

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

May 2, 2006
MINUTES

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

A. OPENING PROCEDURES

1. Call to Order and Welcome
President Ryan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Members present:
 Barbara Ryan, President
 Allen Carlisle, Vice President
 Dan Bartholomew, Clerk
 Dianne El-Hajj, Member
 Dustin Burns, Member
Administration present:
 Dr. Lisbeth Johnson, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board
 Bill Clark, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
 Dr. Patrick Shaw, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
 John Tofflemire, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
 Linda Vail, Executive Assistant and Recording Secretary
2. President Ryan invited Miranda Dickerson, a 2nd grades student at Rio Seco 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: Bartholomew

Second: Carlisle

Vote: 5-0

B. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. Superintendent's Report
 - 1.1. Requests for Use of Facilities
 - 1.2. Developer Fees Collection Report
 - 1.3. Enrollment Report
 - 1.4. Donations to the Foundation
 - 1.5. Schedule of Upcoming Events
2. Spotlight on Learning-District and County Science Fair

Dr. Shaw introduced Kristin Baranski and Dr. Lynn Shevinsky, a junior high teacher at Rio Seco School, who organized the Santee School District Science Fair and student admissions into the Greater San Diego Science and Engineering Fair. Mrs. Baranski thanked Dr. Shevinsky for her assistance in organizing the County entrants. Dr. Shevinsky thanked the Board for inviting the participants to the meeting. She recognized the great student effort in outstanding research and the awesome quality of their projects. She also thanked Dr. Johnson and Dr. Shaw for their support and introduced each student to the Board. Dr. Shaw and President Ryan presented each Science Fair winner with a certificate of recognition.

Dr. Johnson thanked the Education Services Department, Kristin Baranski, and the teachers who work so hard on the Science Fair each year. The Science Fair winners were:

Taylor Avery	Rio Seco	Consumer Science/Product Testing	1 st Place-Going to State Competition
Matthew Reas	Pepper Drive	Earth Sciences	1 st Place-Going to State Competition
Evan Ford	Rio Seco	Chemistry	4 th Place-Professional Society Award
Caleb Avery	Rio Seco	medicine and Health	2 nd Place
David Azhocar	Prospect Ave.	Consumer Science/Product Testing	2 nd Place
Alexis Baker	Rio Seco	Microbiology	2 nd Place
Michael Duffy	Rio Seco	Physics	2 nd Place
Kenneth Sasxer	Carlton Hills	Physics	2 nd Place
Richard Spurgeon	Rio Seco	Physics	2 nd Place
Kenzie Corbin	Pepper Drive	Consumer Science/Product Testing	3 rd Place
Kayla Correia	Pepper Drive	Environmental Sciences	3 rd Place
Stevie Dickerson	Rio Seco	Consumer Science/Product Testing	3 rd Place
Thomas Hegner	Rio Seco	Engineering	3 rd Place
Ken Sankary	Cajon Park	Physics	3 rd Place
Tyler Sevcik	Carlton Hills	Consumer Science/Product Testing	3 rd Place
Erick Zuniga	Prospect Ave.	Physics	3 rd Place
Erika Brenner	Rio Seco	Botany	4 th Place
Brandon Brownlee	Prospect Ave.	Botany	4 th Place
Evan Ford	Rio Seco	Chemistry	4 th Place
Sarah Friedman	Rio Seco	Consumer Science/Product Testing	4 th Place
Jessica Carolan	Rio Seco	District Award	
Haley Vogt	Rio Seco	District Award	

3. Spotlight-Scott Hepner, Live-On Resident at Santee School

Dr. Johnson shared that administration believes it is very important to recognize those who go above and beyond in their service to the District. Dr. Johnson shared the details of Mr. Hepner's assistance in the Sheriff's apprehension of a vandal at the Santee School site. Dr. Johnson introduced Scott Hepner and thanked him for his assistance in keeping the school site secure. President Ryan presented Mr. Hepner with a certificate of appreciation.

4. Update on the Community Policing Committee (COMPOC) Meeting with Student Forum Representatives

Dr. Johnson reported on the student representative meeting with the City's Community Policing Committee. Administration had reported to the City Manger that administration and students wished to share their concerns about safety and hate symbols in the community. The City Manager recommended that the first place to share the information was to the COMPOC Committee. The students did an outstanding job of presenting their concerns to the committee. One of the outcomes of the meeting was that the Sheriff's department will be working with Mark Saxer on establishing a Neighborhood Watch program in his neighborhood. The students provided suggestions and said they believed if the Deputies walked around the neighborhoods and parks they may have a better vision of the problems.

Member El-Hajj agreed with the recommendation from Dr. Johnson that a letter be sent to all of the students from the Student Forum. Dr. Johnson said that she has asked Courtnie Davis, a student representative from Hill Creek, to write a summary of the meeting that could be shared with all of the student representatives. Board Member would like to write a thank you letter to the students for their participation. President Ryan said that she was impressed with the quality of comments and discussion by students.

C. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

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

D. CONSENT ITEMS

Items listed under Consent are considered to be routine and are all acted on by the Board with one single motion.

Superintendent

1.1. Approval of Minutes

Business Services

- 2.1. Approval of Travel Requests (Pulled for separate consideration.)
- 2.2. Approval/Ratification of Revolving Cash Report
- 2.3. Acceptance of Donations
- 2.4. Adoption of Resolution Requesting Temporary Transfer of Funds
- 2.5. Approval of Interdistrict Attendance Agreements
- 2.6. Approval of Student Teaching Agreement with Azusa Pacific University
- 2.7. Adoption of Resolutions Authorizing Specific Designated Agents
- 2.8. Approval of Carlton Oaks Live-On Resident (Pulled for separate consideration.)
- 2.9. Award of Bid for Deferred Maintenance Project (Pulled for separate consideration.)
- 2.10. Approval of Response to Request for Agency Recommendation

Educational Services

- 3.1. Approval of Extended Field Trip for Fifth Grade GATE Students from Carlton Oaks School to the San Diego Maritime Museum, "Californian"
- 3.2. Approval of Request for Extended Field Trip for Pepper Drive School Students to Visit Medieval Times in Buena Park, California
- 3.3. Approval to Submit British Petroleum America Energy Grant
- 3.4. Approval of Request for Proposal No. 1369 for First 5 Commission of San Diego, First 5 for Parents

Human Resources

- 4.1. Personnel, Regular (Pulled for separate consideration.)
- 4.2. Approval of New Job Description for Child and Family Attendance Specialist
- 4.3. Adoption of Resolution No. 0506-21 Declaring May 10, 2006 as the Day of the Teacher
- 4.4. Adoption of Resolution No. 0506-22 Declaring May 21-27, 2006 as Classified School Employee Week

It was moved and seconded to approve Consent Items with the exception of Items D.2.1., D.2.8., D.2.9., and D.4.1., which were pulled for separate consideration.

Motion: Burns

Second: Bartholomew

Vote: 5-0

Consent Item D.2.1. Travel (Pulled by President Ryan for separate consideration.)

President Ryan asked for a motion to consider the revised travel consent item an emergency decision. The additional travel needed to be approved as soon as possible because administration had just discovered that the Professional Learning Communities (PLC) Institute being held in Los Angeles during the summer was already 70% full. Staff planning to attend need to register right away to assure availability. Member El-Hajj moved to consider this item an emergency due to the nature of the popularity of the program. Member Burns seconded the motion. But would like to provide the public an opportunity to speak on this item since it was not posted on the agenda for this meeting. Member El-Hajj shared how important this focused training is to implement this type of strategy during the school year. She believes that if the Board is serious about supporting PLC's they must be willing to spend the money if it is available. Member Bartholomew supports the training but wished her knew about such a large expenditure prior to the meeting. Dr. Shaw said that the funding for this institute is coming from the AB 75, Bill Gates money which is designated to pay for administration professional development. The emergency travel was for all principals, vice principals and four district administrators (21 people) to attend the Professional Learning Communities 3-Day Institute at a cost of \$1,051 each.

Motion: El-Hajj

Second: Burns

Vote: 5-0

President Ryan offered the audience the opportunity to speak on this item. There were no comments. Board members said that they would like to offer the opportunity at the next meeting for anyone who would like to address the emergency travel approval and they may do so under Public Communication. Member Burns moved to approve the Consent Item D.2.1. Travel.

Motion: Burns

Second: El-Hajj

Vote: 5-0

Consent Item D.2.8. Approval of Carlton Oaks Live-On Resident (Pulled by Member Carlisle for separate consideration.)

Member Carlisle asked about the selection process for the live-on resident and wanted to make sure that as an employee, the selected individual has a clear understanding of the separation in the duties as a live-on resident as opposed to being an employee in order to protect both the live-on resident and the District. Dr. Johnson shared that an attorney drafted the agreement and Mr. Clark said that there was a thorough selection process

and applicants have many of the same requirements as employees. Mr. Carlisle moved to approve the selection.

Motion: Carlisle

Second: Burns

Vote: 5-0

Consent Item D.2.9. Award of Bid for Deferred Maintenance Project (Pulled by Member Carlisle for separate consideration.) Member Carlisle asked about the disparity between the two lowest bidders and if the district is familiar with Countywide, the low bidder. Mr. Clark said that the District has used them previously and are comfortable with the vendor. Member Carlisle moved to approve Consent Item D.2.9.

Motion: Carlisle

Second: Bartholomew

Vote: 5-0

Consent Item D.4.1. Personnel, Regular (Pulled by Member Carlisle for separate consideration.) Member Carlisle asked if the employees requesting extended leave of absences are all in good standing with the District and are valuable employees that the District would like to have return to active employment. Mr. Tofflemire said that all employees requesting extended leaves were employees in good standing and would be welcomed back. Mr. Carlisle moved to approve Consent Item D.4.1.

Motion: Carlisle

Second: Burns

Vote: 5-0

F. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS

Superintendent

1.1. Approval of Parent Partner Survey

Dr. Johnson provided a report on the Strategic Planning Action Committee on Parent Partnerships and shared that the committee has a final version of a parent survey that they recommend to be sent home to parents. Dr. Johnson introduced Mrs. Cynthia Avery, the mother of 4 children at Rio Seco who served as a very active parent member of the committee. Mrs. Avery shared that she has had the pleasure of serving on the committee and shared a report of on the topic of the parent involvement. She share a quote from Helen Keller, " Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much".

Her report included research that supports the impact of students with involved parents, no matter what their income or background. Students with involved parents are more likely to graduate from high school and go on to post secondary education. One of the recommendations for parent involvement is supporting the life-long learning through parent education.

She reported that the committee spent two meeting developing a survey of topics that parents may feel would be helpful. The list was then refined and condensed to twelve items to present to parents.

Member Carlisle thanked Mr. Avery for her involvement and for taking a leadership roll. He said that he is a strong advocate for getting parents involved and providing the skills to help them help their children succeed. He said, "Somehow we have got to get to the families that have no interest." He would like to strategize on getting the families that do not usually have the interest involved. The committee believes that these topics will support ongoing learning by parents that will ultimately provide skills that strengthen family communication and interaction, offer strategies that support children's positive development and school success, and assist in the development of a stronger and more committed school community.

Mrs. Avery suggested that we might provide child care to encourage parent participation. President Ryan said she has also seen other districts provide a dinner increase interest and attendance. President Ryan also suggested that the parent education programs could also be required under rehabilitation plans for students going to expulsion hearings. Member Burns thanked Mrs. Avery for her time and assistance on the committee and the survey. Member Bartholomew thanked Mrs. Avery and shared his appreciation for her ideas on how we can get these opportunities to everyone. He said the survey was really well done. Dr. Johnson and President Ryan thanked Mrs. Avery for her participation on the committee. Member Carlisle moved to approve the Parent Survey.

<i>Motion: Carlisle</i>	<i>Second: El-Hajj</i>	<i>Vote: 5-0</i>
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1.2. Adoption of Resolution #0506-26 to Join with the California School Boards Association in Urging Congress to Review and Address the Necessary Amendments to the No Child Left Behind Act and Consideration of the National Education Association (NEA) Resolution

Dr. Johnson stated that the Board has previously spoken about setting high goals that are reasonable and doable. She shared that administration is concerned about the AYP bar for subgroups, that it is dramatic and unrealistic and no resources are provided by the Federal Government. The unreasonable targets for Title 1 schools can cause schools to become Program Improvement schools where the government sends their representatives to run the school. The proposed resolution will get information to Congress asking that the language be reviewed and resources be provided to assist schools in achieving the AYP targets. She said that she also included a resolution provided by NEA for Board members to review. Dr. Johnson believes that the CSBA sample resolution is more concise and therefore is more likely to be read and reviewed by Congress. Member Burns moved to adopt Resolution #0506-26.

Motion: Burns

Second: El-Hajj

Vote: 5-0

Educational Services

3.1. Evaluation Summary of the 2005-06 Modified Day Programs and Approval of Proposed Adjustments to the 2006-07 Regular School Year Instructional Schedule

Dr. Shaw shared the modified day schedule proposals for schools for the 2006-07 school year. This summary reflects the following changes:

Cajon Park implements modified day for grades 7 and 8.

Carlton Hills begins extended day Kindergarten in August.

Carlton Oaks implements full day Kindergarten.

Prospect Avenue implements full day Kindergarten in January and modified days for grades K-8.

Member Burns has mixed feeling about modified days and the lack of consistency around the District. He understands that the schools are all very different, but has noticed a trend in the schools that are progressively achieving have a quality modified day program, which may contribute to their success. He still would like to have consistency district wide, especially if it is a modified day program that is really working. He thanked Mrs. Ginn for dealing with the parent who was concerned with the modified day proposal in grades 7-8 at Cajon Park. He is pleased that there is a program offered to assist parents with child care on modified days. The parent also asked President Ryan to share her appreciation to all of the Board members for responding to her quickly and also Mrs. Ginn for responding to her concerns. President Ryan asked if anything is being done to encourage the schools not offering extended day kindergarten to implement it at their site. Dr. Shaw said he believes that facility needs is prohibiting extended day Kindergarten at some schools. President Ryan would like to see all students have the opportunity and if it is a space issue, she would like to see what could be done to accommodate students. Dr. Shaw and Mr. Clark will have a discussion and see what can be done. Member Burns moved to approve the proposed instructional schedules.

Motion: Burns

Second: Bartholomew

Vote: 5-0

3.2. English Learner Master Plan

Dr. Shaw introduced Kristen Baranski, Director of Curriculum and Assessment, and Donna Farquar, English Language Resource Teacher, and said that he is very proud of this English Learner Master Plan and the hard work Mrs. Baranski and Mrs. Farquar have put into it. Mrs. Baranski shared that the plan describes all facets of the English Learner program. Mrs. Farquar shared that the master plan contains the essential documents that the English Learner Department has been using for the last 2½ years. Included are guidelines for initial identification, program performance, evaluation criteria, parent waiver process, and parent communication. The Plan also contains the roles of the District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) and the English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC). Although not required, the Master Plan was put together to assist in

providing the highest level of achievement for English Learners. President Ryan thanked Mrs. Farquar for an outstanding job.

<i>Motion: Burns</i>	<i>Second: El-Hajj</i>	<i>Vote: 5-0</i>
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3.3. Changes to Head Lice Administrative Regulation

Dr. Shaw shared that there is a change in research and expert opinions about the no-nit regulations for school attendance and he is recommending that the Administrative Regulation be changed to allow a student to continue attendance even though there are nits in the hair that are not close to the scalp and determined to be dead. He said that Health Clerks would make an evaluation and then a recommendation on attendance at school. He said the follow through and consistent monitoring would continue.

Member Bartholomew does not want a student to miss school if there is no need. President Ryan said that the American Academy of Pediatrics recommends the policy change because so many students were missing school. Member El-Hajj asked how many days students have been absent during this school year because of lice and the current no-nit requirements. Dr. Shaw said that he would investigate to determine the number of days miss this year because of this restriction. Dr. Shaw said that there is currently consistent monitoring for no nits which sometimes may mean 1-2 weeks out of school before all of the nits are gone.

Michelle Myers, District Nurse, said that research indicates that 6-12 million school days are lost annually due to nits only and that only 18% of students with nits will develop lice. Member El-Hajj said that she would be very unhappy if she had a student who got head lice from another student at school. Ms. Myers said that a letter is currently, and would continue to be, sent home about not sharing items such as combs and hats, and how to prevent the spread of lice. She explained that with the new regulation, if a child has nits, the health clerk will look for live lice, for which they would be sent home. If the child had only nits, the Administrative Regulation would allow discretion by the health office to determine if the nits were dead. El-Hajj asked if a letter was sent home with students if someone in their class had lice. Dr. Shaw said that those letters are still sent to the class if a student is reported to have evidence of lice. Ms. Myers said that parents will be upset with this change, but it is best for students. Member Burns would like to know how many days students have missed this year for lice or nits.

Member Burns is happy that there is discretion by school staff. Member Carlisle moved to approve the changes to the Administrative Regulation.

Motion: Allen

Second: Bartholomew

Vote: 4-1 (El-Hajj,no)

Human Resources

4.1. Approval of Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators

Mr. Tofflemire presented the annual declaration brought to the Board. He explained that the emergency certifications are only used in the event that a qualified teacher is not available. With the NCLB mandates the District has very little need to utilize teachers on emergency certification.

Motion: El-Hajj

Second: Carlisle

Vote: 5-0

4.2. End of Year Employee Celebration

John Tofflemire reported that his staff has reserved Casa del Pico on June 1, 2006 for an end-of-the-year employee celebration. This celebration will also be where retiring employees will be recognized. Administration is working to collect donations from community sponsors to defray the cost of this event.

G. BOARD POLICIES AND BYLAWS

1. Second Reading

1.1. Approval to Amend Board Policy 4141.6, Concerted Action/Work Stoppage

John Tofflemire shared that this policy amendment is returning for a second reading and approval. Member Bartholomew asked administration to review the Policy for language flow. Mr. Tofflemire also reported that Administrative Regulation 4141.6 was suspended in early March when the District received legal opinion on this item.

Motion: Bartholomew

Second: El-Hajj

Vote: 5-0

H. BOARD COMMUNICATION

Member Carlisle shared that a couple of years ago the water district asked to rent school buses for transportation at events at Santee Lakes. He said that the arrangement is working out very well and the drivers have been really great. At the Easter Egg hunt one of the drivers arrived in a bunny suit. He thanked the District for their support in these community events.

Member Bartholomew reported that he represented the Board at the Padre Game sponsored by Tierra Del Sol Council. He sees that there is a great interaction among people from all of the schools and it is a very unique community we live in. He said that he would be traveling on business on May 16th and would not be in attendance at the Board meeting that evening.

Member Burns shared that he wanted to publicly thank principals and all staff for preparing students for their State testing. He said that he is very confident that everyone who supports students has done a great job and the results will be evident.

President Ryan shared that she, Members Carlisle and Burns, and Dr. Johnson attended the Board of Supervisors meeting the afternoon of May 2. She reported that the issues discussed were: 1) the opportunity to get additional Title 1 funds for foster children in foster family agencies (Santee has 3 students in this situation and the funds can be used to remediate), 2) offering summer free lunches for students with a 50% free/reduced lunch rate, 3) the possibility of collaboration of AED's, and 4) child obesity and diabetes.

Dr. Johnson said that we may not qualify for the summer lunch program and if there was a cost for staff it may not be a program that we could offer. Dr. Johnson liked a program that was mentioned where fruit could be made available to families.

I. 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: John Tofflemire, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
Employee Organizations: Santee Teachers Association(STA)
California School Employees Association (CSEA)
Purpose: Negotiations update
3. Student Discipline Matters (Education Code § 48918)
4. Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Govt. Code §54956.8)
Location: Santee School Site, 10445 Mission Gorge Rd., Santee 92071
Negotiating Party: City of Santee and Santee School District
Agency Negotiator: Bill Clark, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Purpose: Price and Terms
5. Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Govt. Code §54956.8)
Location: Renzulli Site: Prospect Avenue-east of Marrokal Lane, Santee 92071
Negotiating Party: City of Santee and Santee School District
Agency Negotiator: Bill Clark, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Purpose: Price and Terms
6. Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Govt. Code §54956.8)
Location: Fanita Ranch Property: Approximately 17 acres for a school site, located within the Fanita Ranch development bordered on the South by Carlton Hills Blvd. and Cuyamaca St., bordered on the west by Santee Lakes, and bordered on the east by Magnolia Ave.
Negotiating Party: Nick Arthur, Barratt American

Agency Negotiator: Bill Clark, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Purpose: Consideration of Potential School Site Acquisition

The Board entered closed session at 8:30 p.m.

J. RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION/ ADJOURNMENT

The Board reconvened to public session at 10:50 p.m. No action was reported. The May 2, 2006 regular meeting adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

Dan Bartholomew, Clerk

Lisbeth A. Johnson, Ed.D., Secretary