



# CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**SPECIAL MEETING  
APRIL 27, 2011**

**SANTA BARBARA SCHOOL DISTRICTS ADMINISTRATION CENTER  
720 SANTA BARBARA STREET**

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## **JOINT CITY COUNCIL AND SANTA BARBARA BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING (150.05)**

### **1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

Santa Barbara Board of Education President Annette Cordero called the joint meeting of the City Council and the Board to order at 1:45 p.m.

Councilmembers present: Dale Francisco, Frank Hotchkiss, Grant House, Randy Rowse, Michael Self, Bendy White, Mayor Helene Schneider.

Councilmembers absent: None.

Staff present: City Administrator James L. Armstrong, City Attorney Stephen P. Wiley.

Board Members present: Susan Deacon, H. Edward Heron, Monique Limón, Kate Parker, President Cordero.

Board Members absent: None.

Staff present: Superintendent J. Brian Sarvis.

### **2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Board President Cordero.

### **3. Spanish Translation/Traducción en Español and Headsets for Hearing Impaired**

Alma Flores stated she was available for Spanish translation.

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#### **4. Presentation - Students**

Speakers:

Santa Barbara School Districts: Roosevelt Elementary School Principal Dr. Ronzone, Superintendent Brian Sarvis.

Discussion:

Staff spoke about the Elementary School Music Program. Roosevelt Elementary School 4th graders performed the songs "Old MacDonald had a Farm" and "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star" for the Board and Council.

#### **5. Public Comments**

Speakers: Kate Smith.

#### **6. Statement of Purpose for Joint Meeting**

Board President Cordero stated that the purpose of the joint meetings of the Board and the City Council are to improve communication, and to expand collaborative programs and the sharing of facilities to better serve the community. Mayor Schneider added that it's a great opportunity for both agencies to work together on goals pertaining to the children of City residents.

#### **Agenda Item Nos. 7 - 13**

Board President Cordero stated that Agenda Item Nos. 7 - 13 are based on written reports and asked if anyone had questions regarding these items. Questions were asked regarding Item Nos. 9 and 13.

#### **7. Update on Joint City/School District Programs and Agreements**

Documents:

April 27, 2011, written report prepared by Sarah Hanna, City Recreation Programs Manager, and David Hetyonk, School Districts' Director of Facilities and Operations, on behalf of the Joint Use Committee, regarding the following subjects:

- Field Scheduling and Monitoring
- Field Maintenance
- Afterschool Programs
- Ranger Program

**8. Report on Renewal of the Agreement for Joint Use, Programming, Maintenance, and Development**

Documents:

April 27, 2011, written report prepared by Sarah Hanna, City Recreation Programs Manager, and David Hetyonk, School Districts' Director of Facilities and Operations.

**9. Update on the Status of School Resource Officer at Santa Barbara High School**

Documents:

April 27, 2011, written report prepared by Frank Mannix, Deputy Police Chief.

Speakers:

- City of Santa Barbara Staff: City Administrator James Armstrong.
- Member of the Public: Kate Smith.

**10. Report on School Districts and City Collaboration on Foodscraps and Recycling**

Documents:

April 27, 2011, written report prepared by Matt Fore, City Environmental Services Manager, and Brian Tanguay, School Districts' Purchasing Coordinator.

**11. Parcel Tax**

Documents:

April 27, 2011, written report prepared by Barbara Keyani, School Districts' Coordinator of Administrative Services and Communication.

**12. Report of Measure Q2010 and Measure R2010 Projects**

Documents:

April 27, 2011, written report prepared by David Hetyonk, School Districts' Director of Facilities and Operations.

### **13. Update on Twelve 35 Teen Center**

Documents:

April 23, 2011, written report prepared by Edward Szeyller, Executive Director of the Santa Barbara Police Activities League (PAL), on the status of the Twelve35 Teen Center.

Speakers:

- Santa Barbara Police Activities League: Edward Szeyller, Executive Director.
- Member of the Public: Kate Smith.

### **14. Presentation on Response to State Budget Crisis and Economic Crisis**

Documents:

April 23, 2011, PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by City Finance Director Robert Samario.

Speakers:

- Santa Barbara School Districts Staff: Deputy Superintendent Eric Smith, Superintendent J. Brian Sarvis.
- City of Santa Barbara Staff: Finance Director Robert Samario.

Discussion:

School Districts Staff discussed the Districts' structural deficit and spoke about Governor Brown's proposed budget, which is based on the extension of temporary taxes that are set to expire on June 30, 2011. He also discussed the Districts' historical budget cuts and reserves, and presented a summary of the 2010-2011 budget cuts. City Staff presented the City's proposed Fiscal Year 2012 budget for the General Fund, including key revenues by category and expenditures by Department. Staff also spoke about how the City proposes to balance the budget, and its long-term strategy and challenges. Council and Board members' questions were answered.

### **15. Report on Career-Technical Programs**

Documents:

April 23, 2011, written report on Career-Technical Programs prepared by Cynthia White, Ph.D., Director of Curriculum and Categoricals.

Speakers:

Santa Barbara School Districts Staff: Cynthia White, Ph.D., Career Technical Education Pathways; Marcene Newman, Director of the Health Academy.

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**15. (Cont'd)**

Discussion:

Staff spoke about the Districts' Career Technical Education Pathways program, and provided more detail about the Transportation Pathway. Staff also provided an update on the Health Academy. Council and Board members made comments, and their questions were answered.

**16. Update on Gang Prevention and Intervention**

Speakers:

- City of Santa Barbara Staff: City Administrator James L. Armstrong.
- South Coast Task Force on Youth Gangs: Dr. Gus Frias.
- School Board Districts Staff: John Becchio, Santa Barbara Junior High School; Mark Fidel and Tammy Hogan, CORE Program at Santa Barbara Junior High School.

Discussion:

City Staff spoke about the City's leadership role on the issue of gang violence and the collaboration between the education community, county schools, law enforcement, probation, and nonprofit groups. He also spoke about Cal GRIP Grants and funding for various efforts, including the ability to hire a full-time coordinator. Dr. Frias spoke about a recent meeting where approximately 100 participants gathered to discuss State-required school safety plans, gang prevention and intervention. School Board Staff spoke about the CORE Program, played a video presentation, and talked about a 10th grade student who just made the Dean's honor list at his high school.

**17. Update on the Search for a New Superintendent**

Discussion:

Board President Cordero and Board Vice-President Deacon spoke about the process to hire a new superintendent, including the hiring of a consulting firm. The firm conducted a series of meetings with a broad variety of people to provide input on what characteristics the new superintendent should have. The Board used the information to prepare its list of desired characteristics, which has been posted to the School Board's website. The application period will close on April 30, and on May 21, the Board will meet to select five or six candidates who will be invited for an interview. The interviews will take place on May 25 and May 26, and the Board hopes to have a final decision by mid-June.

**18. Additional Matters for Placement on a Future Agenda**

Discussion:

Mayor Schneider suggested inviting Santa Barbara Partners in Education Executive Director Ben Romo and Development and Membership Director Michelle Magnusson to make a presentation about volunteer coordination. Councilmember House said he enjoyed being exposed to the various enrichment opportunities and would like to continue having these types of items on the agenda. Board Vice-President Deacon mentioned that the Santa Barbara Education Foundation is another group that plays a large role in helping our schools, and that Dr. Brian Sarvis and Dr. Virgil Elings are the recipients of its 2011 HOPE Awards, which will be given on May 14.

The Board of Education meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Schneider adjourned the meeting at 3:45 p.m.

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