

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

**MINUTES  
December 7, 2010**

Douglas E. Giles  
Educational Resource Center  
9619 Cuyamaca Street  
Santee, California

**A. OPENING PROCEDURES**

**1. Call to Order and Welcome**

President Burns called the meeting to order at 7:00 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. Pledge of Allegiance**

President Burns invited Chloe Flores, a kindergartner at Cajon Park and the granddaughter of Member Elect Ken Fox, to lead the members, staff and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Oath of Office for Incoming Board Members**

As a result of the November 2010 election, the oath of office was administered to re-elected members Barbara Ryan and Dustin Burns and newly elected member Ken Fox. The oath of office was administered by Dr. Shaw and Ken Fox officially became a member of the Board of Education.

**4. Approval of Agenda**

It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda.

*Motion: Fox Second: Ryan Vote: 5-0*

**B. ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

**1. Election of Board of Education Officers**

Member El-Hajj moved to elect officers through rotation according to Board Bylaw 9120 and that Board Bylaw 9120 be revised to reflect the officer rotation for 2011.

*Motion: El-Hajj Second: Bartholomew Vote: 5-0*

Newly elected Board President Ryan thanked Mr. Burns for the past year as Board President. She presented Mr. Burns with a rose and a framed student patriotic picture. Dr. Shaw thanked Mr. Burns and presented him with a gift. Mr. Burns introduced his family and thanked them for their support, and thanked his colleagues on the Board for their support during his presidency.

**2. Reception for Newly Elected Board Members**

The Board adjourned at 7:15 for a reception in honor of the three elected Board Members and welcoming Mr. Fox. President Ryan reconvened the meeting at 7:37

**3. Board Meeting Calendar for 2011**

Dr. Shaw presented the proposed Board meeting calendar for 2011, which continues the current schedule for Board meetings with the exceptions of during spring and winter breaks. Member Burns moved to approve continuation of the existing meeting schedule with meeting dates for 2011 as listed in the item.

*Motion: Burns Second: El-Hajj Vote: 5-0*

**4. Board of Education Representatives to Advisory and Other Committees**

Board members accepted assignments to serve as Board representatives to Advisory and other committees for 2011.

### C. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Superintendent's Report
  - 1.1. Developer Fees Collection Report
  - 1.2. Enrollment Report
  - 1.3. Claims Against the District
  - 1.4. Schedule of Upcoming Events
2. Spotlight: Principal's Report from Carlton Oaks School  
Dr. Stephanie Pierce, Carlton Oaks School Principal, presented California Standards Test (CST) data showing growth to provide an increase in the API scores of 875 from 863, a 12 point increase. She explained how the teachers are using student goal setting to increase student achievement. Dr. Pierce shared how setting their own goals influences students' self-confidence and influences their student achievement. Vice Principal Kristie Joiner shared student opportunities in the learning environment, including BOOST mentoring, Student Voice, and Caring Schools.

Mr. Fox reported when he visited Carlton Oaks he was very impressed with the interaction Dr. Pierce had with the students.

### D. 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.

### E. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. **California School Employees Association (CSEA) Chapter 557, Initial Proposal to Modify Articles of the Successor Collective Bargaining Agreement.**  
President Ryan opened the public hearing for the California School Employees Association (CSEA) Chapter 557, initial proposal to modify articles of the successor collective bargaining agreement. There were no public comments. President Ryan closed the public hearing.

### F. 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. **Approval of Consultants and General Service Providers**
- 2.4. **Approval of Proposal from Capitol PFG for a School Facility Needs Analysis 2011 Update**
- 2.5. **Authorization to Purchase Two (2) Cargo Container Freezers**
- 2.6. **Authorization to File Operations Application of Intent to Participate in the 2010-11 Class Size Reduction (CSR) Program**
- 3.1. **Personnel, Regular**

It was moved and seconded to approve Consent Items.

**Motion:** Burns                      **Second:** El-Hajj                      **Vote:** 5-0

### G. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS

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

#### 1.1. California School Boards Association Delegate Assembly Nominations

President Ryan reported that there were seven CSBA Delegates whose terms were expiring and it was time to make nominated for these seats. President Ryan said all of those whose terms were expiring had done a good job and were interested in continuing if nominated and elected. Member Bartholomew moved to nominate the seven Delegates to continue.

**Motion:** Bartholomew                      **Second:** El-Hajj                      **Vote:** 5-0

#### 1.2. Annual Business Appreciation Breakfast

Dr. Shaw presented a proposed date of March 23, 2011 for the annual Business Appreciation Breakfast. He reported that Child Nutrition Services would provide the food. Member Burns asked what location would be planned. Dr. Shaw said the ERC seems to work well. Member Burns asked if attendance at the breakfast was as good when held at that schools. Dr. Shaw said it seems that attendance increased last year when the breakfast was moved back to the ERC. Board Members will calendar the date and asked Administration to move forward with the plans.

### **1.3. 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning Skills Legislative Goal**

Dr. Shaw reported there is a need to redirect learning in the United States. He believes that it is important for students to have the opportunity to learn the skills they will need for their the future. He introduced the Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Kristin Baranski, and the Coordinator of Instructional Technology, Dr. Laura Spencer to present information to the Board about 21<sup>st</sup> Century learning skills.

Mrs. Baranski and Dr. Spencer presented information about teaching and learning in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Students need to be better prepared for jobs that we don't even know about now. The top 10 jobs in 2010 did not even exist in 2004. In addition to the mastery of the common core standards, student need to have global awareness and to stay competitive. Students need a high level of applied and critical thinking skills. Student learning in creatively, innovation, life long learning, and self direction.

There is a need for movement toward 21<sup>st</sup> century assessment, through performance tasks, oral presentation, writing, and student presentation. How students learn has an impact on what they learn. They believe the timing is right to support the legislators to imbed 21<sup>st</sup> century learning skills into the State framework.

Member Burns is concerned about presenting this as a goal to legislators and then having it come back to the District to bring accountability. Member Bartholomew said from the teacher's perspective, it is important to get through the standards content. The system is broken and the focus on the assessment seems to drive what happens in the classroom. This could create more stress on teachers. He does not believe it is one of the top three most important things to take to a legislator.

Member El-Hajj believes there is a need to go in this direction and as leaders it might be time to say we are not doing it right and need to fix it. It is the job of the Board to inform legislators about the needs for students.

President Ryan said it would not have any immediate impact in the classroom and it is important to share with legislators what the needs of schools are..

Member Fox moved to adopt 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning Skills as a legislative goal and take the information to the County School Boards Association.

**Motion:** Fox                      **Second:** El-Hajj                      **Vote:** 5-0

### **2.1 Approval of Monthly Financial Report**

Karl Christensen provided a financial showing a cash balance of \$4.9 million. The adopted budget is based on the May revise. At that time there was a permanent revenue cut which was eliminated on the State adopted budget. The Federal JOBS bill funds are included in the restricted fund but not in the fund balance.

The revenue is increased on this report because the May revise restored reductions are shown as income at this time, although the District may not ever realize these funds. There is \$1.6 million shown as additional income but is reserved because it is likely this amount will be taken away. Mr. Christensen said by using the Federal JOBS bill monies, we can reduce the amount of unrestricted expenditures to help the unrestricted general fund.

In 2110-11 it is projected to need \$2 million for cash flow. Fund 17 has \$2.8 million, which is enough to meet those cash flow needs. However, in 2011-12 there are some changes in cash that put us in a better position than when the budget was adopted. Based on these assumptions, the District can meet cash needs. If anything projected is not realized, this could change.

Member El-Hajj asked if the revenue limit deferral does not come, would there be reductions that the Board would need to look at to be safe. Mr. Christensen said this is more about cash flow and some operations savings would create additional revenue. He reminded the Board that the District is also experiencing an increase in enrollment.

Member Burns moved to approve the Monthly Financial Report.

**Motion:** Burns                      **Second:** El-Hajj                      **Vote:** 5-0

## 2.2. Approval of First Period Interim Report

Member Burns moved to approve a positive certification regarding the District's ability to meet its financial obligations for the 2010-11 fiscal year.

**Motion:** Burns                      **Second:** El-Hajj                      **Vote:** 5-0

## 3.1. Consideration of Goals for the Advisory Council for Instruction (ACI)

Kristin Baranski, Chair of ACI, reported the committee has met three times and discussed goals for the committee. She presented for Board consideration the goals proposed by the ACI committee for this year, some of which are carried over from last year, and asked if the Board had any additional goals for the committee to pursue. Board members believed the goals were good and had no additions. Member Burns moved to approve the goals of ACI for the 2010-11 school year.

**Motion:** Burns                      **Second:** El-Hajj                      **Vote:** 5-0

## H. BOARD POLICIES AND BYLAWS

### 1.1. First Reading-New Board Policy 5118 Open Enrollment Act Transfers

DR. Shaw reported that a new policy was needed to address the procedure of accepting students into our district that may wish to request a transfer based on the (Romero) Open Enrollment Act. The difference between these transfers and others is that once a student is accepted as a transfer, their transfer cannot be revoked and the school they transfer to becomes their school of residence. There were no comments from the Board and the new policy will return for Board approval at the next meeting.

## I. BOARD COMMUNICATION

Member Burns suggested that a holiday message be sent out to all employees on behalf of the Board. Board members concurred and asked Dr. Shaw to send employees a holiday message through email.

Member Bartholomew welcomed Ken Fox as a new member of the Board.

DR. Shaw asked about the best scheduling for a Board workshop for team building. Board members preferred weeknights instead of a Saturday morning. Linda will schedule the meeting.

President Ryan reported on CSBA delegate assembly. Because of the concerns last year, CSBA has put some checks and balances in place to prevent from occurring again.

## J. CLOSED SESSION

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

1. **Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release** (Govt. Code § 54957)
2. **Conference with Labor Negotiator** (Govt. Code § 54956.8)  
*Agency Negotiator: Karl Christensen, Assistant Superintendent*  
*Employee Organizations: Santee Teachers Association*  
*California School Employees Association*  
*Purpose: Negotiations*
3. **Conference with Legal Counsel-Existing Litigation**  
*(Subdivision (a) of Gov't Code §54956.9)*  
*Case # 37-2009-00083936-CU-CO-CTL*

The Board entered closed session at 8:55 p.m.

## K. RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION

The Board reconvened to public session at 9:40 p.m. No action was reported.

## L. ADJOURNMENT

The December 7, 2010 regular meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.