

VENTURA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board Meeting will be held at the
VCOE Conference & Educational Services Center
Board Room
5100 Adolfo Road, Camarillo
(805) 383-1900

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

AGENDA NO. 09-11

Date: Monday, June 22, 2009

OPEN SESSION: 6:00 p.m. ±

Times are approximate and are provided for convenience only.
Open Session items may be re-ordered.

Speaker requests will be accepted 5 minutes prior to the item coming up on the agenda.
Adjournment will be no later than 9:00 p.m. (*Unless extended by Board Action*)

A. CALL TO ORDER

1. Pledge of Allegiance.
Moment of Reflection.
2. Roll Call and Acknowledgment of Guests.
3. Approval of Agenda.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

C. HEARINGS

None.

D. CLOSED SESSION

None.

E. PRELIMINARY

1. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of May 8, 2009.
2. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of May 26, 2009.

F. CORRESPONDENCE

(Correspondence addressed specifically to the Ventura County Board of Education. Correspondence addressed to individual Board members will be delivered/mailed to them directly.)

1. Ventura County Office of Education response to 2008-09 Grand Jury Report.

G. PRESIDENT’S AND BOARD MEMBERS’ REPORTS

(Reports by Board members regarding their individual activities affecting the Office pursuant to Govt. Code Sec. 54954.2(a)).

1. Upcoming Events
CSBA Annual Conference..... December 3-5, San Diego

H. SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

(The Superintendent will report on the activities of the Office and/or other pertinent issues in education.)

I. LEGISLATIVE REPORT

(Board Members, the Superintendent, and staff, may discuss current legislation of particular interest to the Ventura County schools.)

J. CONSENT/ACTION

1. Travel Expense Claim
Administration recommends the Board approve the Superintendent’s Travel Expense Claims for May 2009.
2. Temporary County Certificates
Administration recommends the Board approve 30 Temporary Certificates issued by the County.
3. 2009-10 Consolidated Application for Funding Categorical Programs, Part I
Part I of the Consolidated Application lists the sources of categorical funding that Ventura County Office of Education schools will use to provide programs and services to its students in 2009-10. Upon approval, the Consolidated Application will be submitted electronically to the California State Department of Education.

K. PRESENTATIONS

None.

L. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION/ACTION

1. Public Hearing and Approval of the 2009-10 County Schools Service Fund Budget Including the Review of the Criteria and Standards – ACTION (10 minutes)
 - a. PUBLIC HEARING on the 2009-10 County Schools Service Fund Budget and the receipt of flexible California State Categorical Program Funding.
 - b. Adoption of the 2009-10 County Schools Service Fund Budget including the receipt of flexible California State Categorical Program Funding and the review of the Criteria and Standards for the Ventura County Schools Service Fund.

Administration recommends the Board adopt the 2009-10 County Schools Service Fund Budget including the receipt of flexible California State Categorical Program Funding and the review of the Criteria and Standards for the Ventura County Schools Service Fund.

2. Response to Ventura County 2008-2009 Grand Jury Report – DISCUSSION/ ACTION (20 minutes)

On May 13, 2009, the Ventura County Grand Jury sent its annual report titled “School District Administration: Is the Cost Too High?” to the County Board of Education President. Penal Code 933(c) requires that the Board respond to the report’s recommendations within 60 days of submittal of this report. It is recommended that the Board discuss and draft a response to be sent to the Ventura County Grand Jury by July 13, 2009.
3. Ventura County Plan for Expelled Pupils, Triennial Update, June 2009 – INFORMATION/ ACTION (10 minutes)

The Ventura County Plan for Expelled Pupils is on file in the Administration Department. Education Code Section 48926 provides that each County Superintendent of Schools, in conjunction with district superintendents in the county, shall submit to the Superintendent of Public Instruction a triennial update to the county plan first developed in 1997. The plan delineates the existing school district and county office educational alternatives available to expelled pupils in Ventura County. Administration recommends the Board adopt the Triennial Update to the Ventura County Plan for Expelled Pupils as submitted.

4. Post Retirement Benefits, Updated Report of Assets and Unfunded Liability – INFORMATION (5 minutes)
The Ventura County Office of Education provides healthcare benefits to a closed group of retirees. Coverage is provided for the retiree and eligible dependents for the retiree's lifetime. All costs are paid by VCOE. In accordance with Education Code 41240, and recently enacted GASB45, an updated Certification of Reserve Funds for Retiree Health Benefits is provided for the Board's information.
5. Approval of Resolution No. 09-02, District Representative for Facilities Applications – INFORMATION / ACTION (5 minutes)
Resolution No. 09-02, District Representative for Facilities Applications, is submitted for Board review and approval. The Office of Public School Construction (OPSC) requires that the representative designated to sign School Facilities Program applications be authorized by the Governing Board. At this time, the representative needs to be updated to Mr. Ken Prosser, Associate Superintendent, Fiscal and Administrative Services. Administration recommends approval of Resolution 09-02, Representative for Facilities Applications.
6. Resolution No. 09-03 in Support of AB8, Brownley – DISCUSSION / ACTION (10 minutes)
The Board will discuss Resolution No. 09-03, in support of Assembly Bill 8 (Brownley). This bill would add Section 41054 to the Education Code, relating to education finance. This bill would require the Director of Finance and the Legislative Analyst to convene a working group to make findings and recommendations to the Legislature and the Governor on or before December 1, 2010, regarding restructuring California's school finance system. The bill would require those findings and recommendations to include, among other things, alternative structures for funding public schools, the policy and fiscal implications of the alternative funding structure or structures, and an evaluation mechanism to facilitate continuous improvement, maximum transparency, and accountability of the funding structures. Action of the Board to be determined.
7. Preparation for June 27th Special Meeting with Local School District Governing Board Representatives – DISCUSSION / INFORMATION (15 minutes)
The Board will discuss the upcoming meeting with local school district Governing Board representatives. It is anticipated that the Board will review the format for this meeting.

M. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

(Government Code Section 54954.2(a) states: "No action or discussion shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except that members of a legislative body or its staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their public testimony rights under Section 54954.3. In addition, on their own initiative or in response to questions posed by the public a member of a legislative body or its staff may ask a question for clarification, make a brief announcement, or make a brief report on his or her own activities. Furthermore, a member of a legislative body, or the body itself, subject to rules or procedures of the legislative body, may provide a reference to staff or other resources for factual information, request staff to report back to the body at a subsequent meeting concerning any matter, or take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda.")

N. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

(Per Board Policy 9320, the Superintendent [as Ex-Officio Secretary of the Board], in conjunction with the Board President, shall prepare the Agenda for each regular and special meeting of the Board. Board members may request items be placed on the agenda by notifying the Superintendent of the request at least 12 days prior to the date of the next scheduled meeting. The Superintendent and the Board President shall review the requested agenda items and determine the items to be placed on the agenda. Any requested agenda item not placed on the agenda by the Superintendent and Board President may be brought to the next Board meeting. The majority vote of the Board shall determine if the item will be placed on a future agenda.)

- 1. Development of Board Mission Statement (TBD).

O. FUTURE MEETINGS

Date: **Saturday, June 27, 2009**
Time: **9:00 – 11:00 a.m.**
Location: 5100 Adolfo Road, Board Room, Camarillo
Purpose: SPECIAL Meeting of the Board

Date: Friday, July 10, 2009
Time: 8:00 a.m.
Location: 5100 Adolfo Road, Board Room, Camarillo
Purpose: Regular Meeting of the Board

Date: Monday, July 27, 2009
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: 5100 Adolfo Road, Board Room, Camarillo
Purpose: Regular Meeting of the Board

Date: Friday, August 14, 2009
Time: 8:00 a.m.
Location: 5100 Adolfo Road, Board Room, Camarillo
Purpose: Regular Meeting of the Board

Date: Monday, August 24, 2009
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: 5100 Adolfo Road, Board Room, Camarillo
Purpose: Regular Meeting of the Board

P. ADJOURNMENT

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1. Conejo Valley Unified School District, 1400 E. Janss Road, Thousand Oaks
2. Ojai Unified School District, 414 E. Ojai Avenue, Ojai
3. Oxnard School District, 1051 S. A Street, Oxnard
4. Santa Paula School District, 201 S. Steckel Drive, Santa Paula
5. Simi Valley Unified School District, 875 E. Cochran Street, Simi Valley
6. Ventura Unified School District, 255 West Stanley Avenue, Ventura

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