

**Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District
Board of Education Meeting
SPECIAL MEETING**

February 27, 2009

A special meeting of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Board of Education was held on Friday, February 27, 2009, in the Board Room of the District Offices: 1651 16th Street, Santa Monica, CA. This was a Communications Lab with SEIU and Senior Cabinet, which a quorum of Board Members attended. The Lab took place from 10:55 a.m. to 2:19 p.m.

I CALL TO ORDER

A. Roll Call – Board of Education

Ralph Mechur	Jose Escarce – <i>excused</i>
Barry Snell	Maria Leon-Vazquez – <i>left at 11:00am, returned at 1:00pm</i>
Ben Allen	Kelly Pye
Oscar de la Torre	– <i>arrived at 11:00am</i>

II COMMUNICATIONS LAB WITH S.E.I.U.

The Communication Lab is a process that allows for dialogue among SEIU, Senior Cabinet, and Board Members regarding the issues that impact classified employees in the workplace.

No action was taken by the Board of Education. Discussion addressed improving communication between SEIU and the district, as well as considering collaborative models for future negotiations.

III PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public Comments is the time when members of the audience may address the Board of Education on items not scheduled on the meeting's agenda. All speakers are limited to three (3) minutes. When there is a large number of speakers, the Board may reduce the allotted time to two (2) minutes per speaker. The Brown Act (Government Code) states that Board members may not engage in discussion of issues raised during "III. Public Comments," except to ask clarifying questions, make a brief announcement, make a brief report on his or her own activities, or to refer the matter to staff. This Public Comment section is limited to twenty (20) minutes.


IV ADJOURNMENT

This special meeting was adjourned at 2:19 p.m. The next meeting will be a budget workshop on **Wednesday, March 4, 2009, at 6:00 p.m.** at the District Administrative Offices: 1651 16th Street, Santa Monica, CA.

Approved: 3/19/09



President



Superintendent