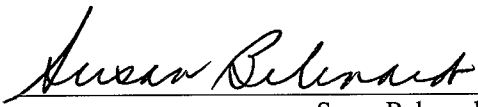


LA HABRA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
 Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting
 500 N. Walnut St.
 La Habra, CA 90631
 August 23, 2012

Call to Order Regular Meeting	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 5:00 p.m. Following no public comment, Trustees adjourned to Closed Session.
Board Members	Board Members Present: Paul S. Rodriguez, President Sharon H. Brown, Clerk Susan M. Hango, Member Sandi Baltes, Member Linda Navarro Edwards, Vice President
Administrators	Administrators Present: Susan Belenardo, Superintendent Teri Louer, Administrative Director Student Support Services Karen Kinney, Chief Business Official Teresa Egan, Administrative Director Educational Services
Work/Study Session	Trustees reviewed the Board Committees, Governance Handbook and Strategic Plan. Board President, Paul Rodriguez, asked each member to take their committee assignments and write two to three sentences of what their responsibility entails. Trustees referenced the Agenda from the Organizational Meeting in December and made some minor changes based on discussions made at today's work study. Trustees also discussed and agreed to change Board Committees to Board Representatives. The contents of the Governance Handbook were reviewed and updated along with some changes and additions. The handbook will be updated each year by the Board. The Strategic Plan was changed from a five- year plan to a three-year plan. Goals were reviewed for years two and three. Due to time constraints, Trustees will take draft home and review plan for any modifications that need to be made.
Public Comment on Closed Session Items	None
Second Call to Order Regular Meeting	Board President, Paul S. Rodriguez, called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:12 p.m.
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag	Board President, Paul S. Rodriguez, asked George Lopez to lead the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
Report from Closed Session	None
Adoption of the Agenda	On a motion made by Susan M. Hango, and a second to the motion by Sharon H. Brown, Trustees unanimously adopted the agenda for August 23, 2012.
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of: August 9, 2012	The minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 9, 2012 were unanimously approved on a motion made by Linda Navarro Edwards, with a second to the motion by Sharon H. Brown. ¹
Correspondence	None
Superintendent's and Trustees' Report	Superintendent, Susan Belenardo, shared the video presentation that was played at the opening Breakfast and thanked David Soto, for all of his hard work in putting this together. After the video the teachers were given a poll of four questions in which they responded by texting their answers to the screen. It was a lot of fun and the teachers seemed very excited. The morning also included acknowledgement of years of service as well as an introduction of our District's Teacher of the Year, Anna Navarro, by Emily Szary. Anna gave a very nice presentation and shared a video of her students and peers from El Cerrito. Mr. Carlos and Mr. Lopez from Washington Middle School reported on the highlights of their plan they developed while at the NSRC Science Education Institute in Washington, D.C. Their team consisted of Olga Cammer from Sierra Vista, Csilla Koppany from Imperial, Sue Pritchard from Washington and Leslie Asimoto from Fullerton Joint Union High School District. The purpose of the plan is to create a power house science stem program leading from the middle schools and going backwards to kindergarten and moving forward to the high school level. Mr. Carlos explained that the program will seem like a dream when it is explained, but dreams become a reality. The opportunity was provided to seven Districts from Orange County, La Habra being

<p>Board Meeting Minutes August 23, 2012 Page 2 Superintendent's and Trustees' Report (cont.)</p>	<p>fortunate to be one of those Districts. Mr. Lopez discussed the key elements as being a strategic plan involved in K-12. Other key elements focused on understanding inquiry based curriculum and what project based lessons are. Other highlighted areas were professional development, material support systems, stages of systemic change, assessing student learning, common core standards and making living documents. There was constant work, constant discussion and constant collaboration of what will make a difference in students' lives in terms of science. Mr. Carlos explained how students need the hands on project based, inquiry based lessons in science and that La Habra is already there with technology, TSMA and 3-D presentations. The plan is a very detailed three year plan involving Fullerton Joint Union High School District and consisting of the following components: cover page plan, curriculum, professional development, material support, assessment, Administration and Community support, and notes. Laurie Smith from OCDE is finishing up and completing the plan today. Once the plan is completed it will be presented to the Board, Dr. Belenardo, Administration and the community. The plan will be implemented through grant funding once it is approved. Mr. Carlos and Mr. Lopez thanked the Board for the opportunity to be able to create this plan.</p> <p>Dr. Belenardo read a letter that she received from Peter A. Freeman in regards to his late Aunt Mary L. Blanton who taught 3rd grade in the District from the mid 1950's until her retirement in the 1980's. She passed away in the mid 1990's. He received her personal items and has recently gone through them and came across many class pictures. He enclosed a small donation to assist in framing or preserving of the pictures. He added a personal note about his fond memories of La Habra. He recalls spending many summers with his aunt at her home and knew the neighborhood well. He always considered La Habra as his second home. Then as a young professor he started his career at UCI and spent many hours with his family at his aunt's home. He stated that he is very appalled with what politicians are doing with our schools and gives his deepest respect for those that continue to give their best in the fact of daunting problems.</p>
<p>General Matters Action Item: 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 Susan M. Hango:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Approval of extra pay requests per employee's contract's provisions and Education Code requirements as attached to these minutes.² ➤ Approval of Certificated and Classified resignations and ratification of New Hires as attached to these minutes.³ ➤ Approval of the Expenditures Report for August 23, 2012 as attached to these minutes.⁴
<p>Instruction and Personnel Action Item: Certificated Waivers</p>	<p>On a motion made by Sandi Baltes, and a second to the motion by Susan M. Hango, Trustees unanimously approved certificated waivers for Speech and Language Specialists for the 2012-2013 school year as attached to these minutes.⁵</p>
<p>Items Not on the Agenda</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>Other Business from the Board</p>	<p>Board Clerk, Sharon H. Brown, thanked Carol Argomaniz and her staff for putting on a very nice luncheon for the classified summer staff and commented on how great it was to hear that there were no injuries this summer. Board President, Paul Rodriguez, commented on how well the Back to School Teacher breakfast was this morning and how everyone looked well rested. He noted that teachers went back to their classroom to get ready for the first day of school and is looking forward to seeing many smiling faces on Monday as students report back to school. He also congratulated Anna Navarro for her wonderful opportunity to be nominated as teacher of the year and enjoyed her presentation. He announced upcoming Back to School Nights for next week at Ladera Palma on the 29th and Arbolita on the 30th. Trustees discussed dates of back to school nights and set up a calendar of who would be attending each.</p>
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>Board President, Paul S. Rodriguez, announced that the next meeting will be held on September 13, 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 8:10 p.m.</p>
<p>Board Minutes Approved:</p>	<p>August 9, 2012</p> <div style="text-align: right;">  Susan Belenardo, Ed.D. Secretary to the Board </div>

¹ Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of August 23, 2012

² Extra Pay Approval

³ Approval of New Hires and Resignations

⁴ Expenditures Report

⁵ Certificated Waivers