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# SAN DIEGUITO UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES EDUCATIONAL SERVICES BOARD WORKSHOP

THURSDAY, MAY 17, 2007

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The Board of Trustees of the San Dieguito Union High School District met in an Educational Services Board Workshop on Thursday, May 17, 2007, at 4:00 PM.

# **ATTENDANCE**

# **Board of Trustees**

All members of the Board of Trustees were present. Student Advisory Board Members were not required to attend this workshop.

# Administrators / SDUHSD Staff Members Present

Peggy Lynch, Ed.D., Superintendent
Terry King, Associate Superintendent, Human Resources
Steve Ma, Associate Superintendent, Business
Rick Schmitt, Associate Superintendent, Educational Services
Steve Levy, Coordinator, Pupil Services
Anna Pedroza, Principal, Earl Warren Middle School
Randa Fast-Medley, School Counselor
Peggy Walker, Grant Writer

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Board President, Deanna Rich, called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM.

### 2. EARL WARREN MIDDLE SCHOOL UPDATE, 2007 / 2008

Anna Pedroza, Principal of Earl Warren Middle School, presented the Board with an update of the school, beginning with an explanation of the school's preliminary vision. She also gave updates on current and projected enrollment; a summary of communication tools being implemented to keep parents and families informed; descriptions of new course offerings for the fall; revisions to the bell schedule; a transportation update; and anticipated next steps for ongoing recruitment of new families moving into the Carmel Valley area.

#### 3. GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS PLANNING, 2008 / 2009

#### PE / Health – Rick Schmitt

Mr. Rick Schmitt, Associate Superintendent of Educational Services, gave an update on proposed graduation requirements for 2008 – 09, which are being driven by new college admission guidelines These changes

have caused school districts to look into ways to expand Career and Technical Education (CTE) opportunities for students.

One approach to creating more opportunities for CTE would be to offer an Integrated Health / PE course, (currently being piloted at Canyon Crest Academy), which would allow students to meet the California Health requirements as part of their *Year One General PE Program*.

The recommendation to the Board was to consider making two graduation requirement policy changes for 2008 – 09. They are as follows:

- To increase the CTE / Practical Art graduation requirement from five to ten credits
- 2) To eliminate the 5-credit health graduation requirement and place the health standards into the Integrated Health / PE course

San Dieguito Academy, La Costa Canyon and Torrey Pines High School have built Integrated Health / PE sections into their master schedules for 07 / 08, in preparation for a full transition into this new course for the Fall of 2008. A formal proposal will be submitted to the Board some time in the Fall of 2007.

# Career Technical Education – Steve Levy

Pupil Services Coordinator, Mr. Steve Levy, presented a CTE Initiative Review for 2006 – 07. He outlined CTE State Adoptions and described the State (Hancock Legislation) and Federal (Perkins Legislation) adopted Bills in 2006, regarding CTE.

He informed the Board of five CTE grants that have been written and approved for a combined total of over \$290,000 and explained in detail the purpose and allocation of each grant. He also presented a list of eight additional grants that have been written and are awaiting approval, for a combined total of over \$4,237,000.

Additional details included updates on the Regional Occupation Program (ROP), the Science/Mathematics, Engineering Academy, Research, & Technology Labs (*SMART* Labs), middle school curriculum, and next steps for 2007 – 08.

#### 4. STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE AND FEEDBACK

Mr. Rick Schmitt reviewed Strategic Plan priorities for the upcoming year and received recommendations from the Board for changes on the areas of academic excellence, student connection, character and staff development, integrated technology, and communication. He also presented an overview of the Strategic Plan Calendar for 2007 – 08, beginning with a Strategic Planning Team meeting scheduled for June 5, 2007. School counselor, Randa Fast-Medley assisted with this presentation and will be providing the Board with a list of the suggested recommendations in the near future.

Mr. Schmitt also gave an update on the progress of the Strategic Plan for the current year.

5.	HOMEW	ORKI	POLICY	UPDATE

Peggy Lynch, Ed.D., Superintendent / Secretary

**ADJOURNMENT** 

Mr. Schmitt also discussed details of a recent Strategic Plan Advisory Committee meeting, (held February 14, 2007), where the District's Homework Policy was reviewed and a list of recommendations for revisions was compiled. The Board also reviewed several articles regarding extensive research and case studies that take a close look at current homework practices and the "quality vs. quantity" debate. The San Dieguito Union High School District will continue to review our revised Homework Policy during the 07 / 08 school year, hoping to have a revised Homework Policy in place for the 2008 – 09 year.

Date

Joyce Dalessandro, Clerk	 Date	/	/	
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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM.