SANTEE SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

July 31, 2007 MINUTES

Cajon Park School Media Center 10300 Magnolia Ave. Santee, California

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5:00 P.M. - BUILDING TOUR AT CAJON VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL (Govt. Code §54954)

The meeting began with a tour of a new public school building at: Cajon Valley Middle School-Junior High Building 395 Ballantyne Street, El Cajon, CA 92020

The Board returned to Cajon Park School Media Center for the meeting.

OPENING PROCEDURES

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Call to Order President Carlisle called the meeting to order at 6:50 p.m. Members present: Allen Carlisle, President Dan Bartholomew, Vice President Dianne El-Hajj, Clerk Dustin Burns, Member Barbara Ryan, Member Staff present: Dr. Lis Johnson, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board Bill Clark, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services John Tofflemire, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources Emily Andrade, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services Christina Becker, Director, Modernization Ted Doughty, Director, Maintenance & Operations President Carlisle read the District Mission Statement. Rosemary Hutzley led the Board and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. Approval of Agenda Second: El-Haii Vote: 5-0

Motion: Ryan

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.

FACILITY WORKSHOP

Joint Use Funding Update

Dr. Johnson updated the Board about the visit to Sacramento and she distributed packets with all the State Allocation Board (SAB) member names and contact information. Board members supported doing whatever is recommended and necessary to ensure Joint Use Funding. Member Ryan suggested meeting with Senator Hollingsworth and Assemblyman Andersen. The Board said that we need to organize and contact the YMCA and other community users for support to show mutual collaboration. Member Ryan, as the legislative representative, was recommended as the best Board member to contact SAB members prior to the 8/22 meeting. Dr. Johnson said they need to know what the programs are going to look like and how the multi-purpose rooms will be used as community centers with our partners. President Carlisle, Member Ryan, and Dr. Johnson will meet ahead of time and strategize.

On August 17, the Santee Foundation is having a workshop to see where they want their goals to be in the future. Since the Foundation is the school district's partner in the joint use application for funding, setting goals around program needs and partnership goals is critical. Mrs. Becker stated in August, the Joint Use multi-purpose grants at eight schools are being considered on the State Allocation Board agenda. The Superintendent will contact the YMCA and the Boys and Girls Club CEO's prior to the Aug. 22 SAB meeting to seek support letters. President Carlisle will attend the August 22 State Allocation Board meeting in Sacramento.

2. **Design Decisions**

Decisions on Color a)

The architectural firms of Sprotte Watson presented 3 sample color schemes for the Big Sister and the Little Sister projects. Russell Watson explained that colors are selected with consideration of surrounding neighborhoods, graffiti elimination, accent colors, fading, performance, stucco, stain, metal, damages from use, and long-term maintenance. Russell showed samples of color choices on roofing, tiles, etc. Member Ryan is concerned with metal roofs. Russell explained that tile probably won't work for a variety of reasons. Member El-Hajj wanted to know how long lasting the color is. Russell assured her that colors are good and are color fast. Member Ryan wants samples

in the brown tones. Member Burns requested the District to broker with RCP for rock fronts. Member EI-Hajj likes the way everything fits together. President Carlisle wants to work with RCP because they are local.

b) Floor Plans

Mrs. Becker distributed "progress to date" floor plans. She spoke about Rio Seco's soil issues and site plan adjustments, as well as how the new addition works with science and locker areas. Member Burns wanted to know if coaches offices which are no longer called this or used for this purpose because we are an elementary school district were elevated. (These were taken out) He also asked if there were floor openings upstairs in the Little Sister facility, and if there are ways for kids to fall. Mrs. Becker responded that the railings were built with safety in mind to avoid falls and the offices are not elevated.

Member Ryan asked if there were three grades on one level at Cajon Park and if you put only grades 7-8 upstairs, how would that work. Mrs. Becker said grades 7-8 would be on the lower level at CPJH. The second level changes out interim space for permanent space since the round building is using eight classrooms. Member Ryan is still concerned because she is working with numbers of students while Mrs. Becker is envisioning number of classrooms. Mrs. Becker said she is working with projected growth in the long-range plan. Member El-Hajj said we are fine looking at the long-term projection. Member Ryan is still concerned that we are building Cajon Park too big. No action was taken.

Approval of Cajon Park Construction Timeline

Mrs. Becker explained the Cajon Park construction timeline and how it could be completed in one year from February 2008. The Board approved the Cajon Park construction timeline.

Motion: Ryan	Second: Bartholomew	Vote: 5-0
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Cajon Park Kindergarten Expansion

Dr. Johnson explained the Kindergarten program needs to provide the same opportunities at all schools. The Board toured the current Kindergarten area. Member Burns said to feel comfortable in this decision, he would like to know if this decision will be made before negotiations regarding full day K due to timing of teacher contract issues. President Carlisle approves the expansion contingent on Cajon Park going to a full day Kindergarten program. Mrs. Becker recommended moving ahead for the planning costs only at this time. Member El-Hajj said the whole project makes sense even without a full day Kindergarten program. Member Burns said some families take their children to other schools for Kindergarten seeking a full day kindergarten program. Dr. Johnson said the Kindergarten teachers at Cajon Park actually drew the design for this project themselves. President Carlisle asked that the Board approve the design costs only at this time.

Member Burns will approve the design only and not authorize for the contract or bid without future Board approval. Member El-Hajj moved to approve the design for the kindergarten expansion at Cajon Park, contingent on the bid returning for Board approval.

Motion: El-Hajj Second: Ryan Vote: 5-0

Signs at Schools

Mrs. Becker explained how signs at school sites didn't represent the final Bond language for construction at each school site. She looked at other districts' signs and prepared new proposed signs. Member El-Hajj asked to print the improvements in a larger font. President Carlisle wants to see construction dates, at least with the approximate beginning and ending dates and would like to see the signs up as soon as possible. Member El-Hajj agrees, because this is being paid for by the taxpayers. Member Ryan said the signs lose their effectiveness after awhile when nothing appears to be getting done. Member Bartholomew said they are vital communication devices. Member El-Hajj moved to instruct administration to install signs, provide construction dates as known, eliminate the Board member names, and change them as needed to keep current information visible. Dr. Johnson wants to seek to have signs up by open house at each school site in September.

Motion: El-Hajj Second: Bartholomew Vote: 5-0

6. Approval of Contracts and Services

Approval of Additional Services from Ninyo & Moore for Soils Investigations a)

Bill Clark reported on soils issues at Sycamore Canyon and Rio Seco Schools. Member El-Hajj asked what happens if the surveyors say the areas are compromised and now we cannot build, and does the contractor just provide a report for the high cost. Mr. Clark said the soils testing could affect our design plans. Member El-Hajj remembers the whole canyon slipped at the end of Carlton Hills Boulevard in the late 1970's and caused a great deal of soil issues in that area. Member Ryan moved to approve additional services with Ninyo & Moore for soils investigations at Sycamore Canyon and Rio Seco Schools.

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	Motion: Ryan	Second: Bartholomew	Vote:5-0		
	b) Environmental Hazmat Sampling Contract Approval Mrs. Becker explained Western Environmental's services to date. Member Burns moved approval of the contract with Western Environmental to proceed with sampling of building materials impacted through modernization.				
	Motion: Burns	Second: El-Hajj	Vote: 5-0		
	c. Approval of Contract with Chevron Solar Solutions Bill Clark provided background information on the ESCO process to date. Mr. Clark found Chevron's costs to be reasonable compared to other ESCO companies. Member Bartholomew is wondering why we wouldn't want to do this. President Carlisle asked if the cost includes all of the sites. Mr. Clark said all sites should be impacted with the energy solution. President Carlisle asked if we are eligible for tax credits. Mr. Clark said Chevron will look to the State to get all the free money that is available. Member Burns asked about the timeline and Mr. Clark said the savings and district contributions will be amortized over 15-20 years. Member Burns moved approval of the contract with Chevron Solar Solutions for an energy services agreement.				
	Motion: Burns	Second: El-Hajj	Vote: 5-0		
d) Approval of Services with Eric Hall & Associates, LLC Bill Clark explained we are looking for partnerships with developers to help with the mitigation process. Progress is not as good as it could be in mitigation strategies with the impact of new construction. Member Burns will approve as long as he is kept up-to-date. Mr. Clark will bring an update to the next Board meetings in the future. Member EI-Hajj wants to see how successful they are in relationship to cost. Member Burns moved approval of the agreement with Eric Hall & Associates for developer fee mitigation services.					
	Motion: Burns	Second: Bartholomew	Vote: 5-0		
	7. <u>Budgets - Colbi Accountability Reports</u>				

Mrs. Becker explained staff is still training with the Colbi software. She shared expenses and encumbrances of Bond funds to date and sample accountability reports. President Carlisle liked the expense report and asked if we have any final budgets at this time. Mrs. Becker said not at this time. Member El-Hajj liked the breakdown from the Colbi reporting system. Member Burns and Member El-Hajj would like a legend of definitions. Joanne Branch, a representative from SDCOE, said she will see if they can provide that in the system. Mr. Clark said it would also provide an easier understanding of expenditures to the ICOC members, since these are the reports they will be receiving. Member Bartholomew recommended providing reports with graphs and charts for easier interpretation. Ms. Branch shared that this system works with Excel and produces graphs and charts once it is imported. Member Bartholomew said the visual is easier to convey with the graphs and charts than just the numbers.

Mrs. Becker reported on the Sycamore Canyon parking lot improvement cost estimate. Member Bartholomew was concerned about safety issues in the upper lot at Sycamore Canyon. Mrs. Becker said the surveyor indicated alternate solutions were just too costly. This a follow up item for the future.

8. Property Encroachments

Mrs. Becker reported on the minor property encroachments that were found while preparing for modernization. Over the years, property owners have begun to encroach on our property because of existing fence lines within our property. Member Burns is concerned because we have now been made aware of the property lines. President Carlisle, Member Ryan, and Member Burns asked administration to consult legal counsel regarding the liability issues. There was no action taken on this item.

Field Options and Recommendations

Approval to Pursue a Joint Use Turf Option for Pepper Drive School

Bill Clark explained that Joint Use development with the County of San Diego on the Pepper Site could be a funding source/option. Member Burns moved approval to proceed with a joint use option for fields at Pepper Drive School.

Motion: Burns

Vote: 5-0

10. Approval of Consultant Agreement with DUDEK & Associates for Environmental Studies Required for the Relocation of Pioneer Ball Fields to Chet F. Harritt School

Second: El-Hajj

Bill Clark explained the timeline for the environmental studies for the ball field relocation. Mrs. Becker projected the November 20th Board meeting as a goal for completion of a mitigated negative declaration. President Carlisle said he can't imagine that there wouldn't be questioned mitigation and thus the \$40,200 mitigation negative requisition.

Member Burns is comfortable with costs within the Bond scope. He wants to see the cost breakdown with the League. Mr. Clark said that estimates should be firmer in late fall. Member Ryan said we would only pay to build Deleted: ¶

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what they currently have. Member Burns still wants to see the price breakdown and see the funding streams later. Member EI-Hajj asked if we could use the Colbi accounting process to track this project. Mr. Clark said that the specs could impact the costs. Member Bartholomew said he cannot support the total cost. Mrs. Becker said the timeline is set up to meet summer 2008 construction. Board members asked her to fine tune the budget and return with a final scope by February 2008. President Carlisle asked how the interaction with the league was. Mr. Clark said it continues to be positive. Member Ryan said the plans need to only represent "like" replacements. Dr. Johnson said the League is nervous about a lot of things. They want larger fields, more lights, etc., and they are not totally satisfied yet. Dr. Johnson said they have been consistently clear with them and she will continue to have joint meetings to discuss these subjects. Member EI-Hajj moved approval of the consultant agreement with DUDEK & Associates and the timeline for the required environmental studies to meet CEQA requirements for ball field sports lighting relocation.

Motion: El-Hajj Second: Bartholomew Vote: 5-0

10. Update on Quick Start Projects

a. <u>Shade Structures</u>: Bill reported on shade structures and said applications for funding are needed. President Carlisle asked when we need to have this done. Larry Baebler, of Chevron, explained the benefits of moving quickly. Mr. Clark requested the Board's consideration to move forward with this quickly. President Carlisle wants to know if there are other quick start projects to provide at the schools that are not getting worked in Phase I. Mr. Clark said the timeline for this project is approximately 18 months and not every site would qualify. Four schools are recommended to receive this grant and we could move forward with the schools that don't meet solar requirements. Member Burns said there is a need to provide good communication on funding grants versus the delay. The four schools that qualify for the solar grants are Cajon Park, Hill Creek, Carlton Oaks, Rio Seco, as well as the District Office. Mr. Clark suggested providing communication to Hill Creek right away, because they are the only school affected by a shade structure delay while waiting the approval of the grant. Member Burns moved to approve the shade structures through energy grants.

Motion: Burns Second: Ryan Vote: 5-0

B. <u>Door Hardware</u>: Ted Doughty reported on hardware costs. Member Ryan wants locked doors prior to modernization improvements. President Carlisle noted the \$40,000 in savings by waiting. Member Ryan said we made promises already and need to keep them. Member El-Hajj said \$40,000 in five years is only \$8,000 a year. Member Burns said we have to stretch every dollar. He is concerned we will run out of Bond money without getting everything we promised done at all the school sites. President Carlisle understands however, we promised and it is a safety issue. Member Burns said he will support it. Member Burns moved to move forward with the Quick Start hardware project.

Motion: Burns Second: Bartholomew

Vote: 5-0

SUMMARY OF DECISIONS MADE BY THE BOARD

President Carlisle provided a summary of the decisions made during the meeting.

- President Carlisle will attend the State Allocation Board meeting in Sacrament on August 22, 2007.
- Administration will work with RCP if possible, for bricks.
- The Board approved the Cajon Park construction timeline.
- The Board approved the design for the kindergarten expansion at Cajon Park but the cost must return for Board approval.
- · Signs will be put up at schools for open houses.
- The Board approved additional services with Ninyo & Moore for soils investigations at Sycamore Canyon and Rio Seco.
- The Board approved the contract with Western Environmental for sampling of building materials impacted through modernization.
- The Board approved the contract with Chevron Solar Solutions for an energy services agreement.
- The Board approved an agreement with Eric Hall & Associates for develop fee mitigation services.
- The Board approved proceeding with a joint use option for fields at Pepper Drive School.
- The Board approved a consultant agreement with DUDEK & Associates and the timeline for the required
 environmental studies to meet CEQU requirements for ball field sports lighting relocation.
- The Board approved the shade structures through energy grants at Cajon Park, Carlton oaks, Hill Creek and Rio Seco Schools.
- The Board approved the Quick Start hardware project.

Member Ryan wants to make sure that the Bond money is being spent like they told the public. President Carlisle said we only have so much money and eventually it will run out. Dr. Johnson said the Colbi software will continue to

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keep Board members informed on the expenditures. Mr. Clark said we are so close and should have reports done in August.

Member Bartholomew asked if the kindergarten expenditure is part of the \$165 million modernization funding and if something else was going to be sacrificed because of this allocation. Mr. Clark said after the budget is completed, he will know better how to answer Member Bartholomew's question. President Carlisle said that's why he wants a budget report provided at each meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The July 31, 2007, special meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Member El-Hajj El-Hajj, Clerk

Lisbeth A. Johnson, Ed.D, Secretary