

# BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

October 22, 2015

A **special meeting** of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Board of Education was held on **Thursday, October 22, 2015**, at Santa Monica and Olympics High School in Santa Monica, CA. The Board of Education called the meeting to order at 9:26 a.m. at Olympic High School: 1651 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Santa Monica, CA.

#### III. CALL TO ORDER

#### A. Roll Call

**Board of Education Members** 

Laurie Lieberman – President Maria Leon-Vazquez

Jose Escarce – Vice President – *absent* Ralph Mechur Craig Foster Oscar de la Torre

Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein - left at 10:30am

## B. Pledge of Allegiance

#### II. 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 "VIII. 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.

# III. SCHOOL SITE VISITS

During the fall, the superintendent will lead the Board of Education on visits to all SMMUSD schools by pathways. The purpose of these visits is to allow board members the opportunity to experience instruction time at each of our district's schools and ask questions of school and district leadership about curriculum and programs.

The schedule for this specific round of visits is as follows:

8:30am: Call meeting to order in district office lobby 9:00am-1:30pm: Visit Olympic and Santa Monica High Schools

Staff answered board members' questions regarding Measure BB projects and the instructional program at Olympic High School, curriculum at Pine Street Preschool, and the new Innovation Building and 21<sup>st</sup> Century technology at Santa Monica High School.

## IV. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Ms. Leon-Vazquez, seconded by Mr. Mechur, and voted 5/0 (Drs. Escarce and Tahvildaran-Jesswein were absent) to adjourn the meeting at 1:30 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on **Thursday, November 5, 2015**, at 5:30 p.m. in the **Malibu City Council Chambers**: 23825 Stuart Ranch Road, Malibu, CA.

President

Superintendent