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REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION - MINUTES

October 6, 2009

The Board of Education of the San Leandro Unified School District met in regular session on October 6, 2009, in the San Leandro City Council Chambers, 835 East 14th Street, San Leandro, California.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. with the Pledge Allegiance to the Flag by President Katz-Lacabe. President Katz-Lacabe noted that there was no closed session.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Hermy Almonte
Mrs. Lisa Hague
Ms. Morgan Mack-Rose
Ms. Carmen Sullivan (arrived at 8:40 p.m.)
Mrs. Pauline Cutter, Clerk
Mrs. Diana Prola, Vice President
Mr. Mike Katz-Lacabe, President
Mr. Steven Mills, Student Board Member

DISTRICT STAFF PRESENT

Christine Lim, Superintendent
Song Chin-Bendib, Assistant Superintendent
Michael Potmesil, Assistant Superintendent
Cindy Cathey, Assistant Superintendent
Linda Pollard, Administrative Assistant

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On a motion made by Trustee Hague and seconded by Trustee Cutter, the Board approved the agenda for the regular meeting of October 6, 2009, by a 6-0 vote. Trustee Sullivan was absent.

PRESENTATION

- * San Leandro Unified School District won a lottery of \$25M for the Qualified School Construction Bond (QSCB) program on August 28, 2009. The QSCB program was created under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) and was available only to K-12 school districts. Due to over-subscription from many school districts to the program (with only \$700 million of QSCB allocation available in California), a lottery was held by the California Department of Education, and SLUSD was one of the 43 lucky winners. Since QSCB was created under ARRA, it is effectively an interest free loan to the District that receives the funding authorization. However, the principal still has to be repaid to the ARRA program (the QSCBs) which is administered by the California Department of Education (CDE). The interest savings is estimated at approximately \$10M. In other words, the District will receive \$25M worth of Measure B projects but at a \$15M cost.

Since the District was given an authorization of \$25M QSCB, below is a conference item that includes Resolution #09-54 providing the QSCBs to be issued by the California Qualified School Construction Bonds Joint Powers Authority (QSCB JPA) in the amount of \$25M. The JPA QSCBs are non-interest bearing tax credit bonds, and will be secured by the District's general obligation bonds (the "Series C Bonds"). Because the QSCB is interest free, as investors will be granted tax credits by the Federal Government, a smaller amount, estimated at \$15M, of Series C bonds need to be issued to pay back the loan.

The Board is requested to adopt Resolution #09-54 providing for the issuance and sale of General Obligation Bonds, Election 2006, Series C, in the aggregate principal amount of not-to-exceed \$25,000,000. The Resolution authorizes up to \$25,000,000 of Series C Bonds to be issued, but it is estimated that the actual issuance of the Measure B bonds will be approximately \$15M.

CONFERENCE ITEM

General Services

- 1.1-CF Resolution #09-54 Providing for the Issuance and Sale of General Obligation Bonds, Election of 2006, Series C, in the Aggregate Principal Amount of Not to Exceed \$25,000,000 (Qualified School Construction Bond)

The Board discussed and considered adopting Resolution #09-54 Providing for the Issuance and Sale of General Obligation Bonds, Election of 2006, Series C, in the Aggregate Principal Amount of Not to Exceed \$25,000,000 (Qualified School Construction Bond).

Financial Advisor Dale Scott, and Bond Counsel Bill Madison were present. Mr. Madison provided the following clarification to questions and concerns raised by the Board:

1. There are two separate bond issues involved. The QSCBs will be issued for the District by the QSCB Joint Powers Authority (JPA) in the amount of \$25M. The JPA QSCBs, which are non interest bearing tax credit bonds, will be secured by the District's issue of \$15M General Obligation Bonds (the "Series C Bonds") which the Board is being asked to adopt tonight.
2. It is not presently planned that QSCBs issued by the JPA will be combined and/or "pooled" with other school districts. San Leandro Unified will be rated on its own.
3. Normally with the approval of a bond issue, a preliminary official statement describing the bonds is included; however, that statement was not ready for approval. The sale of the bonds is planned sometime in November, early December, at which time, the statement will be brought back and the Board will be asked to approve the exact structure of the bond issue and whether or not it would be a "pool" or not.
4. Investors of tax credit bonds receive a tax credit rather than interest.
5. If there was no market for this type of tax credit bonds, a more traditional tax exempt bond issue would need to be structured sometime in November or December.
6. On the day the bonds are sold the tax credit rate and term is set. In the past it has been between 14-16 years, which is considered to be a fairly "short-term" period.

Prior to taking the vote, it was also noted that under Section 6. "Building Fund", the word "San" before "Alameda" needed to be removed.

On a motion made by Trustee Prola and seconded by Trustee Hague, the Board adopted Resolution #09-54 Providing for the Issuance and Sale of General Obligation Bonds, Election of 2006, Series C, in the Aggregate Principal Amount of Not to Exceed \$25,000,000 (Qualified School Construction Bond) by a 6-0 vote as amended. Trustee Sullivan was absent.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- Carol Alvarez, representing the San Leandro Swim Club, urged the Board to consider including refurbishing the pool in the list of bond projects under the Qualified School Construction Bond, suggesting that with the upcoming completion of the Arts Education Center and library expansion, the field, track, and pool be upgraded, making San Leandro High School a beautiful campus, “one that we can be proud of.”

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing was held regarding a Global Tides Charter petition by The Charter Schools Development Systems.

The role of the Board is to hold this public hearing in accordance with Education Code Section 47605(b), “No later than 30 days after receiving a petition, in accordance with subdivision (a), the governing board of the school district shall hold a public hearing on the provisions of the charter, at which time the governing board of the school district shall consider the level of support for the petition by teachers employed by the district, other employees of the district, and parents. Following review of the petition and the public hearing, the governing board of the school district shall either grant or deny the charter within 60 days of receipt of the petition, provided, however, that date may be extended by an additional 30 days if both parties agree to the extension.”

The public hearing is to meet the requirements by Education Code Section 47605(b). The hearing provides the public the opportunity to make an oral or written presentation to the Board regarding the Global Tides Charter Petition by the Charter School Development Systems.

On a motion made by Trustee Hague and seconded by Trustee Cutter, the Board opened the public hearing regarding a Global Tides Charter petition by The Charter Schools Development Systems by a 6-0 vote. Trustee Sullivan was absent.

No comments were received from the audience.

Trustee Cutter would like to have additional information (other than the letter received) regarding the charter before any further consideration. Trustee Katz-Lacabe stated that San Leandro Unified was one of ninety-one districts in the state to receive a copy of the entire petition, and that he had an opportunity to review it at the District Office.

On a motion made by Trustee Cutter and seconded by Trustee Hague, the Board closed the public hearing regarding a Global Tides Charter petition by The Charter Schools Development Systems by a 6-0 vote. Trustee Sullivan absent.

REPORT

- 1) Correspondence – Clerk Cutter reported receipt of the following emails between September 14 and September 26, 2009: From Christine Garcia regarding frustrations due to registering from the “Gray Area”; Jon Sherr regarding class size reduction, the need to cap class sizes, and SLTA “Slate”; from Sarah Del Grande regarding class size ratio; from Karen Hale regarding Garfield Parent Bulletin; from Dina Herrera regarding Jefferson campus playground; from Patricia McCarley regarding the autodialer at Monroe and rumors surrounding a student; from Jody Goodman regarding concerns regarding staffing at 25:1 in some classes; from Dawn Valdez regarding letter commending Superintendent Lim; and from Sue Blevins regarding update on the H1N1 flu.

- 2) Student Board Member Report – Steven Mills, Student Board member updated the Board on activities at San Leandro High School:
 - Earth Club is working on a petition to place recycling bins on the campus
 - Friday, October 2 a Pep Rally was held in the gym at lunch. Students came out to support their class and sports
 - A stage has been secured for Homecoming Week
 - October 25 – “Save the Sports” Walkathon. This is an opportunity for students to raise money for their designated team sports or the Athletics program at San Leandro High

Mr. Mills shared his concern regarding lack of funding for activities other than sports. He would also like to see some of the vending machines that were removed returned to the campus, which he felt would help reduce the long lunch lines. He reported that students are beginning to show an interest in forming a Boys’ Volleyball team.

- 3) Union Representative Reports
 - Carol Delton, on behalf of the San Leandro Teachers’ Association, reported that there was a new teacher event this afternoon. The Association continues to meet with colleagues at all levels, particularly the elementary level to address concerns at their sites. She personally voiced her appreciation to Linda Granger, the new principal at San Leandro High School, for her support of teachers throughout the District.

Ms. Delton expressed her concerns of SLTA regarding the return of K-3 Class Size Reduction to 24:1 or lower in upcoming years, unanswered questions, participation in the Budget Advisory Committee, and 2009-10 budget process. She urged the Board to

look at financial resources that can keep CSR under 26:1, and maintain professional development days, and urged the Board to sweep all available categorical funds as soon as possible.

- Victoria Forrester, Roosevelt Elementary School Principal, on behalf of the San Leandro Managers Association (SLMA) walked the Board through the life of an administrator in a Program Improvement (PI) District including watching daily California Department of Education webinars to gather information needed to help the teachers and support staff understand what it means to be PI, having multiple staff and parent/guardian meetings to share data from previous STAR tests, and educating SSC, ELAC and other advisory committees about curriculum and fiscal requirements based on the Title I/PI requirements as the sites delve into the single site plan process.

Ms. Forrester also highlighted the many wonderful things that are going on at the school sites such as teachers sharing their expertise with other teachers, and bringing Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol (SIOP) as a common training to the District which provides teachers with additional strategies to enhance the academic language development for our standard English learners and our English Language Learners.

4) Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Lim reported on the following:

- October 12 Staff Development Day: A committee of twenty elementary teachers came together and joined Assistant Superintendent Cindy Cathey, and Director of Curriculum and Instruction Mike Walbridge to share their best practices, and develop an agenda around the goal of meeting the challenge of Districtwide Program Improvement by drawing on innovative ways that different teachers at different sites are putting the Nine Essential Program Components (EPCs) into practice. The day will begin with writing calibration/scoring. Following lunch, teachers can select two out of the three teacher-led workshop sessions to attend.
- TARI was rescheduled for October 28 at Madison Elementary School. It was postponed so that TARI participants would be able to attend the October 12 staff development day. The Superintendent also encouraged the Board to join staff on this day.
- H1N1 Concern: The Superintendent thanked Sheila Lawrence, Director of Student Support Services and Assistant Superintendent Cathey for their immediate response to a possible H1N1 concern at Wilson Elementary School. Principal Hernandez and Vice Principal King quickly scheduled two parent sessions, and transmitted a teleparent alert and protocols. Fortunately it was limited to one family. As a result,

a procedure is in place for all schools sites.

- Crossing Guards: City Manager Steve Hollister said that the City is moving ahead to assume responsibility for the contract with All City Management Services for the entire year. Tonight the Board is being asked to authorize the Superintendent to donate funds to the City to operate the crossing guard program. The Superintendent hopes to have training completed by October 12 with implementation October 13.
- 2nd Annual Summit for Courageous Conversation '09: Superintendent Lim, along with Principals Jan Nuño, Mary Ann Valles; Vice Principal Lori Watson; and District teachers from Bancroft Middle School: Anita Schriver, Lisa Wong and Matthew Kertesz, and Trustee Sullivan will be attending the 2nd Annual Summit for Courageous Conversation in Baltimore, leaving Friday, October 9 and returning Wednesday, October 14.
- Name of the 9th Grade Campus: Applications are currently being distributed to the schools.

5) Board Committee Reports

- City/District Liaison – Trustee Katz-Lacabe reported that the committee met on September 17 and discussed Safe Routes to Schools (“International Walk to School Day” is October 7), the District’s proposal regarding the crossing guard program, smoking restrictions near school properties, and school involvement in 2010 census. The committee received an update from Deborah Cox from the San Leandro Education Foundation (SLED) regarding recent activities and events such as Eat Out for Education. The committee heard budget updates from the City and District which also included Measure B and tax credits.
- Curriculum – Trustee Hague reported that the committee met on September 28 and discussed the Homework Policy, 9th Grade Campus, District Level Program Improvement and Digital Textbooks (Book online).
- Facilities/Technology – Trustee Cutter reported that the committee met on September 24 and discussed the Labor Compliance Services contract with WCS/Ca for the library expansion project and received a presentation regarding the proposed San Leandro High School mural. Both of these items are being brought forward for Board consideration tonight.

5) Board Representatives’ Reports

- Eden Area Regional Occupational Program – Trustee Almonte reported that on September 17 the Council met with eleven high school principals and discussed the 2009/10 school year ; September 26 was the Annual Back-to-School Saturday and “Show and Shine Car Show” benefiting the American Cancer Society; October 1 the Council met and approved the contract with Laborers’ International Union Local 261 for the 2009-2010 school year.

CONSENT ITEMS

Human Resources

- 2.1-C Acceptance of Personnel Report
- 2.2-C Renewal of Student Teaching Agreements

Educational Services

- 3.1-C Acceptance of Donations
- 3.3-C Discard Library Books that are Obsolete, Damaged or in Poor Condition at Bancroft Middle School
- 3.4-C Out-of-State Field Trip for San Leandro High School’s DECA Students
- 3.6-C Proposed Stipulated Expulsion Order for Students E04-09/10, E05-09/10, and E06-09/10
- 3.8-C Contract between the San Leandro Unified School District and Pearson, Teacher Education and Development Group to Provided Professional Development Services

Business Operations

- 4.1-C Resolution #09-52 to Declare Certain Equipment Surplus and/or Obsolete
- 4.2-C Resolution #09-53, National School Lunch Week, October 12-16, 2009

Facilities and Construction

- 5.1-C Amendment #2 to the WCS/Ca Labor Compliance Program (LCP) Professional Services Contract to Add the San Leandro High School Library Expansion Project

On a motion made by Trustee Cutter and seconded by Trustee Prola, the Board approved the remaining consent items by a 6-0 vote. Trustee Sullivan was absent.

Educational Services

- 3.2-C Non-Public School Contracts

Trustee Prola stated that the total contract cost of \$122,400 calculated to more than the \$85/hour per session and ask for clarification.

Responding to Trustee Prola, it was explained that the \$122,400 represents the annual maximum for services rendered during the contract period and are not to exceed that amount. Services are billed on an hourly basis and invoices are reviewed. It was suggested that the information be more defined for clarification. Superintendent Lim suggested that the phrase “not to exceed annually \$122,400” should be added to the “annual maximum total cost for contract period”.

Trustee Katz-Lacabe noted that in the future if a Trustee has questions about an agenda item (particularly time-sensitive issues) it would be helpful to contact staff prior to the meeting so they have time to investigate and be prepared to address the issue.

On a motion made by Trustee Cutter and seconded by Trustee Prola, the Board approved the Non-Public School/Agency contract by a 6-0 vote. Trustee Sullivan was absent.

- 3.5-C Contract between the San Leandro Unified School District and Prescott-Joseph Center for Community Enhancement Inc. for

Breathmobile Services at John Muir, Wilson, and San Leandro Adult School Preschool Students at No Cost to the District

Responding to Trustee Almonte, Assistant Superintendent Cathey explained that the District is not responsible for the bills. The agency, PJCCE, will bill Medi-Cal for children served. There is no cost for the visits and no child will be refused. The District nurses will monitor and track students being served.

On a motion made by Trustee Almonte and seconded by Trustee Cutter, the Board approved the Contract between the San Leandro Unified School District and Prescott-Joseph Center for Community Enhancement Inc. for Breathmobile Services at John Muir, Wilson, and San Leandro Adult School Preschool Students at No Cost to the District by a 6-0 vote. Trustee Sullivan was absent.

3.7-C Memorandum of Understanding between the Alameda County Office of Education and the San Leandro Unified School District Regarding Project EAT for the 2009-2010 School Year

Responding to Trustee Prola, staff stated that Project EAT is a grant from the Alameda County Office of Education.

On a motion made by Trustee Prola and seconded by Trustee Hague, the Board approved the Memorandum of Understanding between the Alameda County Office of Education and the San Leandro Unified School District Regarding Project EAT for the 2009-2010 School Year by a 6-0 vote. Trustee Sullivan was absent.

PRESENTATION

- * Superintendent Chris Lim and Assistant Superintendent Business Services, Song Chin-Bendib, presented to the Board of Education an estimated Budget for 2009-10 that incorporates the results of the 2008-09 closing of the books. The presentation included fiscal years 2010-11 and 2011-12 that are required by law to be balanced in order to have an overall positive budget certification. Budget options were presented to secure a positive balanced budget.

Highlights included:

- Prior to the July 28, 2009, state enacted budget, districts the size of San Leandro Unified must maintain a 3% reserve for economic uncertainties
- After the July 28, 2009, enacted budget, 2009-10 reserve for economic uncertainties is one-third of the percentage for a reserve adopted by the state board as of May 1, 2009 which means 1% for San Leandro

- 2010-11 progress must be made towards returning to compliance with the minimum reserve for economic uncertainties (it shall be higher than one-third of the percentage in 2009-10)
- 2011-12 reserve must be restored to the percentage (3%) adopted by the state board as of May 1, 2009

The following two budget options were presented for consideration:

- Option 1: Require ONE-TIME 2% of the Reserve and a Resolution with a 7-0 Board vote
 - Use One-Time IDEA funds
 - One Time 2%
 - Will satisfy 2010-11 Budget
 - Utilize Tier III funds in 2010-11 and 2011-12 starting with Adult Education one-time funds and additional balances
 - Utilize last round of one-time Federal Stimulus Funds
 - 1-day staff development
- Option 2: Without ONE-TIME 2% of the Reserve

Following the presentation, Superintendent Lim further explained that if the Board should decided to go with Option 1, a resolution would be brought to the Board on October 20, adding that staff is requesting a required unanimous 7-0, thus demonstrating a strong absolute commitment from the Board. The Tier III sweeps would require a hearing, which would also be scheduled for October 20.

Board members were apprehensive with regards to some major concepts about the presentation including the negative fund balances, dipping into the 3% Reserve, and the impact to the Adult School.

Staff explained that the numbers were estimates and dropping to a 1% reserve (which the law allows districts to go in 2010-11) was only on paper, therefore allowing the District to balance its books to satisfy the requirements of the First Interim filing.

Adult School Principal, Bradley Frazier was confident that with the current proposal, the Adult School would remain in tack, and that it wouldn't be necessary to cut any programs or staff.

Responding to Student Board member Mills, staff explained that the numbers would have been higher had the money saved by returning to the 6-period day from a block schedule not been incorporated into the fund budget.

Additional questions and suggestions raised by the Board included options for

reducing ongoing expenditures, estimating utilities and staffing costs for the new 9th Grade Campus, and “sweeping” every available dollar to prevent the District from dipping into the reserve.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Carol Delton, San Leandro Teachers’ Association, addressed the Board regarding use of categorical non-personnel balances, sweeping every available penny (including prior year balances) to provide maximum flexibility, and reduction of the 3% reserve.

The Board took a break at 9:20 p.m. and reconvened at 9:28 p.m.

CONFERENCE ITEM

Business Operations

4.1-CF District Fiscal Plan for a Positive Budget Certification for 2009-10 First Interim Report Filing that Includes 2010-11 and 2011-12 as Required by Assembly Bills 1200 and 2756

The Board discussed and considered approving the District Fiscal Plan for a Positive Budget Certification for 2009-10 First Interim Report Filing that Includes 2010-11 and 2011-12 as Required by Assembly Bills 1200 and 2756.

During the discussion, Board Trustees shared their concerns, and the difficulty of deciding on the best solution. It was noted that Option 1 represented the fiscal plan for a positive certification of the 2009-10 First Interim Report filing that includes 2010-11 and 2011-12. On the other hand, with Option 2, budget cuts would need to be made by the end of the month.

Key points raised with regards to Option 2 included:

- If the District does not show a balanced budget, a fiscal recovery plan needs to be presented and an Third Interim Report would be required
- A qualified or negative certification would impact the District’s success in selling of the bonds

To ease the Boards concern regarding the reduction of the 3% Reserve, Assistant Superintendent Chin-Bendib suggested that verbage could be included in the Resolution that states that the Board will restore the 3% reserve by the Second Interim.

On a motion made by Trustee Cutter and seconded by Trustee Hague, the Board approved Option 1 of the District Fiscal Plan for a Positive Budget Certification for 2009-10 First Interim Report Filing that Includes 2010-11 and 2011-12 as Required by Assembly Bills 1200 and 2756 with the noted verbage that the 3% reserve will be restored by the Seconded Interim by a 7-0 vote.

General Services

1.2-CF Authorizing the Superintendent to Contract with All City Management Services or to Donate Said One-Time Funds to the City to Operate the Crossing Guard Program for 2009-10

The Board discussed and considered Authorizing the Superintendent to contract with All City Management Services or to donate said One-Time Funds to the City to operate the Crossing Guard Program for 2009-10.

Trustee Cutter commended the community for letting their voices be heard and the City for “stepping up” and listening to the community.

With regards to the liability issue, Superintendent Lim clarified that the City is assuming the contract which will be modified to include approximately \$200,000 worth of liability. With regards to other conditions, i.e. fingerprinting, Superintendent Lim stated that she would have to review her notes.

Trustee Prola suggested that with the decrease of crossing guards, the Superintendent could ask the City Manager to have the police department randomly monitor the neighborhoods for control traffic.

On a motion made by Trustee Cutter and seconded by Trustee Prola, the Board approved authorizing the Superintendent to Contract with All City Management Services or to Donate Said One-Time Funds to the City to Operate the Crossing Guard Program for 2009-10 by a 7-0 vote.

Facilities and Construction

5.1-CF Mural at San Leandro High School

The Board discussed and considered approving the mural at San Leandro High School proposed by San Leandro High

School art teacher Diane Dove.

Trustee Cutter explained that the mural will be hung on the east wall of the music building which is ideal as spectators at baseball games or swimming events will be able to see the mural. She also noted that the sketch represents “local history and present and future pride in the pirate community.”

On a motion made by Trustee Sullivan and seconded by Trustee Almonte, the Board approved the mural at San Leandro High School proposed by San Leandro High School art teacher Diane Dove by a 7-0 vote.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Educational Services

- 3.1-I Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures (including Valenzuela Settlement Requirement)

The Board received for information and review, the Williams Uniform Complaint Procedures (including Valenzuela Settlement Requirement) Quarterly Report for the period of July through September 2009.

Business Operations

- 4.1-I Investment Report for August 2009

The Board received for information and review, the Investment Report for the month of August 2009.

ADDITIONAL SUGGESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

- Trustee Prola suggested that with recent charter school proposal, the District might investigate Distance Learning in the future for students who are attending Lighthouse, have been expelled, or wish to accelerate their pace for example.

Trustee Prola attended the new teachers’ meeting hosted by the San Leandro Teachers’ Association.

Invitations to the bench dedication ceremony honoring Billy Campbell on October 15, 3:30 p.m., are begin emailed, adding that maintenance employees will be released in order to attend the ceremony.

Trustee Prola commented that she has compiled a list of various groups i.e. school PTAs, School Site Councils, United Parents and Homeowners

Associations, and is in the process of securing dates for Board members to make presentations as part of soliciting input from the community regarding naming the 9th Grade Campus. Trustee Prola asked the Board to think about their availability.

- Trustee Cutter acknowledged Trustee Sullivan, stating that at a previous meeting she had raised a concern with regards to how disruptive static interference can be when a member is participating in the meeting via teleconference. Trustee Cutter asked if there were any alternatives because it was not her intention to prohibit anyone from participating by phone when they are unable to attend.
- Trustee Hague attended San Leandro High School's Back-To-School Night, noting that there was a good turnout of parents as well as teachers.
- Trustee Almonte thanked District Office for placing the Uniform Complaint Procedures on the home page of the website. He reminded the Board that at the June 16 Board meeting he requested that emergency preparedness at the school sites be agendized, stressing that student safety needs to be a high priority.
- Trustee Sullivan contacted the high school leaders and reported that she has received a response from United Parents regarding the Naming of the 9th Grade Campus presentation. She is still waiting to hear back from the Parent Equity Committee and ELAC.

With regards to participating by phone for a meeting, Trustee Sullivan said that she contacted CSBA, and because this is a fairly new concept, there was no current language. The representative, however, said that it would be at the District's discretion on how they approach this.

Trustee Sullivan attended San Leandro High School's Back-To-School Night, stating that it was a great way to start the 2009-10 school year. She acknowledged the Parent Equity Committee (of which she is a member) for updating their "Parent Survival Guide" which is printed in English and Spanish.

- Trustee Mack-Rose congratulated Trustee Sullivan for receiving the "Community Empowerment Award" from Glenn Singleton.

Trustee Mack-Rose attended Back-To-School Night at the high school where Trustee Cutter gave her a tour. Principal Linda Granger has agreed to conduct a walk-through with her after the California High School Exit Exam.

Trustee Mack-Rose was glad to see that the vending machines at the high school have been removed, and that staff is "cracking down" on personal

electronics and cell phones; however, noted that school staff also needs to model their behavior for the students.

Trustee Mack-Rose was interested in how the travel expenses and subs to Baltimore for the Summit for Courageous Conversation '09 were being funded and whether or not employees were claiming vacation days. In response, Superintendent Lim said that the summit trip and subs are being funded through the San Francisco Foundation Grant for this school business trip, and teachers and certificated staff have a positive work year and do not earn vacation.

Trustee Mack-Rose requested that all Tier 3 programs fund balances be available when the Board begins looking at the budgets, as well as further clarification regarding Class Size Reduction money. Trustee Mack-Rose asked whether the next Budget Advisory Committee meeting had been set.

Responding to the request from the Kindergarten Task Force that at least 1-2 Board members be present at this meeting, Trustee Mack-Rose said that she would be interested; however, Monday's do not work for her so she would not be able to attend their first meeting on Monday, October 12, 11:00 a.m. Trustee Prola agreed to attend.

- Trustee Katz-Lacabe extended his thanks to the Mayor, City Council, and City staff for their decision regarding the Crossing Guard Program and to San Leandro Teachers' Association for donating funds to each of the elementary schools for crossing guards in the interim.

With regards to investigating Distance Learning, Trustee Katz-Lacabe noted that there are numerous college lectures available through video broadcast that can be incorporated into any type of Distance Learning.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Future Board of Education Meetings

Regular Meeting – October 20, 2009
Regular Meeting – November 3, 2009
Regular Meeting – November 17, 2009
Regular Meeting – December 1, 2009
Regular Meeting – December 15, 2009
Regular Meeting – January 12, 2010
Regular Meeting – January 26, 2010
Regular Meeting – February 9, 2010
Regular Meeting – March 2, 2010
Special Meeting – Thursday, March 11, 2010, DO
Regular Meeting – March 23, 2010
Regular Meeting – April 20, 2010
Regular Meeting – May 4, 2010
Regular Meeting – May 18, 2010
Regular Meeting – Wednesday, June 2, 2010
Regular Meeting – June 15, 2009
Special Meeting – June 29, 2009

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Trustee Prola and seconded by Trustee Hague, the Board adjourned the meeting at 10:17 p.m. by a 7-0 vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Pauline Cutter, Clerk