

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

September 21, 2004  
**MINUTES**

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

**A. OPENING PROCEDURES**

1. Call to Order and Welcome  
President El-Hajj called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.  
Members present:  
    Dianne El-Hajj, President  
    Cathy Abel, Vice President  
    Dustin Burns, Clerk  
    Barbara Ryan, Member  
Staff present:  
    Dr. Lisbeth Johnson, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board  
    Dr. Patrick Shaw, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services  
    John Tofflemire, Director, Human Resources  
    Linda Vail, Executive Assistant and Recording Secretary
2. President El-Hajj invited Christine Blaylock, PTA president at Sycamore Canyon 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 with Consent Item E.2.10 pulled by administration.  
  

***Motion: Abel*                                    *Second: El-Hajj*                                    *Vote: 4-0***

**B. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

1. Superintendent's Report
  - 1.1. Requests for Use of Facilities
  - 1.2. Enrollment Report
  - 1.3. Developer Fees Collection Report
  - 1.4. Schedule of Upcoming Events
2. Board Committee Assignments  
Dr. Johnson reported that she will be sending out the annual letter seeking volunteers to serve on Board Advisory Committees. The applications will be brought to the Board on October 19<sup>th</sup> for selection.

**C. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION**

President El-Hajj 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. Santee School District Board of Education Initial Proposal to Modify Articles of the Current Collective Bargaining Agreement Between Santee School District and California School Employees Association  
  
President El-Hajj opened the public hearing. With no comments received from the public, 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.

**Superintendent**

1.1. Approval of Minutes

**Business Services**

- 2.1. Approval of Travel Requests
- 2.2. Approval/Ratification of Expenditure Warrants
- 2.3. Approval/Ratification of Purchase Orders
- 2.4. Approval/Ratification of Revolving Cash Reports
- 2.5. Acceptance of Donations
- 2.6. Report on Summer Projects
- 2.7. Approval of Quarterly Financial Disclosure, SB 564
- 2.8. Adoption of Resolution #0405-12 to Deposit Rental Revenue into Special Reserve Fund #17-42
- 2.9. Approval of Response to Request for Agency Recommendation
- 2.10. Approval of Contracts for Nonpublic, Nonsectarian School/Agency Services
- 2.11. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with San Diego County Superintendent of Schools for Title I Collection of CalWorks Data **(Pulled by Member Burns for separate consideration.)**

**Educational Services**

- 3.1. Approval to Purchase Automatic External Defibrillators (AED) for the Project SAFE Program
- 3.2. Approval of Agreement with San Diego Medical Services Enterprise for AED Support Services
- 3.3. Approval of Agreement with the County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency for the Social Worker Intern Program
- 3.4. Approval of Agreement with Children's Hospital to Conduct Mandated Student Health Screenings **(Pulled by Member Ryan for separate consideration.)**
- 3.5. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with the San Diego County Office of Education Bilingual Teacher Training Program (BTTP) for 2004-05 **(Pulled by Member Burns for separate consideration.)**

**Human Resources**

- 4.1. Personnel, Regular (A copy to become part of the minutes.)
- 4.2. Approval to Increase Hours of One Food Service Worker II
- 4.3. Approval to Increase Hours of One Instructional Assistant, Special Education II

It was moved and seconded to approve Consent Items E.2.11 Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with San Diego County Superintendent of Schools for Title I Collection of CalWorks Data and E.3.5. Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with the San Diego County Office of Education Bilingual Teacher Training Program (BTTP) for 2004-05.

**Motion: Abel**

**Second: El-Hajj**

**Vote: 3-0 (Burns, abstain)**

It was moved and seconded to approve Consent Item E.3.4. Approval of Agreement with Children's Hospital to Conduct Mandated Student Health Screenings

**Motion: Abel**

**Second: Burns**

**Vote: 3-0 (Ryan, abstain)**

It was moved and seconded to approve the remainder of the consent items as listed.

**Motion: Burns**

**Second: Abel**

**Vote: 4-0**

Dr. Bill Stumbaugh introduced members of the Santee Fire Department who were very instrumental in bringing the AED program to Santee. The Board was congratulated for being proactive in placing AED's in the schools. Santee School District is only the second school district in the County of San Diego to implement a full AED program.

**F. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS**

**Superintendent**

- 1.1. Appointment to Fill Vacant Seat #5 on the Santee School District Governing Board
  - A. Discussion by Board Members of Process and Procedures  
President El-Hajj asked the pleasure of the Board on the order to take "Request to Speak" cards. The Board determined the following procedures: Each candidate would draw a number and would address the Board in the order of numbers drawn. Each candidate would have 3-5 minutes to

present to the Board and to respond to questions from the Board members. Following all of the presentations, it was determined that public input would be heard. Then the Board decided to hold a discussion and to narrow the number of candidates. The Board discussed that at this point they would entertain a motion by an individual Board member to nominate a specific candidate. At this point, when the motion was seconded, the board would vote and any candidate who received the majority of Board votes would gain the appointment. It was also determined that the oath of office would not be administered until the first Board meeting in October.

B. Oral Presentations by Applicants for Vacant Seat #5 on the Santee School District Governing Board  
After drawing numbers, the candidates gave oral presentations in number order drawn and answered questions from Board members in the following order:

1. Elana Levens-Craig
2. Thomas Carr
3. Beth Selbe
4. Elden Jones
5. Allen Carlisle
6. Patricia Paris
7. Barbara Bennett-Grable

Phil Harrington, pastor of Pathways church, spoke on behalf of candidate Allen Carlisle.

C. Possible Appointment to Fill Vacant Seat #5 on the Santee School District Governing Board

Members Burns and Ryan expressed their thoughts about how great the slate of candidates was and that all candidates bring great strengths. President El-Hajj shared her impressions of the strengths brought by each candidate.

The Board members each put forward their top three candidate names. The top candidates named by at least three Board members to remain on the slate were Allen Carlisle, Elana Levens-Craig, and Beth Selbe. The three final candidates answered questions posed by Board members. When the questioning was completed, Board members each named a top candidate.

Member Burns then made a motion to appoint Allen Carlisle to Seat #5 on the Board of Education.

*Motion: Burns*

*Second: Abel*

*Vote: 4-0*

**Business Services** (None)

**Educational Services** (None)

**Human Resources** (None)

G. **BOARD POLICIES AND BYLAWS (None)**

1. First Readings (None)

2. Second Reading:

2.1. Second Reading: Review/Revision: BP 1312.1, Complaints About School District Personnel

*Motion: Ryan*

*Second: Burns*

*Vote: 4-0*

H. **BOARD COMMUNICATION**

President El-Hajj introduced the two candidates running for Seat #4.

Member Ryan shared that SB 117 is still waiting on the Governor's desk. The only thing we could do at this time to expedite the bill is to call Paul Navarro, but Barbara does not recommend this action. September 30 is the deadline for the Governor's signature. Member Ryan also shared information about a Golden Bell Award for San Diego City Schools "Kids Café". The program is very successful and has seen a 100% increase in students buying lunches. She would like our food services personnel to call them to get information on the program.

Dr. Johnson informed the Board that the County Superintendents will meet tomorrow at the County Office of Education to develop a plan given that the Governor is not going to sign an appeal regarding the County's proposed suspension of AB 2726 services if Districts do not provide for the \$10 million shortfall. She hopes to bring more positive news after the meeting. Member Ryan suggested that as superintendents meet with Jean Shepherd, no decisions be made until Board members have the opportunity to meet with the Board of Supervisors. Member Ryan feels that with the information she has at this time, school districts should be able to meet the shortfall in order to have the County provide services for the remainder of the school year.

President El-Hajj shared information from the Business Forum sub committee meeting. They would like to send invitations to businesses in the community, to give a "state of the District" address at the meeting, to have the meeting in November with the nutrition department catering, and have student work exhibited. The meeting would last for about 1½ hours. This could be a semi-annual event and certificates would be provided for participation. Board members discussed specifics of the meeting so planning can begin. The Board would like to have a breakfast meeting during the week of November 8<sup>th</sup>. The meeting should begin at 7:30 a.m. and more than a continental breakfast should be served. Members discussed the possible cost. The Board asked that more specific details be brought to the next meeting in order to approve the function and any costs that would be incurred. Linda will get clarification on dates and times of the meetings.

Member Burns shared that go Get Yogurt recently provided a fund raiser that included all of our schools and would like a thank you note sent.

Member Burns asked how the message could be conveyed to CSBA about declining enrollment issues. Member Ryan shared that she would bring the concerns to CSBA.

The City of Santee has asked that we send a Board representative to Sacramento on October 19th to lobby for the new library. Member Burns is willing to attend if he can be back for the Board meeting. If Member Burns attends he would speak on behalf of the Board after meeting with Board members to receive input.

President El-Hajj brought forward Board Bylaw 9120, which pertains to the annual organization meeting and the rotation of officers. Board members discussed their interpretations of the rotation as described in the bylaw and that appointed members were not addressed. Member Burns does not feel that an appointed member to the Board should serve as president unless they have been elected into their seat. The Board asked Superintendent Johnson to bring a revised Board Bylaw to the next meeting that would address appointed members in the rotation.

**I. CLOSED SESSION**

President El-Hajj announced that the Board would meet in closed session for:

1. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release
2. Conference with Labor Negotiator  
*Agency Negotiator: John Tofflemire, Director, Human Resources*  
*Employee Organizations: Santee Teachers Association (STA) California*  
*School Employees Association (CSEA)*
3. Student Discipline Matters
4. Conference with Real Property Negotiators  
*Location: Renzulli Site and Santee School*  
*Agency Negotiator: Lisbeth Johnson, Superintendent*
5. Public Employee Performance Evaluation  
*Superintendent*

The Board entered closed session at 10:00 p.m.

**J. RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION/ ADJOURNMENT**

The Board reconvened to public session at 12:15 a.m. No action was reported. The September 21, 2004, regular meeting adjourned at 12:15 a.m.

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Dustin Burns, Clerk

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Lisbeth A. Johnson, Ed.D., Secretary