

BOARD NOTES

Board of Education Regular Meeting – Thurs., Dec. 15, 2016

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Upcoming board meetings in January:

- Thurs., Jan. 19, 2017, 5:30pm (regular meeting @ district office)
- Tues., Jan. 24, 2017, 5:30pm (special meeting @ district office)

Board agendas and minutes: <http://www.smmusd.org/board/meetings.html>

The board discussed the following:

- As a subset of the math instruction presentation last month and as follow-up to a May 2016 discussion, the board examined the impact of our middle school math pathways on student enrollment and achievement. The board also discussed aspects of math instruction from Pre-K to graduation.
- The board discussed suggested changes to the policy and regulation associated with Bids (this was the second reading of this item).
- Student Services presented changes to policies and regulations regarding intradistrict open enrollment and interdistrict attendance. The board reviews these annually as staff begins to plan for accepting intradistrict and interdistrict permits for the next school year. These changes are scheduled to come back for action in January.

The board took action on the following:

- As it does every December as part of its organizational meeting, the Board of Education elected a new President and Vice President. Congratulations to Laurie Lieberman, who was reelected to serve as Board President, and Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein, who will serve as Board Vice President, until December 2017!
- The board approved the schedule of Board of Education meetings for 2017-18.
- The board approved the First Interim Report for the 2016-17 budget. Every school district is required to show evidence to its county Board of Education that it can meet its financial obligations for the remainder of the current fiscal year and for the two fiscal years after that. The First Interim Report satisfies this requirement.
- The board adopted the Excellence through Equity Action Plan for 2016-17. The plan is in response to the Equity Report prepared by Dr. Noguera last year. The plan and presentations leading up to this adoption can be found at: <http://www.smmusd.org/equity/>.
- The board adopted a resolution committing our district to the education of ALL children and the protection of the rights of undocumented students.

Special note:

- The board recognized outgoing Board President Laurie Lieberman and Board Vice President Ralph Mechur for their leadership this past year.
- The board recognized outgoing Co-Interim Superintendents King and Rousseau for their leadership these past six months during the transition between permanent superintendents.
- The board adjourned the meeting in memory of David Cline, a recent SMMUSD and UC Berkeley graduate who perished in the Oakland building fire.

Upcoming board items (schedule subject to change):

- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Celebration – *commendations/recognitions on 1/19/17*
- Enrollment Projections for 2017-18 – *study session on 1/19/17*
- Special Education Presentation – *discussion on 1/19/17*
- Adopt Resolutions Honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Fred Korematsu – *action on 1/19/17*
- 2017-18 Budget Workshop – *special meeting on 1/24/17*