

LA HABRA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes of the Regular Board of Education Meeting
500 N. Walnut St.
La Habra, CA 90631
September 12, 2013

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 President Sharon H. Brown, at 5:00 p.m.
Board Members	Board Members Present: Sharon H. Brown, President Sandi Baltes, Clerk, Elizabeth Steves, Member Board Members Absent: Linda Navarro Edwards, Vice President John A. Dobson, Member
Administrators	Administrators Present: Susan Belenardo, Superintendent Teri Louer, Administrative Director Student Support Services Karen Kinney, Chief Business Official Teresa Egan, Administrative Director Educational Services
Public Comment on Closed Session Items	None
Work/Study Session	A work/study session began at 6:15. Administrative Director Educational Services, Teresa Egan, reviewed District API and AYP test scores. She explained that overall the API growth for all students has increased from 2007 and the AYP growth has also increased from 2007. Overall LHCSd has demonstrated steady academic growth in all subgroups and the School Board has continued to keep cuts away from students. The K-5 schools configurations cannot be compared to schools with grades K-5/K-6 since only one grade level is tested in our K-2 schools and only three grade levels are tested in our K-5 schools. Teresa also explained that scores have declined around the State and in surrounding school districts. California standards are the most rigorous standards under NCLB and CST captures only one moment in time. Administrators and teachers look at students as individuals and help each child reach his/her potential. Teresa explained that site administrators will review CST data with staff and parents and as a "Site Team", they work together to revise their site plans based on areas of strength and areas of need. The District is looking forward to Common Core and not looking backwards at CST. We will continue to focus on teaching our students to be critical thinkers and apply what they learn to real world experiences.
Second Call to Order Regular Meeting	Board President, Sharon H. Brown, called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:08 p.m.
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag	Board President, Sharon H. Brown, asked Faye Ross to lead the pledge of allegiance to the flag.
Report from Closed Session	None
Action Item: Adoption of the Agenda	On a motion made by Elizabeth Steves, and a second to the motion by Sandi Baltes, Trustees unanimously adopted the agenda for September 12, 2013.
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of: August 28, 2013	The minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 28, 2013 were unanimously approved by Trustees on a motion made by Sandi Baltes, and a second to the motion by Elizabeth Steves. ¹
Correspondence	None
Superintendent's and Trustees' Report	Superintendent, Susan Belenardo congratulated Kristen Gomez from Walnut School for the great coverage in last Thursday's Orange County Register. Mrs. Gomez's class the front page of the Orange County Register Wellness section in an article on Physical Education. She stated that the "one to two minutes of exercise in the

	<p>classroom allows the students to get their blood pumping and bodies moving so they are more alert and more motivated to learn.” Dr. Belenardo also thanked Jay Siedel of the La Habra Journal for his article regarding test scores. In his article he understood the challenge that districts are facing and having kids in the District he poses as a good representative of what we do as a District.</p> <p>Board Member, Elizabeth Steves, announced that the Lions Club 3rd Annual Technology and Jammies Drive for Kids on Sunday, December 8th. They will be raising money to purchase iPads for the 3-5 grade levels and with the current sponsorships already received they are already half way to their goal. She also thanked Dr. Belenardo for her presentation on Common Core at the Lions Club meeting on Tuesday.</p> <p>Dr. Belenardo shared some pictures from the Districts School Readiness and KidZone Programs. She explained that Rose Foster and her staff have been doing a lot of great things for the program and currently have about 100 students enrolled. School Readiness has already signed up over 100 students and continues this year with their Building Blocks, Young at Art, Music and Movement, Just Dance and Learning Connection classes. Oralia has also added a Yoga Class this year which will helps students feel more confident and calm and not be fearful when starting school or going to a new place.</p> <p>Trustees shared their experiences at recent Back to School Nights. They thanked the teachers for working so hard and being so dedicated to their students. They felt many of the teachers they spoke with were excited about Common Core and Project Based learning. All of the rooms looked great!</p>
Public Comment	None
General Matters Action Item: Consent Calendar	<p>Trustees unanimously approved the Consent Calendar on a motion made by Sandi Baltes, and a second to the motion by Elizabeth Steves:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Approval of Independent Contractor Agreements as attached to these minutes.² ➤ Approval of Staff Development for designated employees to attend conferences/workshops as attached to these minutes.³ ➤ Approval of select membership renewals for County and State memberships as attached to these minutes.⁴ ➤ Approval of extra pay requests per employees’ contract provisions and Education Code requirements as attached to these minutes.⁵ ➤ Ratification of Certificated and Classified resignations and new hires as attached to these minutes.⁶ ➤ Approval of changes in select employees’ status as attached to these minutes.⁷ ➤ Approval of the Expenditures Reports as attached to these minutes.⁸
Information Item: Enrollment/Attendance Update	<p>Superintendent, Susan Belenardo, reported enrollment as of September 10, 2013 has gone up 11 students which brings the current enrollment to 5,147. The main increase has been in Kinder and the Middle School, which we feel is in part due to our Middle School Academies. Since school started El Cerrito has added a Kindergarten class and on Monday they will add a 2nd grade class. Las Lomas has added a Kindergarten Class and a 1st/2nd combination class. Ladera Palma added a Kindergarten class and Imperial has added a 6th grade class. Overall we look good and are higher than projected, but we are still down 120 from last year.</p>
Instruction and Personnel Information Item: Dual Immersion Update	<p>Administrative Director Educational Services, Teresa Egan and Rick Snyder, Principal of Arbolita School updated Trustees on the progress of the Dual Immersion study. Teresa explained that Rick has gathered information to create a survey for parents to determine their interest in having a Dual Immersion Program. A parent meeting will also be held on October 16th.</p>
Information Item: K12 Aventa Learning – Online Education	<p>Scott Faille from K12 Aventa Learning presented information to the Board on resources and options for online learning programs. He explained that this program will provide more opportunities for students and increase ADA. K12 is the largest virtual online educational program in the world and provides learning from Pre-K to College covering all the learning needs of the students. K12 currently has 7,000 students and their test scores have been the top in the State for the past six years. Aventa Learning’s curriculum meets national and state standards. They partner with schools and districts on all levels and offer diverse products for a wide range of students not normally served in regular classroom programs. Ongoing evaluation and reports are done to keep schools, teachers, parents and students updated on the student’s progress. Each program is designed to fit the specific needs of each school and grade level. Pricing is based on student enrollment and there is no cost to the District to create the program. If the Board decided to move forward with online learning the target date to start would be January 2014.</p>
Business Matters Action Item: Approval of Fee	<p>Chief Business Official, Karen Kinney, explained that in order to move to the next phase of our bond we need to approve a fee proposal and work authorization for TDM Architects. TDM will provide the required architectural services for the remodel of courtyards at Imperial Middle School and new marquee signs at both</p>

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- ¹ Approval of Minutes
 - ² Contracts
 - ³ Staff Development
 - ⁴ Extra pay Request
 - ⁵ Extra pay Request
 - ⁶ Resignations
 - ⁷ Change of Status
 - ⁸ Expenditures Report
 - ⁹ Fee Proposal and Work Authorization - Architects
 - ¹⁰ Budget Transfer Resolutions #21-2013 - #29-2013
 - ¹¹ 2012-2013 Unaudited Actuals
 - ¹² Gann Appropriations Limit Resolution #30 - 2013