

# Board Briefs

Lompoc Unified School District

February 27, 2007

- OPENING COMMENTS** Certificates of appreciation were presented to the representatives of the school site PTA's and PTSA's as well as the officers of the Lompoc Council PTA. They were applauded for their outstanding contributions to the educational opportunities of District students.
- CONSENT ITEMS** The following consent items were approved: (1) Warrants totaling \$502,672.61; (2) Personnel items; and (3) Ratification of January 2007 Payrolls.
- STUDENT REPORT** Melissa Miranda, the alternate student representative from Lompoc High, gave a report concerning activities at the secondary schools.
- VAFB REPORT** Col. Weinstein thanked Dr. Lynch and the Board of Education for their support of Base families, and their open communication. The Colonel will be leaving soon for a new assignment in Colorado Springs.
- COURTESY TO VISITORS** Lore Desmond, Principal of El Camino Middle School, asked the Board to consider keeping the site open through the 2007-2008 school year. This will allow more time to implement and plan the move.
- CHANGE IN AGENDA ORDER** A portion of the reports section of the agenda was moved to earlier in the meeting to allow for the numerous presentations and public input.
- IMPLEMENTATION OF AB1433 (REQUIRED DENTAL CHECK UP)** Lynne Dixon, supervising nurse for LUSD, gave an update of actions being taken to implement AB1433 which became effective January 1, 2007. Children entering public school for the first time in Kindergarten or first grade are to have a dental checkup by May 31 of their first school year. It is the District's responsibility to notify parents of this requirement. Parents will have waiver rights if they choose not to have their child participate. The schools will not be penalized for student nonparticipation.
- REPORT OF INTEREST BASED COUNCIL (IBC)** Jerry White, Joel Jory, and Karen Rotondi - IBC Representatives, gave a PowerPoint presentation of the Council's recommendations which included: (1) Close Los Padres Elementary school site; (2) Relocate Maple campus; (3) Close El Camino Middle School Program; and (4) Change K-5 configuration to K-6 Districtwide. (The IBC was formerly known as the School Board Advisory Council.)

**“7-11 COMMITTEE”  
REPORT**

Dr. Lynch introduced the members of the Committee who were in the audience - Carol Arnerich, Steve DeLira, and Ramona Rogers. The name “7-11” refers to no more than 11 and no less than 7 participants per Education Code. The Superintendent read excerpts from the meeting minutes of February 20, 2007, where the Committee’s recommendations included: (1) Turn Westwings Elementary School over to the Air Force; (2) Close Los Padres Elementary, moving students to Crestview Elementary; and (3) Close Maple High School, moving students to the La Mesa site. The Committee postponed any decision at that meeting regarding El Camino Middle School. The February 26 meeting minutes reflected the Committee’s recommendation to move students from El Camino to other schools starting with the 2008-2009 school year.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

During the public hearing following the “7-11 Committee” Report, several members of the audience gave input. The public hearing opened at 6:33 p.m. and closed at 6:44 p.m.

**APPROVAL-CHANGE  
ORDER #2 (B13-07)**

The Board awarded change order #2 from Vernon Edwards Constructors, Inc. for the La Honda and La Mesa grading and site utility project for an increase of \$87,444.93.

**CALENDAR APPROVAL  
(‘07-‘08 & ‘08-‘09)**

The school calendars for 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 for both the traditional and year round schools were approved. The CAHSEE dates will be added to the 2008-2009 calendar when they become available from the state.

**COMPREHENSIVE  
SCHOOL SAFETY  
PLANS (APPROVED)**

The comprehensive school safety plans were approved for Buena Vista, La Honda, Los Berros, Los Padres, Miguelito and Clarence Ruth Elementary Schools; Vandenberg Middle School and Maple High School.

**STUDENT  
READMISSION**

One student, who was previously expelled by the Board, was approved for readmission to the District.

**DELEGATE ASSEMBLY  
ELECTION FOR CSBA**

The Board cast its vote for Janet Zilli from Orcutt Unified School District as a write-in candidate for the 2007 California School Boards Association (CSBA) Delegate Assembly Election.

**SCHOOL CLOSURE &  
REORGANIZATION OF  
LOMPOC UNIFIED**

After lengthy discussion and public input, the following decisions were made by the Board: (1) Close Los Padres Elementary School and move students to Crestview Elementary School in ‘08-‘09 (4-1 vote, Mr. Andrews against); (2) Move Maple High School to La Mesa in ‘07-‘08 (unanimous 5-0 vote); (3) Create K-6 elementary schools with target date of ‘08-‘09 (unanimous 5-0 vote); (4) Move El Camino Middle School students in ‘08-‘09 (unanimous 5-0 vote); and (5) Convert the El Camino campus into an Adult Education and Alternative Education Center in ‘08-‘09 (unanimous 5-0 vote).

**POSITION CHANGE  
(MEASURE N)**

The Board approved the abolishment of the Measure N Administrative Assistant II position, and approved the Measure N Accounting Technician position to more properly reflect the required duties. Subsequently, there will be approximately a 5% increase in salary.

**TRAVEL/  
REIMBURSEMENT  
POLICY REVISIONS**

The Board reviewed the policy revisions, and asked for further options to be presented, especially regarding the per diem rates. It was agreed the rates of reimbursement are badly in need of adjustment not only because of inflation, but also the locality of many conferences. Mr. Black was asked to present additional options to the Board at the next meeting.

**BOARD POLICY 2000  
(FIRST READING)**

Board Policy 2000 - "Administration - Concepts and Roles" was presented for a first reading. It will be returned for approval on March 13, 2007.

**BOARD POLICIES  
9000 SERIES (FIRST  
READING)**

Board Policies in the 9000 series - "Bylaws of the Board" were presented for a first reading. These policies will also be returned for a second reading and approval on March 13, 2007.

**FUTURE AGENDA  
ITEMS**

Dr. Lynch will be presenting a report on school site room usage at the March 13, 2007 meeting.

**GOPHER & RODENT  
ABATEMENT REPORT**

Mr. Black noted the District currently has many squirrel bait stations in use at the sites. This takes an incredible amount of time to not only ensure the stations are kept full, but also to knock down the mounds left in the fields. He will give an updated report at the end of March on how effective this abatement has been, and assess whether or not the District needs to bring in outside help.

**REVIEW OF REPORTS**

- Certification of Temporary Athletic Team Coaches

**CLOSED SESSION**

The Board adjourned to closed session to review the expulsion recommendations for three students. It was announced in open session the students had been expelled from the District. Also during a closed session, the Board discussed negotiations, a personnel matter, and pending litigation. No action was taken on these items.

**✓NEXT REGULAR MEETING: March 13, 2007, 5:30 p.m.  
Education Center Board Room**