#### SANTEE SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

June 1, 2010 **MINUTES** 

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

#### A. OPENING PROCEDURES

Call to Order and Welcome

President Burns called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m. and read the District Mission Statement.

Members present:

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

Dianne El-Hajj, Member

Administration present:

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

Linda Vail, Executive Assistant and Recording Secretary

- 2. President Burns invited Alex Stephenson, a 5<sup>th</sup> grade student at Sycamore Canyon School, to lead the members, staff and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Approval of Agenda

President Burns reported the meeting would be adjourned in memory of Sheri Wallace, a long time parent, volunteer, and employee, who recently lost her battle with cancer.

It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda.

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

#### B. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

# 1. Superintendent's Report

- 1.1. Developer Fees Collection Report
- 1.2. Use of Facilities Report
- 1.3. Enrollment Report
- 1.4. Schedule of Upcoming Events

# 2. Spotlight on Education: Student Recognition

#### Outdoor Education Scholarship Winners

Kristin Baranski introduced Caity Williams and Alexandra La Mora, 5<sup>th</sup> grade students from Cajon Park, who submitted winning essays in the County Outdoor Education essay contest. Caity and Alexandra were 2 of only 15 winners in the county of San Diego and will each receive a scholarship to attend Outdoor Education next year as 6<sup>th</sup> graders.. President Burns presented each student with a certificate of recognition.

# County Spelling Bee Participant

Kristin Baranski introduced Kaleb Martinez, a 7<sup>th</sup> grade student from Hill Creek School, who represented Santee School District at the County Spelling Bee. President Burns presented Kaleb with a certificate of recognition.

# County Science Fair Participants

Kristin Baranski and the science teachers introduced the students who had science projects that went to the County level Science Fair. The students recognized were:

1st Place Awards
Krystal Chung
Suzy De Trafford
Spencer Ford
Connor Shands
Andrew Stephenson
Alec Wilson
Andrew Wilson

2<sup>nd</sup> Place Awards Aaron Adriance Bobby Collins Katie Galarneau Kaitlyn Homan Tyler Kirk

Marisa McKasson Sarah Morgan Wendy Sigler Lexie Signore Laura Williamson 3rd Place Awards
Alexis Adams
Arianna Ahumada
Davis Bartholomew
Jonathan Clark
Megan Coleman
Victoria Hegner
Trina Killian
Mary LaRochelle
Carly Messig
Nicole Page
Ryan St. John
Gabriel Swanson

**4<sup>th</sup> Place Awards** Sinead Buckley

President Burns presented each student with a certificate of recognition. Mrs. Baranski also introduced the science teachers in the audience and thanked them for their efforts to support students in the science fair process. The science teachers present were:

Mr. Larry Barbary-Cajon Park
Mr. Bruce Jennings-Cajon Park
Ms. Kathryn Ducharme-Carlton Hills
Ms. Val Iverson-Carlton Oaks
Ms. Helen Toma-Chet F. Harritt
Dr. Lynne Shevinsky- Rio Seco

Ms. Laura Barker-Carlton Hills

# 3. Spotlight on Education: PRIDE Academy inspire Award

Dr. Shaw shared that it is a great honor for PRIDE Academy and the Santee School District to have received the *inspire* award from the Classroom of the Future Foundation. The *inspire* Award is awarded to a program that has attributes that get kids excited about learning. It specifically focuses on characteristics responsible for increasing student interests and enhancing student learning. PRIDE Academy is an exemplary program that increases student interest and enhances student learning through the integration of emerging technologies and 21<sup>st</sup> century skills. The award comes with a \$5,000 grant to use for their future endeavors. The award was presented at a very nice event with several hundred people in attendance on May 20<sup>th</sup>. The Board members congratulated the PRIDE staff and President Burns presented the staff with a certificate of recognition. President Burns shared that this year's Teacher of the Year, Robin Larson, comes from the PRIDE Academy.

#### D. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

President Burns invited members of the audience to address the Board about any item not on the agenda.

Dawn Gibbs, a District parent, community member, and small business owner, shared that she served as the 2010 Event Chair for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. The event was held on April 17 & 18 at Hill Creek School. The American Cancer Society is a nationwide healthcare organization, that is community based and volunteer driven. She thanked the Board for collaborating with the American Cancer Society to raise over \$62,000 with over 750 persons attending that weekend. She thanked the Board for allowing then to use Hill Creek School and hopes that they can continue to partner for many more years. She presented Hill Creek and the Board a certificate of appreciation.

President Burns thanked Mrs. Gibbs for making a difference in our community. Susie Martin shared the amount of hard work and prep and the positive outcomes from the event. Several Hill Creek teachers have already committed to be on a team next year.

#### 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. Acceptance and Filing of the Costs of Issuance Statement for the 2010 General Obligation Bond Anticipation Notes of the Santee School District
- 2.5. Approval of Agreement for Student Transportation Services
- 2.6. Adoption of Resolution #0910-48, to Establish Temporary Interfund Transfers
- 3.1. Approval of Estimated Plan Check Fees and Costs for Offsite Improvement Drawings At Chet F. Harritt
- 4.1. Pulled for separate consideration.
- 4.2. Approval of Medi-Cal Administrative (MAA) Service Agreement with Paradigm HealthCare Services
- 4.3. Approval of Medi-Cal Administrative Activities (MAA) Agreement with Orange County Department of Education
- 4.4. Approval of Request for Extended Field Trips
- 5.1. Personnel, Regular
- 5.2. Approval to Increase Work Hours of Identified Classified Positions
- 5.3. Approval of New Administrative Intern Job Description

It was moved and seconded to approve Consent Items with the exception of item E.4.1. which was pulled by Member Ryan for separate consideration.

Motion: Carlisle Second Bartholomew Vote: 5-0

4.1. Approval of Agreement for Mandated Student Health Screenings (Vision, Hearing, and Scoliosis) with Rady Children's Hospital, San Diego (Pulled by Member Ryan for separate consideration.)

Member Ryan wished to abstain from voting on this item because she is employed by Rady Children's Hospital. Member El-Hajj moved to approve item E.4.1.

Motion: El-Hajj Second Carlisle Vote: 4-0 (Ryan, abstain)

Mr. Mike Hammond, a community member, submitted a request to speak card and the Board allowed him to address a consent item. Mr. Hammond asked the Board to ask the City of Santee to audit the Santee Pioneer Little League to see if their future is viable. He believes the league is not currently able to field enough teams to play league play, does not need three fields, and there is no need to have three little leagues in Santee. President Burns said he believes the City does not have anything to do with the little leagues. He thanked Mr. Hammond for his comments.

#### G. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS

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

### 1.1. Governor's May Revise

Karl Christensen presented information and an overview of the State budget and the Governor's May revise. There is still \$2.5 B that remains unrestored. A \$1.5 B cut to the revenue limit remains but no new cuts were initiated.

Nationally, the economy is showing signs of growth but unemployment remains high. The State's recovery is slower and unemployment remains a major drag on the State economy, with California having the 3<sup>rd</sup> highest unemployment rate nationwide. Proposition 98 funding was projected to be \$50 B and is now down to \$48.4 B. The credibility of the State is deteriorating and they are trying to figure out how to decrease the funding by manipulating the maintenance factor, extracting pieces and programs out of the formula, and not complying with the hold harmless agreement with particular tax fees.

The deficit factor remains at 18.355%, with a negative COLA funded at -0.39% and an ongoing cut to the revenue limit raising the deficit factor from \$191 to \$235 per ADA and would not be refactored in future years.

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There is some push back from the legislators and the Democrats plan is opposed to the Governor's plan. The Democratic plan rejects the cuts to district revenue limits, funds outstanding mandated claims, rejects the negative COLAs, and shifts tax monies from local governments to schools.

The Senate subcommittee accepted this plan on May 27<sup>th</sup>. It is doubtful we will have an approved State budget by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

# 1.2. Approval of Monthly Financial Report

Karl Christensen presented the monthly financial report for April. There is a balance of \$2.1M, which is right on target with projections. There are no significant changes in the unrestricted general fund, and although the reserve is expected to be 14% at the end of this year, the reserves will be spent down over the next three years leaving us with less than the minimum required. Member Ryan moved to approve the monthly financial report.

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

## 2.1. Character Education Committee Report

Matt Thompson, vice principal at Pepper Drive and chair of the Character Education Committee, provided a report of the Character Education Committee's work this school year. The Committee met three times during the year. The Committee was interested in helping to resolve student issues that occur at recess and lunch. A new playground referral system was put in place at schools which has lessened behavior problems. Administrators from various schools shared successful caring school activities from their schools with the Committee. The Committee would like to continue working with the Santee collaborative for parent education. Data from the latest caring school survey shows an increase in students feeling safe at our schools and a positive increase from 1% to 5%. in all areas of the District. The Committee wishes to continue their commitment to caring schools.

Member Bartholomew said this year the Board heard about one situation where a child has been struggling for years with being ostracized by peers. He would like the Committee to consider if this is a slowly building situation that happens all day and all year long and to provide ways that staff can be more attuned to kids and situations like this. He would like the Committee to seek ways beyond what we have been doing to address this.

Member El-Hajj said teaching the victims how to react and cope is part of the solution. She asked how that is taught and wonders how the cycle can be broken. Member El-Hajj would also be interested in what this may look like and any changes that are seen resulting from budget cuts.

President Burns liked Mr. Thompson providing information from other schools and thanked him for a good job chairing the Committee. Mr. Thompson thanked the Board for their continuing commitment to character education.

# 3.1. Adoption of Resolution No. 0910-50 to Lay Off Identified Classified Positions

Minnie Malin reported site administration, with certificated staff and their School Site Councils, have determined certain Instructional Assistant positions will need to be eliminated due to lack of school funds resulting in several classified employees being laid off. One Special Education IA position will be affected by reorganization and will need to be eliminated. Member Ryan moved to adopt resolution no. 0910-50 to lay off identified classified positions.

Motion: Ryan Second Carlisle Vote: 5-0

# H. BOARD POLICIES AND BYLAYS

### 1.1. First Reading: Revised BP 6163.4, Student Use of Technology

Revised Board Policy 6163.4, Student Use of Technology, was presented to the Board of Education for a first reading. Kristin Baranski reported that since the District will be engaging in Cloud Computing there was a need for the student use of technology Board Policy to be revised to include increased use of technologies and acceptable use at school and at home. President Burns said this policy makes him a little nervous and believes administration will need to closely monitor it. He asked that the student use of Cloud Computing be monitored and return to the Board in the future with some dialogue about what worked and what did not.

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There was no further discussion by the Board about this policy and it will return for a second reading and consideration for adoption at a future meeting. No action was taken.

#### I. BOARD COMMUNICATION

Barbary Ryan reported on the CSBA Delegate Assembly. CSBA provided a report about TRANS financing and great interest rates that are available. A purchasing coop is also available through CSBA. She provided the CSBA policy platform that will be adopted this year. Member Ryan reported to the Board that CSBA is filing a lawsuit on behalf of a student in Oakland School District. The suit charges that the State of California is not meeting its constitutional requirement to provide an education to all children.

Member Carlisle said he appreciated adjourning the meeting in Sheri Wallace's memory. Member Bartholomew said Sheri Wallace touched hundreds of kids in our school district and it was amazing how she conducted herself during her health ordeal.

Member El-Hajj said she enjoyed the Salute to Excellence event. It was nice not to have it be rushed to begin a Board meeting as in the past. She asked if students had concluded State testing. Kristin Baranski said the last of the tests were picked up today and will be mailed out later in the week.

Member Bartholomew said Santee is lucky to be involved with the Classroom of the Future Foundation and he appreciates having a connection with them. The quality of the awards night was outstanding. He asked a thank you note be sent from the Board.

Member Bartholomew said it was evident at the County Science Fair that not all schools participate. The teachers who are willing to do it are what makes it happen. He appreciates the teachers who are willing to go above and beyond to provide the opportunity for kids.

President Burns would like to have the Board consider cancelling first Board meeting in July. He asked Board members to hold the date open in case a special meeting is needed.

President Burns had asked administration to provide the number of students from each school who were ineligible to participate in 8<sup>th</sup> grade activities and the progress of the appeals. He would like to know how the numbers compare to last year. Dr. Shaw will talk with the schools and provide the information.

Dr. Shaw reported that on Friday staff from Pepper Drive will be attending the California Distinguished Schools presentation. President Burns may need to have someone else attend in his place.

#### J. 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: Minnie Malin, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

Employee Organizations: Santee Teachers Association

Classified School Employees Association

- 2. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release (Govt. Code § 54957)
- 3. Public Employee Performance Evaluation

Superintendent

The Board entered closed session at 9:15 p.m.

# J. RECONVENE TO PUBLIC SESSION

The Board reconvened to public session at 1040 p.m. No action was reported.

### K. ADJOURNMENT

The June 1, 2010 regular meeting adjourned at 10:40 p.m.