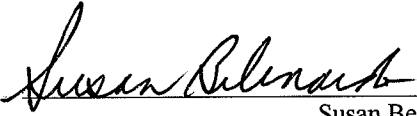


LA HABRA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting  
 500 N. Walnut St.  
 La Habra, CA 90631  
 August 9, 2012

<b>Call to Order Regular Meeting</b>	The formal call to order of the Board of Education Meeting of the La Habra City School District was called by Board Clerk Sharon H. Brown, at 6:15 p.m. Trustees adjourned to Work/Study Session.
Board Members	<p>Board Members Present: Paul S. Rodriguez, President          Sharon H. Brown, Clerk          Susan M. Hango, Member          Sandi Baltes, Member</p> <p>Board Members Absent: Linda Navarro Edwards, Vice President</p>
Administrators	<p>Administrators Present: Susan Belenardo, Superintendent          Teri Louer, Administrative Director Student Support Services          Karen Kinney, Chief Business Official</p> <p>Administrators Absent: Teresa Egan, Administrative Director Educational Services</p>
Work/Study Session	<p>Board President, Paul Rodriguez was unable to attend the start of the work/study session. Board Clerk, Sharon H. Brown distributed an updated draft copy of the Strategic Plan for review. Trustees discussed different ideas for Goal #4, Parent/Community Partnerships. Trustees made suggestions on accomplishments met in 2011-12 and goals set for 2012-13. All agreed to brainstorm ideas for the next work/study.</p> <p>Lisel Wells from Fulbright &amp; Jaworski, Inc. presented the "Do's and Don'ts of Bond Campaigns" - How to behave while in election mode and the rules in the State of California which apply to employees and members of the Board. She also explained State Law requirements on issuing a General Obligation Bond. She explained the do's and don'ts for the Certificated and Classified union organizations, teachers and staff first amendment rights, campaign committee activities, and how to educate voters during a campaign.</p>
<b>Second Call to Order Regular Meeting</b>	Board President, Paul S. Rodriguez, called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:20 p.m.
<b>Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag</b>	Board President, Paul S. Rodriguez, asked Jim Fahey to lead the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
<b>Adoption of the Agenda</b>	On a motion made by Susan M. Hango, and a second to the motion by Sandi Baltes, Trustees unanimously adopted the agenda for August 9, 2012.
<b>Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of: July 26, 2012</b>	The minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 26, 2012 were unanimously approved on a motion made by Sharon H. Brown, with a second to the motion by Susan M. Hango. <sup>1</sup>
<b>Correspondence</b>	<p>Board Clerk, Sharon H. brown, reported the following correspondence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A memorandum from California School Boards Association dated August 1, 2012 is calling for nominations for CSBA Director-at-Large, Asian/Pacific Islander and Hispanic, are currently being accepted until Friday September 28, 2012. The elections will take place at CSBA's Delegate Assembly meeting at the San Francisco Westin St. Francis hotel on November 28-29.</li> </ul>
<b>Superintendent's and Trustees' Report</b>	<p>Superintendent, Susan Belenardo, invited Jim Fahey, Director of Maintenance, Operations and Facilities to brief the Board on the summer projects that have been completed at the school sites. Jim shared that the work crews have finished all the summer cleaning projects at the school sites. The guys did a great job and stayed on schedule moving along very well. This summer they have been focusing on safety items- testing the annual fire alarm devices in each building, and patching up the trip hazards along the blacktops and safety zone areas. Jim stressed his concern regarding roofs and downspouts. He feels that this is an area that he will be keeping an eye on, especially during the rainy season. The re-locatable buildings were serviced and there is a one year warranty to cover any additional needs. He received some proposals on the major trip hazard areas in the lunch area at Imperial Middle School and the cut groove systems undermining the asphalt, but they were very high. He will continue to work on getting more proposals and in the meantime will work with architects to see what can be done to improve these areas. Jim informed the Board that they had some vandalism at Imperial Middle School this summer in which ten of the round tables in the eating area were damaged. Of the ten tables three were destroyed, and hardware has been ordered to fix the other eight. Many broken windows were also reported</p>

<p>Board Meeting Minutes July 26, 2012 Page 2 Superintendent's and Trustees' Report (cont.)</p>	<p>over the summer. Board President, Paul Rodriguez, thanked Jim and his staff for all of the hard work that they accomplished in such a short time. Dr. Belenardo announced that Teresa Egan's mother-in-law, Joan Egan, passed away earlier today. Joan had been a face in the District for many years when she worked over at Arbolita with Teresa. She asked to keep the family in your thoughts during this time. Dr. Belenardo also announced that Martha Gallegos is the new Administrative Secretary for Administrative Services. Martha was selected out of a group of 60 candidates. The information will be provided on the next agenda for approval. Dr. Belenardo met with Joe Foust from the City two days ago to discuss placing signs at Las Positas and Imperial. The city has agreed to put up the signs and make two cul-de-sacs for parents when they drop off and pick up, to help alleviate some of the morning and afternoon traffic congestion. Dr. Belenardo reviewed the La Habra Journal asking Trustees to turn to page 16 pointing out this year's theme and focus is "A Legacy of Leading the Way". She explained that we are continuing to implement 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills and are very proud that the District, in many ways, is ahead of many others in Orange County with the use of technology and the implementation of project based learning. The pictures in the journal are from Summer Academy and in the center of the page is our famous Wordle which is created from the District's mission statement. She challenged Trustees to take the legos she placed on the table to make something recognizable and use all of the parts. This task was done for the Admin team this week and they found a partner with similar packages and worked together. The idea is how to engage in project based learning and the outcome was not as important as the experience was in working together. She explained how this task shows what the District is trying to do for the students, which is developing those thinking and collaboration skills. Dr. Belenardo provided a copy of the new Focus, which has been modified to include common core, CGI, PBIS and the seven skills of 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning were placed in the center.</p>
<p><b>General Matters</b> <b>Action Item:</b> Consent Calendar</p>	<p>Trustees unanimously approved the Consent Calendar on a motion made by Sharon H. Brown, and a second to the motion by Susie M. Hango:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Approval of Independent Contractor Agreements as attached to these minutes.<sup>2</sup></li> <li>➤ Approval of extra pay requests per employee's contract's provisions and Education Code requirements as attached to these minutes.<sup>3</sup></li> <li>➤ Approval of the Expenditures Report for August 9, 2012 as attached to these minutes.<sup>4</sup></li> </ul>
<p><b>Instruction and Personnel</b> <b>Information Item:</b> Summer Academy Report</p>	<p>Summer Academy Principal, Rosamaria Murillo, and Assistant Principal George Lopez provided a report of the highlights of the programs offered in Summer Academy. One four week session of the regular GLAD Academy based on project based learning, one two week session of the Science GATE Academy, and one four week session of Extended School Year focusing on Language Arts and Math. Teachers were GLAD trained and prepared materials prior to the beginning of the program supported by our District Coaches. Units were based on Summer Olympics with an emphasis on project based learning and technology. First and Second grades' topic was based on a Healthy Me unit, which integrated the Summer Olympics by teaching about a healthy body and body systems. Third and Fifth grade had a Glove Challenge to create a glove that would protect the hand in a selected Summer Olympic sport. Sixth, Seventh and Eighth grade were to design a wet suit for a paralympian. The objective was to have the students learn through GLAD by incorporating the language, vocabulary and content skills to be able to complete the assigned project. All students were judged on presentations and were graded on rubrics and given feedback by teachers and students with a constructive response. Staff is very excited and happy with the student achievement growth demonstrated by pre and post tests. There has been much positive feedback and all feel very proud of the effort put forth and the positive results for students. Mr. Lopez introduced Raymond Ava and Jose Alcala who presented their project on designing a wet suit for a paralympian triathlete that could be easily removed and also provide buoyancy, a streamlining design, and velcro materials. Trustees congratulated the gentlemen on doing such an awesome job and creating such a wonderful design.</p>
<p><b>Information Item:</b> Common Core Standards</p>	<p>Bonnie McGrath from McGrath Consulting gave a presentation on Common Core State Standards (CCSS). She provided an overview of the CCSS in English Language Arts and Math as well as information on the recommended transition plan. CCSS have been adopted by 46 States and define the knowledge and skills that students need to be college and career ready. The two big areas in California are Language Arts and Math. There are many State Standards, but California wants to focus on the primary ones. Bonnie discussed the six primary shifts in mathematics: focus, coherence, fluency, deep understanding – CGI, application, and dual intensity. The six primary shifts in ELA/Literacy: balancing informational and literacy text, building knowledge in the disciplines, staircase of complexity, text based answers, writing from sources, and academic vocabulary. Bonnie explained that La Habra is directly aligned with Common Core standards through GLAD, CGI, Step up to Writing and Project Based Learning. The focus area Dr. Belenardo referenced earlier shows the professional community as the collaboration piece, focusing on results-what's the student work, common core being the curriculum or the content and the how. The District is not changing just enhancing some of the work that is already being done. She also explained that assessments will not start until third grade and will no longer only be multiple choice but will also include selective response with some constructive response and technology enhanced items. The goal is for all assessments to be completed online by 2016. The focus is to provide more</p>

<p>Board Meeting Minutes July 26, 2012 Page 3 Information Item: Common Core Standards (cont.)</p>	<p>authentic information to support understanding what students are able to do. Bonnie urged everyone to be cautious that the standards are not intended to be new names for old ways of doing business. They require being more open minded to do things differently, projects like the one presented earlier is an example of what common core is about. These are the skills that students should know to be college and career ready. Board President, Paul Rodriguez, asked what the District needs to do in terms of resources to meet these standards. Specifically changes in textbooks and finding outside resources. Bonnie explained that by increasing non-fictional reading, taking advantage of free online information available to students and Districts such as educational blogs, online searches and local restaurants and businesses. There are many States in the same financial difficulty and there are many free areas to utilize with creative ideas.</p> <p>Dr. Belenardo explained that part of the learning is how to scaffold what students need in order to be successful. Watching those young men stand up and present in front of the Board shows how common core is building that background knowledge. Dr. Belenardo explained the Administrators are excited to move forward with Project Based Learning.</p>
<p><b>Action Item:</b> 2012-2013 Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Programs</p>	<p>Superintendent, Susan Belenardo spoke on behalf of Teresa Egan requesting Trustees to approve the 2012-2013 Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Programs, Part I, which includes Title I, Title II, Title III and Economic Impact Aid. She called attention to Title I, Part A 2012-2013 ESEA Nonprofit Private School Participation, she explained that Teresa met with the principal from Our Lady of Guadalupe this morning and they want to participate with Title I. Dr. Belenardo wanted it noted that it will be a change to the application. On a motion made by Sharon H. Brown, and a second to the motion by Sandi Baltes, Trustees unanimously approved the 2012-2013 Consolidated Application for Funding of Categorical Programs as attached to these minutes.<sup>5</sup></p>
<p>Items Not on the Agenda</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>Other Business from the Board</p>	<p>Board Member, Sharon H. Brown was happy to report that she attended the final presentation from KidZone this afternoon at Ladera Palma. She expressed how fantastic the children did as they performed little excerpts from different musicals. The children were all so talented and she enjoyed watching them perform. She publicly thanked Rose Foster and her staff for their work in setting up this presentation.</p> <p>Board Member, Sandi Baltes, again thanked Rosa and George for all their hard work at Summer Academy this year.</p>
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>Board President, Paul S. Rodriguez, announced that the next meeting will be held on August 23, 2012 at the District Office Board Room at 7:00 p.m. There being no further business meeting items before the board, on a motion made by Susan M. Hango, and a second to the motion by Sharon H. Brown, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.</p>
<p>Board Minutes Approved:</p>	<p>July 26, 2012</p> <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 200px;">         _____        Susan Belenardo, Ed.D.        Secretary to the Board     </div>

<sup>1</sup> Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of August 9, 2012  
<sup>2</sup> Independent Contractor Agreements  
<sup>3</sup> Extra Pay Approval  
<sup>4</sup> Expenditures Report  
<sup>5</sup> Approval of 2012-2013 Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Programs