

**MINUTES  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
LA MESA-SPRING VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING: February 5, 2013**

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m. at the Education Service Center by the President, Mr. Duff.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Board members present: Duff, Turner, Winet  
(Member Baber arrived at 6:20 p.m.)

**ESTABLISHMENT OF  
QUORUM**

Board members absent: None

Staff members present Bender, Marshall, Walker, Wigg  
On assignment:

At 6:17 p.m. the President called for a closed session to conference with legal counsel regarding public employee discipline/dismissal/release.

**CLOSED SESSION**

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The Board; Superintendent; Assistant Superintendents Business, Human Resources, and Learning Support; and Melanie Petersen, Legal Counsel with Fagen Friedman & Fulfroost, adjourned to the session, which was held in the Boardroom.

The President reconvened the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The President led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board members present: Baber, Duff, Turner, Winet

**ESTABLISHMENT OF  
QUORUM**

Board members absent: None

Staff members present Bender, Marshall, Martinez, Walker,  
on assignment: Wigg

It was moved by Baber, seconded by Turner, and carried unanimously to elect Emma Turner as Vice President and Rick Winet as Clerk.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

It was moved by Winet, seconded by Turner, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 5, 2013, as presented.

**MINUTES**  
Approved as presented

**COMMUNICATIONS**

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Collin McGlashen, Chief of Staff for Senator Joel Anderson, presented former Board member Penny Halgren with a resolution from the Senator in honor of her 19 years of service to the community.

C. McGlashen, Senator Joel  
Anderson's office  
Recognition – P. Halgren

The President invited members of the audience to come forward if they wished to recognize Ms. Halgren.

Jennifer Bradford, President, LMSV Teachers Association, shared that Ms. Halgren was an asset to team leadership and always worked in the best interest of the children; she presented Ms. Halgren with flowers.

J. Bradford, President,  
Teachers Assn.  
Recognition – P. Halgren

Grant Nelson, LMSV Teachers Association, stated that communication has always been good between him and Ms. Halgren and he has appreciated her service to the District.

G. Nelson, Teachers Assn.  
Recognition – P. Halgren

Alex Vallejo, President, LMSV Classified School Employees Association (CSEA), Chapter 419, stated that Ms. Halgren always supported CSEA and was a good Board member to work with and presented her with a gift certificate.

A. Vallejo, President, CSEA  
Recognition – P. Halgren

Peter Dean, President, LMSV Administrators Association and Principal, La Presa Elementary School described Ms. Halgren as a true and dedicated advocate of public education and presented her with a gift.

P. Dean, Principal,  
LPE/President, Admin. Assn.  
Recognition – P. Halgren

T.R. Lin, Director, Classified Personnel, on behalf of the Personnel Commission, thanked her for being a firm supporter of CSEA and classified employees.

T.R. Lin, Dir., Classified  
Personnel  
Recognition – P. Halgren

Beth Thomas, Principal, La Mesa Middle School, stated that she taught Penny's daughter when she was a teacher at Murdock Elementary and stated that Penny the parent has always been child centered. Ms. Thomas introduced the La Mesa Middle School Ensemble, conducted by John Law, who sang *For Good*, a song from the play, *Wicked*.

B. Thomas, Principal, LMMS  
LMMS Ensemble and John  
Law, Conductor  
Recognition – P. Halgren

Jerry Lecko, Chair, Citizens' Bond Oversight Committee, praised the district for setting a good foundation for his two children who went through the district and thanked Ms. Halgren from the community for her guidance and leadership.

J. Lecko, Chair, CBOC  
Recognition – P. Halgren

Jay Steiger, parent, Murdock Elementary, and Mt. Helix Council PTA officer, praised Ms. Halgren for her mantle of leadership. As a former PTA President at Murdock Elementary, Ms. Halgren received a PTA Honorary Service Award. Mr. Steiger shared a poem on volunteers and stated, on behalf of Murdock PTA and Mt. Helix Council PTA, that Ms. Halgren has made a difference.

J. Steiger, Parent, MUR/PTA  
Recognition – P. Halgren

Steve Babbitt, Spring Valley community member, thanked Ms. Halgren for looking out for the Spring Valley community and, on behalf of Spring Valley, stated Ms. Halgren has done a great job and has left a wonderful legacy.

S. Babbitt, SV Community  
Member  
Recognition – P. Halgren

Bob Duff, Board President, on behalf of the Board and staff, presented Ms. Halgren with a plaque in honor of her service to the District and invited other Board members to come forward.

B. Duff, Board President  
Recognition – P. Halgren

Rick Winet, Board member, congratulated Ms. Halgren on her labor of love and life's work, praised her on her research and analysis skills, and wished her Godspeed in her new phase of life.

R. Winet, Board member  
Recognition – P. Halgren

Emma Turner, Board member, thanked Ms. Halgren for helping and guiding her and for her leadership. She stated that when we focus on children, everything turns out right.

E. Turner, Board member  
Recognition – P. Halgren

Bill Baber, Board member, thanked Ms. Halgren for taking him under her wing and stated that it would be difficult to find a replacement for her. Mr. Baber presented Ms. Halgren with an apple plaque with the school names encircling it.

B. Baber, Board member  
Recognition – P. Halgren

Karen Walker, Assistant Superintendent, Learning Support, thanked Ms. Halgren for her leadership and stated she would be missed.

K. Walker, Asst. Supt., LS  
Recognition – P. Halgren

Claudia Bender, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources, stated that she and Ms. Halgren went back a long way, both as parents and professionals, and wished her well.

C. Bender, Asst. Supt., HR  
Recognition – P. Halgren

Lori Wigg, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, stated she was glad to have met Ms. Halgren and wished her well.

L. Wigg, Asst. Supt., Bus.Serv.  
Recognition – P. Halgren

Barbara Martinez, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent, thanked Ms. Halgren for being a pleasure to work with and, as a parent, stated she would have felt comfortable to have her as a Board member in the district her children attended.

B. Martinez, Exec. Asst. to the  
Superintendent  
Recognition – P. Halgren

Brian Marshall, Superintendent, stated he met Ms. Halgren when he was a Principal in the Lakeside School District and believed, were it not for her, he would not have moved to this district, eventually to become the Superintendent and thanked Ms. Halgren for her faith in him.

B. Marshall, Superintendent  
Recognition – P. Halgren

At 7:50 p.m. the President called for a ten-minute recess.

At 8:05 the President reconvened the meeting.

#### COMMUNICATIONS (cont.)

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Letter from Penny Halgren announcing her resignation from the Board effective January 31, 2013

P. Halgren, Board member  
Resignation from the Board

Memo from the Superintendent regarding results of the California Voting Rights Act Study based on the 2010 Census

B. Marshall, Superintendent  
Memo re CVRA

Letter from the San Diego County Office of Education regarding the 2012-13 First Interim Report

SDCOE  
2012-13 1<sup>st</sup> Interim Report

Note from Anne-Marie Roach, Volunteer at Bancroft Elementary School, commending the administrative staff at Bancroft

A. Roach, BAN Volunteer  
Commendation – BAN staff

Invitation to the 2013 Superintendents' and Principals' Forum on March 14, 2013

2013 Supt./Principal Forum

Note regarding availability of Helix Water District 2011-12 annual report

Helix Water District  
2011-12 annual report

Governor's Budget Update PowerPoint

Gov's Budget Update PPT

Letter from the San Diego County Office of Education regarding a Collective Bargaining Disclosure discussing proposed agreements with Certificated and Classified staff

SDCOE  
Collective bargaining disclosure

E-mail from Jaime Hernandez and Tim Stigers, Parents, Murdock Elementary School, commending the Principal and ESS program at Murdock

J. Hernandez/T. Stigers,  
Parents, MUR  
Commendation – Principal/ESS

**AGENDA**

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It was moved by Winet, seconded by Turner, and carried unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

Approved as presented

**HEARING SESSION**

**HEARING**

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.

General education matters

The President announced a hearing for anyone who wished to address the Board regarding the Tentative Agreement between the LMSV Teachers Association and the Board of Education. There being no one wishing to address the Board, the session was closed.

Tentative Agreement with  
Teachers Association

**NEW BUSINESS**

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**HUMAN RESOURCES RECOMMENDATIONS**

It was moved by Baber, seconded by Winet, and carried unanimously to approve the Tentative Agreement between the LMSV Teachers Association and the Board of Education.

**Tentative Agrmt. Between  
Teachers Assn. and Board**  
Approved

**HEARING SESSION (cont.)**

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The President announced a hearing for anyone who wished to address the Board regarding the Tentative Agreement between California School Employees Association (CSEA), Chapter 419, and the Board of Education. There being no one wishing to address the Board, the session was closed.

Tentative Agrmt. Between  
CSEA and Board

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**HUMAN RESOURCES RECOMMENDATIONS (cont.)**

It was moved by Baber, seconded by Winet, and carried unanimously to approve the Tentative Agreement between California School Employees Association (CSEA), Chapter 419, and the Board of Education.

**Tentative Agrmt. Between  
CSEA and Board**  
Approved

## REPORTS OF OFFICERS OF THE BOARD

## REPORTS

The Governor released his 2013-14 budget on January 10, 2013. Some of the highlights of his proposal include a new funding formula for K-12 education (Local Control Funding Formula, which combines Revenue Limit funding with almost all State Categorical programs to form a single unrestricted block grant), a proposed 1.65% cost-of-living adjustment, additional funding to support energy efficiency projects, a reduction in inter-year deferrals and an expansion of the Mandate Block Grant. The Superintendent stated that, in planning for 2013-14, it will be important to manage expectations and prioritize expenditures, especially when funding is merged into one account.

After discussion, the Board directed the Superintendent to send a letter to Assemblymember Dr. Shirley Weber suggesting that funding utilize a base grant methodology with large instructional and/or facilities block grants in order to preserve those programs and operations. Lori Wigg, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, presented a summary of the Governor's budget proposal and responded to clarifying questions.

The California Voting Rights Act (CVRA) requires all governmental agencies to investigate its electoral system every census cycle to identify any abridgment of the right to vote of members of a protected class of voters. On December 7, 2010, the Board directed staff to commission a study. A professional demographer reviewed data from the 2010 federal Census and legal counsel was consulted. A summary of the demographic characteristics of the District is attached. The demographer determined that it is currently not possible to create a trustee area meeting equal population standards of a single, unprotected class of voter. It is recommended the Board re-evaluate changing its electoral system after the 2020 federal Census.

### NEW BUSINESS (cont.)

It was moved by Turner, seconded by Winet, and carried unanimously to nominate a Board subcommittee consisting of President Duff and Vice President Turner to review applications to make certain they meet the criteria and approve the appointment process for filling the vacated Board of Education position as described in the Board Note.

It was moved by Winet, seconded by Turner, and carried unanimously to approve the following:

Purchase Orders G42130 through G42356 totaling \$482,446.74

Warrants January 9 through January 24, 2013 totaling \$649,848.35

Expenditures in the amount of \$1,230.75

Ratification of travel of the people listed as attached.

Governor's Proposed Budget  
Update

CA Voting Rights Act  
Study Results

### NEW BUSINESS (cont.)

**Filling vacated Board position**  
Approved the appointment  
process

**Consent Calendar**  
Approved

Purchase Orders

Warrants

Revolving Cash Fund  
Reimbursements from the  
General Fund

Travel

It was moved by Winet, seconded by Turner, and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution 12-13-21, Designating an Authorized Representative and Alternate for the San Diego Schools Risk Management Fringe Benefits Agreement.

**Res. 21, designating rep and alternate for SD Schools Risk Mgmt Fringe Benefits Agrmt.**  
Adopted

It was moved by Winet, seconded by Turner, and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution 12-13-22, Designating Authorized Representative and Alternate for the San Diego Schools Risk Management Joint Powers Authority for Workers' Compensation, Property and Liability or Any Other Risk or Plan Authorized by Law.

**Res. 22, designating rep and alternate for SD Schools Risk Mgmt JPA for Workers Comp. etc.**  
Adopted

It was moved by Turner, seconded by Winet, and carried unanimously to accept the following gifts with thanks: \$1330.60 from Box Tops for Education to Rolando Elementary School to be used to purchase instructional materials; and two Industrial LAM Stations (space-efficient cabinets for housing a computer work station) and four computer monitors valued at \$1100.00 to the District to be used as needed.

**Gifts – ROL and District**  
Accepted with thanks

It was moved by Winet, seconded by Turner, and carried unanimously to authorize staff to approve Expanded Special Education Master Contract with The Institute for Effective Education.

**Expanded Sp. Ed. Master Contract w/The Institute for Effective Education**  
Authorized

### **HUMAN RESOURCES RECOMMENDATIONS**

It was moved by Turner, seconded by Winet, and carried unanimously to approve standard Human Resources recommendations as amended to include eight additional Lecturer/Presenter and/or Short-Term Employment forms.

**Human Resources Recommendations**  
Approved as amended

It was moved by Winet, seconded by Turner, and carried unanimously to adopt Resolution 12-13-23, as amended to change dates to 2012-13, to Establish Criteria to Determine the Order of Lay Off and Re-employment for those Certificated Employees with the Same First Date of Paid Probationary Service.

**Res. 23, to establish criteria to determine order of lay off and re-employment for certificated employees**  
Adopted as amended, changing the dates to 2012-13

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS, REPORTS, COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE BOARD**

Mr. Winet announced he and the Superintendent met with the East County Boys & Girls Club to launch the clubhouse idea between Helix High School and La Mesa Middle School. There is an existing fund-raising goal of \$8.9 million and a fund-raising committee is setting up meetings with key people in the community. This is an exciting concept that is being shared with the City of La Mesa and it is expected this will bring great economic improvement to this area. Bill Walton has agreed to be the honorary chair of the fund-raising campaign.

Mr. Baber announced he met with Assemblymember Dr. Shirley Weber at a forum for education leaders on February 1 where she led a discussion about legislative priorities for K-12.

Dr. Turner encouraged everyone wear red to the February 19 Board meeting to support February Heart Health Month. Children and teens are at risk for heart disease.

Dr. Turner announced she attended the Presidential Inauguration in Washington, D.C. and was able to do some lobbying on behalf of schools during her recent trip there.

At 9:40 p.m. the President announced a recess.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

At 9:46 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 public employee discipline/dismissal/release. The Superintendent; Board; and Assistant Superintendents Business, Human Resources and Learning Support adjourned to the session, which was held in the Boardroom.

At 10:25 p.m. the President reconvened the meeting and announced the Board, in closed session, took the following action:

It was moved by Baber, seconded by Turner, and carried unanimously to issue a notice of unsatisfactory performance/unprofessional conduct for a certificated employee (File 02-05-13-1).

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

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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 19, 2013.

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Rick Winet, Clerk of the Board of Education