated herein by reference, which is designed to ensure compliance with the identified mitigation measures during Project implementation and operation; and,

WHEREAS, the SMJUHSD Board of Education (School Board) has reviewed the MND and the MMRP and finds that these documents reflect the independent judgment of the SMJUHSD; and,

WHEREAS, the MND and MMRP for the Project are on file in the SMJUHSD's office located at 2560 Skyway Drive, Santa Maria, CA and are available for inspection by any interested person at that location and are, by this reference, incorporated into this Resolution as if fully set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

1. The School Board finds it has independently reviewed and analyzed the MND and other information in the record and has considered the information contained therein;
2. The School Board finds the MND prepared for the Project has been completed in compliance with CEQA and is consistent with state and local guidelines implementing CEQA;
3. The School Board finds the changes to the mitigation measures made as a result of comments on the MND are not substantial revisions;
4. The School Board finds the MND represents the independent judgment and analysis of the SMJUHSD, as lead agency for the Project;
5. The School Board designates the Board Clerk as the custodian of the documents and records of proceedings on which this decision is based;
6. The School Board finds that based upon the entire record of proceedings before the School Board and all information received, there is no substantial evidence that the Project will have a significant effect on the environment;
7. The School Board adopts the MND and the MMRP for the Project, incorporated herein by reference, and which MMRP contains the mitigation measures to be applied to this Project;
8. Per Education Code Section 17213(a) and/or Public Resources Code Section 21151.8(a)(1), and based upon information included in the October 2012 Mitigated Negative Declaration, the School Board hereby determines that the school site:
 - a. Is not the site of a current or former hazardous waste disposal or solid waste disposal site, and
 - b. Is not a hazardous substance release site identified by the Department of Toxic Substances Control in a current list adopted pursuant to Section 25356 for removal or remedial action pursuant to Chapter 6.8 of Division 20 of the Health and Safety Code, and

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- c. Is not a site that contains one or more pipelines, situated underground or aboveground, that carries hazardous substances, acutely hazardous materials, or hazardous wastes, unless the pipeline is a natural gas line which is used only to supply natural gas to that school or neighborhood or other nearby schools, and
 - d. Is not within 500 feet of the edge of the closest traffic lane of a freeway or other busy traffic corridor as defined in Education Code Section 17213(d)(9) and Public Resources Code 21151.8(c)(9).
9. Based on the information provided in the MND and the completion of the public review period, the School Board adopts the MND, and acknowledges that the parcel has no agricultural use or issues (complies with Education Code Section 17215.5 and Public Resources Code Section 21151.2).
10. The School Board also acknowledges that consultation with the Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District (SBCAPCD) indicated that there are three agricultural sources of potentially hazardous air emissions located within ¼-mile of the site, none of which is expected to impact the health or safety of students, staff or visitors at the site.
11. Based on these clearances and approvals, it is determined by the School Board that planning and construction of the Santa Maria High School New Classroom Building project be conducted.
12. The School Board directs that the Superintendent or his designee file a Notice of Determination with the State Clearinghouse and the Santa Barbara County Clerk stating that this Project will be implemented.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 17th day of April, 2013 by the following vote:

ROLL CALL

AYES: Karamitsos, Walsh, Tognazzini, Garvin

NOES:

ABSENT: Reece

ABSTAIN

Clerk/President/Secretary of the Board of Education
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Office of Public School Construction “Funding Insufficiency” for Prospective State-Funded Projects

The district requested Board approval to pursue state funding for all applicable facility projects including modernization and new construction as applicable for Santa Maria High School, Righetti High School, Pioneer Valley High School and Delta High School. The Office of Public School Construction has established a “Funding Insufficiency” resolution to allow for submittal of applications although the School Facility Program bond authority is currently exhausted. Mrs. Ortiz explained that the State Allocation Board will acknowledge receipt of applications which will be placed on an “Applications Received Beyond Bond Authority” list. The district is being proactive in submitting an application. Should funding become available, the district will have complied with all current criteria. Approval of Resolution 24-2012-2013 authorizes the district to pursue funding for modernization and new construction. Mrs. Ortiz emphasized that there is no guarantee nor obligation from the State, that future funding will become available. She believes that the State Allocation Board is trying to establish a need in anticipation of the 2014 election to show there are currently projects in place and need for another bond.

A motion was made by Dr. Walsh, seconded by Dr. Garvin and carried with a 4-0 roll call vote to approve Resolution No 24–2012-2013 authorizing district staff to pursue funding for modern-ization and new construction, as applicable for district facilities.

Roll Call:

Dr. Karamitsos	Yes
Dr. Reece	Absent
Dr. Walsh	Yes
Mr. Tognazzini	Yes
Dr. Garvin	Yes

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SANTA MARIA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NUMBER 24-2012/2013

OFFICE OF PUBLIC SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION "FUNDING INSUFFICIENCY"
FOR PROSPECTIVE STATE-FUNDED PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the Board of Education ("School Board") has determined that school facilities within the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District (the "District"), within Santa Barbara County need to be constructed and /or modernized; and

WHEREAS, the State Allocation Board (SAB) has established an "Applications Received Beyond Bond Authority List" for projects that have been received.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District pursuant to title 2, Code of California Regulations section 1859.95.1, hereby acknowledges the following:

- (1) the Board acknowledges that the remaining School Facility Program bond authority is currently exhausted for the funds being requested on this(these) application(s).
- (2) the Board acknowledges that the State of California is not expected nor obligated to provide funding for the project(s) and the acceptance of the application(s) does not provide a guarantee of future State funding.
- (3) the Board acknowledges that any potential future State bond measures for the School Facility Program may not provide funds for the application being submitted.
- (4) the Board acknowledges that criteria (including, but not limited to, funding, qualifications, and eligibility) under a future State school facilities program may be substantially different than the current School Facility Program. The district's Approved Application(s) may be returned.
- (5) the Board acknowledges that they are electing to commence any pre- construction or construction activities at the district's discretion and that the State is not responsible for any pre-construction or construction activities.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 17th day of April, 2013 by the following vote:

AYES: Karamitsos, Walsh, Tognazzini, Garvin

NOES:

ABSENT: Reece

ABSTAIN:

Clerk/President/Secretary of the Board of Education
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SIPE Representatives

The district participates in a Joint Powers Agency for Self-Funding of Workers' Compensation. Each district appoints one representative and one alternate to the SIPE Board of Directors. Mrs. Ortiz asked that the Board approve Resolution No. 25–2012-2013 which authorizes the district's appointment of Reese Thompson as a representative and Tracy Marsh as an alternate to the SIPE Board of Directors.

A motion was made by Mr. Tognazzini, seconded by Dr. Walsh and carried with a 4-0 roll call vote to approve Resolution No. 25–2012-2013 authorizing the appointment of a representative and an alternate to the SIPE Board of Directors.

Roll Call:

Dr. Karamitsos	Yes
Dr. Reece	Absent
Dr. Walsh	Yes
Mr. Tognazzini	Yes
Dr. Garvin	Yes

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SANTA MARIA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NUMBER 25–2012-2013

RESOLUTION FOR DESIGNATION OF THE OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVES TO THE SANTA BARBARA COUNTY SCHOOLS SELF-INSURANCE PROGRAM FOR EMPLOYEES (SIPE) JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

WHEREAS, the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District is a member of the Santa Barbara County Schools Self-Insurance Program for Employees JPA:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District, Santa Barbara County, in a regular public meeting assembled this 17th day of April, 2013, to be effective as of today, designated Reese Thompson as the official representative to the Santa Barbara County Schools Self-Insurance Program for Employees JPA and Tracy Marsh as the official alternate. Said representatives are authorized to sign documents and perform all functions pertaining to the interest of the Board of Directors as a legislative body pursuant to the terms of this agreement.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 17th day of April 2013 by the following vote:

AYES: Karamitsos, Walsh, Tognazzini, Garvin

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT: Reece

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

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Consent Items

A motion was made by Mr. Tognazzini, seconded by Dr. Walsh and carried with a 4-0 vote to approve the following consent items as presented.

A. Approval of Minutes

March 13, 2013- Regular Meeting

April 4, 2013 - Special Meeting

B. Approval of Warrants for the Month of March 2012

Payroll	\$5,057,891.54
Warrants	<u>1,923,513.75</u>
Total	<u>\$6,981,405.29</u>

C. Attendance Report

Mrs. Yolanda Ortiz, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, will be available to answer questions regarding the attendance reports for month 7 and month 8 presented on pages 20 and 21.

D. Facility Report – **Appendix B**

E. Acceptance of Gifts

Pioneer Valley High School

Donor	Recipient	Amount
PVHS FFA Booster Club	FFA	\$2,200.00
Me-N-Ed's Pizzeria	Band	111.38
Son's of the American Legion	Girls' Wrestling	150.00
SM Elks Lodge No 1538	Cheerleaders	150.00
PVHS Boosters	Neil Reed Scholarship	352.00
Gilbert O Dalbey	Boys' Golf	100.00
Bud & Cassandra Bush	Baseball	200.00
SB Paralegal Association	Mock Trial	100.00
Home Motors	Girls' Basketball	100.00
Home Motors	Girls' Wrestling	200.00
Kelly & Ellen Muldoon	Boys Wrestling	<u>500.00</u>
Total Pioneer Valley High School		<u>\$4163.38</u>

Santa Maria High School

Donor	Recipient	Amount
SY Band Of Mission Indians	FFA	\$3,806.00
Santa Maria FFA Boosters	FFA	2,502.22
SB Co. Cattlewoman	FFA	200.00
Community Health Centers	Close-Up Club	350.00
P. Rowan/Coffee A La Carte	Athletics	1,000.00
SB City Firefighters Charitable Fund,	Wrestling	200.00
Danny A. and Mary L. Girty	Wrestling	100.00

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Edwin Jeanne Woods Family Foundation	FFA	3,000.00
Paradise British Car Club	Automobile Club	100.00
SCOR Cardiac Cyclists Club Inc	Saints Varsity Club	1,900.00
Phyllis S. Chiado	McGuire/Student Fund	1,000.00
Que Padre SMHS	Boys' Soccer	100.00
American Dream Foundation	American Dream Fnda.	8,500.00
Home Motors	Wrestling	200.00
Bob and Jean Ann Cardona	Automobile Club	200.00
SMV Pioneer Assoc	FFA	400.00
James Zepeda	FFA	100.00
Central Coast Swoosh	Saints Varsity Club	<u>4,000.00</u>
Total Santa Maria High School		<u>\$28,158.22</u>

F. Student Discipline Matters

- Administrative Recommendation for Student Expulsion or to Suspend Expulsion order: Student #s 338011
- Administrative Recommendation to revoke Suspended Expulsion: Student #'s 339467

G. Approval/Ratification of Purchase Orders

<u>P.O. #</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description/Funding</u>
13-1237	Tech-Time Communications	\$77,429.53	Deferred Maintenance # 87
13-1245	BCA Architects	\$774,427.00	Fund 24/Building & Fund 35/ Co. School Facilities

Open Session Public Comments

John Hollingshead, parent of a Fesler Junior High student and two former SMHS students, addressed the Board concerning the bell schedule currently in place at SMHS. The former SMHS students were transferred to RHS as the SMHS bell schedule did not meet their needs. He is concerned that the bell schedule has not changed in spite of parent concerns shared at "El Cafecito" meetings with the principal as well at SDM meetings. Mr. Hollingshead challenges that the current bell schedule is the best for students. He provided the board information from studies that does not support that the current schedule is the best for students.

Collette Chambers, SMHS parent, was upset that money raised by the SMHS Drag Race Team was not released by the district for expenses related to an upcoming event. Her thought was that the students should have access to the money since they put a lot of time and effort into fundraising. In addition, thousands of dollars have been donated to the Race Team for their expenses— this is not district money. She felt it was unfair to keep students

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from participating in competitions.

Mrs. Ortiz explained that funds are not being withheld. She acknowledged that the district is requesting more documentation when cash advances are requested. The district has in the past had ASB audit findings. The County is requesting more documentation from the district and wants to know how the district is addressing those findings. The district has instituted annual meetings where various issues, such as cash advances have been discussed. The district is requesting that an estimate be provided when requesting a cash advance, such as a hotel receipt, a flyer that indicates the dollar amount needed, number of students, meals, etc. Dr. Richardson offered to meet with the Chambers family to explain the requirements and process in place. William Chambers, student and team member asked how one is to estimate the dollar amount for meals, parts needed for car, etc. The Board strongly supports the program and is aware of their national recognition. However, the district is responsible for keeping track of money and the required documentation. The Board ensured that this issue would be addressed and the program will move forward.

The Board recognizes that students put a lot of effort and energy into their fundraising— they are a great group of students. However, the district is responsible for ensuring that proper documentation is in place when club funds are spent. All ASB clubs are required to follow the same process.

Tami Contreras, speaking as a parent stated her comment was related to following rules whether or not one likes the rules. She was presented a letter from parents that listed concerns about the district and current happenings. She was not in favor of one of their concerns where parents wanted the school to bend the rules for particular students to attend certain activities even though rules had not been followed.

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 May 8, 2013. Closed session begins at 5:30 p.m. Open session begins at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District Support Services Center at 2560 Skyway Drive, Santa Maria, CA 93455.

Future Regular Board Meetings:

June 12, 2013

July 10, 2013 (if needed)

August 14, 2013

September 11, 2013

October 9, 2013

November 13, 2013

December 11, 2013

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.