

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

May 14, 2012

A special meeting of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Board of Education was held on Monday, May 14, 2012, at the Professional Development Learning Center (PDLC): 2802 Fourth Street, Santa Monica, CA. The Board of Education called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. in the PDLC library. At 5:16 p.m., the Board of Education will move to Closed Session regarding the items listed below. The public meeting reconvened at 6:05 p.m. in the PDLC auditorium.

I CALL TO ORDER

A. Roll Call – Board of Education

Board of Education Members

Ben Allen – President – <i>arrived at 6:15</i>	Maria Leon-Vazquez – <i>excused absence</i>
Laurie Lieberman – Vice President	Ralph Mechur
Oscar de la Torre – <i>excused absence</i>	Nimish Patel
Jose Escarce	

Student Board Members

Brontë Burnette – Santa Monica High School – *excused absence*
Yasi Afsharnive – Malibu High School – *excused absence*
Chynna Summers – Olympic High School – *excused absence*

B. Pledge of Allegiance
Led by Mr. Patel

II CLOSED SESSION

- Public Employee, to consider appointment, employment, performance evaluation, or dismissal of employee pursuant to GC§54957, as cited in the Brown Act.

There was no action to report out of closed session.

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.

- *Michelle Wittig announced that the Anti-Defamation League's A World of Difference Institute is offering peer training to address name-calling and bullying.*


IV DISCUSSION ITEMS

D.01 School Site Presentations

V ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Dr. Escarce, seconded by Mr. Patel, and voted 5/0 (Ms. Leon-Vazquez and Mr. de la Torre were absent) to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on **Thursday, May 17, 2012**, at **6:00pm** in the District Administrative Offices: 1651 16th Street, Santa Monica, CA.

Approved: 6-7-12



President



Superintendent

DISCUSSION ITEMS

TO: BOARD OF EDUCATION
FROM: SANDRA LYON / CHIUNG-SALLY CHOU
RE: SCHOOL SITE PRESENTATIONS

DISCUSSION
05/14/12

DISCUSSION ITEM NO. D.01

This meeting will provide the Board of Education an opportunity to hear from each principal about his/her school's success, challenges, and goals for the future. The principals will make short presentations to the board members. There will be an interactive question-and-answer session following the presentations.

Board members rotated among tables, discussing with each principal his/her site's successes, challenges, and goals for next year. Board members asked follow up questions regarding specific programs/initiatives, student achievement data, professional development for teachers and principals, enrollment projections for grade levels and sites, parent involvement strategies, diverse student populations at the sites, how sites are dealing with increased budget cuts from the state, etc.

Following the discussions, Board President Allen and Superintendent Lyon thanked the Educational Services staff for organizing the workshop and the principals for sharing information about their schools.