

VENTURA COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board Meeting will be held at the
VCOE Conference & Educational Services Center
Board Room
5100 Adolfo Road, Camarillo
(805) 383-1900

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

AGENDA NO. 08-04

Date: February 13, 2008

(Budget Study Session)

OPEN SESSION 8:00 a.m. ±

Times are approximate and are provided for convenience only.
Open Session items may be re-ordered.

**Speaker requests will be accepted 5 minutes prior to the item coming up on the agenda.
Adjournment will be no later than 10:00 a.m. *(Unless extended by Board Action)***

A. CALL TO ORDER

1. Pledge of Allegiance.
Moment of Reflection.
2. Roll Call and Acknowledgment of Guests.
3. Approval of Agenda.

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS

(Speaker request forms will only be accepted up to 15 minutes after opening call to order.)

C. HEARINGS

None.

D. CLOSED SESSION

None.

E. PRELIMINARY

- 1. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of January 28, 2008.
- 2. Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting of January 30, 2008.

F. CORRESPONDENCE

(Correspondence addressed specifically to the Ventura County Board of Education. Correspondence addressed to individual Board members will be delivered/mailed to them directly.)

- 1. Correspondence of the Ventura County Committee on School District Organization (requested by the Board of Education): January 25, 2008 e-mail from Ken Prosser to the County Committee titled, "March Meeting" and January 31, 2008 e-mail titled, "March/April meeting date."
- 2. E-mail from Scott Wilk, Anchor Consulting, dated January 24, 2008, titled, "Monday's Agenda".
- 3. E-mail from Mary Louise Peterson, dated January 29, 2008, titled, "CCBE Action Alert: Secure Rural Schools."
- 4. E-mail from Sarah of Capitol Venture, dated January 30, 2008, titled, "VCBE 4th QTR F635."

G. PRESIDENT'S AND BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

(Reports by Board members regarding their individual activities affecting the Office pursuant to Govt. Code Sec. 54954.2(a)).

- 1. Upcoming Events
 March 7-8.....CCBE/PTA/CCSESA Spring Conference, Berkeley
 April 30 VCSBA Dinner Meeting, Salons A-B, 6:00 p.m.
 May 4ROP Car Show, 10:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
 May 28 ROP Student BBQs, 7:40 a.m., 12:50 p.m., & 3:00 p.m.

H. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

(The Superintendent will report on the activities of the Office since the previous Board meeting.)

I. LEGISLATIVE REPORT

(Board Members, the Superintendent, and staff, may discuss current legislation of particular interest to the Ventura County schools.)

J. CONSENT/ACTION

None.

K. PRESENTATIONS

None.

L. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION/ACTION

1. Re-evaluation and Possible Termination of Anchor Consulting Contract – INFORMATION / ACTION (20 minutes)
Tabled from January 28, 2008. The Board will entertain Mrs. Peterson's request to re-evaluate, modify and/or terminate the contract with Anchor Consulting. Representatives from Anchor Consulting will be in attendance to answer questions from the Board. Action to be determined by the Board.
2. Re-Evaluation and Possible Termination of Contract with Capitol Venture – INFORMATION / ACTION (20 minutes)
The Board will entertain Mrs. Peterson's request to re-evaluate, modify, and/or terminate the contract with Capitol Venture. Representatives from Capitol Venture will be in attendance to answer questions from the Board. In addition, Joe Yocca of Capitol Venture will be available on Tuesday, February 12, 2008. , Board members who wish to meet with Mr. Yocca individually should contact the office to schedule an appointment. Action to be determined by the Board.
3. Budget Study Session – INFORMATION (45 minutes)
As provided in the budget calendar, designated budgets for Fund 001 (Special Education Instruction), Fund 002 (Special Education Transportation) and Fund 003 (SELPA) are provided for the Board's review and discussion.
4. Review of Board Policy Series 9000, Board Bylaws, with Board Legal Counsel – INFORMATION / ACTION (30 minutes)
The Board will begin the review Board Policy Series 9000, Board Bylaws, including a discussion of Board Policy No. 9010, Public Statements, and how Board members are to represent the decisions of the Board once they have been made, as requested by Mr. Kunicki. Action to be determined by the Board.
5. Board Legal Counsel Statement for Services – INFORMATION (5 minutes)
The December statements for services, provided by Board Legal Counsel, John Hayashida, pertaining to the Writ of Mandamus, is attached for the Board's information and review.

M. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

(Government Code Section 54954.2(a) states: "No action or discussion shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except that members of a legislative body or its staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their public testimony rights under Section 54954.3. In addition, on their own initiative or in response to questions posed by the public a member of a legislative body or its staff may ask a question for clarification, make a brief announcement, or make a brief report on his or her own activities. Furthermore, a member of a legislative body, or the body itself, subject to rules or procedures of the legislative body, may provide a reference to staff or other resources for factual information, request staff to report back to the body at a subsequent meeting concerning any matter, or take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda.")

N. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

(Per Board Policy 9320, the Superintendent [as Ex-Officio Secretary of the Board], in conjunction with the Board President, shall prepare the Agenda for each regular and special meeting of the Board. Board members may request items be placed on the agenda by notifying the Superintendent of the request at least 12 days prior to the date of the next scheduled meeting. The Superintendent and the Board President shall review the requested agenda items and determine the items to be placed on the agenda. Any requested agenda item not placed on the agenda by the Superintendent and Board President may be brought to the next Board meeting. The majority vote of the Board shall determine if the item will be placed on a future agenda.)

1. Annual Review and Setting of Superintendent’s Salary (February 25, 2008).
2. Adoption of Standards-Aligned Social Studies and Science Textbooks for Grade K-5 Ventura County Office of Education Students (February 25, 2008).
3. Mr. Olson’s request that the Board write a letter to the State Board of Education requesting that a regulation insuring accuracy in textbooks be adopted (February 2008).
4. Board-Hosted Event for Countywide Business Owners to Highlight VCOE Regional Occupational Program, to be held at the Conference Center (requested by Mr. Kunicki, February 2008)
5. New Certificate of Appreciation. Mr. Kunicki suggested that ROP have a contest to produce a certificate (requested by Mr. Kunicki, February 2008).

O. FUTURE MEETINGS

Date: Monday, February 25, 2008
 Time: 6:00 p.m.
 Location: 5100 Adolfo Road, Board Room, Camarillo
 Purpose: Regular Meeting of the Board

Date: ***Monday, March 10, 2008 (Budget Study Session)***
Time: 8:00 a.m.
Location: 5100 Adolfo Road, Board Room, Camarillo
Purpose: Regular Meeting of the Board

Date: Monday, March 24, 2008
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: 5100 Adolfo Road, Board Room, Camarillo
Purpose: Regular Meeting of the Board

Bold, Italics denotes Modified Schedule

P. ADJOURNMENT

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1. Conejo Valley Unified School District, 1400 E. Janss Road, Thousand Oaks
2. Ojai Unified School District, 414 E. Ojai Avenue, Ojai
3. Oxnard School District, 1051 S. A Street, Oxnard
4. Santa Paula School District, 201 S. Steckel Drive, Santa Paula
5. Simi Valley Unified School District, 875 E. Cochran Street, Simi Valley
6. Ventura Unified School District, 255 West Stanley Avenue, Ventura

Copies of specific explanatory materials can be requested by contacting the office at (805) 383-1900.