# SANTEE SCHOOL DISTRICT

SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

March 5, 2007

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

#### A. OPENING PROCEDURES

President Carlisle called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed and thanked the citizens for attending the meeting. He explained that the purpose of this special meeting was to interview the applicants to the Bond Citizens' Oversight Committee.

President Carlisle invited Rob McNelis, a community member, to lead the members, staff and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### B. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

President Carlisle invited members of the audience to address the Board about any item not on the agenda. There were no public comments

### C. 1. APPLICANT INTERVIEWS FOR MEMBERSHIP ON THE BOND CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

President Carlisle reported the Oversight Committee will consist of nine (9) members to serve for a term of two (2) years, without compensation. Members may, but are not entitled to, serve for a maximum of two (2) consecutive terms. No member(s) may be a District employee, official, vendor, contractor, or consultant. The Committee must include all of the following:

- One member who is active in a business organization representing the business community located within the District;
- One member who is active in a senior citizen's organization;
- One member who is active in a bona fide taxpayer association;
- One member who is the parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District;
- One member who is both a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the District and active in a parent-teacher organization, such as the PTA or school site council; and
- Two members with knowledge about or experience with school district financial operations.

Bill Clark, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services, introduced each of the applicants for the Citizens' Oversight Committee. Following the introductions, each applicant was invited to share with the Board their experience and expertise, and the contribution they felt they could make to the Citizens' Oversight Committee. Applicant names were randomly drawn by the Superintendent for presentation order. The following applicants shared their experiences and expertise they bring to the committee:

#### 1. Rick Weeks

Occupation: Key account manager with a tool supplier

Experience and qualifications: public service, finance/accounting, plumbing, safety committee member, strong supporter of education.

#### Stacev LoMedico

Occupation: Parks & Recreation Director with City of San Diego

Experience and qualifications: city government, public finance, construction planning and contracting, capital improvement projects, budget analyst, strong supporter of education.

# 3. Timothy Glover

Occupation: Elementary School Principal in Chula Vista

Experience and qualifications: worked on bond projects in a school district, education and oversight background, education finance experience, construction planning for six new schools, on the Budget Advisory Committee (BAC), consensus builder.

#### 4. Kai Ramer

Occupation: Civil Engineer with Rick Engineering

Experience and qualifications: parent, youth sports coach, Board of Management of East County YMCA, team leader of development projects, understands the needs of schools, broad understanding of project development.

# 5. Eid Fakhouri

Occupation: Business Systems Supervisor for the Unified Port of San Diego and a CPA

Experience and qualifications: parent, strong supporter of education, Certified Public Accountant/financial data analyst, technology background.

#### 6. Rob McNelis

Occupation: Real Estate Mortgage Broker

Experience and qualifications: community business owner, leadership ability, board and committee membership, parent, strong supporter of education.

## 7. Cary Schaffner

Occupation: Business Development Manager/Motivator

Experience and qualifications: District parent, served on School Site Council, Chamber and community involvement, business owner, construction experience, committee experience.

#### 8. Cynthia Avery

Occupation: Director of Student Affairs at SDSU

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Experience and qualifications: District parent, education experience at the University, doctoral candidate, facility management, construction and renovation, committee membership, budgetary oversight.

- Gina Jackson: Occupation: Controller for Software Company
   Experience and qualifications: member of a taxpayer association, general and electrical contractor, Masters in Finance, BAC member, financial analyst, served on school site council, works for a non-profit agency and is a District parent.
- 10. James (Jim) Montague

Occupation: Retired Aerospace Engineer and Senior Citizen

Experience and qualifications: SMOAC membership chair, communication, strong supporter of education, program technical management, project engineering, budget oversight and management.

President Carlisle commended all of the applicants and thanked them for the time that they are willing to contribute to the District's modernization process. The Board was impressed with the outstanding qualifications of all of the applicants.

### 2. DISCUSSION AND APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE BOND CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Member Ryan suggested since all of the applicants are so qualified, she would support appointing all applicants, with one being an alternate. President Carlisle asked if the Board could change their membership to eleven (11) and if so, what the Board would need to do.

The Board desired to have at least two committee members with education related budget/finance experience. Three applicants have education related budget/finance experience.

After a short discussion, Board members decided they would like to select nine (9) members from the applicants, appoint the tenth applicant as an alternate, and take action at the next Board meeting on March 20, 2007, to expand the committee to eleven (11) members.

Member Burns moved to appoint the following applicants to the Citizens' Oversight Committee:

Business Community Representative	Rob McNelis		
Senior Citizens' Organization Representative	Jim Montague		
Taxpayers' Association Representative	Gina Jackson		
Parent/Teacher Organization Representative	Stacy LoMedico	Cary Schaffner	
Parent or Guardian of District enrolled child	Kai Ramer	Rick Weeks	
School Finance Experience	Cynthia Avery		
Member At-Large	Eid Fakhouri		
Alternate (School Finance Experience	Dr. Timothy Glover		

The chart indicated that the appointed members have the qualifications to fulfill the State criteria requirements for a Citizens' Oversight Committee. The tenth applicant, Dr. Glover, was asked to serve as an alternate, to be appointed following future Board action to increase the membership capacity of the committee. The motion was seconded by Member Ryan.

Motion: Burns Second: Ryan Vote: 5-0

Member Ryan suggested that other taxpayer associations be notified and requested to apply for vacant positions, such as Steve Green. The Superintendent recommended Chris Cates from the Taxpayers Association. The Board directed that administration contact both of these people to apply. On March 20, the Board will take final action to formalize the full committee.

### D. ADJOURNMENT

Dianne El-Hajj, Clerk

With no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned at 7:03 p.m.				

Lisbeth A. Johnson, Ed.D., Secretary