

Board Briefs

Lompoc Unified School District

March 25, 2008

- OPENING COMMENTS** Dr. Lynch welcomed everyone to the Board meeting.
- CONSENT ITEMS** The following consent items were approved: (1) Warrants totaling \$1,020,055.44; and (2) Personnel Items.
- STUDENT REPORT** Tianna Cisowski, the student representative from Lompoc High School, gave a report regarding activities at the secondary schools.
- VAFB REPORT** None given due to absence of Base liaison.
- SECOND INTERIM REPORT (APPROVAL)** The Board certified the District's ability to meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the 2007-2008 school year and subsequent two fiscal years.
- REQUIRED ACTION DUE TO GOVERNOR'S BUDGET PROPOSAL** The Board voted to send the requested certification to the Santa Barbara County Education Office stating the District will make the budget cuts necessary to balance the 2008-2009 and 2009-2010 budgets. However, a letter will accompany it stating the Board's reluctance, based upon the state's inability to provide the necessary revenue, to certify same.
- REVISED 2008-2009 SCHOOL CALENDARS (APPROVED)** The Board formally approved the revisions to the 2008-2009 School Calendars. These revisions included on both the traditional and year round calendars, a change of the Friday holiday of spring break from Friday, April 17 to Friday, April 10. Additionally, on the year round calendar, the winter intersession was moved back one week to allow for two weeks of instruction after Thanksgiving.
- RESOLUTION: GOVERNOR'S PROPOSED BUDGET** The resolution in response to the Governor's proposed 2008-2009 was approved as amended. The portion of the final sentence which contained ".....and urges the governor and legislature to discuss all possibilities to solve the budget crisis including new revenue sources" was deleted.
- MODERNIZATION PROJECT AT VMS** The Board gave its approval of the expenditure of \$4 million from the state on the modernization project at Vandenberg Middle School.
- BOARD POLICIES 1000 SERIES (APPROVED)** The Board Policies in the 1000 Series - "Community Relations" were presented for a second reading and given approval.
- RESOLUTION: APPT. OF PARS AS AGENT FOR SUPPLEMENTARY RETIREMENT PLAN** The Board adopted the resolution allowing the Public Agency Retirement Services (PARS) to act as the agent for the District's Supplementary Retirement Plan which will become effective March 26, 2008.

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**APPROVAL OF
SECONDARY COURSE
OFFERINGS**

The secondary course offerings were approved for the 2008-2009 school year. All courses will be offered for student registration, but only those receiving sufficient enrollment will be taught.

FUTURE OF LUSD

The Board again discussed the future of the Lompoc Unified School District. Dr. Lynch noted the CBEDS enrollment figure for the 2002-2003 school year was 11,618 students, and the projection for 2008-2009 of 10,283 students. In 1964, the District's enrollment was above 14,000. This decline is nearly statewide.

**FUTURE AGENDA
ITEMS**

It was announced the Interest Based Council will make a formal presentation at the April 8 Board of Education Meeting. In addition there was tentatively scheduled a special Board Meeting on May 1 at 5:00 p.m. This meeting will be to confirm the layoffs based on the PARS deadline of April 30. A Board workshop/study session will be held on Saturday, May 31 from 9 a.m. to 12:00 noon, to give a budget update to the community. Mrs. Bossert requested an update on April 8 regarding the disposition of the lockers at Cabrillo and Lompoc High Schools. Additionally she requested information regarding completion of the chainlink fencing at Lompoc High.

**DISTRICT SPONSORED
CHARTER SCHOOL**

Andréa Lawrence shared her vision for a District sponsored charter school. She and Kristen Lewis have a draft for the charter including vocational and service learning, with an instructional emphasis on "work done" over "time spent." Their goal is to create the "Camino Real Community of Charters" as a community partnership academy. The intent would be to re-enroll those students who have dropped out, or those who are failing or on the verge of failing. It would be available for a wide range of students. There is a deadline of May 1 for charter approval to be able to open in September. This charter proposal will be shared with the Board in the very near future.

REVIEW OF REPORTS

- Interest Based Council (IBC) Recommendations (a formal presentation will be made at the April 8 Board of Education Meeting)
- Certification of Temporary Athletic Team Coaches

CLOSED SESSIONS

The Board adjourned to closed session to review the expulsion recommendation for a student. It was announced in open session the student had been expelled from the District.

Also during a closed session, the Board discussed negotiations, pending litigation, and a personnel matter. It was announced in open session that no action had been taken during the closed session.

**✓NEXT REGULAR MEETING: April 8, 2008, 5:30 p.m.
Education Center Board Room**