

Board Briefs

Lompoc Unified School District

January 15, 2008

- OPENING COMMENTS/
PERFORMANCE** Fourteen members of the Lompoc High School Music Department's String Ensemble accompanied by their teacher and conductor, Julie Anderson, performed four musical selections for the Board members.
- CONSENT ITEMS** The following consent items were approved: (1) Warrants totaling \$2,428,985.42; (2) Personnel Items; (3) B15-08 Relocatable Building Move & Install Project; (4) Ratification of November 2007 Payrolls; and (5) Acceptance of Donations
- STUDENT REPORT** Tianna Cisowski, new student representative from Lompoc High School, was welcomed by the Board members. Ms. Cisowski gave a report regarding activities at the secondary schools.
- CERTIFICATION OF
IMPACT OF PROPOSED
AGREEMENTS ON
2007-2008 BUDGET** Following public hearings without comment from the audience, the Board approved the "Certification of Impact of Proposed Agreement on the District's 2007-2008 Budget" for CSEA, LFT as well as certificated management, and classified management/confidential employees.
- ACCEPTANCE OF
2006-2007 AUDIT
REPORTS** Jeff Carter, Audit Partner with Vavrinek, Trine & Day, was present at the meeting to give an overview of the District's Annual Financial Report for 2006-2007 as well as the General Obligation Bonds Financial & Performance Audits. The Board accepted the reports as presented.
- ONE-TIME ARTS/
MUSIC/PE BLOCK
GRANT FUNDS** The one-time Arts/Music/PE Block Grant funds for Hapgood Elementary, Lompoc Valley Middle School, and Mission Valley School were approved for expenditure as proposed by the sites. These funds could not be expended until their proposed use was given Board approval.
- APPROVAL OF
SCHOOL PLANS** The 2007 - 2008 school plans for La Cañada and Fillmore Elementary Schools were approved.
- SITE DISCRETIONARY
BLOCK GRANT
EXPENDITURE PLANS** The Board approved the site plans for spending one-time block grant monies from Fillmore and Miguelito Elementary Schools; and Lompoc Valley Middle School. These funds also require Board approval before expenditure.
- DENIAL OF CLAIM
AGAINST DISTRICT
(YEATMAN)** Mr. Black noted the District had received a claim submitted by Patricia M. Yeatman on behalf of Jeremy Yeatman. The claim is for medical expenses and missed work as well as damages for pain and suffering allegedly caused by another student. By denying the claim, it will be turned over to the District's insurance company.

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION: DELEGATION	The Board adopted the resolution delegating the governing board powers/duties (in accordance with the authority provided in Education Code Section 35161) to Gary Black and Frank Lynch.
APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL TO CHANGE SPRING 2008 MINIMUM DAYS	The Board approved the proposal to change the La Honda Elementary School's March 5, 2008 minimum day to March 7, 2008. Also approved was the request by El Camino, Lompoc Valley and Vandenberg Middle Schools to change their March 2008 minimum days for spring conferences to the week of April 28 - May 2, 2008.
DISTRICT BUDGET REDUCTIONS	The Board voted to implement immediately the following reductions in anticipation of the mid-year budget cuts: (1) All sites and departments are to keep in reserve a minimum of 10% of their unrestricted budget; (2) There will be a hiring freeze for all but essential positions; (3) All purchases of \$500 or more must be approved by the Superintendent; and (4) All travel and conference must be approved by the Superintendent. Only those essential or mandated travel requests will be approved. Pre-approved trips will not be affected.
RESOLUTION: ARTS & MUSIC/ BLOCK GRANT FUNDS	The resolution for adoption of the one-time Arts & Music Block Grant funds was given Board approval. The Arts/Music/PE Task Force felt an elementary art and music program should be created, beginning with grade six, which would feed into the middle school and high school art and music programs.
CONAP PART II 2007-2008 (APPROVAL)	The Board approved the Consolidated Application (CONAP) Part II for 2007-2008 as presented.
APPROVAL OF EARLY RELEASE/COLLAB. DAYS FOR 2008-2009	The Board approved the Early Release/Collaboration Days as proposed by the staff of the Fillmore and Los Berros Elementary Schools. These new schedules are for the 2008-2009 school year.
APPROVAL OF VOC. NURSING PROGRAM CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT (NEW PROPOSAL WITH BVNPT)	The request by Lompoc Adult Education to hire a nursing consultant to write the required curriculum changes for their Vocational Nursing Program was approved. The current contract with Boston Reed College will nearly double in cost if it is renewed. The new proposal, from the Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians (BVNPT), will have no direct monetary effect on the general fund. All costs will be borne by the Lompoc Adult Education Program.
ANNUAL REVIEW OF BOARD POLICY AND REGULATION 6145	The Board conducted its annual review of Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6145 - "Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities." No changes were recommended.
ANNUAL REVIEW OF BOARD POLICY 5116.1	The Board conducted its annual review of the "Intradistrict Open Enrollment" Policy 5116.1. No changes were recommended.

**ENERGY EDUCATION
PRESENTATION**

Edward Froehner, President of the California Division of Energy Education, Inc., gave a presentation regarding an energy conservation program being used by many school districts in the state. The Board asked the Superintendent and Mr. Black to obtain feedback from these districts, and report back at a future Board meeting.

**BOND REFINANCING
PRESENTATION**

Ryan Vollmer of RBC Dain Rauscher, Inc., presented information regarding the impact of refinancing the existing Measure N bonds. The Board asked to revisit this item at the February 12, 2008 Board Meeting. Mr. Black and Mr. Vollmer will check into the possibility of sharing the gain in assessed valuations with the taxpayers.

**BOARD MEMBER
COMMITTEE
PARTICIPATION**

Board member participation on committees was discussed and the following assignments were continued: Interest Based Council - Mrs. Bossert; Community Education Foundation - Mrs. Schuyler and Mrs. Bossert (alternate); Salary Review Committee - Mrs. Bossert; Lompoc Valley Committee - Mr. Campbell; Measure N Committee - Mr. Andrews; Wellness Committee - Mrs. Bossert; and Santa Barbara Co. School Boards Association - Mr. Andrews.

**GRADUATION DATES
FOR 2008**

The Board reviewed the graduation times and dates for 2008, and discussed who would be designated to present diplomas to the students. Cabrillo High School's graduation ceremony will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 5. Lompoc High's will be at 2:30 p.m. also on June 5. Maple High's will be at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 4, and the Lompoc Adult School's graduation ceremony will be on Thursday, June 5 at 7:30 p.m.

**FUTURE AGENDA
ITEMS**

Dr. Lynch announced there will be a Board Study Session regarding our English Language Learners on Tuesday, February 5, 2008. On Saturday, February 9, 2008 there will be a Board Workshop on the financial state of the District. The Interest Based Council will be meeting on February 25, 2008. Mr. Black will report back at the February 12, 2008 Board Meeting regarding ADA compliance issues and dates for completion.

REVIEW OF REPORTS

- Enrollment Report for the fourth school month

CLOSED SESSIONS

The Board adjourned to closed session to review the expulsion recommendations for three students. It was announced in open session that all three students had been expelled. In another closed session, the Board conferenced regarding negotiations, pending litigation, and a personnel matter. The following action was taken regarding negotiations:

- The Board ratified the contract agreement with CSEA for a 2% salary increase effective 2008, and 2% ongoing.
- The Board ratified the contract agreement with LFT for a 2% salary increase effective 2008, and 2% ongoing.

CLOSED SESSIONS
(continued)

- The Board approved for classified management, certificated management, and confidential employees a 2% salary increase effective 2008, and 2% ongoing.

✓NEXT REGULAR MEETING: February 12, 2008, 5:30 p.m.
Education Center Board Room