

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

August 2, 2022
MINUTES

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

A. OPENING PROCEDURES

1. Call to Order and Welcome

President Levens-Craig called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and shared Member Ryan was unable to attend the meeting.

Members present:

Elana Levens-Craig, President
Dianne El-Hajj, Vice President
Ken Fox, Clerk
Dustin Burns, Member
Barbara Ryan, Member

Administration present:

Dr. Kristin Baranski, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board
Karl Christensen, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services
Tim Larson, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources/Pupil Services
Dr. Stephanie Pierce, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
Lisa Arreola, Executive Assistant and Recording Secretary

2. District Mission

President Levens-Craig welcomed those present and invited the audience to recite the District Mission.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Tim Larson, Assistant Superintendent, led members, staff, and audience, in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Agenda

President Levens-Craig presented the agenda for approval and noted a revision to Consent Item 4.1. Personnel, Regular. Member Fox moved approval.

<i>Motion:</i>	<u>Fox</u>	<i>Levens-Craig</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>Burns</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Second:</i>	<u>Burns</u>	<i>El-Hajj</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>Ryan</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Vote:</i>	<u>5-0</u>	<i>Fox</i>	<u>Aye</u>		

B. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

1. SSD Proud Moment

President Levens-Craig shared the following proud moment and displayed the following slide.

We are so excited that the Board of Ed. approved our recommendation for the 6-8 District Science Curriculum in May of 2022! The process of selecting a rigorous and high-quality Science curriculum has been in the making for a long time. Thanks to the Adoption Committee and Pilot Committee we were able to offer a 3 Day OpenSciEd Summer Institute on July 18-20.

These three days were dedicated towards training our 6th-8th grade teachers, who signed up, on the various components of the OpenSciEd materials and provide support with the implementation Unit 1. We had 13 participants, 5 pilot teachers, and 3 field testers attending or facilitating the 3 Day Institute each day.

A feedback survey was given to all participants on the third day of the institute.

One teacher shared: "Everything was so helpful. I really enjoyed going through lessons as a student. This experience allowed me to see how my students will think."

Another teacher said: "I got so much out of the grade level session! Loved the opportunity to go through our specific unit, conduct lessons, talk through as students and as teachers how this should look, as well as the time to go through the TE-breaking it down, and showing where each of the resources are in the book. So much valuable information shared!"

I would like to extend a big thank you to our teacher trainers, leaders and facilitators: Gilly Ryan, Kathryn Ducharme, Celina Register, Jill Schmitt, Martha Cordova, Katie Vick, Gayle Uribe, and Sierra Duggan.



President Levens-Craig expressed appreciation to everyone who had participated and shared her excitement to see science in the District. She acknowledged Gilly Ryan who was in the audience and expressed appreciation for her work in science curriculum adoption.

She noted the entire story, along with other great things happening in the District, could be found on the website.

2. **Superintendent's Report**
2.1. Developer Fees Collection Report

C. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

President Levens-Craig invited members of the audience to address the Board about any item not on the agenda. There was one (1) request to speak.

Ron Burner, Hill Creek parent, read language from the June 7th Board meeting minutes that referenced Member Burns' support of law enforcement presence at the school sites and a request for discussion at the July 19 meeting. Mr. Burner shared he was present at the July 19 meeting and the item was not discussed and asked that the Board place the security of the students and staff on a future agenda.

Member Burns asked for clarification. Superintendent Baranski noted the meeting with law enforcement had been postponed until Site Administrators returned from summer break. She shared the meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 8, and an update would be provided at the September 2nd meeting. Superintendent Baranski noted the update would include hardware and infrastructure support.

D. CONSENT ITEMS

President Levens-Craig invited comments from the public on any item listed under Consent. There were no public comments. She noted item D.4.1. Personnel, Regular was revised.

- 1.1. **Approval of Minutes**
2.1. **Approval/Ratification of Travel Requests**
2.2. **Approval/Ratification of Revolving Cash Report**
2.3. **Approval/Ratification of Expenditure Transactions Charged to District Issued Purchasing Cards (P-Cards)**
2.4. **Approval of Agreement with StudioWC Architecture & Engineering for Design of Exterior Partial Wall Enclosure for Area Around Pepper Drive School Elevator**
3.1. **Approval of Community Partnership and Purchase of Services with Mad Science of San Diego County**
3.2. **Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Azusa Pacific University for Placement of Practicum Students and Interns, Student Teachers, School Counseling and School Psychology Field Program**
4.1. **Personnel, Regular** – *pulled for separate consideration*
4.2. **Approval of 2022-2023 Service Agreement with EdJoin**
4.3. **Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with Rady Children's Hospital – San Diego, Children's Outpatient Psychiatry**
4.4. **Approval of Agreement for Mandated Student Health Screenings (Vision, Hearing, and Scoliosis) with Rady Children's Hospital – San Diego**
4.5. **Ratification of Side Letter Agreements Between Santee School District and Classified School Employees Association and Its Chapter #557**
 - District COVID Leave
 - Personalized Learning Plan
 - Reclassification of Instructional Assistant Special Education I Employees
 - Out-of-School Time Reorganization

Member Burns pulled item D.4.1. Personnel, Regular for separate consideration. Member Ryan moved approval of consent items, excluding item D.4.1. Personnel, Regular.

Motion:	<u>Ryan</u>	Levens-Craig	<u>Aye</u>	Burns	<u>Aye</u>
Second:	<u>Burns</u>	El-Hajj	<u>Aye</u>	Ryan	<u>Aye</u>
Vote:	<u>5-0</u>	Fox	<u>Aye</u>		

4.1. Personnel, Regular – pulled for separate consideration

Member Burns inquired on a shared certificated assignment at Hill Creek, Carlton Hills, and PRIDE Academy. Superintendent Baranski clarified it was a social worker position supporting three sites, and not a teaching position. Member Burns moved approval.

Motion:	<u>Burns</u>	Levens-Craig	<u>Aye</u>	Burns	<u>Aye</u>
Second:	<u>El-Hajj</u>	El-Hajj	<u>Aye</u>	Ryan	<u>Aye</u>
Vote:	<u>5-0</u>	Fox	<u>Aye</u>		

E. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS

Superintendent

1.1. Appointment of Coordinator, Out-of-School Time Programs

Superintendent Baranski presented Davina Hale for appointment as Coordinator, Out-of-School Time Programs. She shared Mrs. Hale was the Director of Expanded Learning for The Children's Initiative since November 2021, and prior to that served Lemon Grove School District since 2009 as an Expanded Learning Program Secretary and Expanded Learning Program Site Leader, and as a Child Care Supervisor for the East County Family YMCA. Member Ryan moved approval.

Mrs. Hale expressed her appreciation for the opportunity and introduced her husband and children.

Motion:	<u>Ryan</u>	Levens-Craig	<u>Aye</u>	Burns	<u>Aye</u>
Second:	<u>El-Hajj</u>	El-Hajj	<u>Aye</u>	Ryan	<u>Aye</u>
Vote:	<u>5-0</u>	Fox	<u>Aye</u>		

Business Services

2.1. Approval of Agreement with Sage Energy Consulting to Prepare and Submit Interconnection Applications to SDG&E on Behalf of the District for a Possible Solar Installation at the District Office

Karl Christensen, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, shared that at a prior meeting the Board approved a conceptual plan for transitioning some or all of the District's bus fleet to electric vehicles and explained installing solar at the District office would help offset some of the increase of electricity for the charging stations. Mr. Christensen explained the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) is scheduled to rule on a transition from Net Energy Metering (NEM) version 2.0 to version 3.0. He noted once NEM 3.0 is implemented and applicable to new projects, overall electricity cost savings generated by a photovoltaic system will be substantially reduced.

Mr. Christensen recommended the District approve an agreement with Sage Energy Consulting to prepare and submit an interconnection applications to SDG&E to preserve the District's ability to install solar under NEM 2.0 provisions, if this turns out to be a feasible option. He explained Sage Energy Consulting has provided consulting and advisory services to numerous school districts in the areas of solar, battery storage, and fleet electrification. Mr. Christensen shared Sage Energy would develop a conceptual design of a solar system at the District office and submit with the application for three meters. He noted there are four meters at the District office. Once the application is submitted, it reserves the District's space and place on the current NEM level. Mr. Christensen explained the Educational Resource Center might be able to support solar, which would be less costly than a shade structure or a combination of a shade structure and roof top installation. Member El-Hajj moved approval.

Motion:	<u>El-Hajj</u>	Levens-Craig	<u>Aye</u>	Burns	<u>Aye</u>
Second:	<u>Burns</u>	El-Hajj	<u>Aye</u>	Ryan	<u>Aye</u>
Vote:	<u>5-0</u>	Fox	<u>Aye</u>		

F. EMPLOYEE ASSOCIATION COMMUNICATION

Melanie Hirahara, Santee Teachers Association (STA) President, was present but had nothing to share with the Board.

G. ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS

Superintendent Baranski and Member Ryan provided an update on student mental health resources through Screening to Care Initiative and the Student Behavioral Health Incentive program. Superintendent Baranski noted that in a prior meeting, Mike Olander, Director of Pupil Services, discussed the Screening to Care initiative. She explained the initiative aims to make available behavioral health interventions for all students in grades 7 and 8.

Member Ryan explained the Student Behavioral Health Incentive program, involves approximately five (5) districts, including San Diego Unified, with a possibility of more districts joining. She shared there is approximately \$25 million in funding that will be distributed amongst the districts based on need. Member Ryan noted Santee School District was a district that volunteered to participate. She explained it is anticipated the funding will be allocated to local non-profit agencies who will work with the school districts to screen and offer the behavioral health services to all grade 6-8 students regardless of health coverage. The Board agreed this was a great opportunity for the Santee School District students.

H. BOARD COMMUNICATION

President Levens-Craig noted upcoming events.

I. CLOSED SESSION

President Levens-Craig announced that the Board would meet in closed session for:

1. **Conference with Labor Negotiator** (Gov't. Code § 54957.6)
Purpose: Negotiations
Agency Negotiators: Tim Larson, Assistant Superintendent
Employee Organizations: Santee Teachers Association (STA); and
Classified School Employees Association (CSEA)
2. **Public Employee Performance Evaluation** (Gov't. Code § 54957)
Superintendent


The Board entered closed session at 6:25 p.m.

J. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened to public session at 8:00 p.m. and reported no action was taken.

K. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the regular meeting of August 2, 2022, was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.



Ken Fox, Clerk



Dr. Kristin Baranski, Secretary