

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

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

**CALL TO ORDER**

The President led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board members present: Baber, Duff, Lecko, Turner, Winet

**ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM**

Board members absent: None

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

It was moved by Turner, seconded by Lecko, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 1, 2013, as presented.

**MINUTES**  
 Approved as presented

**COMMUNICATIONS**

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Honoring Our Own “Save the Date” Announcement for May 2, 2014

Honoring Our Own

Invitations from the following organizations to events during the 2013 CSBA Conference:

Invitations during CSBA Conference

- o Isom Advisors
- o Piper Jaffray Stradling
- o Dannis Woliver Kelley
- o Dale Scott & Company

Memo from the Superintendent regarding Federal Program Monitoring (FPM) Audit Results

FPM Audit Results

PowerPoint for the Personnel Commission Annual Report

PPT for Personnel Comm. Rpt.

Memo from Karen Walker, Assistant Superintendent, Learning Support, regarding the Spring Valley Middle School Band

K. Walker, Asst. Supt., LS SVMS Band

Letter from Senator Joel Anderson requesting input from leaders in the community

Senator J. Anderson  
 Community leader input

“Honoring Our Own” Nominations form from the San Diego County School Boards Association

SD County School Boards Assn  
 Honoring Our Own noms.

Invitation from Senator Joel Anderson to a Holiday Open House

Senator J. Anderson  
 Holiday Open House

Invitation from School Services of California to an event during the CSBA Annual Conference

School Services of CA  
 Event during CSBA Conference

**AGENDA**

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

**HEARING SESSION**

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**

Education Code Section 45266 and Personnel Commission Rules and Regulations 20.400.3 require an annual report which reviews the activities of the Personnel Commission during the preceding year. Dr. T.R. Lin, Director of Classified Personnel and Secretary to the Personnel Commission, presented the 2012-13 annual report and responded to clarifying questions.

**NEW BUSINESS**

It was moved by Baber, seconded by Lecko, and carried unanimously to schedule the Board’s Organizational Meeting for December 10, 2013.

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

Purchase Orders H51252 through H51739 totaling \$1,961,941.02

Warrants September 19 through October 23, 2013 totaling \$1,307,105.38

Expenditures in the amount of \$4,888.42

Approval and Ratification of Travel

Acceptance of SB 564 Financial Disclosure

It was moved by Baber, seconded by Turner, and carried unanimously to authorize staff to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the After School Education and Safety (ASES) Program.

It was moved by Turner, seconded by Lecko, and carried unanimously to accept the following gifts with thanks: \$1905.00 from Bancroft Elementary School PTA to Bancroft Elementary to be used for study trips; \$1080.00 from Eric Le, a community supporter, to La Mesa Dale Elementary to be used to send 5<sup>th</sup>-grade classes to BizTown, sponsored by Jr. Achievement; and \$1378.00 from Target’s *Take Charge of Education* Program to Murray Manor Elementary to be used for instructional supplies.

**AGENDA**

Approved as presented

**HEARING**

**REPORTS**

Annual Report on Personnel Commission

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Organizational Meeting**  
Scheduled for 12/10/13

**Consent Calendar**  
Approved

Purchase Orders

Warrants

Revolving Cash Fund  
Reimbursements from the  
General Fund

Travel

SB 564 Financial Disclosure

**MOU with ASES Program**  
Authorized

**Gifts – BAN, LMD and MUM**  
Accepted with thanks

It was moved by Baber, seconded by Winet, and carried unanimously to authorize staff to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Jewish Family Services, Positive Parenting Program.

**MOU w/Jewish Family Services, Positive Parenting**  
Authorized

It was moved by Baber, seconded by Winet, and carried unanimously to authorize staff to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the San Joaquin County Office of Education for Internet-based IEP templates.

**MOU w/San Juaquin County Office of Education**  
Authorized

It was moved by Turner, seconded by Baber, and carried unanimously to authorize staff to enter into Special Education Master Contracts with Asestine School and Comprehensive Educational Services, Inc. (dba ACES); and an Expanded Special Education Master Contract with the Center for Autistic Research, Evaluation and Services (C.A.R.E.S.).

**Sp.Ed. contract with ACES; Expanded Sp.Ed. contract with CARES**  
Authorized

It was moved by Lecko, seconded by Turner, and carried unanimously to authorize staff to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Mental Health Systems, Inc., Family Forces Program.

**MOU w/Mental Health Systems, Family Forces Pgm.**  
Authorized

It was moved by Baber, seconded by Lecko, and carried unanimously to authorize staff to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with San Diego Unified School District to provide Title I Services to St. Martin of Tours Academy.

**MOU w/SDUSD for Title I serv. to St. Martin of Tours**  
Authorized

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES RECOMMENDATIONS**

It was moved by Baber, seconded by Winet, and carried unanimously 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 Baber, seconded by Winet, and carried unanimously to appoint Patricia Ridenour to a 3-year term as Personnel Commissioner, effective December 1, 2013.

**Personnel Commissioner**  
Appointed P. Ridenour

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

Mr. Baber announced that he, Mr. Lecko, the Superintendent and other members of the Superintendent's LMSV 20/20 Working Group met with staff, parents and community members on October 23, 24, 29 and 30. These listening sessions were held to gather input on programs and facilities as we plan for the future of the La Mesa-Spring Valley School District. Over 2000 individual suggestions have been received so far. Listening sessions will continue with DLAC, DAC, DSC, and CSC in the next few weeks. In addition, selected students from every school site were interviewed for their ideas.

Mr. Baber thanked the 8-9 principals for their services, as well as parents and staff who came to the listening sessions to provide their suggestions. It was noted if anyone was not able to attend these meetings or simply would like to provide additional input, a portal is available on the District website.

Mr. Lecko announced on October 7 he met with Chris Benker, Director, Maintenance & Facilities, and toured various school sites to evaluate grounds and facilities. He then met with Lori Wigg, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services, and the Superintendent to discuss the state of our facilities.

Mr. Lecko announced that he, Mr. Winet and the Superintendent attended an Open House at the Santee Boys & Girls Club as a kickoff of the fund-raising campaign for the La Mesa Boys & Girls Club on the La Mesa Middle School campus. He commended the work of Mr. Winet and the Superintendent on this project.

Mr. Winet announced that Tom Paige, former President/CEO of SDG&E, as well as former Charger Rolf Berniske, also attended the Open House at the Santee Boys & Girls Club.

Mr. Lecko announced he attended the La Mesa Intergenerational Games on October 17 at La Mesa Middle School, which was a lot of fun. He commended ESS staff who conducted themselves professionally and politely.

Mr. Lecko announced he took a recent tour of the La Mesa Arts Academy (LMAAC), along with parents and students. He stated he is excited about the potential this academy brings.

Mr. Lecko announced he visited Spring Valley Middle School, where he was asked to give a presentation to a STEM elective class.

Mr. Lecko announced he spoke with Dana Wright, Principal, Spring Valley Middle School, regarding *Boys to Men*, an after-school program. Mr. Lecko expressed interest in having a presentation to the Board.

Mr. Lecko announced he was invited to a Casa de Oro Elementary Special Education class to observe a kite building/flying class and was impressed with the Special Education staff who support these students.

Dr. Turner announced she attended a couple meetings for CSBA in Sacramento and is currently working on their Annual Conference in San Diego. She stated she is excited to have Quest Academy as a workshop during this conference.

Dr. Turner announced she is working with the National Black Caucus as they look for speakers and workshops for the NSBA Conference in New Orleans in April.

Mr. Winet recalled the beginnings of the ESS (then AM/PM) program. He stated the District, along with employee Pat Stewart, and with the assistance of then-Assemblyman Larry Sterling, invented the Extended School Services (ESS) program, which has been replicated by many districts.

The Superintendent announced the District completed the Federal Program Monitoring (FPM) audit last week, where all Categorical programs were evaluated by CA Dept. of Education representatives. He congratulated Dr. Karen Walker, Assistant Superintendent, Learning Support, and the Instructional team for all their hard work during this audit. Over 900 documents were reviewed with only one minor finding. The lead investigator stated this was the best review of which he had been a part.

Mr. Baber thanked all PTAs and parent volunteers for their work in coordinating the fall festivals this year.

At 7:55 p.m. the President announced a recess.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

At 8:09 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. 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 8:41 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 December 10, 2013.

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Rick Winet, Clerk of the Board of Education