SANTA PAULA UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
SANTA PAULA, CALIFORNIA

Minutes of Regular Board of Trustees' Meeting – May 16, 2012

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:	Terence P. Nelson III, President Christopher Wilson, Vice President Douglas Jackson, Clerk Diana Ponce-Gomez Christina Urias
ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:	Dr. Pamela Martens, Superintendent Donna Rose, Executive Director of Business/Administrative Services (CBO) J. Antonio Gaitan, Director of Educational Services Elizabeth Garcia, Principal, SPHS Dr. Robin Gillette, Principal, RHS Dr. George Williams, Assistant Principal, SPHS

I. Opening Provisions

I.A. Call to Order

President Nelson opened the meeting at 6:02 p.m.

I.B. Approval of Agenda

1. Additions — None.
2. Deletions — None.

Trustee Wilson moved, Trustee Urias seconded, and the agenda was unanimously approved.

I.C. Public Comments on Closed Session Items

None.

II. Closed Session

President Nelson announced that the Board would now go into closed session to address the following agenda items:

(1) Review of Personnel Issues Pursuant to G.C. 11126 and 54957 (limited to consideration of the appointment, employment, evaluation of performance, or dismissal of a public employee or to hear "complaints or charges brought against such employee by another person or employee unless the employee requests a public session")

(2) Negotiations Update (G.C. 54957.6) District Representative: Dr. Pamela Martens, Superintendent

(3) Expulsion Hearing: Student No. 3136789, Case No. 11/12-11 [E.C. 48900(c) and 48900(k)]

I. Opening Provisions (continued)

The meeting reconvened to open session at 7:30 p.m.

I.D. Inspirational

Trustee Wilson provided the inspirational.

I.E. Flag Salute

Student Board Member Yasmin Contreras led the flag salute.

I.F. Report and Action Resulting from Closed Session

President Nelson reported that the Board took no action in closed session.

I.F.1. Expulsion Hearing: Student No. 3136789, Case No. 11/12-11 [E.C. 48900(c) and 48900(k)]

Trustee Jackson moved, Trustee Wilson seconded, and the motion was unanimously carried to:

Approve the Expulsion of Student No. 3136789, Case No. 11/12-11 [E.C. 48900(c) and 48900(k)] but will suspend the expulsion with the requirement that the student comply with a Rehabilitation Plan as determined by our administration.

I.G. ASB President's Report

ASB President Jasmine Cardenas was not present this evening, so Student Board Member Yasmin Contreras reported that Move-Up Day is May 25, the annual Luau Dance will be held on June 1, Senior Tea is June 3, graduation day is June 6, and ASB is selling "Good-Bye" grams for seniors (a keychain tassel and note).

I.H. Necessary Announcements and/or Acknowledgment of Visitors

President Nelson welcomed those in attendance.

I.I. Public Comments

Classified employee Ray Pinedo thanked the Board for their support of Cesar Chavez Day activities at SPHS the past several years. He also asked the Board to remember the hard work and commitment of our classified employees when considering budget cutbacks.

Classified employee Marguerite Segovia addressed the Board regarding possible layoffs of paraeducators and described how important and dedicated they are to our students. She said she hopes the Board will balance the layoffs between certificated and classified staffs.

III. <u>Presentations/Recognitions</u>

III.A. Recognition of 2011-12 Student Board Member

Superintendent Martens recognized Student Board Member Yasmin Contreras for her service during the 2011-12 school year.

III.B. Recognition of Boys and Girls California State Representatives

Assistant Principal Williams recognized students Gabriel Diaz and Yesenia Nunez for being selected as California Boys and Girls State Representatives.

III.C. Recognition of BTSA Teachers

Principal Garcia recognized second year BTSA teachers Michelle Hillberry and Nikole Sandoval.

III.D. Recognition of Retiring Certificated Personnel – Edward Arguelles, Ellen Park, and James Vega

Principal Garcia recognized retiring certificated personnel Edward Arguelles, Ellen Park, and James Vega.

IV. Action Items

IV.A. Certificated Personnel

IV.A.1. Acceptance of Resignations of Speech Therapist, Math Teacher, and Science Teacher

IV.A.2. Approval of Employment of Temporary Migrant Instructional Support Teacher (MIST)/English Learner (EL) Coordinator for the 2012-13 School Year

IV.A.3. Approval of Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators for the 2012-13 School Year

IV.A.4. Approval of Alternate Education/ Renaissance High School Lead Teacher for the 2011-12 School Year

IV.B. Classified Personnel - none

IV.C. Coaching Personnel – none

IV.D. General Business - none

V. Approval of Consent Calendar Items

V.A. Acceptance of Donations:

- Santa Paula Rotary Club

V.B. Approval of Minutes of Board of Trustees' Meetings of April 25, 2012

V.C. Approval of Purchase Orders

V.D. Approval of Checks

V.E. Receipt of Ventura County Office of Education Williams/Valenzuela Activity

Report for the First, Second, and Third Quarter, Fiscal Year 2011-12

V.F. Approval of 2012 Graduation Lists

V.G. Approval of 2012-13 California Interscholastic Federation (C.I.F.) Representatives

V.H. Approval of Carl Perkins Application for the 2012-13 School Year

V.I. Approval of Reclassification of Class 2 Documents and Approval of Destruction of Class 3 Documents

V.J. Approval of 2012-13 Contracts for ESCAPE Financial Systems, ESCAPE Payroll/ Personnel System between the Santa Paula Union High School District and the Ventura County Office of Education

V.K. Adoption of Resolution 12-10: Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Santa Paula Union High School District Ordering a Special Governing Board Member Election, Ordering Consolidation With Other Elections, and Constituting "Specification of the Election Order" to be Held on November 6, 2012

V.L. Approval of Agreement between ADT Security Services, Inc. and the Santa Paula Union High School District for Fire Alarm Monitoring at Santa Paula High School

Trustee Jackson moved to approve Items IV.A.1. to IV.A.4. and Consent Items V.A.-V.L., Trustee Ponce-Gomez seconded, and the motion was unanimously carried to:

Accept Resignations of Speech Therapist Michelle Borrego, Math Teacher Jessica Broussard, and Science Teacher Jenna Kleine;

Approve Employment of Temporary Migrant Instructional Support Teacher (MIST)/English Learner (EL) Coordinator for the 2012-13 School Year – Gilberto Elizarraraz;

Approve Declaration of Need for Fully Qualified Educators for the 2012-13 School Year;

Approve Alternate Education/Renaissance High School Lead Teacher for the 2011-12 School Year – George Conrad; and

Approve all Consent Items V.A.-V.L.

President Nelson also announced that the Board accepted a $1,000 donation from the Ebell Club of Santa Paula this evening.

VI. Information Items

VI.A. Receipt of Attendance Report

Superintendent Martens noted that the SPHS staff is doing an excellent job keeping students in class and said both enrollment and ADA are higher this year than last year at this time.

VI.B. Budget Study Workshop

Executive Director of Business Services/Administration (CBO) Donna Rose presented the second budget study workshop of the 2011-12 school year to the Board.

VII. Reports and Announcements

VII.A. Student Board Member

Student Board Member Yasmin Contreras reported that the SESPEA Club is selling steel water bottles and tomato plants, students participated in a "Get Your Grades Up" contest and won a band concert on campus that will be held on May 22, the yearbook signing party will be this Friday, and there are only 11 days left until graduation.

VII.B. AFT and CSEA Presidents

AFT Vice President Ed Arguelles reflected on his long career at SPHS of 35 plus years. He noted his great admiration for past SPHS educators such as Bob Raitt, yet he said he is also very impressed with our excellent new teachers. He said he has no regrets and would do it all again in a heartbeat, and he thanked the Board for their support over the years. Regarding negotiations, he stated that he thinks we are close and said there have been excellent communications between the District and AFT this year. In conclusion he said he will miss SPHS and fears he will miss it too much.

CSEA President Lisa Christman stated that CSEA is very concerned about possible budget cuts that may affect our paraeducators. The said they are a very valuable resource and our students need them, and she hopes the Board will keep this in mind when considering cutbacks.

VII.C. Principals/Director of Educational Services

Director Gaitan reported that students Jocelyn Flores and Gonzalo Alvarez recently won awards at the state-level Migrant Speech and Debate contest, 34 students will receive the Golden Seal award from the State of

California, and 16 students have met the requirements to earn the Seal of Biliteracy.

Principal Garcia reported that the last AP test was today and Assistant Principal Lopez did an excellent job administering the tests, the STAR tests were sent off and she thanked Assistant Principal Williams for his hard work, the MESA students won third in the state for their project, and the special education teachers have completed their autism certifications. In addition she provided the results of the spring sports teams and distributed this year's yearbook to the Board for their review.

Principal Gillette reported that RHS held a Cinco de Mayo celebration on campus and thanked Juan Garcia and Suzanne Stamp for their assistance, 69 students took the STAR test, RHS recently had presentations on campus from the Ventura College Auto Department and a Moorpark College X-Ray Instructor, Interface and Clinicas have been scheduled for next year, the last SARB meeting is tomorrow, and yearbooks will be arriving the end of the week.

VII.D. Board Members

Trustee Wilson thanked retiring employees Ed Arguelles, Ellen Park, and James Vega for their outstanding service to the district. Regarding the budget, he commented that it is very bleak, but we are working hard to make the most of what we are stuck with. He noted that he has really appreciated the hard work of our paraeducators and what they do for our kids. Concerning unification, he said the community will be able to vote in November and then we will be able to think long term. He stated it was a pleasure having Yasmin as our student board member this year, the FFA Year-End Banquet will be held next Thursday, the Rotary Scholarship Awards Dinner was Monday and they gave out $10,000 this year, and the Education Foundation will be giving out $30,000 this year.

Trustee Urias also thanked student board member Yasmin for her contributions this past year, congratulated the Budget Advisory Committee for making across the board cuts and said the Board will consider all recommendations, noted that her son really liked Instructional Assistant Rosie Del Rio and she was very kind and meant a lot to the students, acknowledged the many years of service of our retiring certificated staff, reported that she was in Sacramento last week for the Unification Hearing and also saw former Superintendent David Gomez installed as the President of ACSA, noted she saw many Santa Paulan faces at the Unification Hearing in Sacramento last week, and said she is going to the CSBA Delegate Assembly Meeting this weekend and there will be discussion on Governor Brown's tax initiative.

Trustee Ponce-Gomez expressed her heartfelt appreciation and congratulations to student board member Yasmin Cardenas, extended her congratulations and thank you to the retiring certificated employees and noted she had Ed Arguelles for a teacher when she was in high school, and congratulated the Boys and Girls State Representatives and noted she was a State Representative when she was in high school. She also commended the Migrant students, athletes, and MESA Wind Project Winners for their outstanding achievements and said she is happy we will be recognizing them at the June board meeting. In conclusion she thanked the Ebell Club for their donation this evening and said they are a wonderful group of individuals that donate to the SPHS music and arts programs.

President Jackson stated that he supported all the comments made by other board members this evening, congratulated Yasmin on a wonderful job, congratulated our retirees and noted the over three decades of service from award-winning teacher Ed Arguelles who made SPHS a better place, congratulated our BTSA teachers, noted this is the first year we have turned around our attendance and said we need to continue to work at it, congratulated our Migrant and MESA students, and said the Rotary Club Scholarship Awards dinner Monday night was wonderful.

President Nelson commented that he has known Ed Arguelles since he was a child and he believes Ed has wanted to be a teacher since he was about ten years old. He stated that the budget is very depressing, but we are going to have to make lemonade from lemons and still provide a good education for our students. He noted that he recently presented at the unification hearing in Sacramento and stated that it is 80% politics perception and 20% reality, and he hopes the people will be honest with the facts and figures regarding the savings of unification and how it affects our bonds, etc. He said the Board believes the community needs to make decisions based on positive articulation for K-12. In conclusion he stated that this has been a great end to a great school year.

VII.E. Superintendent

Superintendent Martens acknowledged all the teachers and students that were recognized this evening, and reported that she attended the Rotary Club Scholarship Awards dinner on May 14 and it was very enjoyable to see our students receive the funds. In addition she reported that the FFA dinner will be next Thursday, there will be a band concert on May 22, Senior Awards Night is May 31, and graduation for RHS is June 5 and SPHS is June 6. In conclusion she commented that it has indeed been a great end to a great school year.

VII.F. Next Board Meetings:

Regular Meeting – June 13, 2012
Regular Meeting – June 27, 2012 (Budget Adoption)

VIII. Dates to Remember

- May 23, 2012 – Teacher Collaboration Day
- May 28, 2012 – Memorial Day Holiday
- May 31, 2012, 6:30 p.m. – Senior Awards Night
- June 3, 2012 – Senior Tea
- June 5, 2012, 6:30 p.m. – RHS Graduation
- June 6, 2012, 6:30 p.m. – SPHS Graduation

President Nelson announced the dates to remember.

The Board returned to closed session at 9:30 p.m.

IX. Adjournment

The Board reconvened to open session at 10:29 p.m. President Nelson reported that the Board took no action in closed session and adjourned the meeting at 10:29 p.m.

June 13, 2012
Dated

Douglas Jackson, Clerk