

**MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
LA MESA-SPRING VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING: February 3, 2015**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Education Service Center by the President, Rick Winet.

CALL TO ORDER

The President led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board members present: Babbitt, Chong, Duff, Turner, Winet

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Board members absent: None

Staff members present on assignment: Feliciano, Marshall, Martinez, Sardina, Walker

The President welcomed new Board member Steve Babbitt and noted that he was sworn in prior to the Board meeting.

It was moved by Duff, seconded by Chong, and carried unanimously with the following votes: Ayes: Babbitt, Chong, Duff, Turner, Winet; Noes: None; Absent: None, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of January 20, 2015, as presented.

MINUTES
Approved as presented

COMMUNICATIONS

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The Board recognized Jerry Lecko, former LMSV Board member, for his service and commitment to the education of all children. Mr. Lecko commended the Board and staff and noted that his involvement in the District would continue.

Recognition: J. Lecko

Announcement of Ninth District PTA Founders Day Brunch on February 18, 2015

Ninth District PTA Founders Day Brunch

Notification of City of La Mesa appointment of Mayor Arapostathis and Councilmember Baber as primary representatives on the District/City Joint Steering Committee with Councilmember Alessio as an alternate

City of La Mesa District/City Joint Steering Committee representatives

Invitation by UCSD Chancellor's Community Advisory Board to a reception in honor of elected officials in the San Diego region

UCSD Chancellor's Community Advisory Board Elected officials reception

PowerPoint for the report on the proposed STEAM Academy at La Presa Middle School

PPT for STEAM Report

PowerPoint for the Family Life proposed program materials

PPT for Family Life Report

Email from Elaine Adlam, Parent, Casa de Oro Elementary School, commending Christina Rogers, RSP Teacher; Shannon Johnson, Counselor, and other staff at the school for their support

E. Adlam, Parent, CDO Commendation: C. Rogers, S. Johnson, and staff

Email from Lakisha Williams, Parent, Bancroft Elementary School, commending Bruce Crenshaw, Counselor and Homeless Liaison, for his support and assistance

L. Williams, Parent, BAN
Commenation: B. Crenshaw

AGENDA

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It was moved by Turner, seconded by Babbitt, and carried unanimously with the following votes: Ayes: Babbitt, Chong, Duff, Turner, Winet; Noes: None; Absent: None, to approve the agenda as presented.

Approved as presented

HEARING SESSION

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The President announced a hearing for anyone who wished to address the Board on any topic relating to public education. There being no one wishing to address the Board, the session was closed.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS OF THE BOARD

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During the October 7, 2014 Board meeting, the La Presa Middle School (LPMS) staff presented to the Board their working plan to transform the current 7/8 middle school model to a 4-8 Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics (STEAM) Academy. A program highlight includes an extended learning time of 90 hours per year in math and science. As of January 16, 2015, projected enrollment is 694 students, drawing from all four areas within the District, as well as outside the District. The LPMS staff presented the final model, which included two classes at 4th, 5th, and 6th grades and the existing 7th and 8th grades. Mike Allmann, Principal, La Presa Middle School, presented the final plan to the Board and responded to clarifying questions.

LPMS STEAM
Program Update

NEW BUSINESS

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It was moved by Duff, seconded by Turner, and carried unanimously with the following votes: Ayes: Babbitt, Chong, Duff, Turner, Winet; Noes: None; Absent: None, to authorize administration to implement the La Presa Middle School Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics (STEAM) Program for the 2015-16 School Year.

LPMS STEAM Program
Authorized implementation for
2015-16 school year

REPORTS OF OFFICERS OF THE BOARD

In the spring of 2014 a Family Life committee was formed consisting of 5th- and 6th-grade teachers, as well as 7th- and 8th-grade science teachers, to review family life materials, make recommendations for updated materials and align the Family Life program to the most recent Health Education Content Standards. An overview of the updated program materials was made to the District Advisory Council (DAC) in January 2015. All members of DAC, District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC), PTA Presidents, and Board members were invited to attend two full-day sessions to review and provide input on the materials and lessons in depth in January 2015. Karen Walker, Assistant Superintendent, Learning Support; and Koreen Corbett, Spring Valley Middle School Science Teacher, presented an overview of the proposed family life program by grade level and responded to clarifying questions.

Family Life Materials Report

NEW BUSINESS (cont.)

It was moved by Chong, seconded by Duff, and carried unanimously with the following votes: Ayes: Babbitt, Chong, Duff, Turner, Winet; Noes: None; Absent: None, to adopt the updated Family Life Materials.

Family Life Materials
Adopted

It was moved by Turner, seconded by Duff, and carried unanimously with the following votes: Ayes: Babbitt, Chong, Duff, Turner, Winet; Noes: None; Absent: None, to adopt Board Policy Updates.

Board Policy Updates
Adopted

It was moved by Turner, seconded by Duff, and carried unanimously with the following votes: Ayes: Babbitt, Chong, Duff, Turner, Winet; Noes: None; Absent: None, to approve the following:

Consent Calendar
Approved

Purchase Orders 0000002571 through 0000002758 totaling \$320,8442.80

Purchase Orders

Warrants January 7 through January 20, 2015 totaling \$459,972.81

Warrants

Zero (0) checks have been processed since the last Board meeting

Revolving Cash Fund
Reimbursements from the
General Fund

Approval of travel as attached.

Travel

It was moved by Turner, seconded by Chong, and carried unanimously with the following votes: Ayes: Babbitt, Chong, Duff, Turner, Winet; Noes: None; Absent: None, to accept the following gifts with thanks: Anneli Kyner, a community supporter, would like to donate the following instruments valued at \$1600.00 to the La Mesa Middle School/La Mesa Arts Academy (Suzuki flute with case, Suzuki saxophone with case, Suzuki violin VLA-8 4/4 with case, Suzuki trumpet with case, and Suzuki clarinet with case); and CynthiaAvallone-Martinez, La Presa Middle School teacher, would like to donate a concert grand piano valued at \$16,275.00 to La Presa Middle School.

**Gifts – LMMS/LMAAC
and LPMS**
Accepted with thanks

HUMAN RESOURCES RECOMMENDATIONS

It was moved by Turner, seconded by Babbitt, and carried unanimously with the following votes: Ayes: Babbitt, Chong, Duff, Turner, Winet; Noes: None; Absent: None, to approve standard Human Resources recommendations as amended to include six additional Lecturer/Presenter and/or Short-Term Employment forms.

**Human Resources
Recommendations**
Approved as amended

It was moved by Duff, seconded by Turner, and carried unanimously with the following votes: Ayes: Babbitt, Chong, Duff, Turner, Winet; Noes: None; Absent: None, to approve Salary Placement for Payroll and Benefits Specialist at Range 63 (\$40,497 Step A to \$51,654 Step F).

**Salary Placement for Payroll
and Benefits Specialist**
Approved

ANNOUNCEMENTS, REPORTS, COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD

Mr. Chong announced that, of all the qualified candidates who expressed interest in the Board vacancy, he is pleased with the selection of Mr. Babbitt as a Board member.

Mr. Chong announced he is looking forward to attending the Ninth District PTA Founders Day brunch on February 18, 2015.

Mr. Babbitt announced he is honored to be part of the District as a Board member.

The Superintendent announced the need to schedule a special budget study session after February 18 and will coordinate a date with the Board.

The Superintendent announced the bench in honor of former Board member Penny Halgren has arrived and is waiting on a plaque. When complete, a ceremony will be scheduled for the commemoration.

The Superintendent announced a suggestion had been made for another bench honoring Board members who have served for ten or more years on the Board and asked if there was any desire to move forward with this suggestion.

President Winet stated he didn't believe it was necessary for the District to do that and encouraged the other Board members to communicate individually with the Superintendent.

The Superintendent announced the final report from the CBOC, as well as the final Prop M audit report would be presented at the next meeting. Invitations are out to many former Board members and staff who had a significant impact on the implementation of Prop M projects. A brief reception will be held after the report to celebrate the conclusion of Prop M and recognize the great work that has gone on since the bond was approved in 2002.

The Superintendent announced that the La Mesa Middle School/La Mesa Arts Academy will now be known as the La Mesa Arts Academy at La Mesa Middle School due to Education Code not allowing any school containing a 4-8 student population to be referred to as a middle school.

The Superintendent announced that currently Maryland Ave., Rolando, La Mesa Dale and Lemon Ave. elementaries feed into La Mesa Middle School. With the La Mesa Arts Academy (LMAAC) enrollment anticipated to be over 1000 students next year, the Superintendent recommended that students from Maryland Ave. be allowed to attend Parkway Middle (PKMS) for the current enrollment period. He additionally recommended that a boundary change be processed next year so that Maryland Ave. students will be a feeder school into PKMS.

At 8:45 p.m. p.m. the President announced a recess.

CLOSED SESSION

At 8:54 p.m. the President called for a closed session to discuss negotiations update – LMSV Teachers Association; negotiations update – California School Employees Association (CSEA), Chapter 419; negotiations update – Administrators Association and other Unrepresented Bargaining Groups; and conference with legal counsel – anticipated litigation (2 cases). The Superintendent; Board; and Assistant Superintendents Business, Human Resources and Learning Support adjourned to the session, which was held in the Boardroom.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Brian Marshall, Secretary to the Board of Education

Approved and ordered into the proceedings of the District at the next regular meeting of the Board of Education to be held February 17, 2015.

Emma Turner, Clerk of the Board of Education