

**SANTEE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

August 1, 2023  
**MINUTES**

Douglas E. Giles  
Educational Resource Center  
9619 Cuyamaca Street  
Santee, California

**A. OPENING PROCEDURES**

**1. Call to Order and Welcome**

President El-Hajj called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members present:

Dianne El-Hajj, President  
Ken Fox, Vice President  
Dustin Burns, Clerk  
Barbara Ryan, Member  
Elana Levens-Craig, Member

Administration present:

Dr. Marcia Hamilton, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services  
Dr. Lisa Paisley, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services  
Tim Larson, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources/Pupil Services  
David MacLeod, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources/Pupil Services  
Lisa Arreola, Executive Assistant and Recording Secretary

President El-Hajj welcomed all in attendance and noted this was the District's second meeting being streamed live. She asked for patience during the transition and noted public comments were in-person only. President El-Hajj noted Superintendent Baranski was not present at the meeting but was on well-deserved vacation with her daughters.

**2. District Mission**

President El-Hajj invited everyone to recite the District Mission.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

Melanie Hirahara, Santee Teachers Association (STA) President, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. Approval of Agenda**

President El-Hajj presented the agenda for approval and noted Consent Item D.2.1. Approval/Ratification of Travel Requests was being pulled from the agenda. She explained Member Burns would not be attending the conference listed. Member Fox moved approval.

<i>Motion:</i>	<u>Fox</u>	<i>El-Hajj</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>Ryan</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Second:</i>	<u>Ryan</u>	<i>Fox</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>Levens-Craig</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Vote:</i>	<u>5-0</u>	<i>Burns</i>	<u>Aye</u>		

**B. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**1. Superintendent's Report**

- 1.1. Developer Fees and Collection Report
- 1.2. Schedule of Upcoming Events

**C. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION**

President El-Hajj invited members of the audience to address the Board about any item not on the agenda and noted public comments were in-person only. There was no public communication.

**D. CONSENT ITEMS**

President El-Hajj invited comments from the public on any item listed under Consent. There were no public comments.

- 1.1. Approval of Minutes
- 2.1. Approval/Ratification of Travel Requests – pulled from the agenda
- 2.2. Approval/Ratification of General Services Agreements
- 2.3. Approval/Ratification of Expenditure Transactions Charged to District Issued Purchasing Cards (P-Cards)
- 3.1. Ratification of Nonpublic School Master Contract with The Winston School for Nonpublic School Services
- 3.2. Ratification of Nonpublic School Master Contract with Community School of San Diego for Nonpublic School Services
- 4.1. Personnel, Regular
- 4.2. Approval to Accept Tobacco Use Prevention Education (TUPE) Consortium Grant with San Diego County Office of Education and Other Districts for Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth Grade Students
- 4.3. Approval of Santee Community Collaborative Reinvestment Plan for the Use of LEA Medi-Cal Reimbursement Funds for the 2023-2024 School Year

Member Ryan moved approval of Consent Items, excluding Item 2.1. Approval/Ratification of Travel Requests which was pulled from the agenda because Member Burns would not be attending the conference listed.

<i>Motion:</i>	<u>Ryan</u>	<i>El-Hajj</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>Ryan</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Second:</i>	<u>Burns</u>	<i>Fox</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>Levens-Craig</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Vote:</i>	<u>5-0</u>	<i>Burns</i>	<u>Aye</u>		

**E. DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ITEMS**

**Business Services**

- 1.1. Approval/Ratification to Contract with Christina Becker  
Dr. Marcia Hamilton, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, noted the District received notice from the Office of Public School Construction (OPSC) regarding modernization at Chet F. Harritt, PRIDE Academy, Pepper Drive, and Sycamore Canyon that had been on the waitlist for five or more years. She explained the contract with Christina Becker was to assist current Administration and the Director of Facilities with completing the necessary paperwork to the California Department of Education and OPSC for reimbursement of those projects, and drafting appeal letters to the State Allocation Board regarding the new construction of the Learning Resource Center at Chet F. Harritt, PRIDE Academy, and Sycamore Canyon. Dr. Hamilton noted Mrs. Becker was the former Director of Facilities who originally submitted these applications, prior to the employment of current Administration and Director of Facilities. She explained it was a two-year contract for \$30,000 and anticipated annual expenses would be \$10,000-\$12,000 a year. Member Burns shared he strongly supported the contract with Mrs. Becker and noted she has been a great advocate in this process and has saved the District substantial about of money. He moved approval.

<i>Motion:</i>	<u>Burns</u>	<i>El-Hajj</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>Ryan</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Second:</i>	<u>Fox</u>	<i>Fox</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>Levens-Craig</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Vote:</i>	<u>5-0</u>	<i>Burns</i>	<u>Aye</u>		

**F. BOARD POLICIES AND BYLAWS**

President El-Hajj noted BP 6152 – Class Assignment; and BP 6179 – Supplemental Instruction were presented as second readings for approval; and asked the Board to contact Administration if they had any questions on the first reading.

**1.1. Second Reading: Revised Board Policies (BP)/Administrative Regulation (AR):**

- BP 6152 - Class Assignment
- BP 6179 - Supplemental Instruction

Member Ryan moved approval of BP 6152 – Class Assignment and BP 6179 – Supplemental Instruction.

<i>Motion:</i>	<u>Ryan</u>	<i>El-Hajj</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>Ryan</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Second:</i>	<u>Burns</u>	<i>Fox</i>	<u>Aye</u>	<i>Levens-Craig</i>	<u>Aye</u>
<i>Vote:</i>	<u>5-0</u>	<i>Burns</i>	<u>Aye</u>		

**1.2. First Reading: Revised Board Policies (BP)/Administrative Regulation (AR):**

- Revised BP 5141.21 – Administering Medication and Monitoring Health Conditions

**G. EMPLOYEE ASSOCIATION COMMUNICATION**

Melanie Hirahara, Santee Teachers Association (STA) President, was present but had no communication.

**H. BOARD COMMUNICATION AND ORGANIZATIONAL BUSINESS**

Member Levens-Craig shared looking forward to the upcoming school year, Beautification Day, and Buddy’s Backpacks. She noted donations for Buddy’s Backpacks were being accepted through August 15, and the distribution drive was on Saturday, August 19 at Rio Seco School. Backpacks are for any K-12 student in all of San Diego. She shared her excitement to be part of the committee and noted their goal was to distribute 1,000 backpacks; approximately 960 were distributed the prior year. Member Levens-Craig noted they were counting on Member Fox to once again help with traffic control.

Member Burns noted a few families had mentioned very positive things about summer school. He noted that although there was a great team of classified and certificated staff that made summer school such a success, the parents’ comments were more specifically about Dr. Nona Richard, Summer School Administrator. The parents were very happy and very impressed with Dr. Richard. Member Burns noted speaking with Cori Harris, Director of Communications and Parent Engagement, about proclaiming September as Grandparent month. He shared the proclamation would be presented at the next meeting, and if adopted Principals would be provided with some ideas of how to easily implement the celebration at the sites.

President El-Hajj noted there was no Organizational Business and reminded everyone the annual Beautification Day was being held Saturday, August 5, and other upcoming events.

Member Levens-Craig asked if District office staff was going to assist at the schools on the first day, like in prior years. Administration noted staff would continue the tradition.

**I. CLOSED SESSION**

President El-Hajj announced that the Board would meet in closed session for:

**1. Conference with Labor Negotiator (Gov’t. Code § 54957.6)**

*Purpose:* Negotiations  
*Agency Negotiators:* Tim Larson, Assistant Superintendent  
*Employee Organizations:* Santee Teachers Association (STA); and  
Classified School Employees Association (CSEA)

2. **Public Employee Performance Evaluation** (Gov't. Code § 54957)  
*Superintendent*
3. **Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation** (Gov't. Code § 54956.9)  
*- One (1) case*

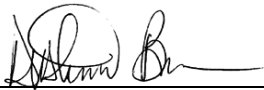
The Board entered closed session at 6:12 p.m.

**J. RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION**

The Board reconvened to public session at 8:30 p.m. and reported no action was taken.

**K. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, the regular meeting of August 1, 2023, was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.



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Dustin Burns, Clerk



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Dr. Kristin Baranski, Secretary