

# Board Briefs

Lompoc Unified School District

April 8, 2008

**OPENING COMMENTS/  
MUSICAL  
PERFORMANCE**

Cabrillo High School's Jazz Ensemble performed to the delight of all in attendance at the meeting. This award-winning ensemble was accompanied by their Band Director-Mike Pakaluk. The student musicians were Ben Li, Storm Mertz, Dain Lopez, Ida Naughton, and Morgan Good.

**SPECIAL  
RECOGNITION**

Phil Dinter of Lompoc High School was congratulated for being named "Teacher of the Year" by the Air Force Association (AFA) Goddard Chapter. He was also presented a certificate and a cash award by Board Member Kris Andrews. Mr. Andrews received an award for "Sustained Exceptional Service" from the chapter.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

The following consent items were approved: (1) The commercial warrants (with the exception of #1499738); (2) Personnel Items (with the exception of the leave of absences); (3) Acceptance of Donations; (4) Ratification of February 2008 Payrolls; (5) Declaration of Surplus Property from Lompoc Valley Middle School, and Fillmore, Los Berros and La Honda Elementary Schools. The exceptions listed above were pulled for further consideration in closed session at Board member request.

**STUDENT REPORT**

Tianna Cisowski, the student representative from Lompoc High School, gave a report regarding activities at the secondary schools.

**VAFB REPORT**

Jaime Lopez, newly hired as the Military Family Education Coordinator for Vandenberg AFB, introduced himself to the Board. He will be another Base liaison to the District. However, Mr. Wolfe will continue to attend the Board meetings.

**ONE-TIME ARTS/  
MUSIC/PE BLOCK**

The one-time Arts / Music / PE Block Grant funds for Miguelito Elementary were approved for expenditure as proposed by the site. The funds cannot be expended until their proposed use is given Board approval.

**COUNSELORS'  
REPORT (SPARC)**

Counselors from Lompoc Valley Middle School, Vandenberg Middle School, and Cabrillo High School presented highlights from their Support Personnel Accountability Report Cards (SPARC). The SPARC is a continuous improvement document sponsored by the CA Department of Education and the Los Angeles County Office of Education. (This item was moved up earlier in the agenda.)

**MEMORANDUM OF  
UNDERSTANDING  
(SELPA)**

The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) for the extended school year was approved. The agreement identified Goleta Union School District as the administrative unit to oversee the hiring of certificated personnel for the 2008 summer school programs.

**INTEREST-BASED  
COUNCIL  
PRESENTATION**

Three members of the Interest-Based Council (Jerry White, Karen Rotondi, and Joel Jory) gave a PowerPoint presentation of general fund budgetary cuts for the Board's consideration. Some of the items were considered "fast track" where the action needs to be taken quickly, i.e., redrawing of attendance boundaries, reducing management positions, reduction of Maintenance & Operations by \$220,000, and reduction of maintenance costs through consolidation of positions. The IBC will be meeting again on April 11. It was stressed the final budgetary cuts are the sole decision of the Board of Education.

**REORGANIZATION OF  
MAINTENANCE &  
OPERATIONS**

The reorganization of Maintenance & Operations was discussed. Rob Bravo, Maintenance & Operations Manager, will present a plan to the Board of Education at the April 22, 2008 meeting.

**ATTENDANCE  
BOUNDARIES &  
TRANSPORTATION**

The Board discussed the elimination of repetitive runs for Maple and Cabrillo High Schools. Also, adjusting the boundaries at the elementary sites just one or two blocks could make a huge difference. This could increase the enrollment at schools that have been declining. It was felt advisable to implement some of the IBC recommendations now, and put others out for consideration in the 2009-2010 school year.

**DISTRICT SPONSORED  
CHARTER SCHOOL  
PROPOSAL**

The District-sponsored charter school proposal for the "Camino Real Community of Charters" was again discussed. This school will specialize in grades 9 through 12, specifically working on drop out recovery. These students will still have the benefits of CIF participation, clubs, music and drama. The charter proposal will again be discussed at the April 22, 2008 Board Meeting. It will be presented for a public hearing and recommended approval at a Special Board Meeting on April 29, 2008.

**FUTURE AGENDA  
ITEMS**

A Board workshop/study session will be held on Saturday, May 31 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, to give a budget update to the community. A request had been made to change the date to a week earlier, however that would conflict with the Memorial Day weekend. It was decided to keep the date of May 31. Mrs. Bossert asked for reports on the paving progress at the Textbook Center, the 6<sup>th</sup> grade transition, and the am/pm Kindergarten. Mrs. Schuyler asked for a Board workshop regarding the Professional Learning Communities. Ms. Opfermann noted a PLC Forum is scheduled for April 19 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, and the Board members are encouraged to attend.

**REVIEW OF REPORTS**

- Williams Act Complaint Update
- Enrollment Report

## CLOSED SESSIONS

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, pending litigation, a personnel matter, and the two items pulled earlier from the consent agenda.

The following action was announced in open session: (1) Approval of warrant #1499738 in the amount of \$169,498.70 (payee Microsoft); and (2) Leave of absences as presented.

**✓NEXT REGULAR MEETING: April 22, 2008, 5:30 p.m.  
Education Center Board Room**