

**SANTEE SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MINUTES
September 7, 2010**

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9619 Cuyamaca Street
Santee, California

A. OPENING PROCEDURES

1. Call to Order and Welcome
President Burns called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m. and read the District Mission Statement.

Members present:

Dustin Burns, President
Barbara Ryan, Vice President
Allen Carlisle, Clerk
Dan Bartholomew, Member
Dianne ElHajj, Member

Administration present:

Dr. Patrick Shaw, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board
Karl Christensen, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Minnie Malin, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources/Pupil Services
Kristin Baranski, Director, Educational Services
Linda Vail, Executive Assistant and Recording Secretary

2. President Burns invited Katy Vick, a newly tenured teacher at Cajon Park School, to lead the members, staff and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Approval of Agenda
It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda.

Motion: Ryan Second Bartholomew Vote: 5-0
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President Burns introduced the candidates for Board seat #5, Gabriel Pin, and Ken Fox and Barbara Ryan and himself who uncontested Board seat candidates.

B. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Superintendent's Report

- 1.1. Developer Fees Collection Report
- 1.2. Schedule of Upcoming Events
- 1.3. Schedule of Back-To-School Nights
- 1.4. Proposed Calendar of Annual Meeting and Events

Dr. Shaw reported that this was the first day of school for students. The schools and staff were ready to welcome students back and all went smoothly.

Dr. Shaw brought to Board's attention the schedule of dates for upcoming events, schools' Back-to-School nights, and proposed dates for annual meetings and events. He requested Board members confirm the proposed dates by the next Board meeting so dates can be changed if needed. Mr. Burns asked Board members to check the proposed dates and confirm their availability with Linda.

2. Spotlight: City Fest-Pathways Community Church

Dr. Shaw shared that on August 21st, under the organization of Mike Gilson and Jeff Atkins, more than 500 volunteers targeted Santee elementary schools working together for the good of the children of the community.

Dr. Shaw thanked all of the community members who participated for their hard work on a very hot day. He introduced Mike Gilson and Jeff Atkins from Pathways Church who organized the City Fest day. They shared a video of the volunteers.

Member Bartholomew thanked Mr. Gilson and Mr. Atkins. Mr. Bartholomew said the volunteers included a diverse group of volunteers, young and old, and also high school football team members. He thanked the community for coming together to do something positive for our schools.

Member Carlisle thanked District administration for making this work. He thanked Pathways and the City Fest organizers. Member El-Hajj said their efforts were greatly appreciated and it is a great example of "character in action." She asked if the video could be used in our schools to show kids.

President Burns presented Mr. Gilson and Mr. Atkins with a certificate of appreciation.

3. Report on Cloud Computing Implementation

Kristin Baranski and Laura Spencer provided the Board with an update on the implementation of Cloud computing for grade 3-8 students. Administration is seeking another name for the "Cloud" which is an Internet locker where students can hold data and documents that can be accessed at school and away from school via the Internet without having data transfer equipment. The updated Acceptable Use Policy was sent home with students. The letter explained the Cloud and how it is used, as well as the Internet filter in place at school and that the filter is not in effect at children's' homes. A message and more information have also been posted on the homepage of the District website. Cloud demonstrations have been scheduled at the school sites. Parent meetings would also take place before students receive access to the Cloud.

Cloud demonstrations and trainings have been provided to teachers over the summer. Project SAFE is actively using the Cloud. A desktop icon and nutrition link has been placed on the Cloud for students to have game opportunities relating to nutrition. There are also links for textbook resources and a Web 2.0 tool for photo editing.

The goal is to have 4,500 users in the next 3 years, in grades 3-8; not just active users, but students using the Cloud to enhance their educational experience.

4. Presentation of the Board of Education and California School Employees Association (CSEA), Chapter 557, Initial Proposal to Modify Articles of the Successor Collective Bargaining Agreement

C. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

President Burns invited members of the audience to address the Board about any item not on the agenda. There were no public comments.

D. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Compliance of Education Code Section 60119: K-12 Textbook and Instructional Materials Funding Realignment Program (IMFRP)

President Burns opened the public hearing for the Compliance of Education Code Section 60119: K-12 Textbook and Instructional Materials Funding Realignment Program (IMFRP). There were no public comments and the hearing was closed.

E. CONSENT ITEMS

Items listed under Consent are considered to be routine and are all acted on by the Board with one single motion. President Burns invited comments from the public on any item listed under Consent.

1.1. Approval of Minutes

2.1. Approval/Ratification of Travel Requests

2.2. Approval/Ratification of Revolving Cash Report

2.3. Acceptance of Donations

2.4. Consultants and General Service Providers

2.5. Adoption of Resolution #1011-04 to Certify 2009-10 Gann Limit Appropriations Recalculation and an Estimated Limit for 2010-11.

3.1. Approval of Landscape Design for Cajon Park Fields

3.2. Acceptance of Chargers School Grant and Approval of Carlton Oaks Play Structure

- 4.1. **Certification and Adoption of Resolution of Sufficiency of Instructional Materials 2010-11**
- 4.2. **Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with YMCA for After-School Swim Program**
- 5.1. **Personnel, Regular**
- 5.2. *Pulled for separate consideration.*
- 5.3. **Approval to Accept Tobacco-Use Prevention Education (TUPE) Proposal for Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Grade Students**

It was moved and seconded to approve Consent Items, with the exception of item E.5.2., which was pulled for separate consideration.

Motion: Ryan Second Carlisle Vote: 5-0
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5.2. Granting Tenure to Eligible Certificated Employees (Pulled by President Burns for separate consideration.)

President Burns and Member Ryan disclosed they had relatives among the teachers to be granted tenure in this item. They would not abstain from voting as there is no conflict of interest. Mrs. Malin read the list of teachers who were eligible for tenure following their first day of work this school year.

Member Ryan moved to approve item E.5.2., granting tenure to the following teachers:

Michelle Corderman	Shelli Magneta
Autumn Freund	Alicen Ostash
Jaimie Jones	Anne Lise Ryan
Jaimie Knudson	Kathleen Vick

Motion: Ryan Second El-Hajj Vote: 5-0
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F. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS

President Burns invited comments from the public on any item listed under Discussion and/or Action.

1.1. Administration Recommendation for Administrative Intern Transition Support at Cajon Park School

Dr. Shaw shared that he was bringing this proposal to the Board as part of a continuing process of maintaining quality of educational program, reducing the District budget deficit and adjusting to all of the funding issues that are impacting the District. Dr. Shaw recommended the Board approve a 2/5 FTE Administrative Intern position for Cajon Park School. This Administrative Intern position would be a transition position for the 2010-11 school year to assist in the adjustment in the implementation of the special education reorganization plan for all schools and departments. Dr. Shaw wants to be certain that site administration can support the reorganization plan at all schools. Cajon Park School has the largest enrollment in the District. The position would assist in IEP meetings, student mainstreaming, monitoring Response to Intervention goals, and providing direct services to students to enhance academic growth. This support is needed as the NCLB accountability issues continue to increase.

Providing a 2/5 FTE Administrative Intern at Cajon Park will a cost \$22,094, of which \$8,600 would come from the unrestricted general fund. This still achieves an overall savings of \$37,750 by not replacing the vacant vice principals positions this year. The remainder of the cost for a 2/5 FTE Administrative Intern would be paid from Special Education Stimulus Funds (\$12,500) and Cajon Park School (\$1,000).

President Burns said the Board appreciates Dr. Shaw's research for savings versus program needs at the sites. Member Ryan said she appreciated Dr. Shaw's very thorough report. Member El-Hajj believed it was a great idea. She asked if there is a better choice for a title for Administrative Interns, as students may not understand the authority they hold. Dr. Shaw said Administration reviewed a number of titles and selected the one that seemed to work best for the certificated position. One school refers to their Administrative Intern internally as the Dean of Students.

Member Bartholomew said he would vote no on this item. While he understands the benefit, he also thinks about the valuable programmatic and personnel cuts that have been made. He knows it is not

going to get easier and more reductions will be coming. He cannot justify adding a partial FTE to another site with the uncertainty of what is in the future.

Member El-Hajj moved to approve the addition of a 2/5 FTE Administrative Intern support at Cajon Park School for 2010-11.

Motion: El-Hajj Second Ryan Vote: 3-2 (Carlisle, Bartholomew, no)
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1.2. Demographic Survey of Santee

Dr. Shaw reported that in May the Board directed Administration to initiate a study of its election system to determine if any changes are required to comply with the California Voting Rights Act. Dr. Shaw presented the findings of this study. The information demonstrates that minority populations are distributed throughout the City with no minority population cluster in any given area of the City.

Member Ryan said it was important that the Board look at the ethnic demographics of the District to determine if there are minority clusters within the City. The County will be doing a new report following the completions of the 2010 census. No action was taken.

2.1. Approval of 2009-10 Unaudited Actuals Report

Karl Christensen presented the final budgetary results of the 2009-10 school year and the revised multi-year projections. The report provides a summary of income and expenses for all funds in the District. The unrestricted general fund ending balance is higher than projected. There is an unexpected small positive fund balance in Child Nutrition because of an increase in revenue from new programs and additional allocations from the Federal government. These funds will be available to help with cash flow. The building fund shows a \$7.6 M negative ending fund balance as a result of accounting requirements to list the Bond anticipation notes as a current liability.

Mr. Christensen shared a comparison of projected general fund revenue with the actual revenue. Employee benefits costs were less than budgeted and the STRS retirement incentive was over budgeted. There was a \$300,000 in district supplies carry-over from school site funds. There is a contribution reduction of \$720,000 from the estimated actuals by maximizing the use of the AARA Special Education Stimulus funds. The goal is to try to use as much of the AARA funds as possible toward normally incurred special education expenditures. We have met the maintenance of effort and reduced the base for special education which will be good going into future years.

Mr. Christensen presented the multi-year projection through 2012-13. He said it is very difficult to project without a State budget in place; therefore, it is based on the May Revise and may change when a State budget is approved. The multi-year projection looks at the budget and also at cash flow. The District will end the year with a 17.8 % reserve. It will be necessary to use the funds from fund 17 to pay our bills. In 2011-12 the District will end with an 18% reserve but cash needs will be at 20% to pay the bills. The District will need to borrow about \$4 M of additional cash in 2011-12.

There is some potential on the horizon with the Federal Jobs bill and special abilities adjustments. It is unknown how much of these benefits may be negated by additional State reductions. Dr. Shaw mentioned that the cash flow problems stem from the State deferrals; otherwise there would be no cash flow problems.

Member Carlisle moved to approve the 2009-10 Unaudited Actuals Report and the required State forms.

Motion: Carlisle Second Ryan Vote: 5-0
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F. BOARD POLICIES AND BYLAWS

1.1. Second Reading: Revised Board Policy 5030, Wellness

Revised Board Policy 5030 was presented to the Board of Education for a second reading. Member Ryan moved to approve revised BP 5030.

Motion: Ryan Second El-Hajj Vote: 5-0

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G. BOARD COMMUNICATION

President Burns asked Board members to check their calendars for the proposed events and meetings. Board members will check and respond to Linda with their availability.

Dr. Shaw reported Salute to Teachers will be held on October 16th and asked which Board members would like to attend.

President Burns reported the solar project ribbon cutting at Hill Creek was awesome. Students attended and it was held under the new structures. Unfortunately, it was an overcast day and the sun was not out yet. Channel 6 news covered the ribbon cutting and interviewed Mr. Christensen. Member Ryan said the structures were not unattractive, as she feared they would be.

President Burns said opening day at the schools was great. Staff was very well organized. Board members shared their family experiences and the excitement of the first day of school.

A parent expressed concerned about class rosters posted in public. Member Ryan said knowing ahead of time who his teacher was made her grandson feel better about going to school on the first day. Dr. Shaw said he had this conversation with a principal last week. He has begun thinking about alternatives and will investigate it further. He will collaborate with the Technology staff for ideas about how this information could be accessible for parents but not the public. President Burns said it is worth looking at any different way that might work because there is a lot of anxiety for some.

Member Ryan visited Carlton Oaks and said it was sad to look in the classroom and see the increase in class size.

Member Carlisle congratulated Administration for the completion of the solar project and the successful start of a new school year. He also thanked Administration for their willingness to work with Pathways to allow volunteers to come in and work at our schools. Member Bartholomew said the more community members do for the schools the more they feel connected. He said some of the volunteers are considering returning over spring break to complete some of the projects.

Member Bartholomew asked about publications being behind in their completion of orders and asked if teachers were able to order duplicating over the summer. Dr. Shaw reported some principals held duplicating orders because of site budget concerns and assignment shifts and now they are all coming in at the same time. Mr. Yeo is adjusting staff shifts to optimize the time machines can be in production. Dr. Shaw will check the status and notify principals.

H. CLOSED SESSION

President Burns announced that the Board would meet in closed session for:

- 1. Conference with Labor Negotiator (Govt. Code § 54956.8)**
Purpose: Negotiations
Agency Negotiator: Karl Christensen, Asst. Superintendent
Employee Organizations: Santee Teachers Association
Classified School Employees Association

The Board entered closed session 8:41 p.m.

I. RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION

The Board reconvened to public session at 9:20 p.m. No action was reported.

J. ADJOURNMENT

The September 7, 2010 regular meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.