

SAN LEANDRO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION – MINUTES

February 27, 2006

The Board of Education of the San Leandro Unified School District met in special session on February 27, 2006, in the San Leandro Unified School District Office Conference Room 1, 14735 Juniper Street, San Leandro, California.

The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag at 6:07 p.m. by President Pauline Cutter.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Ray Davis
Mr. Louis Heystek (arrived at 6:15)
Ms. Linda Perry
Mr. T. W. “Rick” Richards
Mrs. Lisa Hague, Clerk
Mr. Stephen Cassidy, Vice President
Mrs. Pauline Cutter, President

DISTRICT STAFF PRESENT

Christine Lim, Superintendent
Leon Glaster, Assistant Superintendent
Mike Martinez, Assistant Superintendent
Cindy Cathey, Assistant Superintendent

CONSENT ITEMS

Business, Operations and Facilities

- 4.1 -C Adopt Resolution #06-09 Authorizing and Directing the Execution of Certain Lease Financing Documents and Authorizing and Directing Certain Actions
- 4.2 -C Award of Construction Contract for John Muir Adult School Modular Work

4.3 -C Award of Construction Contract for Sitework at John Muir
Adult School

On motion made by Trustee Richards and seconded by Trustee Davis, the Board approved the consent items by a 6-1 vote. Trustee Heystek was absent.

PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION

Facilities Workshop

Assistant Superintendent Leon Glaster, consultants from Harris & Associates, WLC Architects; Ruth Alahydoian from Kelly, Northcross & Nobriega, financial advisors, and Bill Madison, Jones Hall attorney, presented a review of school facilities needs.

The purpose of the presentation was to gain a clear understanding of the District's facilities needs and review the process for a facility bond measure in November 2006.

Highlights included a review of the accomplishments and projects that were addressed in the 1997 Bond, identifying recent completed projects, and two upcoming facility projects, the Bancroft Middle School Sports Field, and the new joint use San Leandro Adult School at the Muir Middle School site. The 2005 Community Engagement Process identified classroom modernization, system upgrades (technology), building shell integrity (roofs and windows), and overcrowding as critical facility areas and needs.

In an effort to understand the overcrowding issue, WLC Architects performed a facility analysis on how many students the District's existing facilities could support. Based on their capacity recommendation, there was space available at the elementary schools, Bancroft and Muir both showed an excess of 75 and 194 students, respectively, and San Leandro High School had an overcrowding of 624 students.

Following the presentation, Board members asked a few follow-up questions and provided input on what they would like to see addressed in the bond, and next steps.

In order to gather the most up-to-date information available so accurate critical decisions could be made regarding the long range facility needs of the District, the Board directed staff, as a starting point and baseline, to look at the Facility Master Plan that was completed in 1997 and 2003, so that there would be no paid duplication of work from those documents, and then provide a proposal to the Board that would address the necessary services to provide information for a series of Board workshops and community forums to determine the need for a facility General Obligation Bond election.

In addition, a Facility and Technology Committee meeting was scheduled for March 2, 2006, to review and bring back a scope of services for specific facility related areas identified by the Board including educational program needs, overcrowding issues at the high school and middle schools, and modernization needs at all school sites for Board consideration on March 7,

The Board scheduled the following special Board workshops and community forums:

March 21, 2006	Regular Board Meeting and Board Facility Workshop
March 27, 2006	Special Board Facility Workshop, 6 pm, DO
April 17, 2006	Special Board Facility Workshop, 6 pm, DO
May 8, 2006	Community Forum
May 22, 2006	Community Forum
June 19, 2006	Community Forum (tentative)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Board members thanked representatives from the Rental Housing Owners Association (RHOA), the San Leandro Chamber of Commerce, and Councilmember Santos for attending the meeting. Mr. Cassidy encouraged continued dialogue between the District and the Chamber, City, and other community groups as we move forward in this process.

Ms. Perry attended the District English Learners Advisory Committee (DELAC) meeting where they discussed making Spanish-speaking families feel welcome and utilizing their skills within the district.

Mrs. Hague thanked all those who helped with Beautification Day at San Leandro High School, adding that there was a nice turn out.

Mr. Cassidy shared a letter he had drafted, and asked that Board members review and forward any suggestions to President Cutter before it went to the newspapers.

Mr. Heystek hoped that as the District begins pursuing a potential bond, we would continue to remind that community how \$53.8 million from the 1997 Bond was transformed into almost \$90 million with state matching funds, demonstrating how efficient, responsible and trustworthy the District has been with the public's money.

Mrs. Cutter asked that Board members forward any already scheduled vacation plans to her to ensure Board member availability for future meetings, as we move forward in this effort

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Mr. Richards and seconded by Ms. Perry, the Board adjourned the meeting at 8:03 p.m. by a 7-0 vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Hague, Clerk